



ST. JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

LOVE GOD—LOVE PEOPLE—MAKE DISCIPLES

April 29, 2018 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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



5th

SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." - Jn 15:5

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This Week at St. James

Saturday, April 28th
 3:00 P.M. Reconciliation
 4:00 P.M. †Al Kmiecik—*Donna Kmiecik*

Sunday April 29th **Fifth Sunday of Easter**
 8:30 A.M. Mary Hankerd—*Sts. C&C*
 8:30 A.M. †Matt Wisniewski—*Ted & Alison Burch*
 9:40—10:50 A.M. Faith Formation Classes
 11:00 A.M. People of the Parish

Monday, April 30th **NO SERVICES**
 11:00 A.M. Faith Study Group—*Conference Room*

Tuesday, May 1st
 12:10 P.M. Mass preceded by Rosary

Wednesday, May 2nd
 12:10 P.M. Mass preceded by Rosary

Thursday, May 3rd
 11:00 Mass at Green Acres

Friday, May 4th
 9:00 A.M. Mass followed by Rosary

Saturday, May 5th
 3:00 P.M. Reconciliation
 4:00 P.M. †Eugene Matz—*The Fisher Family*

Sunday May 6th **Sixth Sunday of Easter**
 8:30 A.M. Special Intentions—*Sts. C&C*
 8:30 A.M. †Joe Rabidoux—*The Fisher Kids*
 9:40—10:50 A.M. Faith Formation Classes
 11:00 A.M. People of the Parish



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 29TH

Sunday 5th Sunday of Easter Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

Monday Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a (286)

Wednesday Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Jn 14:6-14

Friday Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday 6th Sunday of Easter Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17



Ministry Schedule For Next Week



Saturday, May 5th 4:00 P.M.
Lector: Diane Whitney, Karen Ceccanese
Commentator: Dan Bishop
EM: Patricia Lewis, Marilee Soltis, Karen Heiler
Altar Server: NEED TWO!
Ushers: Gordon May, Maryann May, Tammy March, Rick Coolidge
Music Tech: Colin Cooper

Sunday, May 6th 8:30 A.M.
Lector: Lisa Mazure, Pete Barnum
Commentator: Kale Taylor
EM: Dcn. Al Turkovich, Mary Kerschke, Emma Barnum, Vickie Munro, Mary Schwalm, Kathleen VanFleet, NEED ONE!
Altar Server: Korina Taylor, Alexis Taylor, TeaganTaylor
Ushers: Tom Murawski, Ron Bates, Bill Sheridan, Jim Bartolacci, Jim Wedell
Liturgy of the Word: Deb LaFleur
Music Tech: Kathleen Doneth

Sunday, May 6th 11:00 A.M.
Lector: Lisa Leibbrand, Michael Clark
Commentator: Brenda Messing
EM: Steve Crippen, Zachary Leibrant, Fran Clark
Altar Server: Emma Murphy, Brennen West
Ushers: Cathy Pinkos, Jerry DeRosa, Deb Heady
Music Tech: Becca Burch

Parish Directory

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:00-4:00 Fridays 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!**



Walk with your feet on earth, but in your heart be in Heaven. ~St. John Bosco

DSA 2018

“Go and Announce the Gospel of the Lord.” *The Gospel of the Lord.*
 “Go and Announce the Gospel of the Lord” is the theme of our 2018 Diocesan Services Appeal. It reminds us that each of us is called to discipleship. Supporting the DSA is one way to share our blessings and the Good News with the world.



The DSA is an annual appeal to sustain the ongoing, day-to-day work of the Church across the diocese. The programs and services funded by the DSA offer direct assistance to individuals and families and to our parishes, schools, and Catholic Charities agencies. Witness to Hope gifts are funding special capital projects at your parish and the establishment of endowed funds as an investment in the future of the Church. Both types of gifts are needed to support your parish and the wider Church.

New this year! Make your gift online at www.dioceseoflansing.org/DSA

FATHER KUSI'S FIJI FAMILY REUNION

This is to announce a special event—Father Kusi's Fiji Family Reunion.

Fr. Kusi would like to bring his mother and brother to visit this summer—a very exciting event for us all but also quite expensive. We would like to ask for your support for this visit, both financially and through providing opportunities for different outings and events for Father's mother and brother.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW to attend a delicious Fundraising Dinner provided by the St. James Knights on Saturday, May 19th. Dinner will include: NY strip steaks, baked potatoes, French fries, Cole slaw, green beans and dessert. Chicken will also be available. Cost \$15/person. There will also be a cash bar. The festivities start at 5:30 and go until the bar is empty!

We are also planning on a “Father Kusi Fiji Family Reunion Giving Tree” in the St. James gathering space. You will be able to take one or more tags and either provide a donation to help defray costs, or an event for Father's mother and brother, such as a sightseeing outing or a restaurant gift card they can use. They will be here through July 30th.

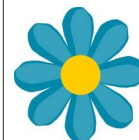
Look for more details to come!

MOTHER'S DAY MEMORIALS

Remember your Mom, wife, grandmother or any special woman in your life, living or deceased at all our Masses on Mother's Day weekend, May 12th & 13th. Pick up a form and contribution envelope in the gathering space. Deadline to submit names—May 10th.

Please contact the office at 676-9111 or stjamesalison2@gmail.com with any questions.

WOMEN'S CLUB ANNUAL BANQUET



All women are invited to join us as we Step into Spring!

Please bring your favorite dish to pass!

When: Monday, June 14th 6:30 pm

Where: Cave Hall

Cost: A smile!



Please Pray for Our Sick:

4/23 Sandy Shier, Anna Beebe, Joan Foss, Tim Williams, Doug Mumby, Tim Olney, Dotty Pratt
 4/9 Chuck Dadswell, Pauline Phillips, Kym Piggot, Lisa Carey, Margaret Marshall, Ayden Weyer, Kari Olney.



Thank you *Our Sponsor of the Week*
 ~McDonald's Mason & Holt~



A portion of our 4% Christian Service Tithe has been sent to:
 ~Loaves and Fishes~

Last Week's Collections

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| April 22 nd | \$7,272.08 <small>(161 envelopes, 25EFT from 628 households)</small> |
| <i>This date last year</i> | \$10,854.05 |
| Fiscal Year to date (since July 1st) | |
| This Year | \$383,868.44 |
| <i>Last Year</i> | \$389,472.47 |

DISCOVERY SMALL GROUPS ARE FORMING NOW!



Small groups can be formed with friends, family, or other members of the parish. Discovery is a great way to learn more about your relationship with God.

It will help you to explore your faith and deepen your understand of God's love for us. We are still looking for disciples that are willing to help lead or co-lead a small group. We have several people that would love to be in one, that just need a little direction.

Please contact Heather in the office to get your Discovery book, become a Discovery Disciple, or to get more information on joining one! Stjamesheather1@gmail.com 517-676-9111 ext 5.

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, develop face-to-face relationships, exercise, experience nature and give them experiences they will treasure the rest of their lives? Look no further! Camp Sancta Maria (CSM), located in Gaylord, 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. Do they like horseback riding or want to try it for the first time? They can do it at camp! Want to spend time at the beach and in the water? Enjoy CSM's own private beach on Lake 27! Enjoy playing sports? Have fun each day competing in different athletic contests! These are just a few of the activities offered at Camp. Other activities include daily Mass, a high- and low-challenge ropes course, a fifty-foot climbing wall, crafts, archery, a trip to Mackinac Island with a stop for Mass under the largest crucifix in the world, campfires and so much more!!! Fun, faith, and friendships included at no extra cost! Camp begins in June and runs through mid-August. We also offer Mother & Daughter weekends and Father & Son weekends. Check out our website to learn more at www.CampSanctaMaria.org or call (248) 822-8199.

AVE MARIA UNIVERSITY SEEKING VOLUNTEER FOOTBALL SCOUTS

Do you enjoy high school football? Would you like to help young Catholic men have an opportunity to attend an authentic Catholic university and play football? If so—Ave Maria University (AMU) could use your help! AMU is developing a scout network in Michigan to help identify Catholic football players from all schools (public / private / Catholic) in this area. Generous scholarships are available. For more details, please contact Dr. Gary Jackson, Michigan Scout Coordinator, at gjackson@avemariafoundation.org or 734-516-9615.

ATTENTION FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN



We will be starting a Children's Story Hour soon! This will be primarily for a parent/guardian and children between one and 4 years old. It will be held on Wednesdays from 10 am to 11 am. This avoids conflicting the local libraries who have most of their story hours on Tuesdays. We can plan to have a book to read together, a short video, playtime in the nursery or simple games to play. We will meet as a group on the lower level in the nursery. The tentative start date is Wednesday May 2nd. If you and your little one are planning on joining us, please email Maureen at stjamesmaureen@gmail.com or call 676-9111, ext. 4. Knowing how many children will be coming will help with planning!

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 Committee will be assembling packets for the women who find refuge at EVE, INC for domestic abuse. Just place your items in the box in the gathering space.

HANNAH'S HOUSE 17TH ANNUAL RUN FOR BABIES

Take a step toward helping homeless, pregnant women and their babies On Mother's day Weekend, Saturday May 12th. Register at runsignup.com OR contact Hannah's House. We would be happy to send you a registration form. For more information contact Deanna Arnett, Executive Director 517-482-5856

A & W SPAGHETTI DINNER FUND-RAISER "COATS FOR KIDS"

St. James parishioners, please come join us at A & W on Monday, May 7th from 11am-8pm. Help support the Mason/Dansville Coat Drive. A & W will donate \$2.00 from each Spaghetti Dinner sold. The donation will help us purchase coats, snow pants, boots and gloves.

I.D. 9:16 DISCIPLES' NIGHT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Attention all young adults in their 20s and 30s! Join us for our May Disciples' Night on Thursday, May 3rd beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Church of the Resurrection in Lansing.

We'll have Mass, dinner & drinks, and this month with speaker, Dr. Ralph Martin who is president of Renewal Ministries, and he will be sharing about Our Blessed Mother's stirring words at Fatima.

To find out more about our group, or to RSVP please visit our Facebook group "i.d. 916 Lansing" and RSVP on the event there, or email us at id916lansing@gmail.com. For more information, visit www.id916.com.

KNIGHT'S CORNER

Upcoming Events:

April 29th—5:30 PM Rosary in the Chapel

April 29th—6:00 PM Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting, followed by regular meeting at 7:00

May 5th—8:30 AM Registration for the Admission Degree at St. Thomas Aquinas.

9:30 AM Registration for the Formation Degree at St. Thomas Aquinas.

10:30 AM Registration for the Knighthood Degree at St. Thomas Aquinas

May 12th—11:00 AM Living Rosary will be held at the State Capitol

June 2nd—8:00 AM Knights of Columbus Vocation Golf Outing with a Shot Gun start at Eagle View Golf Course, Mason, MI. Individual fee is \$70 which includes 18 holes of Golf with Cart, Coffee and Donut, 2 Drink Tickets, Lunch, Goody Bag, NY Strip Dinner, plus many various Prizes. This event donates over \$6000 towards our Seminarians. If you are not a golfer, you can sponsor a hole or donate cash or prize for the event. A nice way to support our future Priests!

June 10th—1:00 PM Bishop Povish Assembly will be hosting a Flag Retirement Ceremony at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Charlotte. This is a chance to get rid of your worn out flags.



WITNESS TO HOPE UPDATE

Fellow parishioners: in future bulletins you'll be seeing updates from me about the progress of our Witness to Hope Capital Campaign which was completed about a year ago. I'll be informing you from time to time of the collection total as it moves to maturity; which will occur in about four years. I may also use this space to remind and inform you of other important progress-details as the campaign moves to completion. Currently the St. James WTH account has just about reached the \$100,000 mark, including the most recent March posting. Our WTH funds are kept in a Lansing Diocese account "in our name" and we receive regular account updates. Thank you for your generous support and for following up on your Witness to Hope pledges.

When our bulletin joins with the St. Cornelius and Cyprian bulletin I'll begin to provide updates on that campaign too. By the way, per diocesan policy, the two campaigns and their respective funding intents will retain their original pre-merger form and operate as totally separate campaigns all the way to completion and separate spending intentions. I can be reached through the parish office if you have a question about WTH progress or operation. Meanwhile, look for my by-line in future bulletins so that you may remain informed on this important matter.

~Respectfully, Dean Baker, Finance Council Member






Youth Spring Banquet

Celebrating, Recognizing & Awarding
6th-12th grade youth

Sunday, May 6th
5-7pm

All Middle & High School families are encouraged to attend.
Please bring your favorite dish to pass!
Cave Hall

YOU'RE INVITED!

 If you are interested in participating in a Roast of Father Kusi this summer, please contact Pat Morrison at 231-487-0126 or rip1951@sbcglobal.net.

SIGN UP NOW FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

You can now sign up for Vacation Bible School to be held at St. James at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/rollingriver2018>.

Rolling River Rampage Community VBS
June 25th—June 28th
6:00 pm—8:00 pm

Learn about Jesus as you have a boat-load of fun with your friends old and new!

