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Hely Mass

WEEKENDS Saturday 6:00 PM (Vigil) Sunday 7:30 AM - Spanish 10:00 AM - English

WEEKDAYS Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday - 7:00 AM

Tuesday, Thursday - 5:30 PM

Major Feast Days (Holy Days): As announced

CONFESSION Saturday - 5:00 to 6:00 PM and by appointment.

Warm welcome **NEW PARISHIONERS**

St. James parish welcomes all newcomers. Please contact the parish office to register.



Deacon Juan Vasquez

OFFICE HOURS

Tues. - Fri. 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM Closed 1:00 - 2:00 PM

Parish Secretary Juanita Cruz

Director of Religious Education Anna Castillo

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The Catholic community of St. James Church is made up of loving and sensitive members seeking to meet their spiritual needs, strengthen their faith, and affirm their continued existence as the church of Jesus Christ today and tomorrow. In their quest to evangelize, it is their mission to assist everyone toward a more abundant experience of the riches of their liturgy and sacraments, and to convince all of Christ's sheep that the Lord's Day is indeed for all.



Pastor's Reflection

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prayer with Upraised Knife!

There was a Muslim devotee who followed the laws of his religion with perfection. Once he had to confront one of his opponents. They began a fight. The Muslim on his horse chased his enemy with an upraised knife to kill him. Immediately, a call came from the mosque for prayer. The Muslim stopped his horse; put his knife aside; took the prayer-rug and spread it on the ground; sitting on the rug he began to say the prescribed prayer. As soon as he finished it, he continued his pursuit after his enemy!

Every religion has two components, the precepts given by God and man-made laws. Many a time, in the course of time, the Divine laws are forgotten and the human laws enjoy upper hand. The leaders and priests become preoccupied with the task of enforcing the man-made laws. Eventually religions become a set of human laws only.

At the time of Jesus, the Scribes and the Pharisees were the rigorous custodians of this kind of false spirituality; mostly to their personal advantage. Besides, while the leaders forced the people to obey these laws they themselves were not strict in practicing them. To Jesus, it was utter hypocrisy. Knowing that the leaders were promoting this kind of pseudo religion, Jesus confronted them.

In the entire New Testament there is no other sin above hypocrisy which Jesus condemned with such strong words. Once, looking at the leaders, Jesus said, "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!.... You blind guides, who strain out a gnat and swallow a came!! (Matthew 23:23-24).

In today's Gospel Jesus and his disciples were accused of not washing their hands before eating. Cleaning of hands before any meal was considered a religious act. Jesus made use of this occasion to teach the leaders and his followers what true religion is. Jesus reminded them, "These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; their teachings are merely human rules."

Let our religious practices be more than lip service, and let them enable us to be more compassionate and merciful.

Have a blessed week. Fr. Paul

Next Class September 11 BAPTISMAL REQUIREMENTS

Parents - need to be registered members of St. James. Godparents - need to have received the sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation and, if married, need to have been married in the Catholic Church. To register for the Baptismal Class, please bring the birth certificate of the person being baptized.

WEEKLY COLLECTION



August 26, 2018 Envelope Collection Loose Collection

\$1,253.40 <u>594.90</u> \$1,848.30

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, September 1

6:00 PM

- Londa Trial and Jeff Trial for His Health By Paul Trial
- + Elida P. Ramirez by Idalia F. Garza

Sunday, September 2

7:30 AM

- Guadalupe G. Alaniz by Mr. & Mrs.
 Jimmy Castillo and Family
- + Domingo Garcia by Ramiro and Julia Garcia
- + Elida P. Ramirez by Castillo & Cruz Families
- + Nene Trevino by Esther J. Medina

10:00 AM

- + Anita T. Perez by Hortencia Brooks
- + Hector S. Arrisola by Norma Arrisola & Children
- + Elida P. Ramirez by Her Family



Pope Francis: "It is a scandal to say one thing and do another; that is a double life."

CCE CLASSES Classes will begin at 8:45 A.M. on September 9, 2018.

AUDITORS

Team IV, Sunday, September 2
Teodora Galvan & Virginia Quintanilla
Team V, Sunday, September 9
Elfida Garcia, Juanita Cruz, & Angie Garcia
Team I, Sunday, September 16
Janie Maldonado, Sylvia Holmes, & Alice Sanchez

Team II, Sunday, September 23
Amy Gonzales & Diana Barrera

Team III, Sunday, September 30

Rosalinda Orozco, Maria Servantes, & Margaret R. Mesquita

LECTORS

Saturday, September 1 6:00 PM Salvador Andrade

Sunday, September 2 7:30 AM Rosario Cruz

10:00 AM Gilbert Gonzales

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, September 1
6:00 PM Lisa Blanton
Luis Hernandez
Sunday, September 2
7:30 AM Elena Garza
Susana Martinez
10:00 AM Martha Cuellar

Susana Moron

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, September 1 6:00 PM Alizabeth Martinez

> Sunday, September 2 7:30 AM Ryan Martinez

10:00 AM Brandon Guerrero Theresa Hernandez

PRAY FOR THE SICK



With caring and compassion, we pray for:

Jewelia Beth Gonzalez, Christopher Cardenas, Anthony Angel Cardenas, Guadalupe Benavides, Albert Cardenas, Jr., Jim Nelson, Joe Adrian Moya, Catherine McKeowm, Kristina Elena Garcia, Eva Dominguez, Chris Ulmer, Roxann Gleason, Frank Riojas, Delfina Huerta, Jessie Riojas, Joe Anthony Martinez, Armando B. Perez, Lino Garcia, Katy Rendon, Denice Hadwin, Patty Stone, Ascension Carrizales, Lupe Abrigo, Lulu Martinez Watson, Tabitha Rendon, Mary Longoria, Jessie Martinez Jr., Jaime Salinas, Roman Flores, Santos Lopez, Caroline James Ries, Edward Silva, Dalia A. Salazar, Julia Ramos, Adrian Sampayo, Aurelio Guajardo, Tonya Sciba, Kenneth Sciba, Nieves Moreno Jr., Jessica Arrisola, Mary Carrizales, Norma Delgado, Juanita Maldonado, Dora Lopez Bernal, Richard Espinosa, Emo Aleman, Roger Cano, Robert Hernandez, Nieves Cardenas, Laurie Lawrence, Anselmo Garcia, Jr., Josefa Aleman, Crystal Arciba, Francisco Trevino, Juanita L. Martinez, Patricia Servantes, Raul Maldonado, Sr., Sylvia Longoria, Mary Guerrero, Alice Perez, Pete Soliz, Raymond Rorick, Jose Salazar, Anacleto Vidauri, Elisa Vidauri, Margaret, Joshua and Aaliyah Brook, Maria Serrano, David Dennis, Jose H. Guerrero, Genevieve S. Trevino and to all at Christus Spohn.

Please call the office to add or to remove names from the prayer list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please submit all announcements for the bulletin to the office by Wednesday at noon.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The Parish Council meeting has been canceled for the month of September.

GUADALUPANAS

The Guadalupana meeting has been canceled for the month of September.

FAITH MINISTRY

Faith Ministry will meet at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 4th at CCE Building.

MASS SCHEDULE

Starting September 4th and every Tuesday, mass will be at 7:00 A.M. There will not be any mass on Tuesday evenings.

FAITH CHOIR RUMMAGE SALE

The Faith Choir will be accepting household items (furniture, kitchen items etc.) for a Rummage Sale scheduled for 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 8 in the Parish Hall. Donated items may be dropped off at the CCE Building Tuesday through Friday. All proceeds will be used to defray the cost of the new sound system. Contact Margaret Smith for more information at 361-319-2270.

CCE REGISTRATION

CCE Registration applications for the school year 2018-2019 are now available on the table at the back of the Church and at the Parish Office. Please pick an application for each child and return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible. There is a donation of \$20 for the first child, \$15 for second child and \$10 for additional child. Please attach a copy of the child's baptismal certificate to the application. Classes will begin on September 9, 2018.

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection for the Catholic University of America on September 9th. Your generous participation is appreciated.

DISCUSSION ON THE LIFE OF A SAINT

On Saturday September 11th there will be a discussion on the life of St. Sr. Faustina after the 7:00 A.M. mass in the CCE Building.

LIVING LOVE IN TRUTH DIOCESE DAY OF REFLECTION

Living Love in Truth Diocese Day of Reflection will be held on Saturday, October 20th from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. at the Richard Borchard Area in Robstown. Please see the Bulletin Board at the back of the Church for more information.

DIOCESAN VOCATION AWARENESS RETREAT

Pax Christi Retreat Center will be hosting a Diocesan Vocation Awareness Retreat Discernment Weekend on November 9-11. Please see the Bulletin Board at the back of the Church for more information.



Orpah

Who rejected her chance

Orpah was one of the two gentile daughters-in-law of Naomi who migrated from Judah to Moab a pagan land. Naomi's life in the foreign land was not happy. Her husband and sons passed away leaving no grandchildren. She was destitute, and she decided to return. While bidding farewell to the daughters-in-law she suggested, they returned to their mothers' house. At first both of them protested but Orpah decided to stay back, and Ruth accompanied Naomi.

Orpah figured out that she could do better by returning to her mother's house; her grandmother was the Queen. She was married to Eglon the Moabite King. She did not have to die of hunger as widows in a foreign land. Being a pagan there was no certainty that she would be accepted in Judah. She did not want to gamble with her future. After the death of Elimelech and his sons, there was nothing left for Naomi her mother-in-law except the family property in Bethlehem.

Orpah did find a new husband. It was from the royal family of the Philistine king. She became the wife of one of the giants of the Philistine. She bore him four very big boys. Their names were Ishbibenob, Saph, Lahmi and Goliath. When her boys were of full age and mature fighters, Goliath challenged the army of Israel, and was killed by young David. Eventually all the remaining brothers of Goliath also were killed by David's army. Orpah was already an aged woman. Jewish tradition says, when Abishai, a general of David's army, attacked Ishbibenob, her youngest and the only living son, Orpah tried to hinder Abishai from killing him, and she herself got killed in the effort.

Unlike Ruth, Orpah had a very bad reputation as a stiff-necked woman. She incurred the bad name because of her turning back from following the other two widows when they were in dire need. (Ruth 1:4-14; 4:9, 10)

Through marriage Ruth and Orpah came to know the True God. But while Ruth professed her faith saying, "Thy (Naomi's) God shall be my God—thy people my people", Orpah continued to embrace Moloch, the heathen god.

They say Naomi was testing Orpah when she was compelled her to return to her own people. She failed in the test. History reports, her choice was not the right one either as a dutiful daughter-in-law or as a seeker of True God. She chose the rich and prosperous Moab. And back to Moab and Moloch Orpah went, and also into obscurity, and vanished from the pages of sacred history.

Ruth became the Great-Grandmother of King David, and her name is found in the line of Jesus' ancestors.

Fr. Paul Kottackal

She is funny!



As my daughter came from school with virus I took her to a doctor. Holding her hands I told her gently, "Now doctor is going to draw some blood."

She calmly responded, "Whose?!"



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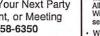
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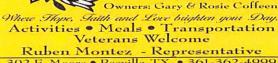
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