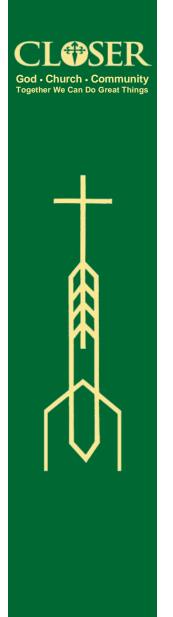
Saint James Catholic Community

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 11, 2020



This is the Lord for whom we looked: Let us rejoice and be glad That he has saved us!" For the hand of the Lord Will rest on this mountain. Isaiah 25:9-10



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 every-

one, especially the marginalized, with joy and hospitality.



Beginning next weekend, October 17/18, paper bulletins will again be available at all Masses. The bulletins will be available on the tables in the Gathering Space for you to pick up.

We will continue to provide electronic copies of the bulletin on our St. James website and Facebook page.



The 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal kickoff kicks off this weekend. Due to Covid restrictions donation envelopes will not be available in the pews.

Letters have been mailed to all parishioners explaining how to make your donation. Our diocese has a page on their website where you can view and listen to a message from Bishop Johnston about how your donation can make a difference.

To visit the webpage go to:

https://kcsjcatholic.org/office/stewardship-and-development/ annual-catholic-appeal/

Donations can also be made on line from this website.

Your gift helps support more than 30 ministries along with administrative support for both parishes and the Diocese.

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, 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* for more information.

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From the Pastor's Pen

Here in our country in the past couple years, there has been much discussion about diversity: ethnic, cultural, racial, and religious. We have rightly recognized the dignity of each person as a child of God, of God, or at least as a human being, deserving of just treatment. In the light of such recognition, attempts have been made to remove any sign or image of persons or institutions which appear to violate human dignity or discriminate. In particular, statues of persons who have promoted discrimination are being taken down, either officially or unofficially.

Of course such actions often bring great controversy. We are all probably familiar with the issues in Kansas City: the legacy of J. C. Nichols and the arguments of the Native American images for the Kansas City Chiefs. One of the questions on the national level is the legacy of the European colonizers and their treatment of the indigenous peoples. This week we Americans are celebrating the holiday named after Christopher Columbus. Born in 1451 in Italy, he was commissioned by the royalty of Spain to find a passageway across the ocean to the Far East. Along with his crew, he is credited with the discovery of the Americas in 1492, although historians agree that the Vikings made an earlier passage to northern Canada.

The big issue is how Columbus and the crew treated the indigenous peoples in the territories they discovered. A more thorough study of history has revealed evidence of abuse, violence and slavery of the native peoples, as well as their forced conversion to Christianity.As a result, many have opposed the holiday and all that it represents, wanting the change the name or eliminate it altogether. Statues of Columbus had been pulled down or removed.

How should we respond to these recent controversies? On the one hand we can admire and applaud the courage and dedication of Columbus and the crew. Yet, we must call out and condemn actions toward the native Americans and the violations of their rights and dignity. But it is not our role to be the judge of the conscience of Columbus. He was a man of his times, a man who lived in a different age with different outlooks. We let God the judge of his person, his motives, and his faith.

No matter what, we join in support of the God-given dignity and sacredness of each person, while sometime needing to condemn certain actions.

Know that my prayers are with you each day. Fr. Michael

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!

Mass Intentions

| Week of October 12 - October 18 | | |
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| Monday 8:15am | +Sylvester Ginther+Ricardo & Adelaida Rosin | |
| Tuesday 8:15am | Gentry Thomason's Special Intentions† | |
| Wednesday 8:15am | +Donna McNeal | |
| Thursday 8:15am | <i>St. Teresa</i> + Jim Streu | |
| Friday 8:15am | Louis and Jody Wohletz on their 54th Anniversary | |
| Saturday 5:00pm | <i>St. Ignatius</i> † George Dixon † Pat Clark | |
| Sunday 8:00am 10:30am | +Brian King and Family +Pat McGreer Lynn and Richard Driggers on their 40th Anniversary | |



Our prayer support is with

Ryal and Theresa Brier and their family and friends on the death of Ryal's mother Sandra Brier who passed away on September 30.

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

Thank You For Wearing Your Mask At All Times Please Wear Your Mask At All Times In Our Building As A Sign Of

As A Sign Of Your Respect And Care For Those Around You



Contact Info 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 or call Daryl in the Parish Office.

All Bulletin articles must be submitted by Monday 12Noon to: bulletin@stjames-liberty.org

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Walking With Purpose Bible Study for Women



Do you feel pulled in many directions? Do you find it hard to balance the demands placed on your time? Is it difficult to manage all the details thrown your way? God wants to support and help us so that we can be our best in every season of our lives.

Come along on a journey throughout Scripture as we discover the relevance of Old and New Testament wisdom to our daily challenges. In this 22lesson study, we'll explore Biblical ideas for managing life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness. Your lifestyle of health and holiness awaits.

Meeting in person or zoom Thursday nights Starting October 15: 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. To register, or for more information, Call or Text: Karen Ridder: 816-379-1800 or karenridder@outlook.com

September Blood Drive Results

On September 22, St. James hosted a Community Blood Center blood drive and welcomed 87 donors. At the end of the day, the CBC collected 83 units of blood to distribute to local patients.

Thank you, donors, for donning your masks, rolling up your sleeves, and helping neighbors in our community. Your generosity gives hope to patients and their families, especially during this time of uncertainty. You may never know the individuals you are helping, but rest assured, you are making a huge impact on many lives!

We would also like to thank Zaxby's for partnering with CBC by donating food coupons to our donors. Community support, such as theirs, is important for encouraging people to donate and make a difference. If you have a business or work for a company that would like to participate as a sponsor for our future drives, please contact Nikki at 816-407-1208 or *kpower@kc.rr.com*.

Mark your calendars for our final drive of the year on Tuesday, November 24, 2020. Be sure to schedule your appointment with Nikki using the information above or by going online to

www.savealifenow.org/group. Use group code 'ES'.

On behalf of the CBC, thank you for supporting the blood drives here at St. James!

Someone is Watching and Wondering



The second of the Vatican II documents that I want to reflect on is *Lumen Gentium* – The Dogmatic Constitution on the Church. The literal translation of *Lumen Gentium* as you might

guess is light of nations or less literal, people of light. As Christians we understand light in terms of Jesus the light to the world; Jesus, the one who lead us out of the darkness of sin into the light of the Reign of God. The first words for the introduction to Lumen Gentium are, therefore, reasonably understood as "Christ is the Light of the world." The introduction states that the Church is in Christ. . .a sacrament of Christ. . .a deep mystery. . .a sign and instrument of intimate union with God and of total union among humans. Fr. Michael Himes frequently asserts that whenever the word "and" is used in the Bible, Church writings, or theology studies that we should look to what follows "and" to grasp the rich meaning of the statement/text. I think this is an accurate appraisal of the last phrase above: [Church is] "a sign of intimate union with God and of total unity among humans" as a beautiful and complete definition of church in the Christian tradition.

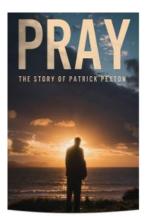
As Church, we the people of God, are called to an intimate union with the Father, through the Son, strengthened by the Holy Spirit. Certainly that is obvious to most of us and we understand that we grow in this intimate union by placing God first and at the center of our lives. The second part, however, may become muddled as we go about our day to day living. What must we do to achieve unity with one another when there is so much division and conflict in our world? I certainly do not have a complete answer to this question but I believe that God leads each of us, through our abilities, talents, and treasures, to live in humble gratitude and service. There are so many ways to serve our brothers and sisters. One that has become very evident to me is the ability and desire to listen; listening with compassion and empathy rather than always trying to have my voice heard and forcing my thoughts and opinions on others. Listening to experts who provide information for my well being, listening to spiritual advisors who offer guidance, and listening to those in need and answering their needs not mine. We, the people of God are the Church, in intimate union with God and striving for human unity. As Christians we are called to use all that God provides, compassionately and wisely for the common good, not simply for ourselves or selfish self-interest, but for the Kingdom. Jesus is our Light, the Light to all nations, and all people. Our mission is to share His light with one another.

Your Sister in Christ, Sandy Gagnon

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Enjoy "St. James Night at B&B" on Monday, October 12th at 7:00 PM featuring on the Grand Screen PRAY: The Story of Patrick Peyton



Attend this showing of a very family-friendly movie with the rest of the St James gang!

You can purchase advanced tickets at: www.bbtheatres.com

Adult Reserved Seating: \$12.19 Child Reserved Seating: \$8.99 Senior Reserved Seating: \$10.19



Sponsored by the St. James Respect Life Group

We're Having A Baby Shower for Love INC. October 23, 24, 25

Love INC is in need of baby items to help restock their Care Pantry.

Items Requested

Baby Wipes Baby Ointment and Baby Lotion Baby Soap Baby Shampoo

NO DIAPERS PLEASE

Where To Drop Off Your Donations

Friday, October 23

Drop them off when you pick up your Burrito Meal at the Knights of Columbus curbside meal event.

Saturday/Sunday, October 24/25

Drop off before or after one of the weekend Masses at the vehicle with the Respect Life/Love Inc signs parked between the church and the school.

Pull Up Burrito Meal October 23 from 5:00 - 7:00pm Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

If you thought the Knight's Pulled Pork meals were terrific, you won't be able to stop raving about this Burrito meal.

Not only will it be nothing short of the tastiest Burrito you've ever eaten, it may well be a "religious experience"!



Dinners are \$10 each – please pay with cash (exact amount only), check, or credit card.

Just come to St. James on Friday, October between 5:00pm and 7:00pm and pick up your meal that includes a Chicken Burrito, Salsa, and Chips.

DRIVE THROUGH INSTRUCTIONS

No need to call in your order. Just enter the parking lot at the South entrance. You will be directed where to pull-up.

Stay in your car, order and pay for your meal. Your food will be brought to you.

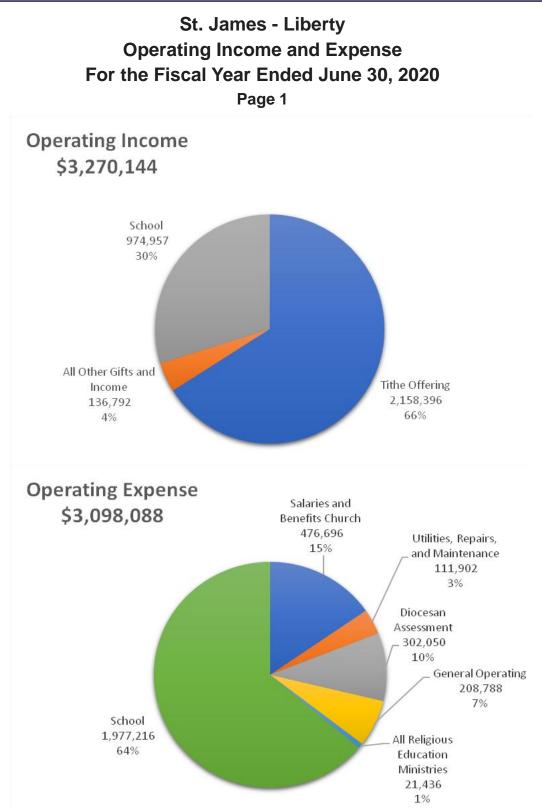
We're looking forward to seeing you there .. Gracias!!



At Girl Scouts, girls (Kindergarten–12th grades) will unleash their **imagination**, make **new friends**, grow in **confidence** and learn **new skills** that will help them in and out of the classroom.

Get started today!

gsksmo.org/newmember



The Parish Finance Council functions as an advisor to our pastor, Father Mike. We want to say Thank You for a wonderful year despite the obstacles we have dealt with and that continue to challenge us. As we navigate the path before us, meeting our financial obligations is our directive. We are very proud of the fiscal responsibility we have established as a parish, and we thank you for your commitment to keeping us on this path.

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The new church mortgage is not included in the above operating results, because those funds are treated as capital funds and held in reserve accounts that are segregated from the operating accounts. Nonetheless, the capital funds and related mortgage for the new church represent significant elements of our overall financial operation. Key elements of the new church capital accounts are summarized below:

| Total amount borrowed | \$5,535,430.61 |
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| Loan Principal repaid in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 | \$1,327,788.56 |
| Loan balance as of June 30, 2020 | \$4,207,642.05 |

Please contact Katie in the parish office for further details on the numbers, questions, or concerns. She may be reached at Katie@stjames-Liberty.org or 816-781-4343 x220

Walt Holt

Brenda DePalma

Dean Fullinwider

Brady Kelley

Chuck Koesterer

We Pray to our Lord Jesus for healing

Gene Stephani John Davis Leonard Studer Lou Angles Ross Landuyt Arsenio "R.C" Arciga Janet Walker Rory Elliott **Brieanna Shay** Craig Casel Family Fr. Joe Miller John Murphy Frances Mentch Todd Higgins Larry & Bea Farnan Marvin Weishaar Walter Swanson Jim Whisnant Nikki Ron Shinkle Pat Vertovec Michael Ruiz Jolynn Distasio Kathy Peters Pete Gardner Dan Habiger George Katzer Mauricia O'Brien Carol O'Brien Janet Ward & Jeff Julie Miller James Filippe Alicia Paredes Mike Mall

Bob Pezlman Jack & Sue Schwarz George Polsdofer Patty Larson David Roach Marina James Gubera Tina Helm Hazel Lewis Dan Tomc Laurie Beach Rachel Johnson Wanda Finnigan Geralvn Hosticka Beth Atwater David Butel & Family Eric Cummings Ciara Davis Pat Neibergall-Timm Brian Akers Janice Brimer Audria Martin Jose Torres Erma Brecht Dan & Bibi Chadwick Pat Aten John Vrocato John Barrington Donnie Smith Eddie & Teresa Rogers Philip Pernice Don Taylor Leo Oberfoel Kai Bennett Nick Peters

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We Live-stream Our Sunday 8:00am Mass on Facebook Live

> Video available later on our website and YouTube Channel.

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

Emma Barry Danielle Bergeron Phillip Carson Wilberto Castillo Madeline DeWet Christopher Garcia Mary Gastner Graham Henderson Alison Iske David Klein Leann McDowell Andrew Reardon Lawrence Venneman Mary Worth Megan Bray Edward Busch **Richard Gisi** Justin Kelly Zachary Mattingly Alan McMahon Sarah Rader Mary Schuster Michael Tamburelli Lolita Watkins

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October is Respect Life Month

Respecting All Life As A Gift From

Frank Disciacca Maizie Gatson Harmony Silva-Wright Natalie Tamburelli Laine Arens **Rose Castelluccio** Ryan Doherty Kelly Francis Mark Grothaus Finnegan Haas Aidan Jacobs Nicholas McLain Jackie Ortega **Brian Peck** Noah Rader Brody Allen Luc-Onel Apollon Bridget Avey Skyler Davis Cynthia Duker Dina Hill Gabrielle Lair Rita Lowe Connie McKay Kaitlyn Presko

Parish Religious Education **Religious Education and Faith Sharing**



Our next family gathering is Wednesday, 10/14 at 6:30 pm, and Sunday 10/18 at 9:15 am and 3:45 pm. Bring your bibles and bring your rosaries (if you have one), as we learn about the Glorious Mysteries in a fun, family atmosphere.

First Reconciliation and Communion



Mark your calendars for the First Reconciliation Retreat scheduled for November 7 from 9 to noon in the Social Hall. Children (with a parent) are encouraged to attend this morning gathering which will include

group preparation for receiving the sacrament.

Watch your emails for online sign-ups for Readiness Sessions to be held the week of November 15. This is your child's best opportunity to practice receiving the sacrament.

Confirmation Prep



Confirmation students and their sponsors or parents or mentors will gather Sunday 10/11 at 6 pm. This week we will be covering Chapter 3: The Jesus Question. Bring your bibles, your Decision Point books and

your folders - and any questions you have about Jesus! Be sure to turn in your Sponsor form and your Letter stating why you are in the program (these were due at the last meeting), and be sure any missed chapters are made up. Contact Lori Tajchman with questions.



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