April 1, 2018 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

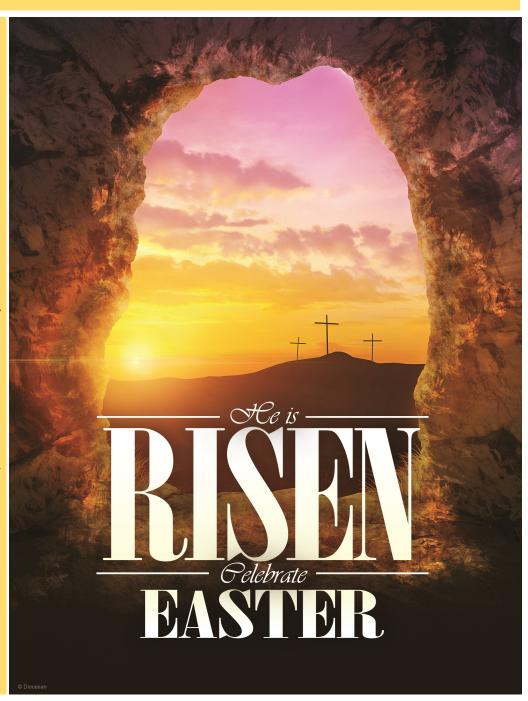
St. James Parish Mission Statement

We, the Catholic faith community of St. James, freely choose to respond to God the Father's unconditional love by centering our lives in Christ through prayer and the Sacraments; welcoming and sharing our love with all people by being missionary disciples of Jesus and open always to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Our Vision:

Love God—Love People— Make Disciples





This Week at St. lames

Saturday, March 31st Holy Saturday

8:00 P.M. †Sandi Hartwick—Rose Burgess/Charli & Karen Heiler

Sunday April 1st Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:30 A.M. Darwin Snider—Sts. C&C People of the Parish 8:30 A.M.

11:00 A.M. †Eileen Sheridan—Bruce Gros

Monday, April 2nd **OFFICE CLOSED NO SERVICES** Tuesday, April 3rd **OFFICE CLOSED NO SERVICES** <u>Wednesday, April 4th</u> **OFFICE CLOSED NO SERVICES** Thursday, April 5th **OFFICE CLOSED NO SERVICES** Friday, April 6th OFFICE CLOSED NO SERVICES

Saturday, April 7th

8:00 P.M. †Bob Corts—Frank & Tammy March and family

Sunday April 8th Second Sunday of Easter 8:30 A.M. Bremiller Family—Sts. C&C 8:30 A.M. **Ω**Vocations—*Knights of Columbus*

11:00 A.M. People of the Parish



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 Sunday

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Monday

Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22; Jn 20:11-Tuesday

Wednesday Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9;

Lk 24:35-48

Friday Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-

Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk 16:9-15 Saturday

Sunday

Second Sunday of Easter Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn



Ministry Schedule For Next Week

Saturday, April 7th 4:00 P.M.

Lector: Diane Whitney, NEED ONE!

Commentator: NEED ONE!

EM: Linda Schroeder, Karen Heiler, Karen Ceccanese Altar Server: Catherine Ehresman, Olivia Ehresman

<u>Ushers:</u> Sandy DeView, Marilee Soltis, Pat Morrison, Irene Morrison, Steve Crippen

Music Tech: Sam Thompson

Sunday, April 8th 8:30 A.M.

Lector: Lisa Mazure, Dionne Mumby

Commentator: Pete Barnum

<u>EM:</u> Dcn. Al Turkovich, Nick Mumby, Emma Barnum, Rhonda McNeely, Vickie Munro, Mary Schwalm, Beverly Fink

Altar Server: Lillian Kelly, William Barnum, NEED ONE!

<u>Ushers:</u> Dave Knauf, Tim Zielinski, Jay Jensen, Tom Dick, Paul Schnipke, Jerry Baldwin

Liturgy of the Word: Deb Schafer

Music Tech: Jayden Rockwell

Sunday, April 8th 11:00 A.M.

Lector: Michael Clark, Connie Shutes

Commentator: Jim Marshall

<u>EM:</u> Trudy Mangan-Brandenburg, Margaret Marshall, Sue Powers

Altar Server: Elizabeth Leibrand, Melody Baker

<u>Ushers:</u> Ryan Skaggs, Brad Trierweiler, Ermie Amoguis, Jed

Music Tech: NEED ONE!

Parish Directory

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:00-4:00 Fridays 8:00-Noon

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HAPPY EASTSER!



Happy Easter to you all, my brothers and sisters!

First of all, let's congratulate and welcome all our neophytes who have been baptized and received into the Church these Easter Liturgies:

St. James—Jodey Carol Shepardson, Dakota Ann VanFleet, Justin Ray VanFleet, Tricia Juel Byrnes, Alec William Byrnes, Alyssa Nicole Perry, John A. Ervin and Scott Robert Eckhart.

Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian—Leslie Ellen Kirby, Jo Anne Clarke and Stephen Thomas Powell.

It's very interesting that this Easter of 2018 falls on April Fool's Day! Let's go back to the Garden of Eden, where Satan tempted Adam and Eve with lies that if they were to eat the forbidden fruit they will become like God. But they realized they were being fooled by Satan so they hid from God and recognized their nakedness. Since then Satan has become the ruler of this world tempting people to turn away from God and leading them to sin, evil, death and damnation. But God responded in the popular verse of John's Gospel 3:16; "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life."

So Jesus became human like us to take on this battle for the human soul. Jesus had predicted that this battle will lead to His passion, death and Resurrection. When Jesus died on the cross and after they had closed Jesus' tomb with a huge stone Satan's triumph seemed complete. He can now forget Jesus forever!

But the joke's on Satan! Happy April Fools to him! For the empty tomb indicates the turning point of human history. Jesus is risen! He is alive! He is the Resurrection and the Life! Let us renounce Satan, all his works and all his empty promises. Don't be a fool! This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Amen Alleluia!!!

> Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." ~John 14:6

FIRST COMMUNION MASS



First Communion will be celebrated on April 15th at the 11:00 Mass so this Mass is likely to be more crowded

than usual. You're welcome to join us but plan ahead if you would like to attend a different Mass.

SAVE THE DATE!

The semi-annual St. James Women's Club rummage sale is coming up Saturday, April 21st from 9 am—2 pm. You may begin to bring items in starting Monday, April 16th.



Please Pray for Our Sick:

3/26 Lois Case, Timothy Wiliams, Mary Ellen Smith 3/19 Doug Mumby 3/15 Abigail Kuschel, Alaina Thorn, Laura Barrett, Margaret Marshall, Kari Olney, Tim Ölney, Kym Piggott, Lisa Carey, Ayden Weyer.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE NEWS



Sale continues to grow, so it needs more helpers this

year! Come find out how you can help between Masses on April 8th! We'll be going over the different ways you can be part of this semi-annual event that the entire community looks forward to! Questions? Please contact Terri Miller at 517-676-4033 or Janet Pawlowski at 517-420-2524.

A portion of our 4% Christian Service Tithe has been sent to: \sim Child and Family Services \sim



ATTENTION!

Tours of Mother Teresa Hospice are offered every other Wednesday from April 4th; 6—7 pm. Coffee & snacks provided. Groups of 3-8 people. Come learn about the services and philosophy of this amazing place. If you would like to set up a tour, please contact Linda Schepis at 676-1034 or 927-1379.



Thank you *Our Sponsor* of the Week ~Green Acres~



Last Week's Collections

March 25th (174 envelopes, 28 EFT from 627 households)

This date last year \$8,868.00

Fiscal Year to date (since July 1st)

This Year

\$349,257.25

\$9,169,50

Last Year

\$348,760.34

APRIL DISCIPLES' NIGHT: WITH SR. MIRIAM JAMES S.O.L.T. AT CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

"Be Healed"

Our April 5th Disciples' Night Speaker, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, S.O.L.T., is a graduate of the University of Nevada-Reno, where she played volleyball on a scholarship and majored in communications. Although originally hoping to work for ESPN or another news organization, Heidland's life was transformed in a very slow but deep way during her college years. Spending most of her time living a typical college life of parties, sports, and freedom, Heidland seemed to have it all. In reality, her life was empty and broken. Through the friendship of a holy and caring priest, Heidland's life began to transform as she realized Jesus was real and that he was the great love that her heart desired.

Sr. Miriam will be sharing her own conversion and vocation story! Schedule for the evening: Mass at 6:30 p.m., Dinner at 7:15 p.m., Talk begins at 8:00 p.m. Join us whenever you can! Please RSVP as soon as possible so we know you're coming and can plan for food, and inform of us of any dietary restrictions you may have.







EDUCATION COMMISSION MEMBER NEEDED

It is important to have representatives of our parish discuss, evaluate and be informed about what we are doing for Faith Formation in our parishes. We are trying to start a new education commission and need you! The Guidelines for Parish Pastoral Councils in Lansing defines it as this: Education commission: a consultative body for all matters related to educational, catechetical and youth ministry. They serve in an advisory capacity to the pastor and professional staff, i.e., principal, director of religious education, and coordinator of youth ministry.

The commission would be 6-9 members and would be bi-monthly during the school year. Call or email Maureen Stockwell with questions!

DISCIPLESHIP TEAM

Have you felt your heart strings being pulled to share your love of Christ with others?

Do you like to invite others to come to church with you?

Do you feel a special warmth when you talk about your Catholic faith?

If you answered yes to any of these guesitons, we need you! Part of our Grow & Go campaign is to help share our faith and welcome people of the community to visit St. James. We also want to welcome back those who are returning. This happens through prayer and outreach. For more information on joining the Discipleship Team, join us between Masses on Sunday, April 8th in Keating Hall or contact Heather 517-676-9111 or stjamesheather1@gmail.com.

RETREAT OPPORTUNITY

We invite you to join us in a Women's Retreat on Saturday, April 21st at the Catholic Community of St. Jude. Retreat Director is Sr. Diane Zerfas who will speak on "We Live Inside a Story" For more information and to register go to stjudedewitt.com and look under Events/Opportunities at the bottom of the page. All women are welcome to join us. For more information call Terry Humenik at 517 669 8335 ext 18.

THE DOMINICAN SISTERS OF MARY, MOTHER OF THE EUCHARIST

Invite Young Single Women (Ages 16-32) to drop everything, take a leap of faith, and spend April 28th & 29th in Ann Arbor with dozens of other young women exploring the answer to the question "Where is God calling me?" The Sisters who live in Lansing are providing bus transportation to this retreat—please contact Sr. Louis Marie at srlouismarie@sistersofmary.org for more information

SUMMER SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES **CAMPS AT LCHS**

Do you have a student interested in one of Lansing Catholic High School's sports or activity camps? The 2018 dates have been set and registration forms are now available on our website www.lansingcatholic.org.

ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS!

All those who have cared for flower beds at St. James and wish to continue, please let me know that and which flower bed you tended. All those who would like to help with the gardening at St. James this summer, please contact

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

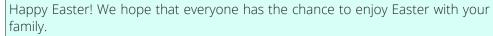
Colleen Curry at curryc@msu.edu.

Mother Teresa House has a volunteer opportunity for a retired nurse or experienced caregiver to serve on the Fridays and Saturdays.

If interested, please call us at 517-484-5494 or go to motherteresahouse.org.

KNIGHT'S CORNER

Upcoming Events:



I want to Give a BIG Thanks to Everyone who donated food and money towards the 40 Cans for Lent Drive. It was a record year for the donations!

At the March 25th Knights of Columbus Meeting, **Ashton Bergeon** was named Knight of Month for all the work he does at the Fish Fries. He makes sure that the serving line has enough food, and is a big help with the cleanup afterwards.

The Family of the Month was the **Gene Murawski Family**. Gene has been collecting money from our Friday Night visitors, while Rita made sure there was desert for everyone. Son Tom comes after work to help Dad, Ashton, plus others clean up after the Fish Fries.

April 13th—The Night of Magic Show. Get your tickets now! It will be a great night of FUN!

To learn more about our local Council, Visit www.masonknights.org, or contact any Mason Council #9182 member at the Fish Fries or at Church.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS!

Looking for a fun and faith-filled place for your children or grandchildren to spend a week or two this summer? Want to help them unplug from technology and not even miss it? Look no further! Camp Sancta Maria (CSM), located in Gaylord, Michigan, provides wholesome recreation and adventure in an atmosphere of Christian faith. CSM is a Catholic camp offering one- and two-week sessions for boys and one-week sessions for girls. Since 1933, CSM has provided countless youth with lasting memories. Activities include daily Mass

and evening prayer, horseback riding, swimming, a highand low- challenge ropes course, a fifty-foot climbing wall, crafts, archery, various sports, a trip to Mackinac Island, campfires (and s'mores!) and so much more!!! Fun, faith, and friendships included at no extra cost! Check out our website to learn more at www.CampSanctaMaria.org or call (248) 822-8199.



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YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS!



R.O.C.K. ROCK Nights: Sundays 5-7pm Next ROCK: April 15th!

Upcoming Events ~ Registration Forms Due!!
Grad Mass & Breakfast June 3rd
Cedar Point June 19th!

Catholic Heart Work Camp Mission Trip ~ June 24th-30th ~ Nashville TN Steubenville Conference ~ July 20th-22nd ~ Steubenville OH

ENCOUNTER

There will be no Encounter on Tuesday, April 3rd!

TRIBUTE TO MAGIC

Presented by the Mason Knights of Columbus

Friday, April 13th 7:00 pm

Mason High School Auditorium

Tickets are \$10 per person

Fun for all ages! Come enjoy comedy, illusion, ventriloquism, sleight of hand, mentalism.

Tickets available after Masses in the gathering space.

THE ASSOCIATION OF CATHOLIC WOMEN INC. SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Association of Catholic Women, Inc. is giving away a \$1200 scholarship to a graduating Catholic young woman. In order to be considered for the scholarship, you must return all paperwork to Tania Matz at 3040 Hawley Road Leslie MI 49251 no later than May 1st 2018.

Please pick up an application in the gathering space. Questions? Call Tania Matz at 517-331-5260.

LANSING AREA ANNUAL SENIOR DAY OF REFLECTION

This I Know For Sure...

9:30am, Thursday, April 19th at St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt. Doors open at 9:30am for Coffee Hour. The first presentation will begin at 10:00am, followed by Mass, lunch and a second presentation. Seating is limited. Registration and payment of \$18 are required by Wednesday, April 11th. Register at www.stfrancis.ws.

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION NEWS

This is a reminder that our Sunday sessions will not be held during Easter weekend, April 1st, or the next, April 8th, since this is the end of spring break. We will not have Children's Liturgy on Palm Sunday or Easter Sunday but it will resume on the April 8th for those who are in town. I wish you a beautiful Easter as well as a safe and sunny spring break with your loved ones.