

# *St. James Church*

*Celebrating 75 years  
1942-2017*

*Mason, Michigan*



*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  
April 9, 2017*

# This Week at St. James

**Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

8:30 A.M. .... Fr. Eugene Beiter-Sts. CC  
 9:00 A.M. .... †Sally Hollbrook-Knights of Columbus  
 11:00 A.M. .... **People of Sts. James, Cornelius & Cyprian**  
 6:00 P.M. .... ROCK & Edge (grades 7-12)-Keating

**Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> NO SERVICES**

11:00 A.M. .... "Mother Teresa: No Greater Love" -Conference Room  
 6:30 P.M. .... Women's Club Meeting-Keating Hall

**Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**

12:10 P.M. .... Mass preceded by Rosary  
 7:00 P.M. .... Adoration

**Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

12:10 P.M. .... Mass preceded by Rosary  
 4:15 P.M. .... Faith Formation Class  
 7:00 P.M. .... Oremus-Keating Hall

**Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> Holy Thursday**

11:30 A.M.-5:15 P.M. .... Blood Drive-Cave Hall  
 7:00 A.M. .... Mass

**Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> Good Friday**

2:00 P.M. .... Youth Stations of the Cross  
 3:00 P.M. .... Veneration of the Cross  
 7:00 P.M. .... Mason Ecumenical Good Friday Service

**Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> Easter Vigil**

8:30 P.M. .... †Ross Ried-Charli & Karen Heiler

**Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday**

8:30 A.M. .... Carrie Wieferich-Sts. CC  
 9:00 A.M. .... **People of Sts. James, Cornelius & Cyprian**  
 11:00 A.M. .... ∞Vocations-Knights of Columbus

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup>

**Sunday** Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18,19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14

**Monday** Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday** Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15-17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

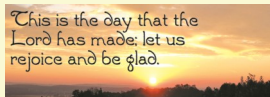
**Wednesday** Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday** Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8,11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

**Friday** Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday) Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

**Saturday** Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13,20-22; Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ex 15:1-2,3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12,13; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Bar 3:9-15,32-4:4; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3,4;

**Sunday** 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 or Mt 28:1-10



**ATTENTION ALL MINISTERS!**

Please sign up for Easter Masses in the Sacristy!



**THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

Please be generous! For more information , please visit [www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday](http://www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday).

## Parish Directory

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:00-4:00 Friday 8:00—noon

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**Bulletin Deadline** **NOON Monday** **Email Preferred!**



**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**Holy Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM**  
**Youth Stations of the Cross, Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> 2:00 PM**  
**Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> Veneration of the Cross 3:00 PM**  
**Good Friday Ecumenical Service, Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM**  
**Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> 8:30 PM**  
**Easter Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 9:00 & 11:00 AM**

**Holy Week**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

We are currently working on rewriting our Mission Statement. Our current one reads: *"We provide a supportive environment that encourages our members to grow in their personal relationship with God, their relationship with "The Body of Christ" and their relationship with the community at large".* If you have some input on what you think our new statement should be, please email Father Kusi at [stjameskusi@gmail.com](mailto:stjameskusi@gmail.com).

They took Palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting "Hosanna".  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the King of Israel.  
 ~John 12.13




**FUNDRAISER FOR THE MASON FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION**

The Mason A&W Restaurant is sponsoring a Ham Dinner at 628 N Cedar St. for the Mason Firefighters Association on Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 8 pm. The dinner includes ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable soup or salad and a biscuit. Price is \$5.99 Dine in or Carry out. Please come out and support your local Fire department!


**2017 WALK OF COMPASSION**

All people of faith are invited to mark Good Friday by participating in a solemn Walk of Compassion, uniting the passion, suffering, and death of Jesus with the suffering of people throughout the world. Sponsored by the Lenawee Interfaith Alliance and the Adrian Dominican Sisters, the Walk of Compassion will begin at 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at First Presbyterian Church, 156 E. Maumee Street, Adrian, and will conclude around noon. Participants are encouraged to begin gathering at the church at 10:00 a.m.

The Walk of Compassion is based on the traditional Stations of the Cross. Participants journey together through the downtown area, stopping at key points along the route to recall Jesus' suffering and relate it to such issues as health care, immigration, homelessness and hunger, human trafficking, and the environment. The prayers call for repentance and transformation.



Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: **Eileen Sheridan**, mother of Bill Sheridan and **Nora Miller**.



**ATTENTION WOMEN!**

Join us for the next Women's Club meeting!

When: Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm

Where: Keating Hall.

**MARKET DAY NEWS**

We are trying to gauge interest in a Spring Market day. If are interested, please contact Alison at the office.



**Please Pray for Our Sick:**

3/31 Tim Olney, Mary Tedrake, Bill Loiselle, Gordon Terwilliger, Kari Olney, Peggy O'Berry 3/22 Teri Kill 3/13 Shirley Grieve, Amber Friedman.

**FOOD BANK NEEDS**

The Mason Food Bank is in need of canned peaches and canned peas .

A portion of our 4% Christian Service Tithe has been sent to:  
**Child & Family Services**

**ATTENTION MINISTERS!**

It will be time for a new schedule after Easter, so please submit your unavailable dates for the period of April 23<sup>rd</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>. By April 10<sup>th</sup>. If you are changing ministries or preferred Masses, please contact Alison at [stjamesalison2@gmail.com](mailto:stjamesalison2@gmail.com).

NOTE: Names will remain on this list for just four weeks. Please contact the office if you wish to renew a person's name.



Thank you  
 Our Sponsor of the Week  
**Ace Hardware  
 Mason & Holt**



Last Week's Collections	
<b>April 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>\$7,777.45</b> <small>(129 envelopes, 44 EFT from 627 households)</small>
<i>This date last year</i>	<i>\$8,518.45</i>
Fiscal Year to date (since July 1 <sup>st</sup> )	
<b>This Year</b>	<b>\$356,537.79</b>
<i>Last Year</i>	<i>\$328,036.99</i>

**ST. JAMES 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY—DECEMBER 25, 2017**

Our Question of the week: *Why were we named St. James?* We recently learned that Bishop Albers went down the list of Apostles and James had not been used in the Diocese so we became St. James.

1943-Timothy Joseph Glynn was baptized on March 14<sup>th</sup>. The Mr. & Mrs. Club was started for the purpose of discussing problems regarding marriage, children and religion. In later years it evolved into the Euchre Club. The Sisters of Charity from St. Mary's Cathedral came to Mason on Saturdays to teach CCD. They were driven from Lansing to Mason and back by parent volunteers. Virginia Simone and Lucille Graham opened their homes for these lessons for many years. New Mission members included the Fred and Rose Fichter family, the Cameron and Mary Glynn family, the Leonard and Ellen Martineau family, Betty Quinn (Evans) and Beverly Quinn (O'Berry).

1944-Fr. Keating married Catherine Deneka and Harold Laws just before Harold left for the armed services. Our first Holy Communion class was held at Ball Dunn Chapel on May 28<sup>th</sup>. They were instructed by the Sisters of Charity and included Thomas Reeves, Gerald Reeves, Joseph Simone, Rose M. Simone, Patricia Ann Reeves and Charles Bell. New Mission members included the Edwin and Leone Wentland family. D-Day, the Normandy Invasion was on June 6<sup>th</sup>.

1945-The Catholic Women's League (aka: Catholic Women's Club; the Rosary and Altar Society) met at members' homes during the 1940's and early 1950's until the new Church was built. New Mission members included Ken and Leah Horn. World War II ended on V-J Day, August 14<sup>th</sup>.

1946-The Mission purchased six and one half acres of land on South Lansing Street, one half block NW of the Jefferson Street intersection for the site of the new Church. New Mission members included the Frank and Betty Guerriero family and the Willie and Helen Hills family. Don and Millie VanderVeen were married in the Mission Church at Ball-Dunn Funeral Home on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

1947-Some of the early presidents of the Catholic Women's League following Annabelle Clinton were Mary Meier, Mary Bergeon, Marguerite Cave, Lucille Graham, Jeannie Fontana, Helen Bell, Virginia Simone and Alice Bell. A card/feather party was held at the Legion Hall.

**THE ITALIAN-AMERICAN CLUB OF LANSING PASTA DINNER FUNDRAISER**

Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall at 6 pm.

An Evening of Faith, Family, Friends and Food to benefit scholarships.

We are serving Pasta with Homemade Sauce, Homemade Meatballs, Sausage, Salad, Bread and Dessert. There will be an silent auction with items from MSU, U or M, Tigers, Pistons, Red Rings and local baskets. Live Italian and American Music by Pino Marelli.

Prices:

- Adults - \$20
- Children 6-12 \$10
- 6 & Under FREE

For tickets contact Jerry or Anthony DeRosa at 517.694.9620.

**SAVE THE DATE!**



Lansing Area Catholic Council on Aging Spring Retreat will be held on Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at the St. Francis Retreat Center with Fr. Rosenberg. Mass and Lunch and cost will be determined. Call Joan Foss at 676-1976 if you plan on attending.



**AQUINAS COLLEGE VISIT DAY – FRIDAY, APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup>**

Aquinas College in Grand Rapids is hosting an AQDay for all high school juniors and seniors interested in visiting their beautiful 117-acre campus. The Admissions Office invites you to come and discover what life at AQ is really all about. Get the inside scoop on academics, athletics, scholarships, service learning, study abroad, and more.

Please visit [aquinas.edu/aqday](http://aquinas.edu/aqday) for more details or to register for the event on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

**SFPC ANNUAL FUNDRAISER**

St. Francis Prayer Center will hold their 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Fundraiser on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. We still have tickets available. Contact us at 810-787-5330 or email us at [stfrancisflint@comcast.net](mailto:stfrancisflint@comcast.net) to get yours. Tickets are \$100 each and include 2 dinner tickets & 4 complimentary drink tickets. Grand Prize is \$5,000 (If less than 300 tickets sold - \$4,000). The theme for this fun-filled evening is Kentucky Derby. There will be 50/50 drawings, Live & Silent Auctions, & dancing! Come join us!

**KNIGHT'S CORNER**

*Upcoming Events:*

- ◆ April 14<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday Services, no Fish Fry
- ◆ Many thanks to everyone who worked the Fish Fries, and to those who came to enjoy our delicious Fish Dinners.
- ◆ April 30<sup>th</sup> - Officer Meeting at 6:00 PM
- ◆ April 30<sup>th</sup> - Council Meeting at 7:00 PM

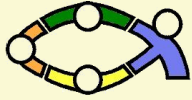


**GRADUATION MASS**



This year's Graduation Mass & Breakfast will be held on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. This will be celebrated at the 9:00 Mass. If you have a graduate and would like to receive an invitation, please contact Heather at [stjamesheather1@gmail.com](mailto:stjamesheather1@gmail.com).

**NEWS FROM OUR SISTER PARISH IN UGANDA**



Our parish, through our International Outreach Ministry, has been supporting our sister parish in Buseesa Uganda since 2004. One of the ways we support them is through student sponsorship. The Sister of Notre Dame has a primary and secondary boarding school right next to our Sister Parish and St. James has been sponsoring 4 students for the last few years. Below is a note regarding this sponsorship. The sisters thought that the people at St. James would be especially interested to see what a difference we are making for children of the Buseesa parish. Thank you!!!

\* *I wanted to share with you that through the sponsorship of St. James parish, Julius, Mildred, Simon and Rose are benefiting from the sponsorship. These children's parents are most grateful for the sponsorship assistance for without it their children would not be able to attend our school and benefit from quality education. These children are from the Buseesa parish and they wish to thank St. James for all that you continue to do for them*

This is just one example of the ways St. James is making a difference for our Sister Parish and that the International Outreach Ministry appreciates all the help with our fundraising efforts that our parishioners provide not only for Uganda, but also our ministry work in Fiji and Honduras!

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

Elementary Faith Formation News



Classes resume on Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> and run through May 10<sup>th</sup>. Watch the bulletin and email notifications about our annual May Crowning and end of year celebration on May 10<sup>th</sup>- all parishioners are invited!

Children's Liturgy continues to be offered for children younger children during the 9 am Mass on Sunday mornings. Please note that there will not be Children's Liturgy on Palm Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Children who are preparing for First Communion are completing their workbooks and pew banners. A beautiful wall banner has been made by the children for our celebration during the 11 am Mass on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Their special plates are in the process of being made for our dinner and rehearsal on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEWS**

Save the date! The theme this year is Rome.

When: Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>—Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>

Time: 5:30—8:00 PM

Dinner is included! Watch for more details to come!



**ATTENTION PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS!**

Looking to spark the faith of your children or grandchildren while they have a blast at the same time? Check out Camp Sancta Maria located in Gaylord, Michigan. We are a Catholic camp that provides fun experiences in a technology-free zone (and they won't even miss their cell phones!) while immersed in a faith-filled environment. We offer separate camping experiences for boys and girls that include daily Mass, horseback riding, swimming, archery, various sports, high and low ropes, campfires, crafts and more.

For additional information, check us out at [www.CampSanctaMaria.org](http://www.CampSanctaMaria.org) or call 248-822-8199.



**ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!**

If you are looking for scholarships for college, Heather has a list of some local ones you can apply for. Contact her at [stjamesheather1@gmail.com](mailto:stjamesheather1@gmail.com).



**YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS!**



**RISE THIS WEEK!:** 6<sup>th</sup> grade Wednesday 4:15-5:45

Class meets this week! Hope you had a great spring break!



**EDGE NEWS:** 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades

Edge meets tonight!!



**ROCK NEWS:** High School 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

ROCK meets tonight. Bring your friends!

**SHARED PREGNANCY WOMEN'S CENTER**



April  
27

6:30-8:30 pm

Grand Ledge Opera House  
121 S. Bridge St.  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

silent auction

ice cream sundaes

children's activities

face painting

free admission

check out our facebook page for auction updates

[www.sharedpregnancy.org](http://www.sharedpregnancy.org)

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