

# Saint James Catholic Community

*Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 19, 2023*

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Together We Can Do Great Things



FOSTER-FATHER OF JESUS

“—  
RENOWNED  
OFFSPRING  
OF DAVID,  
HEAD OF THE  
HOLY FAMILY,  
PILLAR OF FAMILIES,  
PROTECTOR OF  
THE HOLY CHURCH  
ST. JOSEPH,  
PRAY FOR US.”

— ST. JOSEPH

## **St. James Catholic Church**

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

## **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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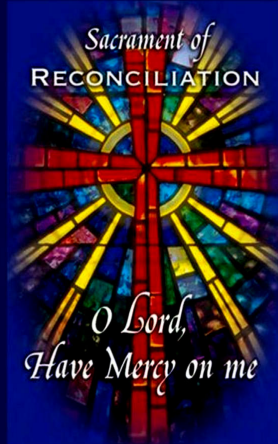
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## Mission Statement

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.



*Sacrament of*  
**RECONCILIATION**

*O Lord,  
 Have Mercy on me*

**Parish  
 Reconciliation  
 Service**

**Monday, March 20  
 7:00pm**



**Fish Fry**  
 2023

## Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry

**Our Last Fish Fry Is  
 This Friday March 24  
 5:00pm - 7:30pm**

**Two Ways To Enjoy Your Dinner**  
 Dine In - St. James Gymnasium  
 Curb Side Pick Up - Rear Parking Lot

**See Full Menu  
 on the St. James Website**



**Lent**  
 Fast ♦ Give ♦ Pray

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 Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or [true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

## From the Pastor's Pen

As we journey through the Lenten season this weekend we celebrate the 4th Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday), which means REJOICE! The great Passion, Death and Resurrection of Christ is coming soon.

We continue to journey with our Candidates and the Elect. These three weekends, our Elect are celebrating the Scrutinies, where they (and us, as a parish family) are called to look inward and see what we need to 'let go' of, in order to be open to the power of Holy Week, the Triduum – the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Christ.

On March 9, Bishop Johnston celebrated a beautiful Mass of Confirmation, and we confirmed 70 young people with the power of God's Spirit. We are very proud of these young people, their sponsors and families. We are also grateful to Amanda Lewey, and her great team of Confirmation Leaders and Catechists. We certainly have much to be grateful for.

We pray for our young people who are preparing for First Communion in the Easter season, that they and their families might appreciate the gift of the Eucharist, and make coming to celebrate Mass each weekend a priority in their family.

This weekend, along with St. Patrick's Day, we celebrate the feast of St. Joseph with a beautiful St. Joseph Table that will be on display in the Social Hall and a wonderful Pasta Dinner, along with great Italian cookies and treats, on Saturday from 11am-7pm. The table will be on display throughout the Sunday morning, and all are invited over to the Social Hall after Masses to enjoy complementary coffee and desserts and purchase cookies, cannoli, and other goodies.

There is no charge for the meal, but free will donations will be appreciated. All the benefits of the table go to help the poor and the needy. We are very grateful to all the women and men who have worked so hard to honor St. Joseph by this beautiful tradition.

This Monday, March 20, at 7pm, we celebrate our Lenten Reconciliation service. We will have several other priests, along with Fr. Michael and myself.

On Easter Sunday morning our Mass times change. There are three Masses: 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30am. There is no 5pm Mass.

One last reminder, our last Knights of Columbus Fish this Lenten season is this coming Friday, March 24. A special thanks to the

## Mass Intentions

### Week of March 20 - March 26

<b>Monday</b> <b>8:15am</b>	<i>St. Joseph</i> Jeff Eslick Margy Brown
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>8:15am</b>	†Jack Venneman
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>8:15am</b>	†James B. Murdock †Rena Tulipana
<b>Thursday</b> <b>8:15am</b>	Gary and Ann Puck and Families
<b>Friday</b> <b>8:15am</b>	Military Veterans and Their Families
<b>Saturday</b> <b>5:00pm</b>	†Patty Blankenship †Jane Denning
<b>Sunday</b> <b>8:00am</b>	Stephanie Ginther
<b>10:30am</b>	†Michael Hohll †Paula Platt
<b>5:00pm</b>	Charles Murphy and Madeline Myers



KofC for offering such a wonderful opportunity, that is a great 'welcoming' event to all our surrounding communities.

Blessings to you and your family, as we continue our Lenten journey.

Peace, Fr. Mike

## 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. 204 or [kirsten.maggi@stjames-liberty.org](mailto: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 [cecilia@stjames-liberty.org](mailto: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](mailto:bulletin@stjames-liberty.org)**



**Stations of the Cross**  
**Next Friday**  
**5:30pm in the Church**  
**Led by RE K-5**  
**Hispanic Stations of the Cross Begin at 6:00pm**

### Dementia Caregiver Support Group



Are you caring for someone with dementia? Do you have a close friend or family member with dementia?

If so, we invite you to join our Support Group. At these meetings we usually watch a short video on dementia. We learn how to have successful and rewarding interactions and what to avoid saying or doing that might trigger a negative response. Then we take turns sharing our struggles and successes of the past month. We pray together, share information and offer support to one another.

If this sounds like something you would find helpful please come and join us. If you have any questions you can call my number listed below.

Date: First Monday of each month  
 Next meeting April 3

Time: 6:00-7:30pm

Location: St. James Church --AV Meeting Room  
 (lower level of the church)

Contact Person: Vivian Bunch 918-706-8949



Nathan Stanley, FOCUS missionary, spoke at all the Masses last weekend and updated us on his mission work with FOCUS.

If you were able to connect with Nathan while here or wanted to follow up more on the mission of FOCUS, please reach out to Nathan at [nathan.stanley@focus.org](mailto:nathan.stanley@focus.org).

Also, you can visit his missionary page at <https://www.focus.org/missionaries/nathan-stanley>.

Thank you for your prayers and continued financial support of the FOCUS mission and Nathan's work.

### Someone is Watching and Wondering



"When he was going back to the city in the morning, he was hungry. Seeing a fig tree by the road, he went over to it, but found nothing on it except leaves. And he said to it, 'May no fruit ever come from you again.' And immediately the fig tree with-

ered" (Matthew 21:18-19). What has this to do with our Lenten journey, you might ask? Everything, I shall reply! What do I produce to continue Jesus' work?

The purpose of a fig tree is to produce figs, not apples, not oranges, not walnuts, not merely shade and beauty. A fig tree should produce figs; that is how God made it. You and I are made in the image and likeness of God, human beings which God said was good. Yet, we did not believe this pronouncement and thought being human was not good enough; we needed to "be like gods." How strange, we wanted to change God's final creation, ourselves, but not into the best human we could be, relating to, caring for, and protecting one another. We wanted to, in effect, be equal to God thinking God's gift of humanness was not enough. Demon ego reared its ugly head, temptation at its worst; rejecting God's grace and love; rejecting the goodness of being human.

On Ash Wednesday we were admonished to "Turn away from sin (Repent) and be faithful to the Gospel" (the good news of Christ Jesus). To my way of thinking, my greatest sin is to turn away from God's gift of the goodness of human life. Whether my sinful self rejects my own goodness and sacredness, or whether, through my actions and words, I objectify another and fail to respect and honor their goodness as my human brother or sister in the Lord. I believe that all sin is rooted in this singular thought: "I am not good; being human is not good; humanity is not worthy of grace." Jesus said, "Love one another even as I have loved you." Is it possible to love one another while simultaneously rejecting the goodness of humanity? A fig tree will always be a fig tree, with or without fruit, but can we be fully human as God created us, while rejecting the goodness of humanity. This Lenten season, don't wither; rejoice in God's gift; embrace your humanity; love one another; nurture the fruits of self gift. Be faithful to the Gospel!

Your Sister in Christ, *Sandy Gagnon*



### Blood Drive March 28



St. James will be hosting the Community Blood Center on Tuesday, March 28 for our next blood drive. When you donate blood with the CBC, you are helping people in your community; cancer patients, trauma victims, newborn babies and so many more who are counting on your generosity to survive.

All healthy individuals, aged 16 and older, are invited to join us from 12:30-6:30pm in the Social Hall. For medical eligibility questions, please call 1-800-688-0900.

Appointments are encouraged and can be made online at [www.savealifenow.org](http://www.savealifenow.org) using Group Code: ES, or by contacting Nikki at [kpowers@kc.rr.com](mailto:kpowers@kc.rr.com) or 816-407-1208.

Walk-ins are welcome if capacity allows.

Our area continues to experience a blood shortage and your donation could make a huge impact on someone in need. Encourage someone you know to join you and double that impact. It takes less than an hour to become someone's hero.

**Please...BE THAT HERO!**

### Honor Your Loved Ones With Flowers



*The sanctuary will be decorated at Easter with flowers in honor or memory of our families and friends.*


To add your loved ones, drop the Easter Flower Offering envelope with your name, the names of the people to remember or honor and your donation in the collection basket or bring your envelope to the parish office between 9am - noon.

### Early Bulletin Deadlines For Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday

In order to meet our Bulletin printer's early deadlines for the Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday Bulletins. . .

Articles and information for April 2 (Palm Sunday) must be submitted no later than end of day Thursday, March 23.

Articles and information for April 9 (Easter Sunday) must be submitted no later than end of day Tuesday, March 28.



**Altar Society Retreat**  
Conducted by Fr. Timothy Armbruster C.P.P.S.

**Saturday, March 25**  
9 am - 1 pm  
Enjoy a Continental Breakfast 8:15 - 9:00  
**Precious Blood Renewal Center**  
2120 Saint Gaspard Way - Liberty

**All Women Of The Parish Are Invited To Attend**

Cost: \$10.00 - includes lunch

Please RSVP to Carla Travagianti 816-616-2622 by March 20

**Praying** **Sharing** **Reflecting**



Speak Life Women's Retreat is a one-day experience to bring women together and inspire them to activate more faith.

This time will encourage spiritual growth and connection. We will practice self-care through gentle movement with spiritual stretching and meditation. Hear from four engaging speakers on topics to further your spiritual growth in the modern world in an uplifting and fun environment.

**April 1, 2023**  
**12:30pm-5pm**

**ST JAMES CHURCH**  
**309 S STEWART RD**  
**LIBERTY, MO 64068**

Retreat sponsored by:  
Cycle of Heart  
Serenity on the Square

**\$50 PER PERSON**

Live music by Mary Monica & Sophie Cordero and Patti Stark (Soul2Soul)





It never fails. On the fourth Sunday of Lent someone always asks “why are the vestments pink, not purple today?”

The answer is that the Fourth Sunday of Lent is known as “Laetare Sunday.” The day’s theme comes from the entrance antiphon reflecting on Isaiah 66:10-11: “Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exalt and be satisfied at her consoling breast.”

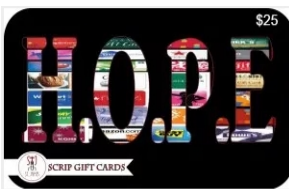
Laetare is the first word – meaning “rejoice” – in the Latin text. On Laetare Sunday (as similarly with the Third Sunday of Advent’s Gaudete Sunday) the Church expresses hope and joy in the midst of our Lenten fasts and penances. Call it pink – or, more fittingly, rose – this change in color indicates a glimpse of the joy that awaits us at Easter, just before we enter into the somber days of Passiontide.

Laetare Sunday is the Church’s way of giving us a “shot in the arm” as we approach the darkness and horror of the days through Good Friday and Holy Saturday. It’s an opportunity to savor and keep in the back of our minds what awaits us on Easter Sunday – the reality that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and that our hearts will always be filled with joy!

Being aware of traditions and customs assists us in celebrating the beauty of our faith. As you can see, there is much associated with even a nondescript day like the Fourth Sunday of Lent – not to mention the rest of the season, or the 50 days of Easter and beyond. Take advantage of the richness of our Catholic traditions.

*From an article by Michael R. Heinlein*

### Hope Cards Now Available on Saturday



HOPE Cards are available for sale after the 5pm Mass!

They will be sold at a table in the Gathering Space for this purpose on Saturdays only.

Sunday morning HOPE cards will continue to be sold in the Parish Hall.

### Join The St. James Lawn Mowing Team

Spring will be coming real soon and our lawn mowing teams need some fresh talent. Starting no later than mid-April, we will want to have our lawn mowing teams up and running.



We have quite a few guys returning from last year but we need at least ten or more people to step up and help. Just like last season, we plan on having three teams (Red, White and Blue). Each team will be placed on a 3 week rotation.

There is no need for anyone to bring up mowers or other equipment. We just need them to volunteer approximately 3 hours every 3 weeks. If they can run a push mower or a riding mower then we can use their help. The schedule is dependent upon the weather but usually mowing is done from Thursday through Saturday.

Contact Dan Bacon at

[bacon.dan324@gmail.com](mailto:bacon.dan324@gmail.com)

### Solemnity of The Annunciation Of Our Lord March 25



The Annunciation (from Latin *annuntiatio*), also referred to as the Annunciation to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Annunciation of Our Lady, or the Annunciation of the Lord, is the Christian celebration of the announcement by the Archangel Gabriel to the Blessed Virgin Mary that she would conceive and become the mother of Jesus, the Jew-

ish messiah and Son of God, marking His Incarnation. Gabriel told Mary to name her son Jesus, meaning “YHWH is salvation”.

According to Luke 1:26, the Annunciation occurred “in the sixth month” of Elizabeth’s pregnancy with John the Baptist. Many Christians observe this event with the Feast of the Annunciation on March 25, an approximation of the northern vernal equinox nine full months before Christmas, the ceremonial birthday of Jesus.



**Grocery sacks will be distributed after all Masses next weekend March 18 and 19**

**Wish List**

- Rice Side Dishes
- Pasta Side Dishes
- Corn Muffin Mix
- Pork & Beans
- Microwave Popcorn
- Paper Towels
- Any Other Unexpired Non-perishable Food Items
- Asparagus
- Beets
- Spinach
- Sauerkraut
- Sloppy Joe
- Toilet Paper

**Please return the filled grocery sacks at one of the following times to the Narthex**

**Saturday, March 25 / 7:30am - 9:00pm**  
**Sunday, March 26 / 7:30am - 9:00pm**

**The food collected goes to the In As Much Food Pantry**

**I WILL LIFT UP MINE EYES**  
 CHORAL MUSIC OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMPOSERS  
 WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE CHOIRS  
 ANTHONY J. MAGLIONE & NICOLE MURRAY, CONDUCTORS  
 WILLIAM JEWELL STUDENT CONDUCTORS  
 MARCH 26, 2023  
 7:30PM  
 ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH  
 LIBERTY, MO

LIBERTY COMMUNITY CHORUS  
 Spring Concert - Sunday, March 26, 2023  
 2:00 p.m. – St. James Catholic Church  
 Liberty, Missouri

*Something Old, Something New*

**COMPOSERS INCLUDE:**  
 GIULIO CACINNI    KIM ARNESEN  
 Christopher Tin    Randall Thompson  
 Eric Whitacre    Glenn Burleigh  
 Rene Clausen    Morten Lauridson  
 Peter Knight    Aaron Copland

Tickets Available at the Door or through our website:  
[libertycommunitychorus.org](http://libertycommunitychorus.org)

Tickets \$10 ~ Students Free



**Eucharistic Adoration**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday from 9:00am until 9:00pm in the Chapel.

## The Devotion of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Recitation of the Seven Sorrows Rosary  
Friday, March 31, 4:00pm in the Church

Devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows became a standard devotion in the Church around the 14th century. It was revealed to St. Bridget of Sweden (1303-1373) that devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary's Seven Sorrows would bring great signal graces. The devotion consists in praying seven Hail Mary's while meditating on the Seven Sorrows of Mary.



### The Seven Sorrows of Mary

1. The prophecy of Simeon
2. The flight into Egypt
3. The loss of the Child Jesus in the temple
4. Mary meets Jesus on the way to Calvary
5. Mary stands at the foot of the cross
6. Mary receives the dead body of Jesus
7. Jesus is placed in the tomb

Mary, in a unique way, willingly suffered alongside her Divine Son as he gave his life to save the world, and she felt the bitterness of his passion as only a mother can.

Our Lady's Sorrows are commemorated on the liturgical calendar twice a year - the Friday before Palm Sunday and September 15.

All are invited to participate on Friday, March 31.

**Save The Date**  
**March 31 - 7:00pm**

Classical Music Concert  
at St. James Catholic Church  
Giovanni Battista Pergolesi

# Stabat Mater

To deepen and enrich the celebration of the Passion of the Lord we invite you attend this concert presenting musical masterpiece Stabat Mater by P.G. Pergolesi.

## Parish Religious Education

Feeding • Building • Living



No RE Sessions on March 19  
Next Sessions - April 2 & 16

### First Eucharist Information for Parents



The final retreat/rehearsals for First Eucharist will be either, Monday(s), April 10th or 17th in our church from 6:30 – 7:30pm.

The celebrations for this sacrament Eucharist are on Saturday, April 15th and 22nd, 11:00am. Please choose a date that accommodates your family. Please contact me ASAP with your choice.

Ernie Collins, Director of Religious Education  
[ernie.collins@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:ernie.collins@stjames-liberty.org)



**Good Shepherd Catholic Church  
Invites You To Attend  
The Divine Mercy Story**  
**March 26, 3-5:30pm  
or March 28, 6:30-9pm**

So we can have enough space in our downstairs hall, please email Deacon Mike at [dcnmike2@gmail.com](mailto:dcnmike2@gmail.com) of your interest in attending.  
Good Shepherd Catholic Church  
18601 N US Highway 169 • Smithville, MO 64089

### Hospice Volunteers Needed Crossroads Hospice Care

Next training Session  
Saturday, March 25 - 10:30am - 3:00pm  
Withers Library Conference Room  
1665 S. Withers Rd., Liberty

No nursing skills needed. Personal care duties are not performed by volunteers. COVID vaccine required.

Please Pre-register: 816-268-2644 or  
[Paige.lammert@crossroadshospice.com](mailto:Paige.lammert@crossroadshospice.com)



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

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| Joseph Boman        | Basil Lister       | Philip Maher       |
| Nancy Brown         | Kolton Meiners     | McKinley Mason     |
| Blakely Clohessy    | Morgan Neal        | Christina Reliford |
| Olivia Davidson     | Patrick Peters     | Steve Seggerman    |
| Jeff Eslick         | Andrew Presko      | Susan Angles       |
| Montana Grizzle     | Joseph Senthavy    | Maverick Brimer    |
| Mark Hedberg        | Lucas Tamburelli   | Maya Gatzemeyer    |
| Kevin Jones         | April Terranella   | Marilyn Kelsey     |
| Lachlan Knabe       | Lilly Bell         | Barbara Knox       |
| Kenneth Lenger      | Price Carter       | Scott Lakebrink    |
| Jonathan            | Samantha Chase     | Tina Luchtefeld    |
| Mundhenke           | Kathleen Ervie     | Ashlynn Solberg    |
| Reagan Phillips     | Denice Finn        | Jonathan Blanck    |
| Shannon Shumate     | Joshua Finn        | Kimberly Burns     |
| Abagael Smith       | Carrie Gabriel     | Tyler Clark        |
| David Timm          | Kamryn Gordon      | Angela Frizzo      |
| Stella Bray         | Madelynn Hill      | Ralph Glaza        |
| Elise Eggers        | Tim Jimenez        | Noah Hill          |
| Elijah Elliott      | Patricia Langhorst | Hadlieanne         |
| Lola Fahring        | Jacob Riedel       | Hubble             |
| Joseph Filardo      | Sandra Turner      | John Jamboretz     |
| Adrienne Fowler     | Corey Biswell      | Justin Madison     |
| Steven Heutinck     | Leteria Davis      | Jeffrey Murphy     |
| Amy Kerwin          | Emily Donnici      | Leslie Pfriem      |
| Elizabeth Koesterer | Jude Elliott       | Natalie Schultz    |
| Michelle Lauren     | Simon Elliott      | Sophie Siedlik     |
| Reagan McCubbin     | Brooke Helin       | Kennedy Smith      |
| Kerrie Schwartz     | Carly Hentschke    | Hannah Tritz       |
| Laura Swails        | Wesley Jones       | Knox Westhoff      |
| Henry Carmichael    | Christina Knox     |                    |



# Tables for 2

## An Evening for Marriage Enrichment

### A dinner experience for married and engaged couples

**Falling in love is easy. Growing in love together is a lot harder.**

That is the reality of married life. Real married life is hard, messy and beautiful all at the same time.

The love you had when you first met — romantic feelings, the mutual attraction, the joy of being together — it was real, and **God used those feelings to draw you together. But God doesn't want you to stay there.** You can't stay there. It's not enough. God wants to take you deeper. He wants to build a deeper love, a stronger bond. **Tables for Two aims at helping you explore growing deeper together.**

**This evening takes place in a subdued setting with one couple per table.** After a short presentation by a married couple, we'll serve you a five-course meal with wine. Each course includes discussion questions for you and spouse to pursue, just the two of you.

Marriage has a way of drawing out the best and the worst of us — and that is all a part of the beautiful process of what God wants to do in you through marriage.

Reflecting on the biblical story, the Wedding Feast at Cana, Pope Benedict XVI said, "The first wine is very fine: this is falling in love. But it does not last until the end: a second wine has to come later, it has to ferment and grow, to mature. The definitive love that can truly become this 'second wine' is more wonderful still, it is better than the first wine. And this is what we must seek."

**Please join us in deepening and celebrating your marriage.** Register by March 27.

- online at [pbrenewalcenter.org/events](http://pbrenewalcenter.org/events)
- call 816-415-3745
- email [info@pbrenewalcenter.org](mailto:info@pbrenewalcenter.org).

**April 1**  
**Saturday 6-9 p.m.**

Register by March 27

**Cost: \$60 per couple.**  
**Space is limited.**

Register online at [pbrenewalcenter.org/events](http://pbrenewalcenter.org/events)

**Military Outreach Ministry**  
**Vietnam War Veterans Day ~ March 29**



Fifty years ago on March 29, 1973, the last combat troops left South Vietnam.

In 2017, The Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017 was signed into law making March 28 a national day of remembrance and recognition to honor veterans and their families who served in the U.S. Military during the Vietnam War era.

**Help Our Parish Honor Vietnam War Era Veterans**

Our St. James Military Outreach Ministry is asking parishioners to help honor members of our parish who themselves, or members of their family, served in the Vietnam War by writing a "note of thanks" for their service and dropping it in a Memorial Basket that will be in the Gathering Space the weekend of March 25/26.

In addition, If you or a family member served in this conflict, Ann Puck, leader of our Military Outreach Ministry, is requesting you to contact her at 816-469-0271 with names of those who served.



**2120 Saint Gaspar Way**  
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