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August 16, 2020 – Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass

WEEKENDS Saturday 5:00 PM – Bilingual Sunday 10:00 AM – English

WEEKDAYS Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri 8:00 AM

Major Feast Days (Holy Days): As announced

CONFESSION 15 minutes before Mass outside of church or by appointment.

A Hearty Welcome

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your current family or marital situation, No matter what your past or present religious situation, No matter your personal history, age, background, race, etc., No matter what your own self-image or esteem, You are INVITED, WELCOMED, ACCEPTED, LOVED and RESPECTED AT St. James.

Contact the Office for any assistance.

OFFICE HOURS Mon, Tues, Thu, Fri Call for information Closed Wednesday

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MISSION STATEMENT:

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.

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Everybody today seems to be in such a terrible rush, anxious for greater developments and greater riches and so on, so that children have very little time for their parents. Parents have very little time for each other, and in the home begins the disruption of peace in the world.

- Mother Teresa

After the 93-year-old man in Italy got better in the hospital, he was told to pay for the ventilator for one day, and the old man started to cry. The doctor advised him not to cry over the bill.

What the old man said made all the doctors cry.

The Old man said, "I don't cry because of the money I have to pay. I can pay all the money." *I cry because I have been breathing God's air for 93 years, but I never had to pay anything for it. But for using a ventilator in your hospital for just one day I have to pay \$5,000. I realize now how much I owe God? I never thanked God for it before."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BULLETIN AD PAGE

We have bulletin ad space available for anyone that would like to purchase an ad for "In Memory" of a loved one or as an advertisement.

PARISH OFFICE DROPBOX

A special drop box is available at the **main entrance of the CCE building** (not the regular P.O. Box) for offering envelopes, mass intentions, and any other correspondence. Candles are available for purchase after Mass in the back of the church.

PARISH REGISTRATION FORMS

Parish registration forms are available at the back of the church, please fill out and hand it over to an usher or put it in the collection basket or put in drop box at the parish office. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Please register as early as possible.

NB: Every married couple is considered as a family. They should fill out separate forms.

COVID-19 PROTOCOL

Parishioners attending Mass are strongly encouraged to continue wearing masks, keeping six feet social distancing, and sanitizing their hands as they enter the church.

Parishioners should stay home, if they have COVID-19 symptoms, or if they have had direct contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19. If a person has had a secondary contact – not directly exposed to a COVID-19 positive person, but in contact with someone who was in direct contact, they should stay home.

The dispensation for attending Sunday Mass and Holy Days of obligation has been extended to **September 30, 2020**. Those who are at risk or who are not comfortable attending Mass should stay home.

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, August 15

- 5:00 PM **† Ascension "Chon" Carrizales** In Memory of his Birthday By Carrizales Family
 - † Aurora Gomez For the gift of life by Patricia Gonzales & Family
 - † Sylvia Alvarado by CBS Grocery Families
 - † Trino Cano, Jr. In Memory of his 1st Anniversary By Cano & Rodriguez Families

Sunday, August 16

10:00 AM † Fred Arredondo

- † Frank B. & Fermana Maldonado by the Maldonado Family
- † Francisco (Tony) & Maria M. Guerrero by Martha Salinas
- † Antonio De La Rosa, Sr. by Monica Varon & Family
- † Ascension "Chon" Carrizales In Memory of his Wedding Anniversary by Carrizales Family
- † Tony Guerrero by Family
- † Margarita C. Moron by Petra Garcia & Family

Monday, August 17

8:00 AM † Enrique "Henry" Garcia In Memory of his 1st Anniversary By wife Petra Garcia & Sons

Wednesday, August 19

8:00 AM

Thursday, August 20

8:00 AM

Friday, August 21

8:00 AM † Isidro Cruz In Memory of Anniversary by Family

NEXT BAPTISM CLASS – September 7, 2020

Must wear a mask to attend class

All applications <u>MUST</u> be submitted to the church office before that date. Parents <u>must</u> be registered at St. James and have already registered the child to be baptized before taking the class. Items needed are: Copy of the child's Birth Certificate and sponsor's proof of all Sacraments if single and, if married, a copy of the marriage license by a Catholic Church. Baptisms will take place 3rd Sunday of month after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Baptism classes for parents and sponsors are held on the **first Monday** of every Month at 7:00 p.m. in the CCE Building.

WEEKLY OFFERING

August 9, 2020

Envelope Collection\$1166.00Loose Collection\$248.87Children's Fund0.00Total\$1.414.87

Second Collection

Religious & Spiritual Formation of the Parishioners \$236.00

May God bless you for your selfless sacrifice

MASS SCHEDULE				
Date	Time	LECTORS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday, August 15	5:00 PM	Eucharistic Ministers as a special assignment due to the coronavirus		
Sunday, August 16	10:00 AM			

OT XX [A] (Aug 16) Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

The train has started moving. It is packed with people of all ages, mostly with the working men and women and young college guys and gals. Near the window an old man and his 30-year-old son were sitting. As the train moves by, the son is over-whelmed with joy as he was thrilled with the scenery outside. "See dad, the scenery of green trees moving away is very beautiful." This behavior from a thirty-year-old son made the other people feel strange about him. Everyone started murmuring something or other about this son. "This guy seems to be a mad person," a newly married person whispered to his wife. Suddenly it started raining. Rain drops fell on the travelers through the opened window. The Thirty-year-old son, filled with joy, said: "See dad, how beautiful the rain is." The young lady there got irritated with the rain drops spoiling her new suit. The young man shouted: "can't you see it's raining, you old man, if your son is not feeling well get him soon to a mental asylum. And don't disturb public henceforth." The old man hesitated first and then in a low tone replied "we are on the way back from hospital; my son got discharged today morning. He was a blind by birth, last week only he got his vision. These rain and nature are new to his eyes. Please forgive us for the inconvenience caused..." The things we see may be right from our perspective until we know the truth. But when we know the truth our reaction to that will hurt even us. So. try to understand the problem better before taking a harsh action.

Following Jesus means that we ought to leave our comfort zone and accept God's ways of thinking and acting. He calls everyone to be with him, be close to him and respond to him. Yet his ways are different and purposeful. Looking into the world around us we are baffled and shaken by conflicts that spring from religious intolerance. There are the attacks on groups of other religions. hate filled writings published, continual hatred and mistrust is shown. Even though there is a desire by a few for unity and togetherness, there are more forces that take people in opposite direction. Today's three readings show God's plan as revealing and unfolding a more generous love that stretches to people inviting them to follow him. This reveals generously a world where the Kingdom of God exists and is big enough to welcome everyone. Wherever hatred and narrow-mindedness and prejudice come from, surely, they are not from God. But they have to wait in patience to recognize the divine message and his working which finally leads to a response. In the Gospel of today we have the healing of the daughter of the Canaanite woman and Jesus praises the faith of the pagan woman and cures her daughter. We are presented with his apparent hesitation to heal her daughter until her persistence demonstrates her great faith. In the first reading the prophet describes a new age. All the nations will gather together in God's house of prayer, which is a holy place. Paul in the second reading Paul rejoices in his ministry to the gentiles. He trusts that the conversion of the gentiles will prompt the Jews to conversion, and he looks forward to the day when the Jews will embrace the saving mercy of God.

The Canaanite woman teaches us the need to persevere in our prayers. We must realize that when we ask God for something it does not always result in getting what we have asked for. It helps us to see more clearly what God wants for us and what the best is really for us. What we need most is not the carrying out of our own wishes but having the peace and security that can only come from our being in total harmony with God's will for us, so that his will and mine are identical. Here is the woman who asked much from Jesus and ultimately her prayers are answered. She had her love and faith in Jesus and she loved her daughter too. She is rewarded for her faith and perseverance in her prayers. At the same time today's Gospel is an affirmation that God's love and mercy are extended to all who call on him in faith and trust, no matter whom they are or where they are. We had the words of Prophet Isaiah that the foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord and have loved his name and held on to his covenant, the Lord will bring them to the holy mountain. He will make them joyful in his house of prayer. His Kingdom that is on earth now and that is to come was not meant for only one people; it was meant for all the nations.

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Each of us has a role to play in making God's kingdom come. Every time we reach out with understanding and compassion to neighbor who may be of different faith, every time we pray for peace among nations and religions, every time we stand up for those who are persecuted for their beliefs, we help to reverse the tide of religious discrimination and prejudice and enable to rebuild the kingdom. As we continue our worship and as we are about to share in the Eucharistic banquet with our brothers and sisters, we pray the Lord that we may reach out to all and make our place the house of faith and the house of prayer.

August 15th Assumption of Mary

Reasons why we honor Mary:

On November 1, 1950, Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The pope proclaimed this dogma only after a broad consultation of bishops, theologians and laity. There were few dissenting voices. What the pope solemnly declared was already a common belief in the Catholic Church.

- Reason given by Mary in "Magnificat:" "All generations (ages) will call be blessed because the "The Mighty One has done great things for me" (Luke 1:49). It is right to honor a person whom God has honored by granting her the following blessings ("great things").
 - a) <u>He has chosen Mary as the mother of Jesus</u>. Since Jesus is God, Mary is the "Mother of God" (*theotokos*); since Jesus is the Christ, the *Messiah* or the "Anointed One," Mary is the mother of Christ, and since Jesus is the promised "Savior," Mary is the mother of the Savior.
 - b) <u>He has filled her with His Holy Spirit</u> twice, namely at the Annunciation and at Pentecost. Thus she is venerable as the most Spirit-filled woman.
- c) He has made her "full of grace," the paragon or embodiment of all virtues.
- d) <u>He has allowed her to become the most active participant with Christ,</u> her son, in our redemption by suffering in mind what Jesus suffered in body.
- Mary is our heavenly mother. Jesus gave us his mother as our mother from the cross: "Woman, behold your son." ... "Behold your mother" (John 19:26-27).
- 3) <u>Mary is the supreme model of all virtues</u>, especially holiness of life, obedience to the will of God ("fiat") and true humility ("be it done to me as you wish").

PRAY FOR THE SICK

With care 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, Jessie Riojas, Joe Anthony Martinez, Lino Garcia, Katy Rendon, Denice Hadwin, Patty Stone, Tabitha Rendon, Mary Longoria, Jessie Martinez, Jr., Roman Flores, Santos Lopez, Caroline James Ries, 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, Robert Hernandez, Nieves Cardenas, Laurie Lawrence, Anselmo Garcia, Jr., Josefa Aleman, Crystal Arciba, Francisco Trevino, Patricia Servantes, Jose Salazar, Viola Rangel, Oralia Aleman, Ricardo Trevino, Sandy Rios, Nieves Moreno, Dawn Bieber, Lori Baldillez, Cristobal Servantes, Jose Nahum Lugo, Timmy Lopez, Juanita Alvarado, Deacon Juan Vasquez, Viola Maldonado, Madison Pena, Ricardo Trevino, Jr., Daniel Loya, Sandra Urquizo, Jesse Contrerras, Nell Jamison, Charles Cartwright, Stella Riojas, Ben Wilson, Mary Kay, Eloy Garcia, Tony Coronado, Sr., Irma Estela Rodriguez, Owen Rodriguez, Timothy Gene Lopez, Fr. Paul Kottackal, Joshua Brock, Aaliyah Brock, Brendan Brock, Cruz Guerrero, Sr., Elsa Ochoa, Enoe Garcia, Jesus A. Guerrero, Sr., Manuel Ramon, Melissa Keller, Cerise Garcia, Johnny Ramirez, Jr., Delaney Martinez, Jaime Perez, Waylon James, Roe Garcia, Benita Salazar Garcia, Louis Calzada, Abel Salazar, Frank Maldonado, Domingo Puga, Celsa Cisneros, and to all at Christus Spohn.

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