

# Saint James Catholic Community

*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*July 26, 2020*

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## Pull-In-Pork Curbside Meal



**Friday, July 31 • 5:00pm - 7:30pm**  
**Just Pick Up & Go**

Meal Includes Pulled Pork Sandwich  
with all the fixings !

Baked Beans, Coleslaw, BBQ sauce, and Chips

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### **How To Buy Your Dinners**

When you enter the parking lot, you will be directed to the drive-thru lanes - please remain in your car.

Place and pay for your order from your car  
and we will deliver it to you.

**This Pull-In-Pork Meal is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.**

Proceeds will go to upgrade the video system in the church to better serve those at home watching our live-stream Mass.

The approximate cost of this equipment is \$6,500.

If you would like to offer your financial assistance to help offset the cost of this upgrade, contact Danny in the Music/Liturgy Office at [danny@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:danny@stjames-liberty.org)

### **St. James Catholic Church**

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On the web @ [www.stjames-liberty.org](http://www.stjames-liberty.org)

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/stjamesliberty/>

### **Mass Schedule:**

**Weekdays:** Monday - Friday, 8:15am

**Saturday,** 5:00pm

**Sunday,** 8:00am and 10:30am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday 4pm and Anytime by request

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## Mission Statement

We, the community of St. James, are a prayerful and Eucharistic people who treasure our Catholic traditions. We strive to grow in our faith by being good stewards of the gifts God has given us; sharing God's truth with all. As the Body of Christ, we are called to love and serve everyone, especially the marginalized, with joy and hospitality.

## Do You Know?

We woke up one morning and we found our lives turned upside down by the Pandemic, called a monster event, and it has turned out to be just that.



With the objective that the safety of all of our parishioners is our first priority, our St. James staff met and developed a plan for the facilities on our campus that would keep it simple, accentuate what we already had in place and build on it.

Our new church is capable of adapting to the Pandemic arena. It contains hard surfaces conducive to sanitizing, modern air handling systems capable of turning over the air on a regular basis, and a large sanctuary designed to seat 1,200 people that is conducive to maintaining social distancing requirements.

In our school we recently completed stripping and waxing 28,000 sq. ft. of flooring to simplify sanitizing and cleaning our classrooms and hallways.

The missing ingredient was to identify and employ someone to lead us in developing and writing cleaning protocols and implementing the training to accomplish it. We extended an offer to Ms. Suzanne Keisling and have hired her as Supervisor of Custodial Services to lead us in this effort and ensure that programs for cleaning are properly introduced and documented so that sanitizing becomes a way of life for our custodial staff. Suzanne comes with 22 years of experience in the field of cleaning, documenting and training of the processes to enable constant sanitizing.

As you can imagine, this book of knowledge is in great demand in the current environment. We are very fortunate to have her aboard; she is currently working hard to achieve these objectives. Suzanne also brings a "hands-on" style – leading by example is always the preferred course of action. People in the Quality Assurance business attest to creating a life style as a necessity to making significant change.

We have accomplished a great deal in a short time. Thanks to all who have been instrumental in this effort.

**Jim Newell, Operations Manager**

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or [crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org), if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or [chastain@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

## From the Pastor's Pen

We remember our parish patron St. James the Apostle this weekend; his feast day is July 25. The best way we are celebrating it this year is with our Knights of Columbus 'Curbside Dinner', a pull-in-pork sandwich meal with great sides next Friday, July 31!

All of the proceeds go to enhance our technology that will make our 'Live-stream Mass' of much greater quality and much easier to manage. The Live-stream Mass has been an important communication tool for people who have not been able to come to Mass each weekend. Danny Baker and Quinn Knabe do a great job making this happen every week and these technology updates will enhance the experience even more!

We've been able to live-stream so many other events so that folks and families can view many other activities such as the First Communion Masses and the Thursday Noon Concerts. What a great tool of outreach and evangelization!

We are very grateful to the K of C for their tremendous generosity in so many ways! It's hard to believe, but we already have over \$3,000 given in advance, by generous parishioners, as well as from others who view our live-stream Mass each weekend.

Unfortunately while, the pandemic hangs over us, we realize it'll be a while before all can feel comfortable in returning to church!

We congratulate our First Communicants and their families who are celebrating their reception of the Body of Christ for the first time this July. A special thanks for our new Director of Religious Education Lori Tjachman for her care of our children and their families and for the parents and families for being great 'role models' of passing on the gift of faith!

We are excited about the coming year, and the beginning of our school year at St. James, with our first day of school set for August 19th. And we are gearing up for our Fall RE program, led by Lori Tjachman, and Youth programs and the preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation led by Denise Whelan.

Needless to say, with the pandemic and COVID guidelines, it's quite an undertaking making plans to keep our children and families safe as they return!

A very special thanks to Jennifer Scanlon-Smith and her great team of faculty and staff, as well as all our Parish staff who have been putting together safe programs and guidelines. This is our commitment to our children and their families.

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## Mass Intentions

### Week of July 27 - August 2

<b>Monday</b> 8:15am	†Harriet Erwin
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:15am	†Victoria Ponce
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:15am	St. Martha †Fr Vincent Capodanno MM
<b>Thursday</b> 8:15pm	†Jim Streu
<b>Friday</b> 8:15pm	St. Ignatius of Loyola †Tony King †Bonifacio King
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00pm	St. Alphonsus Liguori †Gary Brecht †Rusty Holt
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00am	†Todd Nystrom
10:30am	††Mr. & Mrs. Will McGreer



### *From Death to New Life*

#### ***Our prayer support is with ...***

Cathi and George Svetlecic (parents) and Dennis King (brother) and their families and friends on the death of Bryan King who passed away on July 16

***May the healing hand of our Lord Jesus be felt by all who are coping with grief and missing loved ones.***



## Blood DRIVE

Tuesday, July 28

12:30 - 6:30 pm

St. James Social Hall

**DETAILS ON PAGE 6**

## Contact Info

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Sat 4pm until finished; any time requested.

### **Sacrament of Baptism:**

Baptismal Preparation Classes: Once a month  
Contact Kirsten Maggi in the parish office, ext. 202 or  
kirsten.maggi@stjames-liberty.org

**Religious Education:** For Preschool through adult spiritual development, please notify office of needs.

**New Parishioners:** Please register at the parish office.

***We Welcome You!***

**St. James School:** PS-8th grade offered.

Call the School Office, to inquire, 781-4428

**Sacrament of Marriage:** 9 months advance notice

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please call the parish office.

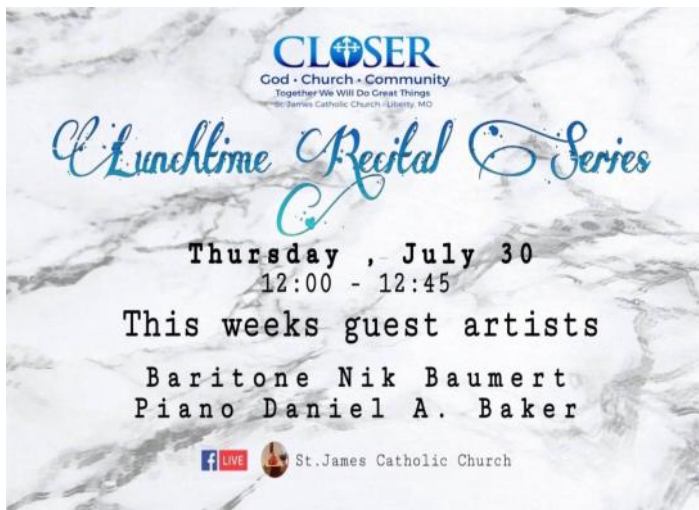
**To Schedule an event in our Parish Facility:**  
email [daryl.sweetland@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:daryl.sweetland@stjames-liberty.org)

or call Daryl in the Parish Office.

**All Bulletin articles must be submitted by Monday 12Noon to:** [bulletin@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:bulletin@stjames-liberty.org)

**LUNCHTIME RECITAL SERIES - Every Thursday**

All are invited to attend our "Lunchtime Recital Series" featuring musicians from St. James and all across the Kansas City area. These free and open to the public recitals are held in the church and live-streamed on our Facebook page.



*Someone is Watching and Wondering*



In 1939, shortly after England declared war against Germany, C.S. Lewis gave a sermon entitled *Living in War Time* at the Anglican Church in Oxford, England. He began with these words: "What does the Christian do in a world falling apart? A world like ours." As you might expect,

since the gathering was in Oxford, Lewis was speaking to his fellow academics. He continued: "Why should anyone keep studying [philosophy] when the world is in such a horrible shape. Why sit in comfort with your books when you or your friends. . .[may] die? How can you justify studying. . .when you could be fighting. . .or working. . .making fighter planes and tanks?" I think perhaps Lewis' questions apply equally to us today, if we change "making fighter planes," to working for justice and doing our part to minimize the further spread of Covid19.

I must confess reading his words about what Christians should do when it seems that the world is falling apart, hit home. Since the beginning of this pandemic there have been so many times when I have felt that the world is truly falling apart. So many people are suffering and struggling, not only with this illness but with the broader consequences to our society as a whole. People have lost jobs and income, family members and friends have died, educating our children and young adults has and will continue to change dramatically, we are asked not to gather in large, crowded groups, many have not seen extended family for months, and certainly our Mass looks very different on the surface. Hospitals and nursing homes cannot permit visitors. People are feeling anxious and depressed about the future. Yet, time passes, basic needs still require attending to, seasons continue to progress, and for many our ordinary, day to day lives continue much the same.

C. S. Lewis, however, did not leave his listeners without an answer of hope. He said: "**Keep doing what you're doing, as long as you're doing something worth doing. Do it better and do it as your service to God.**"

We are each called to serve God and part of serving God is through living as humans and doing whatever we have been called to. We follow Jesus through taking up our cross in and through our everyday, ordinary living. We must continue do what we are called to do, and we must do it to the best of our abilities. God created and honors humanity and it is in our life as humans that He meets us, sustains, comforts, loves, and leads us into loving service to one another. So do not feel little for doing what you are called to do and recognize your life and work as service to God.

Your Sister in Christ, *Sandy Gagnon*

*Our Lady of Fatima*  
*The Five First Saturdays Devotion*

**Join Us on Saturday, August 1**  
**For the 3rd of the**  
**Five First Saturdays Devotion**

**The Promise of Our Lady of Fatima**



*"I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me."*

**Confessions Heard Beginning at 5:30 am**  
**15 Decades of the Rosary Begin at 6:30 am**  
**Mass Begins at 7:15 am**

**All Are Welcome To Join Our Lady on Saturday**

*For more information on The Five First Saturday Devotions, go to [www.themostholysrosary.com](http://www.themostholysrosary.com)*



Information about Religious Education re-opening and registrations are coming soon.

**Birthdays this week: Today we celebrate all that you with God's help, have accomplished.**

Eric Adams	Jacob Lewis	Trent Worboys
Brandan Anderson	Damien Martin	Dylan Yarbrough
Ruth Anderson	Mitzi Mathews	Dawn Davis
Xavier Ayala	Colin McKay	Elijah Doering
Anna Bauer	Sean McMahon	Dylan Gormont
Amelita Boehm	Larry Mitchell	Shannon Hendrix
Timothy Book	Lincoln Mortensen	Melvin Houghton
Madelyn Boryla	Jarrett Muck	Mary Hover
Breanna Bradfield	Wesley Murdock	Patricia McLean
-Woodhead	Christine Nedeau	Brooks Ragland
Noah Branham	Kathy Norris	Cheryl Reynolds
Lily Bray	Katelyn Onka	Michael Saye
Jameson Brown	Maria Panis	Mary Swope
Mary Loy Brown	Conor Parrish	Niels Vanderheul
Caroline Bundy	Callen Prichard	Derek Wilson
Kritsada Coday	Brett Ray	Glen Ahlfield
Carol Collins	Abigail Robinson	William Carr
Deborah Costanza	Melissa Schulte	Megan Corrigan
Laverne Cropsey	Monica Scott	Marjorie Grothaus
Brent Denton	Amanda Seggerman	Grace Halter
Angela Dunn	Andrew Sorrell	Ladu Juma
Annelise Dunn	Becky Sorrell	Allison Kline
Lesa Feess	Erin Steffen	Delaney Mahon
Liam Hedrick	Charles Stimetz	Catie Montgomery
Katie Heiman	Sandra Stimetz	Cameron Phillips
Shirley Heisler	Jessica Vernickas	Steven Smith
Mary Holm	Brandon Werth	Maximus
Jackson Igoe	Rowan White	Tebbenkamp
Dennis King	Ronald Willis	Brandon Wooten

### **Pastor's Pen - continued from page 3**

If you are thinking about a great school for your children, consider St. James School. We are proud of our rich tradition of providing quality Catholic education for over 65 years here at St. James.

Lastly, a very special THANK YOU to all who support our HOPE program. With so much changed in this time of surviving the pandemic we have lots of loyal folks who have continued to purchase HOPE cards by calling the parish office or ordering online. We are so grateful to all who are so supportive, but also to all the volunteers that make this programs so successful!

St. James is a wonderful parish community that continues the good work that God has begun among us!

Fr. Michael and I are blessed to serve here and we are so grateful for all your support as we slowly open our Church and its facilities, always keeping in mind the safety and health of our parish families!

God's continued Blessings & Peace to all,

Fr. Mike

## **We Pray to our Lord Jesus for healing**

Pat Vertovec	Jamie Martin	Trivino Family
Michael Ruiz	Stivers Family	Jacke & Enike Hayes
Jolynn Distasio	Deacon Bud	Jeanette and Roberta Casel
Kathy Peters	Jackson Erwin	Catherine Finley
Helen	Pat Carey & Family	Loren Wolken
Pete Gardner	Gavin McKenna	Carla George
Dan Habiger	James Fulton	Sue McKnight
George Katzer	Helen Szczech	Kyle Sellmeyer
Mauricia O'Brien	Angie Parnacott	Margarita Mendoza Family
Carol O'Brien	Eddie Campbell	Bob Hedrick
Janet Ward & Jeff	Joe Witherow, Jr.	Marie Brancato
Julie Miller	Ricky Gisi, Jr.	Rich Curasi
James Filippe	Adam McCray	Tricia Kauffman
Alicia Paredes	Melissa Andrasik	Bob Roach
Mike Mall	Randi Arness	John Brocato
Bob Pezman	Tom Biggs	Barbara (Roach) Still
Jack & Sue Schwarz	Diana Marchisio	Debbie Pickett
George Polsdofer	Wilfredo Crespo, Jr.	Kathleen Haines
Patty Larson	Sandra Hensley	John Phannenstiel
Denise W.	Rachelle Pomfrey	Mike Sheeley
David Roach	Ron & Peggy Pettz	Rick George
Marina	Paul Gossett	Saree Morely
James Gubera	Julie Rush	Christy Mock
Tina Helm	John & Susan Kelly Corsione	John Findlay
Hazel Lewis	Tony & Jo's Family	Duane Sander
Dan Tomc	Colleen Kearney	Mattie Mae Weaver
Laurie Beach	Walter Ruby	Troy Cronkite
Rachel Johnson	Lynn & Monica Nelson	June Bender
Wanda Finnigan	Ricky Deese	Matt Biskup Family
Gerilyn Hosticka	Michael Amos	Kim Lackey
Beth Atwater	Alice Hosticka	Pam Fink
David Butel & Family	Hannah Taylor	John Nausea
Eric Cummings	Carol Rakoczy	Bill Roach, Jr.
Ciara Davis	Ellen Wentz	Jacob & Dana Lansford
Pat Neibergall-Timm	Rodriguez Family	Roberta McCallum
Brian Akers	Ralph & Jan Peters	Keith Newman
Janice Brimer	Scott Neibergall	Gary Andrew Reese
Audria Martin	Bob Leonardo	Emma Shay
Jose Torres	Margo Eastland	Joseph Greenwald
Erma Brecht	Adalina Simmons	Sam Porter
Dan & Bibi Chadwick	Margie Myers	Mary Alice Worth
Pat Aten	Jean and Richard Jackson	Amy Villarreal
John Vrocatto	Steve Decker	Lori and Sam Dale
John Barrington	Linda Smith	Mary Kaye Masnado
Donnie Smith	Pamela & James Anderson	Louie & Carole Bussjaeger
Eddie & Teresa Rogers	Travis Shay	John Amaro
Philip Pernice	Barbara Meigs	Randy Baumert
Don Taylor	Tony and Tet So	Jackie Plack Pelling
Leo Oberfoel	Travis and Sarah Shay	Kennedy Noel Holcumbink
Kai Bennett	Julie Sildeck	Rita Lowe / Megan
Jacob McKay	Stan Carver	Tony V. Sr.
Nick Peters	The Curiel Family	Deric DeMasi
Dwain Jones	Reba and Debra Sutlief	Sarah Rupp
Joanna Mooney	Alice Rusch	Chris Alvey
Desmond Arciga-Quenga	Hanna Carver	Carol Yeager Laplant
Colette	Jeff Richardson, Sr.	Patrick O'Neill
Kathleen Amos	Monica Barrington	John McMahan
Frances Parker	Anna Jackson	Eddie Ansalmo
Michelle Bacus	Kari and Jesse Rainey	Les VanBibber
Gabrielle	Louise Andrasik	Maria Giannelli
Brian Glaser	Barbara Fortier	Kenadee Gallagher
Baby Brooke	Barb Schwery	Shawn Adkins
Helen Finn	Nichole Stewart	Jason Robinson
Anna Kain	Doug Schuster	Leah Biskup Coady
Mark Schweitzer	Adolph Barringhaus	Olivia Hernandez
Jennifer Goens	Kelly Gentrup	Darleen Farnan Kenny
Lucy Arthur	Denny Farrell	Laura Ann DiGiovanna
Fr. Joe Miller	Nancy Carr	Robert Doleshal
Bill Kirwan	The Hollomon Family	Jersey & James Hicks

**Please notify us to remove your name from our prayer lists when it is time.**

In respect of HIPAA we will add names to the prayer list only by request of the person or immediate family.



**ROYALS BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. JAMES - Tuesday, July 28 from 12:30pm to 6:30pm**

Community Blood Center will be here on Tuesday, July 28 from 12:30-6:30pm in the Social Hall for our next blood drive. Donate blood and get a Royals t-shirt or Royals rally towel - redeemable online after the drive.

Because of capacity restrictions, appointments are preferred, and walk-ins will only be permitted if space is available. All donors will be required to wear a mask. If you are not feeling well, you are encouraged to stay home and donate at a time when you are feeling better.

The staff will be screened and will also wear masks.

Book your appointment at [savealifenow.org/group](http://savealifenow.org/group) using group code: **ES** or contact Nikki at 816-407-1208 or [kpower@kc.rr.com](mailto:kpower@kc.rr.com). For medical eligibility questions, call 1-800-688-0900. We apologize for the inconvenience, but childcare will not be available at this time.

Thank you in advance for supporting the Community Blood Center's efforts to save lives by attending this drive

St. James Catholic Parish Community presents the 2020

# Color Run

Saturday, August 29th!  
8:00-11:00 AM

Held in conjunction with the **St. James Holy Smoke BBQ!**

Share the good news about St. James Catholic Parish with friends and family! All are welcome to join us for the First Annual Color Run Event that will bring our parish community together for an exciting fundraiser!

All ages are welcome to join us for an untimed 2 mile Run/Walk!

**\$15 Registration fee per person**  
or  
**\$50 per family (great deal)**

Registration deadline - August 14th!

Registration forms may be found on the St. James Parish and School websites.  
Proceeds will be used to create shaded outdoor gathering spaces for our parish community, as well make our facility safe and clean for the coming year.

# 10th Annual Holy Smoke BBQ Contest

August 28-29, 2020 Bigger and better than ever!



Mark your calendar!! This year's 10th Annual Holy Smoke BBQ Contest will be held on the St. James Campus on August 28-29. Registration is now open for BBQ teams!

We are also currently looking for participants from the parish in the following areas: advertising/sponsorship, entertainment, BBQ judges, and vendors. If you have a business of any kind, we would like for you to be involved!

Please also check out our website at [www.holysmokebbqcontest.com](http://www.holysmokebbqcontest.com).

It should have all the information and forms you will need.

You may also email Troy Sheeley at [troy.sheeley@gmail.com](mailto:troy.sheeley@gmail.com) or call 816-679-0425 for more information.

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