



# ST. JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

LOVE GOD—LOVE PEOPLE—MAKE DISCIPLES

~CELEBRATING 75 YEARS—1942-2017~

September 24, 2017 The 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



**This Week at St. James**

**Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
 9:00 A.M.—2:00 P.M. Fall Rummage Sale—*Cave Hall*  
 3:00 P.M. Reconciliation  
 4:00 P.M. People of Sts. James, Cornelius & Cyprian  
 6:00 P.M. ROCK (grades 9-12)—*Youth Room*

**Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup>**  
 8:30 A.M. †Dorothy McDonald—*Sts. C&C*  
 8:30 A.M. †Cecilia Vincent—*Vincent Family*  
 9:40 A.M. Faith Formation Classes Begin  
 11:00 †Stephen St. Amant—*His Family*  
 7:00 P.M. Knights/Angels—*South Wing*

**Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>** NO SERVICES  
 11:00 A.M. Faith Study Group—*Conference Room*

**Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**  
 12:10 P.M. Mass preceded by Rosary  
 6:00 P.M. Encounter (grades 6-8)—*Youth Room*

**Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**  
 12:10 P.M. Mass preceded by Rosary

**Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**  
 9:00 A.M. †Jennifer Heathman—*Scott Joyner—Mass/Rosary*  
 10:30 A.M.—8:30 P.M. Photography Session—*Keating Hall*

**Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**  
 9:00 A.M. Mass followed by Rosary  
 10:30 A.M.—8:30 P.M. Photography Session—*Keating Hall*

**Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**  
 10:30 A.M.—5:00 P.M. Photography Session-Keating Hall  
 3:00 P.M. Reconciliation  
 4:00 P.M. †Sandi Hartwick—*Charli & Karen Helier*  
 6:00 P.M. ROCK (grades 9-12)—*Youth Room*

**Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup>**  
 8:30 A.M. Special Intentions—*Sts. C&C*  
 8:30 A.M. †Danny Hentkowski—*Knights*  
 9:40 A.M. Faith Formation Classes  
 11:00 A.M. People of Sts. James, Cornelius & Cyprian



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>**

**Sunday** 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18, 18a; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

**Monday** Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday** Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 8:19-21

**Wednesday** Ezr 9:5-9; Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6

**Thursday** Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Lk 9:7-9

**Friday** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde 3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51

**Saturday** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45

**Sunday** 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

**Remember your mercies O Lord.**

**Ministry Schedule For Next Week**



**Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> 4:00 P.M.**  
**Lector:** Heather Dunivon, Karen Ceccanese  
**Commentator:** NEED ONE!  
**EM:** Theresa Seman, Marilee Soltis, NEED ONE!  
**Altar Server:** Catherine Ehresman, Olivia Ehresman  
**Ushers:** Jeff Haueter, Linda Haueter, Wayne Flood, George Wygant, Jim Brayton  
**Music Tech:** Colin Cooper

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**Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> 8:30 A.M.**  
**Lector:** Anne DeVitto, Stephanie Gibbs  
**Commentator:** Dionne Mumbly  
**EM:** Dcn. Al Turkovich, Alison Burch, Beverly Fink, Ron Iwaszkiewicz, Mary Schwalm, NEED TWO!  
**Altar Server:** Fletcher Smith, Amelia Hall, Madison Barrett  
**Ushers:** Dave Knauf, Tim Zielinski, Jay Jensen, Thomas Dick, Paul Schnipke, Jerry Baldwin  
**Liturgy of the Word:** Colleen Curry  
**Music Tech:** Amelia Kerschke

**Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> 11:00 A.M.**  
**Lector:** Ann Dunivon, Dodi Smith  
**Commentator:** Brenda Messing  
**EM:** Nancy Babin, Wayne Babin, Jim Marshall  
**Altar Server:** Elizabeth Leibrand, NEED ONE!  
**Ushers:** John Simpson, Lynda Simpson, Ryan Skaggs, Regina Skaggs  
**Music Tech:** Zachary Leibrand



**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](http://www.stjamesmason.org)

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<b>Bulletin Deadline</b>	<b>NOON Monday</b>	<b>Email Preferred!</b>



~Start where you are, use what you have, do what you can~

**ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION**



Elementary Faith Formation classes begin **TODAY!**

Grades 1-5: Sundays from 9:40-10:50 am.

You can still register at our website [www.stjamesmason.org](http://www.stjamesmason.org).

If you have already registered, you are all set and your child will get their class materials at the beginning of class. **We will all meet in church at 9:40 am that day, children will be dismissed to classes with catechists, and parents will stay for a very short informational meeting.** After the first class, children will gather in Keating Hall each Sunday before classes begin, for an opening prayer together and any announcements. We will also be having a sign out process this year to make sure all children are safely picked up by a parent or designed person.

**Coming soon:**

PreK/kindergarten: During the 8:30 am Mass, begins Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>

Children's Liturgy: During the 8:30 am Mass, begins Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> (there is never a tuition charge for Children's Liturgy).

Questions? Please Maureen Stockwell at [stjamesmaureen@gmail.com](mailto:stjamesmaureen@gmail.com).

**COME DISCOVER HOW JESUS IS THE WAY TO HAPPINESS!**

**DISCOVERY**

We will be introducing a new small group Program called Discovery following all Masses the weekend of **September 30<sup>th</sup> & October 1<sup>st</sup>**! Join us and find out the way to happiness! We will be looking for leaders for small groups.

Discovery is part of the *CCO Faith Study Series* and is a collection of helpful resources to clearly and simply explain truths and principles for living the Catholic faith. Each lesson integrates Scripture and Church teachings in its small group discussion.



**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 14<sup>th</sup>. You may also sign up to help make pies in the gathering space.



**ATTENTION MINISTERS!**

Please submit your unavailable dates for the period of October 6<sup>th</sup>—December 23<sup>rd</sup> (Christmas Eve is Sunday). You may email your dates to [stjamesalison2@gmail.com](mailto:stjamesalison2@gmail.com) or pick up a form in the gathering space. **Deadline is Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>.**



**Please Pray for Our Sick:**

9/11 Jeanne Lock 9/5 Jim Drockton, Don & Hazel Lienhart 8/28 David Ceccanese 8/17 James Brayton, Dcn. Tom Feiten, Gordon Terwilliger, Kari Olney.

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



Share Your Stories

**EVERYONE HAS A STORY**

Help Celebrate St. James 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

It's not too late to share your story in the St. James 75<sup>th</sup> Memory Book! You may write your story in yourself (the book will be in the gathering space) or you can email it to Bonnie Gurzenda at [bonniegurz@gmail.com](mailto:bonniegurz@gmail.com), and it will be put into the book.

**FOOD BANK NEEDS**

Mason Food Bank needs hamburger helper and hearty soup .

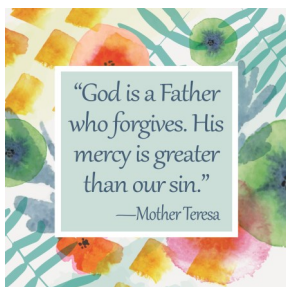
**CARDS/LETTERS WELCOME!**



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

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



"God is a Father who forgives. His mercy is greater than our sin."  
—Mother Teresa

Thank you Our Sponsor of the Week

~Colt's & Filly's Child Care



**ANNIVERSARY PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**



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

September 28<sup>th</sup>—September, 30<sup>th</sup>

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

Church Code "M1016"  
Password "pictures"

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

**Last Week's Collections**

September 17<sup>th</sup> \$9,625.28  
(140 envelopes, 40 EFT from 645 households)

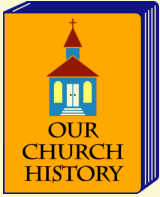
This date last year \$7,987.81

**Fiscal Year to date (since July 1<sup>st</sup>)**

This Year \$96,825.75

Last Year \$94,863.67

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



*Thanks to everyone who participated in our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass, installation of Fr. Kusi, our program and the wonderful dinner. If you took family pictures or unique pictures and would like them included in the new 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picture/scrapbook, please print them in 4 x 6 and drop them off in the Parish Office for the St. James Historian. We will get them in the new book.*

2011-The Knights of Columbus set an all-time record serving 6068 dinners during the Fish Fry season. They hosted the "Living Last Supper" reenactment on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Former St. James Administrator, Fr. Phil Gallagher (85) spent the Easter weekend with Fr. Kusi and our Church Community. Deacon Al and Helen Turkovich assumed the duties of the RCIA Program at St. James. In April, Paul S. Miller was appointed St. James Church Historian by Fr. Kusi. Paul appointed a "Historian Team" of Bonnie Gurzenda, Charli Heiler and Jay Jensen. On May 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> the St. James Renovation Fund was kicked off to raise funds for flooring, kneelers, painting and other Sanctuary improvements. The St. James Women's Club held their women's Banquet on May 11th. Music Director Gayle Pohl left St. James for a new position at St. Alphonsus in Grand Rapids on the Feast of Pentecost. She directed the combined choirs of the Men of Orpheus and the Flint Singing Knights on her last day. Long time Parishioner Islia Brandell celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on June 12<sup>th</sup> with a surprise party in Keating Hall sponsored by her family. Food was provided by the Knights of Columbus Council #9182 and the Mason Optimists. We welcomed back Jan Krzesicki as our new Music Director on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. July 10<sup>th</sup> was pew moving day to make room for the Sanctuary renovations. Many hands completed the job in just over one hour plus setting up Cave Hall for the weekend Masses, setting up a Chapel in the Youth Room and stripping the walls and registers of the Sanctuary and gathering space for painting. Steve Harmon was the general supervisor of the Renovation Project with assistance from Chris Knudstrup, Shirley Grieve, Brian Dollman-Jersey and Fr. Kusi and the help of many not named here. Sanctuary tiling was about 90% complete on July 18<sup>th</sup> and the painting was started. A great crew moved the pews back to their general locations and then enjoyed pizza and fellowship. Several work meetings were subsequently held and many hands restored the furnishings in the newly renovated Sanctuary for weekend Masses on July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. Changes included new floor tile in the Sanctuary and gathering space, repositioning of the pews, new altar carpeting and wiring, the tabernacle moved to the center of the altar, new tile on the Baptismal Font, Father's chair and the Lectern switching sides and new paint in the Sanctuary and gathering space. The St. James Community Festival was held August 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> with outdoor Island Masses, Hot Air Balloons, Camino of St. James 8K Run/5K Walk, food and beer tent, book and bake sale, games, music and dancing, Bingo, live auction and more. New Kneelers were installed in the Sanctuary on September 26<sup>th</sup>. On October 1<sup>st</sup>, Alison Burch assumed all responsibilities of the St. James Church Bulletin. Elizabeth Raymond, the last surviving signatory to the 1942 Petition to establish a Church in Mason, passed away on October 14<sup>th</sup>. Outdoor Stations of the Cross were installed in the St. James Memorial/Meditation Garden as an Eagle Scout project by Dan Rogers. The Stations were donated by Dr. Vincent Guarnaccia in memory of his late wife Ginny Guarnaccia and they were dedicated on November 1<sup>st</sup>. Fr. Kusi introduced the Commission Program to the Parish. The Commissions are: Education, Stewardship, Parish Life, Christian Service, Evangelization and Worship. All groups, organizations and activities at St. James are included in one of these umbrella Commissions. We celebrated the implementation of the new Roman Missal on the First Sunday of Advent. In December, the new Cross shaped see through Ambry, designed and constructed by Jim Marshall, was installed by Jim with assistance from Brian Dollman-Jersey and Chris Knudstrup.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY**

The Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Lansing is seeking job applicants to serve as the Vice President of Development.

To learn more about the position and how to apply, please go to [www.dioceseoflansing.org/](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/)

**JOB OPPORTUNITY**

St. Francis Prayer Center is looking for a part-time bookkeeper/secretary. The hours are 12:00-4:00 Monday-Thursday. Programs used are Access, Excel, Word. If you are interested, please contact the Prayer Center at 810-787-5330 or email us at [stfrancisflint@comcast.net](mailto:stfrancisflint@comcast.net).



**ADULT SOCIAL AND AUCTION**

You are invited! IHM-St. Casimir School is inviting you to the annual Adult Social/Auction. This year Zaytoon restaurant is providing us with 200 free dinners! So be within the first 200 RSVPs to guarantee your awesome meal! Call 882-6631 to reserve your spot on Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30-10:00 pm, IHM PFC. The proceeds from the evening will benefit the Mary Goeddeke Education Fund & building fund.



**WALK OR RUN FOR A CAUSE!**

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

**SPARTANS WILL. STEP UP for the DOWN SYNDROME**

**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

**517-333-6655**

Prizes, Activities, Bounce Houses, Food, And More!

**La Pietra International Prayer Group**



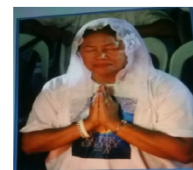
Please join us for a Eucharistic celebration with  
**Rev. George Daisy**  
and Healing Prayer Services with **Emma de Guzman**

**St. Mary Cathedral**

219 Seymour Ave. Lansing

**Sunday, October 8, 2017**

Holy Mass at 3pm



**Emma de Guzman**  
Visionary, Stigmatist, Mystic


Emma de Guzman is the Founder of La Pietra International Prayer Group. A faithful Roman Catholic, obedient to the authority and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church under the Spiritual direction of an Archbishop of the Philippines.

Her ministry is to spread "Love, Peace and Joy" to all; to help the poor and to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Devoted to our Lord Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and to our Blessed Mother Mary.

**Immediately following the Mass, the individual healing prayers with Emma de Guzman**

For inquiries, please contact:

Ernie Amoguis (517) 896-4745 / Jack Chan (517) 668-8113  
Norma Diaz (517) 351-3045 / Mila Marcus (517) 339-9455



**KNIGHT'S CORNER**

Upcoming Events:

September 23<sup>rd</sup> - Corporate Communion at the 4 PM Mass.

September 24<sup>th</sup> - 5:30 PM Rosary in the Chapel.

September 24<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 PM Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting.

September 24<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Regular Meeting.

**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 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>.

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.

**ATTENTION SINGLE MEN & WOMEN**

(mid 30s & up): Lansing Catholic Singles invite you to a Happy Hour on Friday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at La Senorita in Lansing, across from Eastwood Towne Center. We may go to a movie at NCG Cinemas after dinner; TBD that night by those in attendance. For more information phone 517-321-7886 or email [lansingcatholicsingles@live.com](mailto:lansingcatholicsingles@live.com). New members always welcome!

**FAITH BASED COUNSELING AVAILABLE**


St. Vincent Catholic Charities is now offering Faith Based Counseling for all parishioners in the Diocese. These services are provided by Tammy Render-Morris, a Licensed Professional Counselor with a Christian Counseling designation. Please contact Tammy at 517-323-4734 Ext. 1735 to schedule an appointment.

**LCHS PROSPECTIVE FAMILY NIGHT**

Lansing Catholic High School is hosting its fall Prospective Family Night on Wed., Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. This event is open to prospective families with children of any age to learn more about what LCHS has to offer. Please note there is a set schedule for this event. Families will be taken on a school tour led by a LCHS student, attend breakout sessions (on curriculum, tuition, college planning, and extracurricular and athletic activities), and attend a question and answer session. Registration is not required, but is appreciated. Please contact the admissions office at 517-267-2102 or [admissions@lansingcatholic.org](mailto:admissions@lansingcatholic.org) to register.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION**

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...



- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process established for the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist.

But how does our parish attract inquirers each year who consider becoming Catholic? The answer is you! As members of a welcoming and evangelizing community, we must be open to the Holy Spirit and the call to share the Divine message of salvation. The call to conversion can happen in our families, in the work place, in gatherings with friends and neighbors and in any contact that we make.

The RCIA initiation process also involves a parish community experiencing a renewal in faith as it prepares and welcomes new members into the Church. The Rite speaks of conversion as a "spiritual journey." Centered on fostering a deep relationship with Jesus and the Church he founded, this journey takes place through distinct stages over a period of time suitable to bring about a thorough catechesis, resulting in a significant experience for the parish community and a commitment to the liturgical and moral life of the Catholic faithful for the catechumens.

If you, or someone you know might be interested in learning more about or participating in the RCIA process, please contact Alison in the parish office at 517-676-9111. The first class is scheduled to begin on Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and will continue every Thursday through Pentecost.

**YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS!**

**R.O.C.K.**

Grab your Friends and join us from 6-8pm Saturday for Fun & Faith!! All 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Graders welcome!

**ONLY 4 Spots Left!!**  
Registration Forms Due Now!!



NCYC is only a 2 months away & you want to be there! 20,000+ Catholic teens will be in Indianapolis Nov 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>

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

See Heather for full cost of trip & more details!

**ENCOUNTER**

Meets Tuesdays from 6-8pm! Join us for a night of Fun, Exploring our Faith & Encountering God's Love! Bring your friends! All 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Graders welcome!

**LET'S ENCOUNTER GOD TOGETHER**

All 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Graders welcome!