



ST. JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

LOVE GOD—LOVE PEOPLE—MAKE DISCIPLES

~CELEBRATING 75 YEARS—1942-2017~

September 10, 2017 The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 9th

3:00 P.M. Reconciliation

4:00 P.M. †Sandy Nichols
Charli & Karen Heiler

Sunday September 10th

8:30 A.M. Chuck Coleman
Sts. C&C

9:00 A.M. †Eileen Sheridan
Shirley & Dick Grieve

11:00 A.M. People of Sts. James,
Cornelius & Cyprian

Monday, September 11th NO SERVICES

11:00 A.M. Faith Study Group
Conference Room

6:30 P.M. Women's Club Meeting
Keating Hall

Tuesday, September 12th

12:10 P.M. †Anna Demshuk & family
Carol Demshuk
Mass preceded by Rosary

Wednesday, September 13th

12:10 P.M. †Catherine Ferers
Tess Layman & family
Mass followed by Rosary

6:00 P.M. Catechist Meeting
Keating Hall

Thursday, September 14th

9:00 A.M. Mass followed by Rosary

4:00 P.M. Bookies
Conference Room

Friday, September 15th

9:00 A.M. Mass followed by Rosary

Saturday, September 16th

3:00 P.M. Reconciliation

4:00 P.M. Vocations
Knights of Columbus

Sunday September 17th 75th Anniversary

8:30 A.M. People of Sts. James,
Cornelius & Cyprian *Sts. C&C*

10:30 A.M. †John DeRosa
Jerry DeRosa Family



23rd Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

“For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” - Mt 18:20

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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

WELCOME!

If you have been away from the Church or want to discover the Church for the first time, we are thrilled to welcome you! Please visit www.stjamesmason.org and explore some of the resources we have. You can also register with the parish right on the website or if you prefer, call the parish office at 517-676-9111. We're glad you're here!



PRODUCE SWAP

Have too many zucchini but not enough lettuce? Bring your excess produce to the gathering space and pick up what you need! If you have nothing to swap, but want some fresh produce, leave a donation for the Mason Food Bank!



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10TH

Sunday 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

Monday Col 1:24—2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11; Lk 6:12-19

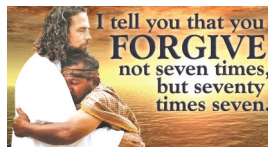
Wednesday Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Friday 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11; Jn 19:25-27

Saturday 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7; Lk 6:43-49

Sunday Time 24th Sunday in Ordinary Sir 27:30-28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-; Mt 18:21-35



Ministry Schedule For Next Week



Saturday, September 16th 4:00 P.M.

Please volunteer for these positions by emailing Alison at stjamesalison2@gmail.com

Sunday, September 17th 10:30 A.M.

Lector: Soledad Heiler, Jim Marshall

Commentator: Tim Zielinski (?)

EM: Dcn. Tom Feiten, Fr. Al Wakefield, Fr. Jim Shaver, Fr. Phil Schmitter, Fr. Ken McDonald, Margaret Marshall, Amy Adkins, Kim Hall

Altar Server: Emily Jones, Fletcher Smith, William Barnum, Sophia Barnum, Kaleb Adkins, Liz Smith

Ushers: Dick Brown, Margaret Weyer, Tom Trimmer, Al Dionise

Liturgy of the Word: None for Summer

Music Tech: Becca Burch

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR HARVEY VICTIMS

There will be a second collection for the victims of Hurricane Harvey at all Masses this weekend. Please be as generous as you can!



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

Parish Office/Staff: 517-676.9111

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Bulletin Deadline NOON Monday Email Preferred!



~We aren't called to be like other Christians; we are called to be like Christ~

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Faith Formation Classes are starting soon! Please take a moment to register your children!

ROCK: (High school): starts Saturday, September 9th

Encounter: (grades 6-8): starts Tuesday, September 12th

Elementary: starts Sunday, September 24th



We need to know the numbers of children in each grade to have sufficient catechists and materials. If you haven't already, please register on our website www.stjamesmason.org by clicking the Faith Formation link. **We will also be doing sign ups after Masses on the weekend of September 9th/10th in the gathering space.**

SAVE THE DATE!

The St. James Women's Club Fall Rummage Sale will be Saturday, Sept. 23rd from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

SAVE your gently used items! You may start bringing them to the church hall on Monday, September 18th. Questions or if you can help, call Janet at 517-628-350



ATTENTION!

All elementary catechists, new or experienced, are asked to come to a planning meeting **next Wednesday September 13th at 6 pm**. We will outline our new plan for Sunday mornings and discuss any concerns you may have. Assistants and substitutes are welcome too. Light refreshments provided!

Also, those who responded to the spring survey and were will to help with our new Sunday morning program need to come forward and let me know how you will be able to help us! We have some of our needed catechist and assistant openings filled, but need a few more people. Substitutes are also needed, and an occasional program assistant. Please call me this week! I would like to get things rolling so that we have a wonderful start to our elementary program on September 24th!

ATTENTION WOMEN!

We are inviting you to our Meeting this Monday Sept. 11th at 6:30 in Keating Hall. We would like to take a group picture ! We are also looking for help with the Fall Rummage sale scheduled for Sept. 23rd. If you can help us out please let us know what time you can be here. We need help with:

Sorting on Friday 9/22 9am-1:00 pm

Selling 9 am-2:00 pm

Packing/clean up 2:00 pm



PIE TIME!

It's Apple Pie time again! Please order your pies in the gathering space after Masses this weekend. They will be made on October 14th. You may also sign up to help make pies in the gathering space.

WALK OR RUN FOR A CAUSE!

Sign up to run or walk with us or consider making a donation on behalf of Abigail Kuschel!

October 8, 2017
 Capital Area Down Syndrome Association
 1-Mile Walk 5K Race
 Registration 8:00am-8:45am
 9:00am Race and Walk Start
 @ Michigan State University Auditorium
 Prizes, Activities, Bounce Houses, Food, And More!

ANNIVERSARY PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

The next photography session for our *Anniversary Edition of the St. James Pictorial directory*.

September 28th—September, 30th

Sign up online at <https://ucdir.com/>

Church Code "M11016"
 Password "pictures"

If you are able to help host one of the photography sessions, please contact Alison At stjamesalison2@gmail.com or 676-9111.

Church Photo Directory



Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Luke Granger.



Please Pray for Our Sick:

9/5 Jim Drockton, Don & Hazel Lienhart 8/28 David Ceccanese 8/17 James Brayton, Dcn. Tom Feiten, Gordon Terwilliger, Kari Olney.

A portion of our 4% Christian Service Tithe has been sent to:
 ~St. Vincent Catholic Charities~



Thank you *Our Sponsor of the Week*
 ~T.H. Eifert~

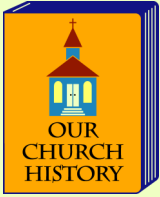


Last Week's Collections

September 3rd \$8,033.00
 (125 envelopes, 42 EFT from 645 households)
 This date last year \$7,928.11

Fiscal Year to date (since July 1st)

This Year \$78,517.78
 Last Year \$79,788.05

ST. JAMES 75TH ANNIVERSARY—DECEMBER 25, 2017

Please stop in the gathering space and sign up for the September 17th St. James 75th Anniversary Dinner to help us plan for food and ordering tables and chairs

2007-In January, the third pilgrimage to Buseesa, Uganda, by members of the Uganda Committee took place with Charles and Karen Heiler going there for two weeks. They met with Damian, Fr. Francis, Fr. Paul and many Villagers and Children. They toured several projects that St. James Parishioners have sponsored and did some sightseeing and they said it was a wonderful experience. On May 19th, the Parish celebrated the 50th Anniversary of Fr. Kenneth McDonald's (85-99) Ordination with a Mass, Social, Dinner and Program in his honor. The 11th Annual "Blackthorn" concert fundraiser was held on March 24th. Music Director, Marjan Helms, left St. James. Following the leadership of parishioners Carleen White and Tammy March, a group of Knights of Columbus wives formed the "Knights Angels" on August 26th to support and enhance the programs of Mason Council #9182. Diane Whitney was elected Pastoral Council Chairperson. Our very own Seminarian Michael Jacobus was ordained a Deacon in Marquette by Bishop Alexander Sample. In September, Gayle Pohl, was hired as St. James new Music Director. The roof shingles on the Sanctuary were replaced in October. On December 17th we lost Virginia Guarnaccia. Ginny and Vince came to St. James in 1967 and Ginny held volunteer and paid positions at St. James until May of 2000 when she became a Research & staff assistant in the Lansing Diocese office of Pastoral Planning.

2008-Our very own Favorite Son Deacon Michael J. Jacobus was ordained into the Priesthood on June 6, 2008, at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Marquette, Michigan, by the Most Reverend Alexander K. Sample. Fr. Jacobus was vested by Fr. Alan J. Wakefield and Fr. Robb Jurkovich. Fr. Michael's parents Nancy Jacobus and Michael Jacobus were there along with many other relatives, friends and parishioners from St. James. He is assigned to Holy Family Parish, 515 Pine St. Ontonagon, Michigan, 49953. Fr. Michael Jacobus celebrated his first Mass at St. James on June 22nd with a reception following Mass. The Most Reverend Carl F. Mengeling, Bishop of Lansing, retired on February 27th. The Most Reverend Earl Boyea became the fifth Bishop of Lansing on April 29th. Market Day started at St. James in the Spring and Fall where Parishioners are invited to vend their wares on reserved tables. Sister Maureen Martin celebrated her 60th Jubilee. Fr. Alan J. Wakefield began his sabbatical in Spain. The Mason Knights of Columbus Council #9182 conducted the "Where in the World is Fr. Al" fundraiser with \$10,000 donated to St. James Church. The 2008 St. James Pictorial Directory was completed and distributed.

2009-Anne Bohl was elected Chairperson of the Pastoral Council. Fr. Alan J. Wakefield completed his sabbatical and the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Retreat Journey. The combined Choirs of the Men of Orpheus, the Flint Singing Knights and the Council #9182 Men's Choir sang at a weekend Mass directed by Gayle Pohl. The Gazebo in the Memorial/Meditation Garden was renovated receiving a new foundation and new floor compliments of the Knights of Columbus Mason Council #9182, the St. James Women's Club and the Knights Angels in memory of FDD PGK Ronald Soltis. Barb Madson retired from the Faith Formation Department after many years of service. Alison Burch was welcomed as the new Faith Formation Assistant. We celebrated former pastor Fr. Kenneth McDonald's (85-99) 80th birthday with a Mass, Social and Party in August.

EVERYONE HAS A STORY

Help Celebrate St. James 75th Anniversary



Share Your Stories

You are encouraged to sign the memory book in the gathering space--a simple greeting is sufficient, include your name and how long you've been a parishioner. If you have a story to share please write it in the book, or either give it to the office or email it to Bonnie Gurzenda at bonniegurz@gmail.com, and it will be put into the book.

ST. FRANCIS RETREAT CENTER 2017-2018 ANNUAL SPIRITUAL RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Women's Retreat Nov 10th, 11th, and 12th (Amy Ambler: 517-803-5001 or a1bikergirl@yahoo.com)

Cost: Suggested donation is \$175, includes food, lodging, retreat materials.




RETRouvaille PROGRAMS FOR 2017

Marriage problems? Is your relationship suffering? Or perhaps you have friends and relatives who are contemplating separation and/or divorce as the answer?

Over 1,000 hurting couples have experienced hope and growth in their marriages through the Lansing Retrouvaille program. Struggling couples CAN find help.

Retrouvaille is a non-profit Christian Peer Ministry focused on reaching out to hurting married couples longing for renewal and hope. Lansing Retrouvaille delivers multiple programs each year.

Programs for 2017 weekends: October 6th-8th Programs for 2018: January 5th-7th, May 11th-13th, November 16th-18th



KNIGHT'S CORNER

Upcoming Events:

September 11th- Mason Cares at Mason Fire Department starts at Noon.

September 16th - Down Home Days Booth from 8 AM to 4:30 PM.

September 16th - Major Degree at Michigan Center with the Formation Degree starting at 10:30 AM.

September 17th - 75th Anniversary with Mass at 10:30 AM followed by dinner.

September 23rd - Corporate Communion at the 4 PM Mass.

Each month at the Council Meeting, the Trustees will select a Family and Knight of the Month. The following people were selected for August.

Knight of the Month is Don Kill for the work he does as the Recorder for the Council that involves doing the minutes and Don is also the Captain for the First Degree Team.

Family of the Month is Duffy and Martha Williams for all of the work they do to host the Councils Grand Knight Appreciation Party at their home.

TOOTSIE ROLL TIME!

The Annual Knights of Columbus M/I Tootsie Roll drive - which raises funds for programs that help those with mental impairment - will take place the weekend of October 6th, 7th & 8th.

There is a Knight at a table in the foyer with sign up sheets that have the complete schedule on them. Please sign up early [and OFTEN] to ensure you get the shift you would like - shifts are available on a first come, first served basis



FALL MARKET DAY?




If you are interested in participating in Fall Market Day, please contact Alison at Stjamesalison2@gmail.com or 517-676-9111.

START EARNING MONEY FOR ST. JAMES TODAY

Use gift cards instead of cash, check, or debit/charge card for your everyday purchases: food, gas, prescriptions, clothing, you name it. More secure than using a debit or credit card.

USE SCRIP TOWARD:

- Faith Formation/ROCK Tuition
- Capital Improvement
- Catholic School Tuition
- Youth Event
- Another Student's Tuition or Youth Event
- Faith Formation/ROCK Scholarship



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ASSOCIATION OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

Our first meeting will take place Saturday, September 16th, 12:00 noon at Coral Gables Restaurant, 2838 East Grand River Avenue, East Lansing. All former members of the Association of Catholic Women are encouraged to attend.

ANNUAL SENIOR APPRECIATION DAY MASS AND LUNCHEON

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th

11:00 AM Mass celebrated by Bishop Mengeling followed by lunch and entertainment

No charge for the Luncheon, but a free will offering is welcome.

Deadline for reservation is 12:00 noon on Friday, Sept. 8th

Please call Joan Foss 517-676-1976 to reserve a seat.

Hosted by St. Therese, 102 West Randolph Lansing, MI

Lansing Area Catholic Council on Aging sponsored by St. Vincent Catholic Charities


YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS!

ROCK (9th-12th)


Join us every Saturday from 6:00-8:00 pm

ENCOUNTER (6th-8th)

Tuesday, September 12th! 6-8pm.
Meet in Cave Hall.



Reserve your seat on the bus!
NCYC is only a few months away & you want to be there! 20,000+ Catholic teens will be in Indianapolis Nov 16th-19th



TO ENCOUNTER CHRIST,
EXPERIENCE CHURCH,
& BE EMPOWERED FOR DISCIPLESHIP!

\$25 deposit is due by September 15th!
See Heather for full cost of trip & more details!

ATTENTION SINGLES!

LANSING CATHOLIC SINGLES (mid 30s&up) invites all single men and women to join them on Sept. 16th for Dinner and a Play. Meet at Log Jam restaurant in Grand Ledge for dinner at 5:45 pm. After we'll head to Fitzgerald Park and the Ledges Playhouse to Over the Ledge Theatre's showing of the comedy Moon Over Buffalo at 8 pm. Tickets are \$10/\$8 (55+) payable at box office. Join us for dinner only, dinner & theatre, or theatre only. For more information phone 517-321-7886 or email lansingcatholicsingles@live.com. New members always welcome!