

Congratulations First Eucharist Class of 2017

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Mallory Galloway
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FIRST COMMUNION

St. James Church

*Celebrating 75 years
1942-2017*

Mason, Michigan

Second Sunday of Easter April 23, 2017

This Week at St. James

Sunday April 23rd

8:30 A.M.Ralph Hubbard-Sts. CC
 9:00 A.M.†James Rixie-Knights Angels
 11:00 A.M. **People/Celebration of First Euchaist**
 6:00 P.M.ROCK/Edge (grades 7-12)-Keating Hall

Monday, April 24th **NO SERVICES**

Tuesday, April 25th

12:10 P.M.Mass preceded by Rosary
 2:30 P.M. Prayer Shawl Ministry-Conference Room

Wednesday, April 26th

12:10 P.M.Mass preceded by Rosary
 4:15 P.M. Faith Formation Class
 4:30 P.M. Altar Server Training-Sacristy
 7:00 P.M. Pastoral Council-Conference Room

Thursday, April 27th

9:00 A.M. Mass followed by Rosary
 7:00 P.M. RCIA-South Wing

Friday, April 28th

9:00 A.M. Mass followed by Rosary

Saturday, April 29th

3:00 P.M. Reconciliation
 8:30 P.M. †Ross Ried-Knights of Columbus

Sunday April 30th

8:30 A.M.Ralph Hubbard-Sts. CC
 9:00 A.M. †People of Sts. James, Cornelius & Cyprian
 11:00 A.M. †Richard Wrobel-Charli & Karen Heiler
 6:00 P.M. ROCK/Edge Grades 7-12)-Keating Hall
 6:00 P.M. Knights Angels-Cave Hall
 7:00 P.M. Knights of Columbus-Keating Hall



Ministry Schedule For Next Week



Saturday, April 29th 4:00 P.M.

Lector: David Kalchik, Anne Schmidt
Commentator: Julie Payne
EM: Patricia Lewis, Linda Schroeder, Sharon Kalchik
Altar Server: NEED TWO!
Ushers: Sandy DeView, Marilee Soltis, Pat Morrison, Irene Morrison
Music Tech: Colin Cooper

Sunday, April 30th 9:00 A.M.

Lector: Dodi Smith, Janet Bradley-Mendez
Commentator: Ann Dunivon
EM: Dcn. Tom Feiten, Sue Domzalski, Alison Burch, Ted Burch, Mary Schwalm, Mary Kerschke, NEED ONE!
Altar Server: Fletcher Smith, Lauren West, Nicholas Williams
Ushers: Dave Knauf, Tim Zielinski, Jay Jensen, Paul Schnipke, Jerry Baldwin
Liturgy of the Word: Colleen Curry
Music Tech: Mitchell Lovell

Sunday, April 30th 11:00 A.M.

Lector: Connie Shutes, Brenda Messing
Commentator: Steve Crippen
EM: Linda St. Amant, Nancy Babin, Wayne Babin
Altar Server: Taylor Doerr, Thomas Rivet
Ushers: John Simpson, Paul Whitlow, Ryan Skaggs, Regina Skaggs
Music Tech: Sean Hohn

Parish Directory

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

New Parishioners please register with the office or at www.stjamesmason.org.

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 23RD

Sunday 2nd Sunday of Easter Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31
Monday Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9; Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
Wednesday Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday 3rd Sunday of Easter Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

LORD,
 You Will Show Us
 The Path Of Life.

Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you".

PLEASE NOTE!

This year's Mason Arbor Day honoree will be long-time Mason resident **Robert Bryans** who, in 1998-99, voluntarily planted the Memorial Garden at St. James Catholic Church on South Lansing Street in Mason. Over the past 15 years, Mr. Bryans has maintained the spacious garden which contains an assortment of small-to medium-sized trees and bushes and is home to numerous bees, butterflies and birds. The garden is open to the public and provides a sense of solitude to all who visit and walk its pathways.

Mr. Bryans chose a Tulip Tree to be planted near the entrance to Mason's City Hall closest to the Fire Department. A ceremony will be held at this spot on Friday, April 28th at 12:00 noon to honor Mr. Bryans.

If you have questions about the April 28th Arbor Day celebration, please contact Mary at 517-676-5891.



FAITH FORMATION NEWS



First Communion

Please note that our First Eucharist celebration will be held during the 11 am Mass on April 23rd. If you have a First Communicant, you will choose which center pew is reserved for your family during the rehearsal being held Saturday the 22nd from 6 to 8 pm. Other parishioners are invited to sit in the "outside" pews in the church. The center pews will be used by close family and friends of those making their First Eucharist. Please respect the pews marked as reserved; but if your family does not need the whole pew, let others know they are welcome to sit with you in the center pews.

PLEASE NOTE!

Sr. Maureen is living at the Nazareth Center near Kalamazoo. Her address is PO Box 31, Nazareth, MI 49074 if you would like to send her some mail!

FAITH BOOK CLUB

We at the faith book club meet every Mon. throughout the school year from 11-12:30 in the church library. We are just finishing *NO GREATER LOVE* about Mother Theresa which we are reading aloud. Anyone is welcome to join us.

Alleluia!

CARDS/LETTERS WELCOME!

Rickey Belknap is back at the Craft Care home and would love cards and letters. Her address is:

588 S Edgar Rd.
Mason, MI 48854



THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for your prayers and visits while Tim was in the hospital. He is home now and on the mend! ~Ruth Olney



Thank You!

ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS!

All those who have cared for flower beds at St. James and wish to continue, please let me know which flower bed you tended.

All those who would like to help with the gardening at St. James this summer, please contact Colleen Curry at curryc@msu.edu.



SAVE YOUR TRAVEL SIZE ITEMS!

As you travel this spring, please save your unused travel size personal care products for donations to EVE, INC. In June, the Christian Service Commission will again be assembling packets for the women who find refuge at EVE, INC. for domestic abuse. Just place your items in the box provided in the gathering space or drop them off in the office. Thank you!

MARKET DAY NEWS

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

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

Last Week's Collections

April 16th **\$11,967.70**
(213 envelopes, 48 EFT from 627 households)
This date last year \$9,116.76

Fiscal Year to date (since July 1st)

This Year **\$378,618.40**
Last Year \$349,144.00
Pontifical Good Friday \$627.00
Ecumenical Good Friday \$1077.92

Please Pray for Our Sick:

4/6 Shirley Grieve, Rickey Belknap
3/31 Tim Olney, Bill Loiselle, Gordon Terwilliger, Kari Olney, Peggy O'Berry
3/22 Teri Kill.

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
**McDonald's
Mason & Holt**

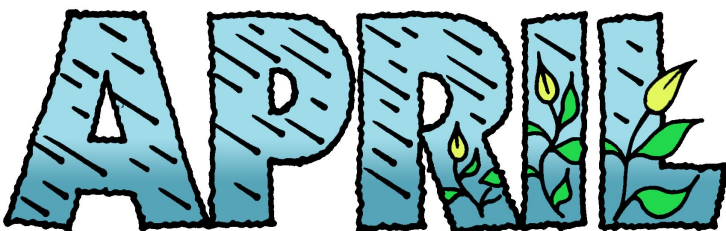


ST. JAMES 75TH ANNIVERSARY—DECEMBER 25, 2017

If you have pictures or additional information regarding our history, please send to sjhistorian@gmail.com or drop off at the Parish Office.

1953-Plans for the new Church were accepted from the firm of Henick and Simpson, Architects. Ground breaking ceremonies were held in a steady rain for the new Church on November 8th. Msgr. Keating, who maintained his residence in Lansing all these years, was designated Pastor of the new St. James Mission and turned the first shovel of earth. A 36 feet by 75 feet Georgian style cinder block and brick building with a full basement for a meeting hall, a kitchen and choir loft was built by the Lamphere Brothers of Mason. Landscaping was completed by Don VanderVeen, Jr. under the direction of the R. D. Miller Company of Lansing. Bob Leonard was the electrical contractor and Celand Lamphere headed up the construction crew. On November 9th, the Most Reverend Joseph H. Albers, Bishop of Lansing, officially commissioned the St. James Parish CCD Program according to Cannon Law 711. Wilma Lehman was the Catholic Women's League President.

1954-The Most Rev. Joseph H. Albers, Bishop of Lansing, sent a letter on January 9th officially giving the St. James Mission permission to proceed with a building not to exceed \$38,000. A St. James Family Dinner was held on June 6th at the Delhi Town Hall in Holt and Msgr. Keating was honored for his 15th Anniversary as a Priest. The Most Rev. Joseph Albers, Bishop of Lansing blessed and formally dedicated the newly constructed St. James Mission Church on September 19th with more than 400 witnessing the ceremonies. Priests assisting were Msgr. Keating, Fr. James Brogan, Fr. John Slowey, Fr. Paul Donovan (Master of Ceremonies), Msgr. Jerome MacEachin, Fr. James Hayes, Fr. Lawrence Hamel, Fr. James Kavanaugh and Fr. Leon Cahill. Francis Kelly provided the music. The focal point of the new Mission Church was the altar and tabernacle purchased by Mary DeRose, one of the petitioners to establish the St. James Mission in 1942. It was used from 1954 to 1982 and from 1992 to the present time. Little tiles were added to the tabernacle in 1982. Above and behind it was an oak and bronze crucifix suspended on a bronze chain with a backdrop of royal crimson velvet drapes. The Catholic Women's League (President Betty Guerriero) purchased the new pews with proceeds from Feather Parties held at the old Legion Building. A copper envelope containing the Ingham County News clippings and pictures of the 1953 ground breaking ceremony and a brief history of the St. James Mission were included in the cornerstone. The cornerstone was set in place by Celand Lamphere, Contractor, and his son Gary. The outdoor statue of St. James was donated anonymously. William and Lillian Giesbrook donated their farm to the Church which raised \$21,000 to help build St. James Church. The Women's Club purchased a Registration Stand for the Ball-Dunn Funeral Home in appreciation for all they did for the new St. James Mission over the years.



KNIGHT'S CORNER

Upcoming Events:

- ◆ April 30th - Officer Meeting at 6:00 PM
- ◆ April 30th - Council Meeting at 7:00 PM
- ◆ May 6th - Mason Spring Fling
- ◆ May 7th - Bishop Emeritus Carl Mengeling and Fr. Kenneth McDonald Celebration of 60 Years in the Priesthood.



**LANSING AREA COUNCIL ON AGING
SPRING DAY OF REFLECTION**

Friday April 28th, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



St. Francis Retreat Center, 703 E. Main Street in DeWitt

Theme: "One Voice" presented by Fr. David Rosenberg Cost: \$18, includes lunch.

Register online at www.stfrancis.ws or call 517-669-8321

FUNDRAISER FOR ST. CASIMIR PARISH

Generations Community Theater is pleased to announce their spring performance of *Cheaper By The Dozen* with a featured role by Fr. Bill Luger. We've joined with St. Casimir Catholic Church for this performance as a fund raiser to support their Religious Education and Youth Ministry programs. This production will be performed live on stage at St Casimir Catholic Church, 815 Sparrow Avenue, Lansing. Show dates are: April 21st, 22nd, at 7:00 PM with a matinee performance at 2:00 PM on the 23rd. Tickets: Adults \$10, Children \$5 (Four & under FREE) can be purchased at the door or at the Parish Office. The play will be directed by Teresa Hurd. Questions? Contact her at hurd@stcas.org.

STUDY WORLD RELIGIONS IN WEBER CENTER SERIES

An in-depth study of world religions is being offered during May at the Weber Retreat and Conference Center, 1257 E. Siena Heights Drive, on the Motherhouse campus of the Adrian Dominican Sisters.

Adrian Dominican Sister Susan Van Baalen, OP, is presenting the five-part series from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays in May. The series is set up for participants to attend one or more of the programs: Hinduism, May 3; Buddhism, May 10; Confucianism/Daoism, May 17; Judaism, May 24; and Islam, May 31. Christianity is not discussed in this series because of the assumption that many people in our culture are Christian or familiar with that religion.

Sister Susan will introduce each religion with a survey of its deities, historical development, sacred writings, beliefs, practices and rituals, and ethics and belief system.

The cost is \$25 per session, with a \$10 deposit required for each day. The cost includes lunch. To register, visit <http://weber.adriandominicans.org> or call 517-266-4000.

PROM DRESS EXCHANGE!

St. James Church 1010 S. Lansing St. Mason

Sunday April 30th 1-4pm



How it works:

Bring a gently used prom dress to St. James between now & April 28th. This will get you a ticket for early admission!

Doors open at 1:00pm for all ticket holders!
No dress to bring? No worry!! Doors open for you at 2:00!
Find one that fits? Take it home to wear to this year's prom!!

Have formal wear and accessories you no longer need?
Please donate them so someone else can make memories too! All items are greatly appreciated!



All donations may be dropped off prior to the St. James Youth Ministry Office.

Questions? Please contact Heather 517-676-9111 ext 5

**This is an exchange only. No sales will take place. All items will be accepted as a donation.

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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEWS

Save the date! The theme this year is **Rome, Paul & the Underground Church**

When: Monday, August 14th—Thursday, August 17th

Time: 5:30—8:00 PM

Dinner is included! Watch for more details to come!



SFPC ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

St. Francis Prayer Center will hold their 36th Annual Fundraiser on Saturday, April 29th. We still have tickets available. Contact us at 810-787-5330 or email us at 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!

GREAT JOB TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE SHADOW STATIONS OF THE CROSS!!

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| Emma Barnum | Abby Rivet |
| William Barnum | Thomas Rivet |
| Becca Burch | Cora Smith |
| Libby Filice | Eli Smith |
| Emma McCaleb | Fletcher Smith |
| Daniel Burch | |



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.



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YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS!



RISE THIS WEEK! 6th grade Wednesday 4:15-5:45

April showers bring May Flowers! What is your favorite flower? Does your mom have a favorite flower? Hope for a sunny day!

EDGE NEWS: 7th & 8th grades

TONIGHT 6-8pm! Bring your Friends!! NEXT EDGE: April 30th!

ROCK NEWS: High School 9th-12th grades

R.O.C.K. TONIGHT from 6-8pm!! Bring your FRIENDS!!
Prom Dress Swap ~ Sunday April 30th 1-4pm! Next ROCK April 30th!

Our parish is getting stronger every day with the growing unity of it's people! Please take your pieces of the stone wall home with you today and continue to share your strengths with others!

GRADUATION MASS



This year's Graduation Mass & Breakfast will be held on Sunday, June 4th. 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.