

Pastor's Corner

Happy Easter!!! I'm writing this the Monday before Palm Sunday which is a very good thing because I don't know that I would be able to write in the "sugar coma like state" I will be in on Easter Sunday!!!

We celebrate the pinnacle of our Liturgical year. Jesus is Risen, He has broken the chains of death. Our number one fear is "no more !!!" Everything Jesus went through He did for YOU—yes YOU! Although we celebrate Jesus' triumph over sin and death we also celebrate that we are meant to live forever.

I pray you have had a great Lent, a wonderful Holy Week and that you have a Blessed, joyful Easter!

Love,

Fr. Mike

**Happy
Easter**

A Word from Deacon Jim

In an effort to lead all people closer to the Heart of Jesus, Bishop Gregory Parkes has announced that he will consecrate the parishes, schools, charities, ministries and all people who live in the five counties of the Diocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. To consecrate means to dedicate or set aside for a sacred purpose. Mary's life was set aside for the sole purpose of serving Jesus. By following her example, Catholics can completely give themselves to Christ in a powerful way and give their lives to Him in service and love.

All are invited to join Deacon Jim who will be conducting a retreat leading up to this event. Deacon Jim will be meeting with the Legion of Mary and the Mother's Group and anyone else who wishes to attend these meeting. We will be using the Book that Bishop Parks recommends titled 33 Days to Morning Glory. These meeting will start on Sunday April 8, 2018 in our Chapel at 7PM and continue every Sunday until May 6 where we will conclude with a Holy Hour in the Chapel from 7 to 8 pm. For more information, call Deacon Jim at 727-534-7430.



Divine Mercy Sunday



3:00pm Service at St. James Chapel

Service includes Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Readings from Scripture, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Veneration of the Image of Divine Mercy. Holy Communion is not available)

The devotion states that the very floodgates of God's mercy are open to all who ask. Those desiring to pray he Novena of Divine Mercy should begin their prayer on Good Friday. Pamphlets are at the back of the church.

This is an excellent opportunity to honor our Lord and to ask for His ever present Mercy.



Office Hours

The Office will be closed Monday, April 2nd and reopen on Tuesday, April 3rd at 9am.

From the Staff at St. James we pray for you and your families to have
A Blessed Easter.

Liturgy & Worship

Mass Intentions

<u>Monday: 04/02</u> 8:30am	Joe and Eileen Marina
<u>Tuesday: 04/03</u> 8:30am	Peter Sortino
<u>Wednesday: 04/04</u> 8:30am	Vocations
<u>Thursday: 04/05</u> 8:30am	Tom Dalton
<u>Friday: 04/06</u> 8:30am	Rose DeJoy
<u>Saturday: 04/07</u> Vigil 4:00pm	Robert Carey Jr.
<u>Sunday: 04/08</u> 8:00am	Parishioners
10:00am	James Ouelette
1:00pm	Mateusz Chowaniak

Readings for the Week of April 2, 2018

Monday	Monday within the Octave of Easter Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday	Tuesday within the Octave of Easter Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday	Wednesday within the Octave of Easter Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday	Thursday within the Octave of Easter Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48
Friday	Friday within the Octave of Easter Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday	Saturday within the Octave of Easter Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday	Second Sunday of Easter/Sunday of Divine Mercy Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

Offertory Collection	\$13,199.91
Attendance:	1,409
Offertory	\$7,570.00
<i>Non-Envelope Offertory</i>	\$3,617.91
On-Line Giving	\$2,012.00.
<i>Total Offertory</i>	\$13,199.91
Easter Flowers	\$1,911.00

Our Parish Family

We welcome into the parish community all new members and those returning Home to us.

We remember all who are sick at home or in the Hospital: Silvia Lipori.

We remember in our prayers those who have died.

Altar Candles

The candle burning on the altar in the Chapel and Church for the month of April is **in memory of Stella and Anthony Dinoski** and were donated by **Robert Dinoski**.

Candles & Flowers



Remember your loved ones or your special intentions. You can do this with candles that burn all week in the Chapel or in the grotto or a monthly candle. You can also request to support the flowers that are on the altar for the week.

Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested 727-869-3130.

New Class Starting April 8th

Want to expand your knowledge of our faith? If you want to gain a deeper understanding of the Sacraments and maybe help find what God may be calling you to do in our Church? If so we have a program for you! We are starting a **Mystagogy** class which will be a six (6) week class starting on Divine Mercy Sunday (Sunday after Easter). We will meet in the William Room after the 10:00AM Mass each week. **Deacon Mark and Mrs. Jennifer Franklin** will be leading this new class. Anyone that wants to expand their knowledge of the faith is welcome. All RCIA participants should be in this. Seating will be limited for this first time class, so please contact Deacon Mark in the parish office if you intend to be in this or if you have any questions. Contact Deacon Mark at faith.formation@stjamesportrichey.org



Bishop Larkin Catholic School
17th Annual Dinner Auction Fundraiser

The Gatsby Gala

SATURDAY APRIL 14, 2018

*Live Jazz Band Dancers
Gourmet Dinner Open Bar
Champagne Fountain Dancing
Photo ops Live/Silent Auction*

The Columbian Event Center
5850 K of C Drive
Port Richey, FL 34668

TICKETS \$75 ~ 6PM-11PM

auction@bishoplarkin.org



St. Vincent de Paul invites everyone to join us on April 7th at Gulf High School for Walk-A-Thon, which will include a fun day of music, games, raffles, food and drinks. The Annual PAC-A-SACK WALK-A-THON is our only event to raise funds for the PAC-A-SACK program. Our goal this year is to raise \$100,000. These proceeds will go to feed our hungry children in Pasco County. The program provides food to over 1,000 children in the 24 schools associated with the PAC-A-SACK food program. The program provides them with food for them to eat over the weekend, when they are not part of the School's feeding Programs.

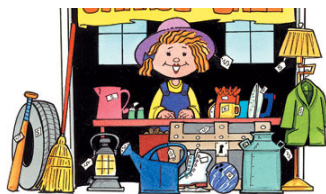
To meet this goal we need your help. There are several ways you can help.

- 1) *Become a proud Corporate Sponsor*
- 2) *Join our walk-a-thon and be a proud member of our walkers which include children and community leaders*
- 3) *Don't walk but, just make a donation from \$5.00 to \$5,000*

You can put your donation in an envelope mark St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Pac-a-Sac and put it in the offertory basket or drop it off in the office.

God Bless you and thank you for your help and support.

THIS & THAT SALE



Spring is here!!! If you are planning to do a spring cleaning , please consider donating your unwanted items to us. The Youth Group's **THIS AND THAT SALE** will be on April 7. Please bring your donated items on APRIL 4, 5, 6 in the East Wing. SORRY , we cannot accept any electronics (TV, Computers) . Volunteers also needed (all are welcome to volunteer)

THANK YOU.

S.T.A.T.I.C. CALENDAR

“HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE”

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES: Please mark your calendar

April 8		Sunday	DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
April 13	5:00-7:00pm	Friday	YOUTH NIGHT (Youth Room)
April 15	2:30-3:30pm	Sunday	ASSISTED LIVING VISITATION

Please stop by the youth table to sign up and check out what is happening. If you have any questions, ideas, suggestions please contact me.

Best way is call / text : (727) 967-3768. You can also email me at youth.group@stjamesportrichey.org
 Youth Ministry office : (727) 869-3130 ext. 1309 .

Thank you and May God bless and protect us all. Mrs. Lorraine Parsons



\$1,200 is how much we raised from the Windshield Wash Fundraising and yes, we did it again!!! We reached our goal (we made more than last year!!) THANK YOU VERY MUCH to St James' generous parishioners and to all your support for the youth group. This year is also a very good year because a lot of youth and their families helped, woke up early, stayed for the whole day, worked double shifts, worked hard, yet had fun time doing it (without complaining) !! It is such a blessing to have all these wonderful young families. THANK YOU to all : 4:00pm Group (The Bajala family-Mr & Mrs Ivan & Jeyra and son Jahra, Mrs. Anne Donahue and grandchildren April and Shawn), Cierra, the twin sisters(Meghan and Lauren), sisters (Giada and Zelinda) and Jaide, To the early risers -8:00am Group – Mr & Mrs. Bajala(Ivan & Jeyra), Susanna (who spent her birthday helping) , Mrs. Barbara Cichocki -Wayne's mom- sorry to hear Wayne was sick), Aaron (who is an expert in this fundraising and did not mind waking up early) and Meghan and Lauren (these girls worked the whole shifts- such a remarkable energy and service driven young ladies). 10:00am Group- Mr. Anthony Licari and son Dominic, Ms. Christina Olivieri and daughter Natalie, Mrs. Amity Sowash and daughter Vivian, Christina and her friend Jacob, Mrs. Barbara Cichocki, Mr. Geoffrey Perro, Julianne and sisters Meghan and Lauren. 1:00pm Group : Ms. Christina Olivieri and daughter Natalie, sisters Meghan and Laurant Davis, the Giambanco family (Mrs. Susanna, Giada, Zelinda, Ylenia, Chloe), Mrs. Diann Jackson with daughter Madison and nephew Tyler, Mrs. Cathi Kessel and youth George. WOW!! What an awesome Group !! Sure is good for Lenten sacrifice and giving of time and treasure. I can't thank you enough for all your hard work and dedication, Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!

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Office Hours Monday-Friday 9:00am-12noon/1:00-4:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays 3:00 - 3:45pm in Chapel

Morning Prayer weekdays Monday-Friday 8:00am in Chapel

Adoration: 1st and 3rd Friday (3pm) and 2nd and 4th Thursday (7pm)

Masses: Daily: Monday - Friday 8:30am/Saturday Vigil 4:00pm/Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am and 1:00pm

Pastor:

Reverend Michael Cormier

Retired Clergy:

Reverend Paul Goudreau

Deacon:

Rev. Mr. James Minary

Deacon / Director Of Faith

Formation:

Rev. Mr. Mark Manko

Parish Clerk:

Mrs. Judy Licari

Director of Youth

Ministry:

Mrs. Lorraine Parsons

Business / Network

Manager:

Ms. Randi Hodgson

Maintenance:

Mr. Butch Toohy

Sacristan:

Mr. Robert Dunn

Music Coordinator:

Mrs. Tina McCann