



ST. JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

LOVE GOD—LOVE PEOPLE—MAKE DISCIPLES

~CELEBRATING 75 YEARS—1942-2017~

October 1, 2017 The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



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This Week at St. James

Saturday, September 30th
 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 1st
 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
Monday, October 2nd NO SERVICES
 11:00 A.M. Faith Study Group—*Conference Room*
Tuesday, October 3rd NO SERVICES
 6:00 P.M. Encounter (grades 6-8)—*Youth Room*
Wednesday, October 4th NO SERVICES
Thursday, October 5th
 11:00 A.M. Communion Service at Green Acres
 11:30 A.M.—5:15 P.M. Blood Drive—*Cave Hall*
 3:00 P.M. Christian Service Commission—*Conference Room*
 7:00 P.M. Women's Cell Group—*South Wing*
Friday, October 6th NO SERVICES
Saturday, October 7^h
 3:00 P.M. Reconciliation
 4:00 P.M. †Marilyn Brown—*Knights Angels*
 6:00 P.M. ROCK (grades 9-12)—*Youth Room*
Sunday October 8th
 8:30 A.M. †Phyllis Berrera—*Sts. C&C*
 8:30 A.M. †Margo Cascarelli—*Knights*
 9:40 A.M. Faith Formation Classes
 11:00 A.M. People of Sts. James, Cornelius & Cyprian



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 1ST

Sunday 26th 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
Monday Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Tuesday Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Lk 10:1-12
Friday Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43



Ministry Schedule For Next Week



Saturday, October 7th 4:00 P.M.
Lector: Youth Group
Commentator: Youth Group
EM: Ruth Wieferrich, Phil Wieferrich, Youth Group
Altar Server: Youth Group
Ushers: Sandy DeView, Marilee Soltis, Pat Morrison, Irene Morrison
Music Tech: Alexis Taylor

Sunday, October 8th 8:30 A.M.
Lector: Kathleen VanFleet, Bill Sheridan
Commentator: Julie Payne
EM: Dcn. Al Turkovich, Mary Kerschke, Mary Ann Jensen, Cameo Williams, Tim Williams, Jessica Sherfinski, Rhonda McNeely
Altar Server: Lillian Kelly, Anna McRay, Madison Barrett
Ushers: Dave Knauf, Tim Zielinski, Jay Jensen, Thomas Dick, Paul Schnipke, Jerry Baldwin
Liturgy of the Word: Suzi West
Music Tech: Riley Kerschke

Sunday, October 8th 11:00 A.M.
Lector: Lynda Simpson, Stephanie Rawson
Commentator: Connie Shutes
EM: Paul Brandenburg, Trudy Mangan-Brandenburg, Steve Crippen
Altar Server: Emma Murphy, NEED ONE!
Ushers: John Simpson, Lynda Simpson, Ryan Skaggs, Regina Skaggs
Music Tech: NEED ONE!

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!



~Funny how \$10 looks so big when we take it to church, but so small when we take it to the mall.~

PET BLESSING

Father Kusi will be blessing/sprinkling our pets on Sunday, October 1st at 2:00 pm. Antoinette will lead us in song. Please gather in the grassy area next to the rectory.



COME DISCOVER HOW JESUS IS THE WAY TO HAPPINESS!

DISCOVERY

We will be introducing a new small group Program called Discovery following all Masses on Sunday October 1st and Saturday, October 7th! 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.

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION



Starts Today (October 1st)

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

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

You can still register at our website www.stjamesmason.org.

Children will gather in Keating Hall at 9:40 am each Sunday and be dismissed to classes with catechists. There will be an opening prayer together and any announcements. **Please sign your children out in their classroom at 10:50 am.**

Questions? Please contact Maureen Stockwell at stjamesmaureen@gmail.com.

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.



SAVE TIME AND DONATE ONLINE!

Online Giving is now available for parishioners with **WeShare**, an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. **Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure.**

With WeShare, you can set up a recurring weekly or monthly transaction using your checking, savings, or credit card account. You can decide how much to give to any collection and make changes any time, day or night. Plus, you can leave your checkbook at home on Sundays!

If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit www.stjamesmason.org. If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please contact Alison at stjamesalison2@gmail.com or 517-676-9111.

THANK YOU!

A "Shout Out" to Knight of Columbus Council #9182 for all you did to make the 10th anniversary celebration of the Knights Angels so very special. Heartfelt thanks from the Knights Angels.

T-SHIRTS FOR SALE

75th Anniversary Commemorative t-shirts, sweatshirts and jackets with the St. James logo will be available to order in the gathering space. Stop by and take a look! Questions? Call the office!

FOOD BANK NEEDS

Mason Food Bank needs hamburger helper and hearty soup .



In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Please Pray for Our Sick:

9/25 Kari Olney, Maxine Hoffman, Dixie Gilhouse 9/11 Jeanne Lock 9/5 Jim Drockton, Don & Hazel Lienhart 8/28 David Ceccanese.

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!

Thank you to everyone who stopped by the Crohn's/Colitis Foundation fundraising dinner at A&W. It was a great success!

A portion of our 4% Christian Service Tithe has been sent to:
~Mason Food Bank~



Thank you *Our Sponsor of the Week*

~City Limits~



Last Week's Collections

September 24th \$6,723.53
(142 envelopes, 27 EFT from 645 households)

This date last year \$5,810.00

Fiscal Year to date (since July 1st)

This Year \$103,594.28

Last Year \$100,673.67

ST. JAMES 75TH ANNIVERSARY—DECEMBER 25, 2017



Our Committee just wanted to send out a huge THANK YOU to all of the folks who helped make our St. James Catholic Church 75th Anniversary Mass, Pastor Installation and celebration a success.

Thank you to Bishop Earl Boyea of the Diocese of Lansing, Fr. Kusi, Msgr. Fr. Raymond Goehring, Msgr. Fr. Richard Groshek, Fr. Kenneth McDonald, Fr. Alan Wakefield, Fr. James Shaver, Fr. Philip Schmitter, Fr. Ioane Sagarara, Deacon Al Turkovich, Deacon Tom Feiten; Jim Marshall, Pete Barnum, Antoinette LaCinski and Alison Burch. Thanks to God for guidance, perseverance, teamwork, and for all the talents of all of those who shared them with us. Thanks to all the staff members, Pastoral councils and commissions from St. James and Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian Churches. To those who have been planning this celebration for over a year, to those who spent many hours sorting and compiling many tubs of St. James history, pictures and documents and then assembled three new books. Thanks to those who donated pictures, documents and provided ideas and information this past year, to those who created the Memory book and those who filled its pages with St. James memories. To those who created our new logo, mission statement and bulletin banner. Thanks to Fr. Kusi for the 75th Anniversary prayer. To those who sat through many meetings, traveled many miles to get things accomplished, sent e-mails and made phone calls to make this a wonderful celebration. To those who took care of the gardens around St. James and made special arrangements in those gardens resulting in such beautiful grounds. Thanks to those who assisted and created the special 75th Anniversary veil on the tabernacle and those who set up the altar, decorated the Church and placed the flowers. To those working on the St. James 75th Anniversary quilt. To those who created the Mass guide and souvenir program. To those who set up tents, tables and chairs and reset Cave Hall after Mass. Thanks to the altar servers, lector, commentators, Eucharistic ministers, choir members, musicians, ushers, greeters and all who assisted at the Mass. To the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce for the ribbon cutting ceremony and Don Kill for coordinating that event. To all those who ordered supplies, flowers and the cake. Thanks to caterer Tom McNeil who prepared the meat, to those who prepared the potatoes, vegetables and desserts and set up the serving lines and equipment. To all those who helped serve the food in any way. To all of you who brought in those dishes to pass that were enjoyed by all. To the clean up crews who took everything down, washed it up and put it away. To our photographers, videographers and technical support folks on the computer. Thanks to those who attended and those who could not attend but sent us notes of support and prayers for a successful 75th Anniversary celebration. To our special guest "old timers" Alfreda Schmidt and Tom Bergeon. To those who said thanks to us, gave us a hug, handshake or pat on the back. To those who made donations, big and small, to help cover the costs. To those who helped or prayed for us in any way. A special thanks to the 43 in '42 who started it all.

St. James Catholic Church 75th Anniversary Committee:
Charli Heiler, Bonnie Gurzenda and Paul Miller

EVERYONE HAS A STORY

Help Celebrate St. James 75th Anniversary



It's not too late to share your story in the St. James 75th 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, and it will be put into the book.

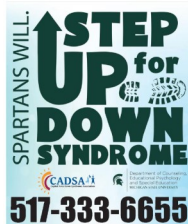
Share Your Stories

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

You are all cordially invited to attend the 5th Annual Lansing Diocese Catholic Women's Conference entitled "God's Desire" on Saturday, November 4th from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Lansing Center in Lansing, Michigan. Our speakers include: Father Mathias Thelen, Father Mark Rutherford and Colleen Mitchell and Bishop Earl Boyea will preside at Mass. We will also have lunch, shopping, music, Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We hope that you will set aside this day and join together with your sisters, daughters and friends to experience the our Heavenly Father's desire for His daughters. For more information and to register for this conference, please visit our website at www.LansingDioceseCWC.org.

WALK OR RUN FOR A CAUSE!

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



October 8, 2017

Capital Area Down Syndrome Association

1-Mile Walk 5K Race
Registration 8:00am-9:45am
9:00am Race and Walk Start
@ Michigan State University Auditorium

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

517-333-6655



La Pieta International Prayer Group



Please join us for a Eucharistic celebration with

Rev. George Daisy

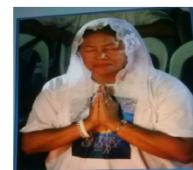
and Healing Prayer Services with Emma de Guzman

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 Pieta 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:

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KNIGHT'S CORNER

Upcoming Events:

October 6th, 7th & 8th—Tootsie Roll Drive. This is an annual event to raise funds to help the Physical and Intellectual Disabled individuals in our Community. Please show your support.

October 14th—Formation Degree at Resurrection Parish Hall with registration starting at 10:00 AM and the Degree at 10:15 AM.

October 15th—Formation Degree at Portland K of C Hall with registration starting at 11:45 AM and the Degree at 12:30 PM. At the Council meeting on September 24th, Charli Heiler was named the Knight of the Month for his outstanding work as the Chairman of the 75th Anniversary Celebration of St. James.

The family of Paul and Terri Miller was named the Family of the Month for co-chairing the 75th Anniversary Celebration, for all of the work they do with the Rummage Sale plus their involvement with the Pregnancy Service.

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.

THANK YOU

Thanks to all who helped with, donated to or shopped the Women's Club Fall Rummage Sale! Proceeds go to funeral dinners and other needs around the parish. We raised \$1,150!



THANK YOU!




Thank you so much for your dedication and generous donation of \$1,000 to the Loaves and Fishes Ministries! Your donations allow us to offer emergency overnight shelter to those in need. Because of your gift, our guests can receive up to 30 nights of shelter, two hot meals and a sack lunch. Thank you for helping us as we work towards ending homelessness for all!

ATTENTION SINGLE MEN & WOMEN

(mid 30s & up): Lansing Catholic Singles invite you to a Happy Hour on Friday, Oct. 13th at 5:30 pm at La Seniorita 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 contact 517-321-7886 or lansingcatholicsingles@live.com. New members always welcome!

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 12th at 7:00 p.m. and will continue every Thursday through Pentecost.**

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS!

R.O.C.K.



Grab your Friends and show us your TEAM SPIRIT!! What is so different about them & what do they have in common?? Followed up by the ULTIMATE tailgate Party!! ROCK starts with pregame at 6:00! Then kick off for the MSU vs U of M game at 7:30!

Who can show the most team spirit??

All 9th-12th Graders welcome!

ENCOUNTER



Are you ready to start solving this mystery?? Join us Tuesdays from 6-8pm! Bring your friends for a night of Fun, Exploring our Faith & Encountering God's Love!

All 6th-8th Graders welcome!