

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church

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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

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Rev. Mr. Mark Manko

Parish Secretary:

Mrs. Judy Licari

**Director Of Faith
Formation:**

Rev. Mr. Mark Manko

**Director of Youth
Ministry:**

Mrs. Lorraine Parsons

**Business / Network
Manager:**

Ms. Randi Hodgson

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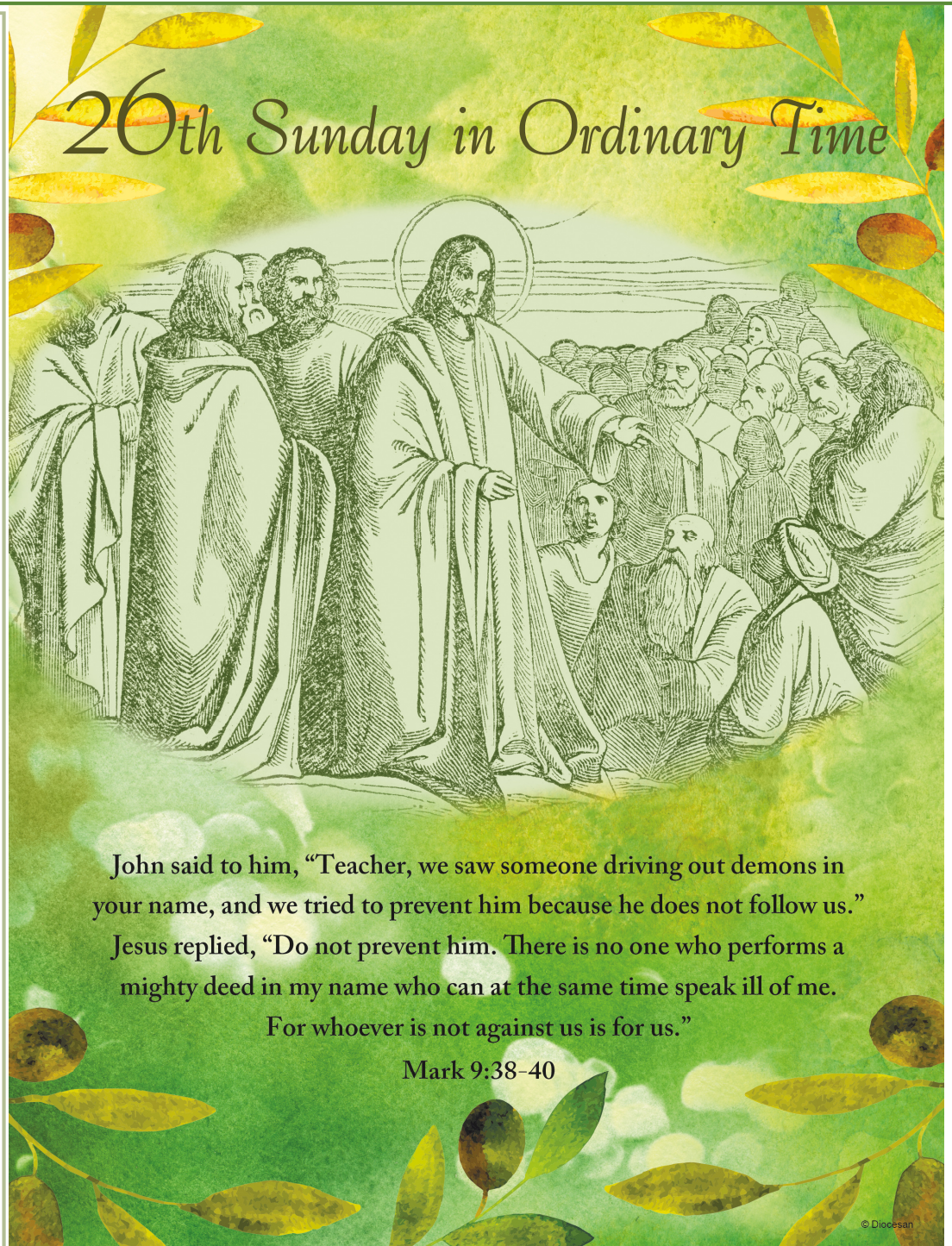
Mr. Butch Toohey

Sacristan:

Mr. Robert Dunn

Music Coordinator:

Mrs. Tina McCann



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us."

Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me.

For whoever is not against us is for us."

Mark 9:38-40

Pastor's Corner

I pray all are doing well, so amazing to think we are almost into October, apparently we are all having way too much fun if time indeed does fly when you're having fun.

Today's Gospel is the poster child for speaking with any of your friends who tell you to take all that you read in the Bible literally. If taken literally we would not be a nation under God or even a world under God but rather we would be the world of the maimed!!! Nobody would remain whole, and I dare say (hearing many confessions) it would be a very quiet world—lots of tongues being taken out due to language and gossip, and just a reminder—even true information/gossip spread is still sinful!!!

Jesus is calling us to live a life that is simple and joyful, that can never be the case when we sin. Yes, we have freedom to choose for ourselves but when left to ourselves we never make the right decisions all the time. Sin always weighs us down and takes away the peace that God wants us to be surrounded with.

We are to "maim" some desires, those things which separate us from God. Get away from that gossip group that you know is always gonna trash someone. Get away from whatever it is that leads you to where you know you should not go. It is easy, no it is not, but, you are not in this battle alone, God's help and strength is always there to help you if you truly ask.

Here's hoping you have a great, Holy week!

Love,

Fr. Mike

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

Offertory Collection	\$10,734.11
Attendance:	1,015
Offertory	\$7,597.00
Non-Envelope Offertory	\$1,815.11
On-Line Giving	\$1,322.00
Total Offertory	\$10,734.11

From the Business Manager:

Thank You to all Parishioners who have made their APA pledge for the 2018 campaign, you are truly the foundation of our Parish, and we are so grateful for your continued support! We have 3 months left to hit our assessment of \$ 87,733.00. To date, 306 families have participated, out of the 1011 families registered at the Parish. If you are one of the 705 families that has yet to make a pledge, I ask that you prayerfully consider making a contribution of any size. Currently we are short \$13,569.39. If the remaining families pledged just \$19.25, we would hit our assessment goal!! Please remember that this assessment is an annual bill the Parish must pay, just like the electric bill, or the water bill. Any shortfall will have to be made up by the Parish, and as we are all aware, we are currently trying to pay down our old APA debt. Thank you for all you do for our Parish!! Randi"



SCRIP NEWS!

The Holidays are coming, the holidays are coming!!! It's time to gear up for **Black Friday** shopping. It's time to think about placing your Christmas orders now.

Christmas shopping is easy — SCRIP gift cards make the perfect gift. You can purchase SCRIP to shop on **Black Friday** for yourself or for the Giving Tree. Our next Scrip order is due **October 22nd** and it will be in time for you to start your holiday shopping and be ready for all those thanksgiving sales.

For more information, visit our website at: www.stjamesportrichey.org for a complete list of participating vendors. Order forms may be picked up in the office or in the vestibule of the church. If you still have questions regarding our SCRIP program please call the parish office at 869-3132. Let your shopping dollars work for us.



READERS

MANDATORY Training for Lectors on Saturday, October 20, 2018 in the William Room at 10am. Anyone interested in becoming a Lector must also attend this training.

Deacon Jim

Blessing of Animals

Wednesday, October 4 is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. We will have the blessing of the animals at 11:00am outside near the Grotto



Liturgy & Worship

Mass Intentions

<u>Monday: 010/01</u> 8:30am	Linda Ogle
<u>Tuesday: 10/02</u> 8:30am	Peggy Miles
<u>Wednesday: 10/03</u> 8:30am	Vocations
<u>Thursday: 10/04</u> 8:30am	Lily Cofrancesco
<u>Friday: 10/05</u> 8:30am	Elidia Ruiz
<u>Saturday: 10/06</u> Vigil 4:00pm	Peggy Leahy
<u>Sunday: 10/07</u> 8:00am	Harold Drossos
10:00am	William Leonido
1:00pm	Parishioners

Readings for the Week of October 1, 2018

Monday	Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Jb 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday	The Holy Guardian Angels Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Wednesday	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday	Saint Francis of Assisi Jb 19:21-27; Lk 10:1-12
Friday	Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday	Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday	Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Gn 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16

Altar Candles

The candle burning on the altar in the Chapel and Church for the month of September is in memory for **Kristin Carlin** and were donated by **Bob and Connie Drummand**.



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.

Groups that meet at St. James

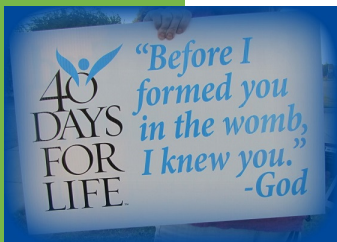
Adoration	1 st / 3 rd Friday 3 - 4pm 2 nd / 4 th Thurs. 7-8pm
Divine Mercy	1 st / 3 rd Fri. 1:30pm
In-People	4 th Mon. 7:00pm
Knights of Columbus	1 st Wed., 7:30pm 4 th Thurs. 7:30pm
Legion of Mary	Tues. 9:45am
Respect Life	TBA in bulletin
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Tues. 9:50am

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.

We remember in our prayers those who have died: Gerard Rooney.



Bishop Gregory Parkes continues to support Diocesan parishes' participation in 40 Days for Life, advocating peaceful prayerful pro-life presence at local abortion sites.

Our St James parish has been assigned **Monday, October 15** to be present at the Clearwater abortion site. Every parishioner and parish group, including Knights of Columbus and Legion of Mary is invited to register today at the Youth Group sign-up table. Preborn girls and boys are depending on your prayerful and courageous response!

For more information about 40 Days for Life, please see Deacon Mark or visit www.40daysforlife.com or contact our Diocesan Coordinator: Jane Lupia jslupia@hotmail.com

THIS & THAT SALE

THIS & THAT SALE is around the corner! Please remember us when you are cleaning your house. The sale is October 6th. All proceeds go to the Youth Ministry and we thank you very much for your support. We will begin collecting the week of October 1st. Please see drop schedule under Youth News.



What's Ahead



CLASSES FOR ENGLISH AND AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP WILL BEGIN OCTOBER 2, 2018

If you want to attend classes in English as a Second Language or the American Citizenship program, you must register as soon as possible. Registrations will continue, come to the classrooms on Tuesday, October 2, 2018, from 7 pm to 8:30 pm. Classes are held at Our Lady Queen of Peace in New Port Richey. For more information please call (727) 849-7521.

Halloween Candy Donations

Starting next week look for the Halloween boxes as you enter the Centrum for **Halloween Candy Donations!** We are preparing for our 4th annual Falloween and looking for wrapped candy. The Falloween will be held on **Friday, October 26th**, from 6:00pm — 8:30pm Candy donations may also be dropped off at the parish office. Thank you for your support.

Donations for gift baskets can also be brought to the parish office.



Open House for Secular Carmelite Order

Lay members of the Discalced Carmelite Order seek to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ prayer according to the teachings of St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross come together monthly for prayer, community, and formation. If you would like to learn more about Carmelite spirituality and what it means to be a secular member of the Carmelite order, Our Lady of Victory of Community will be hosting an open house on Saturday, October 20th in Celtic Hall following the 8:30am Mass St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Tampa. For more information call community Formation Director, Amedeo Colucci, OCDS, at 954-778-2101 or email amedecoj@gmail.com.



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

St. James Teens Active Together In Christ

Please mark your calendar :

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| ◆ Oct. 2-5 Tues-Fri | This & That Set Up | East Wing |
| ◆ Oct. 6 Saturday | This & That Sale | East Wing |
| ◆ Oct. 12 Friday | Youth Night | Youth Room |
- (To talk about Falloween/Haunted House)*

Please check the youth table for latest updates, calendar, pictures and sign up sheets. Best way to get in touch with me is text/call @ (727) 967-3768. You can also email me at youth.group@stjamesportrichey.org or call the office of the Youth Ministry @ (727) 869-3130 ext. 1309 .

“Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven” (Matthew 5:16). Thank you and God bless. Mrs. Lorraine Parsons



THIS & THAT SALE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6 from 9:00am-1:00pm in the East Wing

Please see schedule below drop off of items and if you are able to help with set and day of the sale - Sign up sheet at the youth table or call me @ (727)967-3768. Thank you.

- Monday (Oct. 1) : Drop off donated items from 9:00am-2:30pm (East Wing)
- Tuesday (Oct. 2) : Drop off items and help set up from 12:00pm-7:00pm (East Wing)
- Wednesday (Oct. 3) : Drop off items and help set up from 9:00am-7:00pm (East Wing)
- Thursday (Oct. 4) : Drop off items and help set up from 9:00am-7:00pm (East Wing)
- Friday (Oct. 5) : Drop off items and help set up from 9:00am-7:00pm (East Wing)

Items NOT accepted are : Computer monitors, TV, Beds & Bedding parts, Damaged Furniture, Infant Products, Entertainment units made for older televisions

Thank you once again for all your donations and help. All proceeds will help the Youth Ministry for the summer programs (Good Samaritan Project and Steubenville Youth Conference). I anticipate more youth participating and we need funds so parents will not have to worry about the fees. Good Samaritan Project is \$200/person and Steubenville Youth Conference is \$300/person. Please pray for the Youth Ministry here at St James Parish and to all the parishes of the Diocese of St. Petersburg.





3rd Annual Memorial Golf Tournament

Supporting Local Community Needs

Sponsored By

Knights of Columbus Council 8155

Saturday, November 3, 2018 @ 1 pm

Timber Greens Golf & Country Club



Golfer Registration (before 11/3/18) \$75 per Golfer
(Day of tournament registration) \$85 per Golfer



**For More Information about playing or
becoming a Sponsor - call**

Tony Bernardo
727-267-6990

Baptism: Congratulations on the upcoming birth of your child! The Baptism of your child provides an opportunity to examine your own Christian Life and spirituality and we want to extend this to your child. Please contact the Parish Office to inquire about the preparation process for the Sacrament of Baptism.



Marriage: At least six months preparation needed.

Renewal/Blessing of Marriage Vows: Please contact the Parish Office one month before.

The Sick: If you know of anyone who is sick, at home or in the hospital, and in need of a visit please contact the parish office.



Joining the Parish: To join the parish we invite you to visit us in the parish office, Monday—Friday. Our hours are 9-12 and 1-4. Stop by and meet us and we will get all the necessary information from you. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at 727-869-3130. We look forward to meeting you and saying hello.



Sponsors certificates: Only eligible registered parishioners who have received all your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation) and, if married, a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church, can be given a certificate to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation.