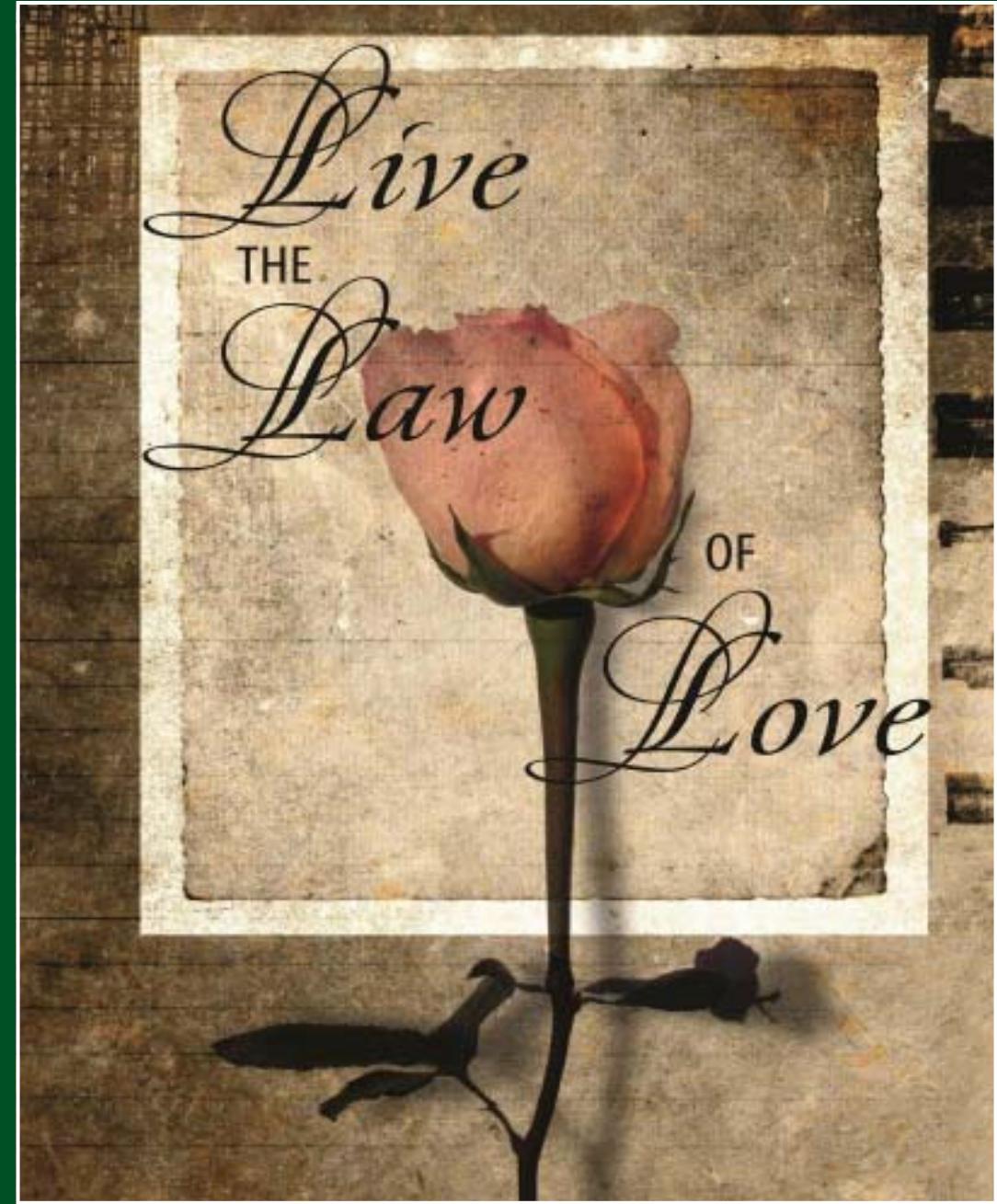


Saint James Catholic Community

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 10, 2022

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St. James Catholic Church

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School (816) 781-4428

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Mass Schedule:

Weekdays: Monday - Friday, 8:15am

Saturday, 5:00pm

Sunday, 8:00am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

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.



Love INC is helping to assist families and children in need with basic hygiene items for back to school with their annual Kits for Kids drive.

These kits are distributed in cooperation with area schools and given out in early August.

Each kit will contain one of the following items and be packaged together in a gallon zip lock bag.

- Full-size shampoo
- Full-size conditioner
- Bar of soap
- Full-size deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Travel packs of tissue

Your donation of one or more of the above items will go a long way in filling the kits.

Please bring your donations to the Narthex during the following times next weekend.

Saturday, July 16 from 6 - 7pm

Sunday, July 17 from 9am - 12noon

Thanks in Advance For Your Donations



Cars4KC is the official vehicle donation program that benefits Catholic Charities Kansas City-Saint Joseph. No matter what condition it is in, you can send it to them while avoiding the trading/selling process as well as getting a tax deduction. All proceeds given will benefit Catholic Charities programs and services across the region.

For more information go to: Cars4KC.com

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 Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

From the Pastor's Pen

As we continue our journey through the summer months, and with the heat of the summer continuing to shine forth, we pray that you and your families might have some time for relaxation and time together.

This weekend our Gospel story is the 'Good Samaritan' – the story that Jesus tells about helping a poor man along the road and how we all are called to serve those in need.

Our faith is a gift from God, that always challenges us to go out and be with the poor, the struggling, and those in need, so that they might know the care and the Love of Christ in their lives.

A special word of THANKS to all those in our parish who serve those in need in so many ways.

We are blessed with many folks committed to (just to name a few) a few agencies that provide help: "In As Much Ministry", St. Mary's Soup Kitchen, One City Cafe (at St. James Midtown), Bishop Sullivan Center, and Love, Inc.

There are also other agencies that folks offer their gifts of time, talent and treasure. This is what life is about – being good and faithful stewards.

As we begin a new fiscal year this month, we want to say a heartfelt THANK YOU to all who are so generous on a weekly, monthly basis in your giving to St. James, so that we can continue God's work among us.

We are Blessed that our church debt is lower than \$2 million, from the \$12 million cost of our new church. That is good stewardship, for sure. And it takes all of us doing our part.

It's not the amount one gives that is blessed by God, but on their faithfulness to giving. For that we are most grateful.

Just a reminder, we have wonderful opportunities planned for our young people and their families as we prepare for the Fall and Faith Formation opportunities and Religious Education programs. Be sure to register on-line.

Blessings to you and keep cool this summer!

Peace,

Fr. Mike

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. 204 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!

Contact Info

Mass Intentions

Week of July 11 - July 17

Monday 8:15am	St. Benedict †Helen Lynn
Tuesday 8:15am	†Clementine Crainer
Wednesday 8:15am	†Jim Pfeifer
Thursday 8:15am	St. Kateri Tekakwitha †Steven Keisling Jeff & Cynthia Eslick
Friday 8:15am	St. Bonaventure †Murra Hunt Michael Criffs
Saturday 5:00pm	Our Lady of Mount Carmel †JoLynn Distasio
Sunday 8:00am	†Steven Keisling
10:30am	†Vincent Purazzella
5:00pm	††Duane and Twila Constance



*From Death
to New Life*

Our prayer support is with ...

Ron and Laverne Cropsey, their family and friends on the recent death of Laverne's brother Gene Stephani.

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

School Office Closed In July

**Reopens Starting August 1
8:00am - 3:00pm**

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 cecilia@stjames-liberty.org

or call the Parish Office, ext. 202.

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

Save the Date ~ August 6

Retreat For Catechists and RE Volunteers



As we begin to welcome back in-person Religious Education instruction for our parish, we must recommit ourselves as teachers of the faith to renew ourselves in Christ and through Christ to be prepared to receive our children, you and families with a welcoming spirit.

Fr. Timothy will conduct a retreat for all catechists and RE volunteers in all K -12 Religious Education Programs. We'll be fed so that we can feed our children, youth and parents.

When: Saturday, August 6, 2022

Where: Social Hall

Time: 8:30 – 12:30 p.m.

A light breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Please RSVP to:
ernie.collins@stjames-liberty.org

Please add this retreat to your calendar.

Share Our Faith and Love of Christ



All are invited to attend this faith sharing series, "**Sharing His Love With One Another**" led by Sandy Gagnon, designed specifically for those who wish to enrich their faith and understanding of God's infinite love and mercy,

and how we are each individually called to share God's gifts through our daily lives.

When: 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month

Our next meeting is Wednesday, July 13

Time: Select either Noon-1:00pm or 6:30-8:00pm.

Where: Front conference room of the office complex at the lower level of the church.

According to Sandy, "this will be an on-going, year-round ministry. You may begin and/or end attending at any time, or just participate for a shorter time and that's okay. We will meet one another where we are as pilgrims on a journey of faith".

Prayer Changes Everything

Someone is Watching and Wondering



I am fascinated by waves I love to sit on the shore and watch waves. Sometime they are quiet and small, almost ripples, gently caressing the shoreline. Other times they are large and violent, crashing onto the shore with great force, reshaping beaches, rocks, and cliffs. Sometimes gigantic waves travel miles inland, leaving destruction as they retreat. For me, waves provide a metaphor of my faith. There are times my faith is riding the crest of a wave, other times caught in the trough, and like the motion of all waves, my faith has cycles – up and down, crashing and forceful, or gently flowing in ripples.

Reflecting on my faith journey, the times when I felt strong in my faith, riding the top of the wave, were the times when I felt I had no control of events that were occurring; times when I was called to trust God completely. For example, when my youngest son was diagnosed with cancer, requiring immediate surgery, I knew there was nothing I could do but be present and place him in God's care. I wasn't so concerned about the surgeon's ability to remove the growth, but rather what his future would be. Would he have a full recovery, face years of treatment, or die from this insidious disease. Somehow I knew that faith/trust in God's love was my hope (whatever the outcome).

Conversely, when my life appears to be going well, when I think I am in control, faith seems to take a plunge. This is not to say I no longer believe or am ungrateful for my blessings, rather God is simply somewhere out there on standby for my next crisis. As a student of science I believe fears are based in the unknown, however, I am in awe of the reality of what is seen and unseen. I realize that knowledge is rooted in answering one question which leads to a thousand more. Faith, however, is not explained in answering questions, but rather felt in the deepest center of our being, where I know God's spirit. Faith is believing God is always with me, whether I'm on a crest or in a trough.

Fr. Ronald Rolheiser in his book *Wrestling with God*, writes: "Faith isn't something you ever simply achieve. . . a fait accompli. . . some days you walk on water and other days you sink like a stone." I have learned not to fear when my faith crashes like a wave on the rocks, or sinks like a stone, because I realize that is just one cycle in my waves of faith leading me closer to God.

Your Sister in Christ Jesus, *Sandy Gagnon*

Presented by James Farquhar and Danny Baker

Midsummer Reflections

Community Concert at St. James

Featuring works by Florence Price, Schubert, Bach and Saint-Saëns, amongst others



**THIS CONCERT HAS
BEEN POSTPONED**

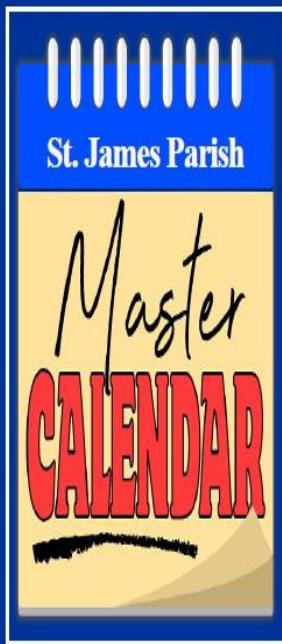
Sunday, July 10th

2:00pm – 3:00pm

At St. James

Free and Open to
the Public

Please Remember!
Get It Put On The Parish Master Calendar



Anything, including events,
food drives, meetings, etc.
held on our St. James
Campus has to be on our
Parish Master Calendar.

Contact
Jeanne Greenwald
781-4343 x200
Stjamesoffice@stjames-liberty.org
Or fill out the form
in the Parish Office

St. James Email Prayer Chain

To join the St. James Email Prayer Chain and receive prayer requests and/or to request prayers, email: Cecilia Richardson at

prayerchain@stjames-liberty.org



This Week We Honor These Saints

July 11 - St. Benedict

Born in 450 Canonized in 1220

His main achievement was his "Rule of Saint Benedict", the most common and influential Rule used by monasteries and monks, more than 1,400 years after its writing.

July 14 - St. Kateri Tekakwitha

Born in 1656 Canonized in 2012

The first Native American to be recognized as a saint, she made a heroic decision to live a Christian life despite her trials and deep suffering and persecution of her faith.

July 15 - St. Bonaventure

Born in 1220 Canonized in 1482

He steered the Franciscans on a moderate and intellectual course. His theology was marked by an attempt completely to integrate faith and reason.

Eucharistic Adoration

Summertime / vacation time is here.



If you are signed up for a specific time for Eucharistic Adoration and will not be able to be there and cannot find a substitute, please contact Christy Eichler at 816-809-0821 or email Mary Hover at maryhove@gmail.com.

Military Outreach Ministry



Members of the Military Outreach Ministry will be holding a Blue Star Recognition Ceremony on August 7 in the Social Hall.

This ceremony honors individuals who are presently serving in the military.

Ann Roberts Puck, chair of this ministry is seeking names and contact information of current military members.

If you have a family member in the military, please contact Ann at 816-469-0271 or annroberts977@gmail.com

SELLING HOPE GIFT CARDS AFTER 5PM SATURDAY MASS



We've had requests to sell HOPE cards after the 5pm Saturday Mass. We would like to, but to do so would require volunteers to sell them.

CAN YOU HELP?

If you can volunteer or want more information, contact Ernie Collins (x208) or Jeanne Greenwald (x200) in the parish office.

Angels Attic Thrift Store 90 Volunteers Needed



Angels Attic Thrift store located at 6970 N. Broadway is in desperate need of volunteers (no experience necessary) who can give 2 hours a month or 2 hours a week or more as a volunteer.

We are in need of 90-100 volunteers, who can work flexible days and flexible hours. 90% of all profits go to help Catholic schools in the Northland.

Angels Attic was able to give away over \$6,000 in 2021 to Catholic education. We hope to see this number double or triple this year.

If you can volunteer or need more information, please call Krisa at 816-915-1740

Religious Education K-12

your child belongs

Register Early
For All RE Programs
On-Line on the
St. James Website

...in this parish
...in this church
...in this community
...in the body of Christ
...in the Catholic faith
...in the kingdom of God
...in Religious Education

Moms and Grandmoms - You Are Invited to Join "Mothers and Munchkins."



Participating provides the opportunity to make new friends, socialize, pray the rosary with other moms and grandmoms and experience the support, encouragement, joy and inspiration of this fun network of Catholic Moms and Grandmoms.

Where: City Park Playground and Splash Pad in Liberty for the month of June and July.

Time: Tuesdays: Mass at St. James at 8:15am, then City Park Playground from 9:30am - 11:30am.

Who: Mothers/Grandmothers with/without their kids

Kids: no age limit.

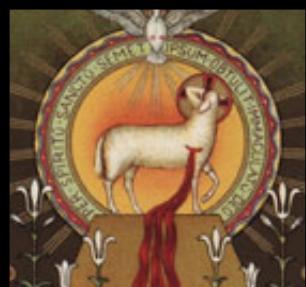
Activities: Mass, playing at the park, praying the rosary, splash pad, socialization and hopefully getting to know other women in the parish.

To join this group, use this QR Code.

For more information, contact Jennifer Bishop at 816-372-1187



*July - The Month Of The
Most Precious Blood Of Our Lord*



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

Erasmo Anselmo	Lyric Westhoff	Taylor Brown
Gianna Begulia	Jason Witte	Julie Camp
Aaden Bolling	Steven Wolcott	Joseph Catagnano
Paul Corrigan	Jennifer Bagy	Genarose Chorbak
Ryan Dold	Joseph Brown	Brittany Crabtree
Marissa Nedeau	Charles Dunn	Matthew Dierkens
Easton Novitski	Jessica Fogle	Salvatore
Liam Phillips	Robert Kline	DiGiovanni
William Slentz	Klein Krueger	James Donnici
Leah Stanley	Allison Lobb	Mary Duffin
Jeanine Starr	Greg McAlexander	Louise Fager
Morgan Ulrich	Kathy McAlexander	Sharrye Hagins
Debbie Blackmore	Caroline Murphy	Logan Heutinck
Theresa Brier	Corey Murphy	Elaine Huffman
John Cooper	Aaron Richards	Jody Kittell
David Crownover	Saly Rothery	Avery McKinney
Meredith George	Brent Taylor	Lauren
Ryan Katzer	Jax Taylor	Schnoebelen
Eliza Lloyd	Jose Villegas	Abigail Schulte
Terry Mast	Carson Armour	Theodore
Lawrence Maynard	Richard Curasi	Stipanovich
Danette McClellan	Samantha	Shawn Adams
Maggie Merricks	Fernandez	Milagros Fichter
Michael Nalley	Janel Giglio	Vickie Greufe
Pamela Nelson	Elizabeth Holmes	Jennifer Johnk
Anthony Simone	Michael Latham	Luke Kernal
Ivan Tajchman	Deon Mallett	Michele Kernal
Thomas Tischinski	Jamie Phelan	Daly McKay
Lee Williams	Barbara Rumsey	Regan McKay
Jenna Wilson	Robin Sandt	Hugo Mendoza
Richard Bayless	Jamie Siedlik	Chris Murphy
Gavin Giddens	Sarah Slentz	Kathy O'Brien
Sophia Giddens	Stella Stoeckle	Alexander
Michael Mason	Jackson Usher	Richardson
Joanne McMahan	James Windsor	Blakely Sahlfeld
Janice Russell	William Benson	India Schropp
Leonardo Vargas	Christine Bohr	Jeffrey Sorrell
Michael Weishaar	Jonathan Boteler	Lisa Young
Theresa Welsh	Cameron Brown	

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St. James School News



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June:
Monday-Thursday Office Closed
9am-Noon

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We Pray to our Lord Jesus for healing

Mike	Will, Theresa & Aspen	Kathleen Amos	Michael Ruiz	Wilfredo Crespo, Jr.	Troy Cronkite
Craig	Eskrine	Susan Federoff	Kathy Peters	Rachelle Pomfrey	Matt Biskup Family
Sandy	Roger	Kathy Nowatzke	Mauricia O'Brien	John & Susan-Kelly Corsione	Kim Lackey
Luke Kump	Joe Hartmann	Debra Sutlief	Janet Ward & Jeff	Lynn & Monica Nelson	Pam Fink
Reba Sutlief	Terry Zrust	Fran Norton's Family	James Philippe	Hannah Taylor	Bill Roach, Jr.
Lorraine Hiltz	Teri	Phil Willoughby	Bob Pezlm	Rodriguez Family	Jacob & Dana Lansford
Connie Austin	Diane	Mike Rodriguez	Patty Larson	Scott Neibergall	Gary Andrew Reese
Stephen	Heather	Fred Massman	James Gubera	Margie Myers & Mattea	Sam Porter
Gary Bloomer	Peggy Luchtefeld	Mary & Gabriel Wier	Hazel Lewis	Jean and Richard Jackson	Mary Alice Worth
Teal's Mom	Dorothy & William Bradford	Karen Ann Stevens	Dan Tomc	Pamela & James Anderson	Amy Villarreal
Wayne Curtis	Alexis	Arlene Dietrich	Laurie Beach	Barbara Meigs	Mary Kaye Masnado
Lauren Lakebrink Krueger	Doug & Susan Blair	Jake Harman	Rachel Johnson	Tony and Tet So	John Amaro
Richard Cronkleton	Jackie Rapp	Bob Orscheln	Wanda Finnigan	Travis & Sarah Shay	Randy Baumert
Joseph Gorman	Jeff Lea	Charles Mann	Ciara Davis	The Curiel Family	Jackie Plack Peiling
Cameron & Antony	Bradley Jones	Douglas Shreffler	Pat Neibergall-Timm	Barbara Fortier	Kennedy Noel Holcumbink
Anderson	Mark Daldrup	Jeff Ridder	Brian Akers	Barb Schwery	Rita Lowe / Megan
Charles Cunningham	Thomas & Alexander Minnieoe	Kenny Walker	Jose Torres	Nichole Stewart	Tony V. Sr.
Ron May	Jason Harris	Sabrina Hinkle	Dan & Bibi Chadwick	Doug Schuster	Deric DeMasi
Carol Weir	Delight Thomason Family	Susan Koeppen	John Barrington	Kelly Gentrup	Chris Alvey
Geralyn Hosticka	Wyatt Morris	John Mreen	Philip Pernice	The Hollomon Family	Patrick O'Neill
Libbey Rall	Brandon Hutson	John Williams	Don Taylor	Jackie & Enike Hayes	John McMahon
Jim Tucker	Norma Molina	Deacon Doug Hemke	Nick Peters	Carla George	Eddie Ansalmo
Cathy	Ramon Mendoza, Sr.	John Murphy	Dwain Jones	Kyle Sellmeyer	Maria Giannelli
Chris	Ramon Mendoza, Jr.	John Fessler	Desmond Arciga-Quenga	Margarita Mendoza Family	Kenadee Gallagher
Anthony	Jim & Julie Miller	Ricky & DeeDee	Michelle Bacus	Marie Brancato	Shawn Adkins
Manny & Brenda Garcia	Margaret Ellen, Herb	Arsenio "R.C." Arciga	Mark Schweitzer	Rich Curasi	Jason Robinson
Julie Rush	and Mark Thompson	John Davis	Bill Kirwan	Bob Roach	Leah Biskup Coady
Teresa, Terry & Dori B.	Oliver Schmidt	Janet Walker	Deacon Bud	John Brocato	Olivia Hernandez
Pete & Connie Hollomon	Cathy Lakebrink	Rory Elliott	Jackson Erwin	Barbara (Roach) Still	Laura Ann DiGiovanna
Dan Kandlbinder	Dorothy Bradford	Casel Family	Pat Carey & Family	Kathleen Haines	Robert Doleshal
Shelby Herfel	Mike Carr	Todd Higgins	Gavin McKenna	John Pfannenstiel	Jersey & James Hicks
Jordan Taylor	Pete Burmeister	Larry Farnan	Eddie Campbell	Mike Sheeley	
Pearl Watson	Kate Nowatzke	Walter Swanson	Melissa Andrasik	John Findlay	
Jason Moore & Family	Dan Van Leeuwen	Ron Shinkle	Diana Marchisio	Duane Sander	



**Join Us In Prayer
Rosary For Healing
Thursdays
at 6:30pm**

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.



Life Matters	 <p>For more information go to www.usccb.org/respectlife</p>	If You Live Alone You Need MDMedAlert!  24 Hour Protection at HOME and AWAY! ✓Ambulance Solutions as Low as \$19.95 a month ✓Police ✓Fire ✓Friends/Family FREE Shipping FREE Activation NO Long Term Contracts  CALL NOW! 800.809.3352 GPS Tracking w/Fall Detection MDMedAlert Nationwide, No Land Line Needed <small>Safe-Guarding America's Seniors Nationwide!</small> <small>This Button SAVES Lives! As Shown GPS. Lowest Price Guaranteed!</small> <small>EASY Set-up, NO Contract 24/7 365 Monitoring in the USA</small>
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