

ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



“BUILDING FOR GOD’S GLORY”

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Monday- Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Office is closed on Fridays and Saturdays

Parish Pastoral Council.....Meets 2nd Wednesdays at 5:30pm
Finance Council.....4th Wednesday at 5:30pm
Choir.....Practice each Thursday at 6:59pm
Women’s Auxiliary.....2nd Sunday following 11:00am Mass
Knights of Columbus.....3rd Saturday at 11:30am
Knights of Peter Claver.....4th Saturday at 9:30am
Knights of Peter Claver-4th Degree.....4th Saturday at 12pm
Gracious Ladies-4th Degree.....1st Saturday at 11am
Ladies’ Auxiliary of Peter Claver.....3rd Sunday at 12:45pm
Spiritual Enrichment Committee..1st Saturday every other month 10am
Sandwich Making Ministry.....1st & 3rd Sunday following 8am Mass
Free Lunch for Neighbors.....Wednesdays at 10:30am
(sponsored by the KPC and Ladies Aux)
Nevadans for the Common Good (*Interfaith*).....4th Thursday at 5:30pm
Special EventsRevival in February
Gospel/Jazz Brunch 3rd Sunday in October

Not Listed: Bible Study Group, Outreach, Liturgy Committee, Junior Knights and Daughters of Peter Claver. Please see bulletin for dates and time.

March 3, 2019

MASS SCHEDULES

Sunday 8 a.m. (Community Choir)

& 11a.m. (Gospel Choir)

Reconciliation (Confessions): By Appointment
Please call the office

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Wedding Information – Please contact the
office 6 months in advance and before any dates are considered.

Baptismal Information – Please contact the
office 3 months in advance and before any dates are considered.



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~ Sunday, March 3, 2019 ~
~Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Times~

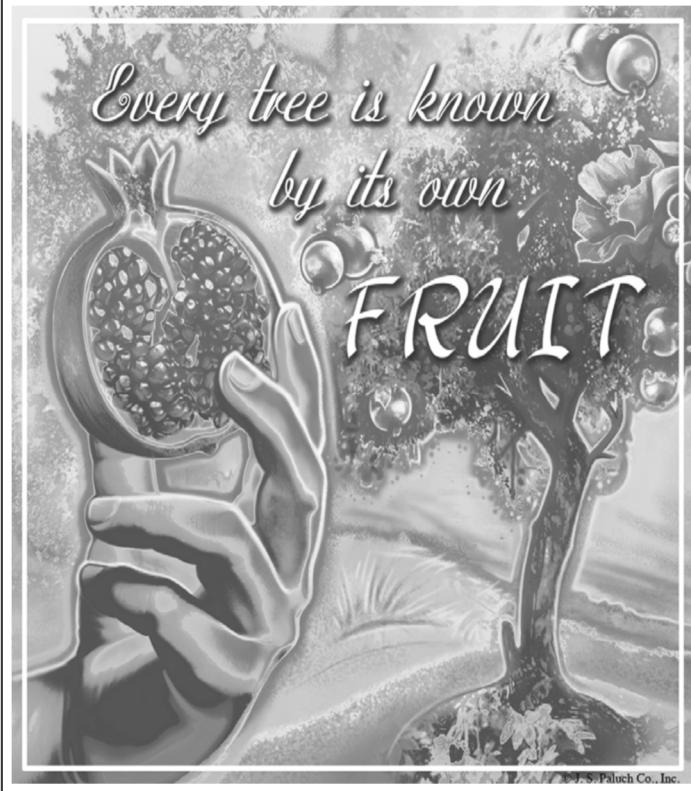
THE INSIDE SHOWS

In this third Sunday of our reading from the Sermon on the Plain, Jesus speaks of the inner soul and its outer expression. He uses images as he teaches. He addresses all of us.

Jesus sees a plumb line connecting the soul with the soul's expression-words and actions. He uses exaggeration to drive home his point. We are urged to clear out the debris that blinds us. He knows that we have an uncanny ability to be blind to our own weaknesses, though they be as big as a board. He knows, too, how willingly we seem to ferret out others' smallest speck-like flaws.

And this, too, is for our general consumption; solid old goodness and solid old badness will show eventually. The old Latin saying, which echoes Jesus' images, is true: "What is bred in the bone will out in the flesh." By and by, the inside will show through.

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St. James Parishioners—We want to keep all parishioners informed of parish activities and other important information regarding our community. **Email** is a great way to communicate with you. We will try to minimize the number of emails sent out. If you are currently not receiving any of the St. James emails, please check with the parish office to see if we have your correct email on file. *Thank you!*

ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH **MISSION STATEMENT**

Rooted in the Catholic Faith, in order to build up the reign of God, the mission of St. James the Apostle Catholic Church is to live out the message of Jesus Christ by worshipping God by serving the world.

Pray for ...

Bobbye Boxx
Anthony Canapa
Yakkia Comminey
Cheryl Lewis
Shirley Morris
Vernon Richardson
Catherine Tasker

If you would like to add a family member to our prayer list, you may do so by contacting the parish.

Weekly Offering

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St. James needs to collect **\$ 7,500.00** each week in order to meet our operating expenses.
Please help us meet this goal

February 24, 2019

Ordinary Offering:	\$ 5,249.21
Outreach	\$ 85.00
Land	\$ 246.00
Flowers	\$ 50.00
Gift Shop	\$ 125.00

May God Bless your generosity
Please don't forget to include your envelope number on your offering contributions. Thank you

Reminder: If you would like to use **your debit/credit card** for your weekly offering, please stop by the church office. You can also set up automatic deposits from your bank to the church.

ONLINE GIVING IS HERE

Please visit St. James webpage for online giving
sjtac.org

Currently you are only able to give to the church general fund.

Additional information will be provided at a later date on how to give to all second and special collections

40 days of Life

KICKOFF RALLY: SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD 2PM

FIRST CHOICE PREGNANCY SERVICES

860 E. SAHARA, LAS VEGAS 89104

Further information: ***40daysoflife.com/Las-Vegas***

Our appreciation to all the presenters in our Black History Celebration. Thank you to **Ms. Lavonne Lewis** for her efforts in bringing real life to our Black History.

St. James Land Status

Initial Loan: \$375,783.88

Monthly Payment of \$3,788.75 (began Dec. 2012)

Est. Balance as of January 31, 2019: \$167,989.47

Schedule of Events

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- Sunday: March 3, 2019**
Donuts
 Mass ~ 8:00 am
 RCIA Session ~ 9:15 am
 CC classes ~ 9:15 am - 10:30 am
 Mass ~ 11:00 am (*Gospel Choir*)
Liturgy of the Word f/Children during 11am Mass
 Confirmation Extension ~ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
- Wednesday: March 6, 2019**
ASH WEDNESDAY
 Mass ~ 9:00 am
 Mass ~ 6:00 pm
- Thursday: March 7, 2019**
 Bible Study ~ 4:00 pm
 Gospel Choir Practice ~ 6:59 pm
- Friday: March 8, 2019**
 KPC Fish Fry ~ 12 noon - 6:30 pm
 Stations of the Cross (Spiritual Enrichment) ~ 6 pm
- Saturday: March 9, 2019**
 EM and Sacristan Training ~ 9am - 12 noon

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Clavinova

The church has a used Yamaha Clavinova for sale. If you are interested, please contact our business manager, Pamela Hunter. You must accept the clavinova "AS IS" and arrange to pick it up.

REVIVAL TIME AT ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE - SUNDAY/MONDAY, MARCH 10/11, 2019

7PM NIGHTLY 'FORGIVENESS' - the theme

Rev. Fr. CHESTER SMITH, SVD, the Revivalist

Save the dates –encourage your relatives and friends to join us for hot soup both nights at 5:30pm - then let's get revived.

What a way to begin your Lenten Season.....Bring your Bible and your thirst for the Word of God.



Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA)

Our 2019 CSA has begun. If you are prepared to make a pledge, please fill out a card and put it in the baskets provided for you as you leave Mass today. If you need to take time to pray over any pledge you are contemplating, please take a card with you and return or mail it as soon as you have decided. Please keep in mind that St. James' obligation this year is \$31,661. Any funds received by the Diocese over and above our obligation will be returned to St. James for our use. Thank you St. James Community for your participation and support.

Mass Intentions for the week

March 3, 2019

8:00 am: Pearl Aikens †

11:00 am: People of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Sirach 17:20-24;
 Psalm 32:1-2, 5-7;
 Mark 10:17-27
- Tuesday:** Sirach 35:1-12;
 Psalm 50:5-8, 14, 23;
 Mark 10:28-31
- Wednesday:** Joel 2:12-18;
 Psalm 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
 2 Corinthians 5:20 — 6:2;
 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday:** Deuteronomy 30:15-20;
 Psalm 1:1-4, 6;
 Luke 9:22-25
- Friday:** Isaiah 58:1-9a;
 Psalm 51:3-6ab, 18-19;
 Matthew 9:14-15
- Saturday:** Isaiah 58:9b-14;
 Psalm 86:1-6;
 Luke 5:27-32
- Sunday:** Deuteronomy 26:4-10;
 Psalm 91:1-2, 10-15;
 Romans 10:8-13;
 Luke 4:1-13



KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER AND LADIES AUXILIARY

Annual **FISH FRY** will be Friday, March 8th from 12 to 6pm
 Tickets will be on sale this Sunday.

Fingerprinting Schedule

March 3rd 9:30 am—10:30 am

March 10th 9:30 am—10:30 am

March 17th 9:30 am-10:30 am

Please pick up a fingerprint package at the church office and complete prior to your arrival

Eucharist & Sacristan Ministry Mandatory Training

Training conducted on Saturday, March 9th, from **9:00 am to 12 noon** for all current **Extraordinary Ministers** of the Holy Eucharist (Eucharist and Sacristan Ministers). If anyone is interested in becoming a Eucharist Minister, please attend this training. You may contact Lavonne Lewis if you have any questions.

Knights of Columbus

Please return your baby bottles to the turquoise bin next week. **Thank you St James!!!**

MINI GIFT SHOP IS NOW OPEN LOCATED IN THE GATHERING SPACE

Small gift items for special occasions
All proceeds go to the Church!
THANK YOU!

" Every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles.—Luke 6:44

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

The Faith Formation Office hours:

Tuesdays and Wednesdays ~ 9:00 am -3:00 pm

Thursdays ~ 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm

March Calendar

- 2 - Confirmation Retreat ~ 7:00am-4:00pm
- 3 - RCIA Session ~ 9:15am
- 3 - Catechism Classes ~ 9:15am
- 3 - Confirmation Extended Class ~ 1:00pm
- 10 - RCIA Session ~ 9:15am
- 10 - Catechism Classes ~ 9:15am
- 10 - Confirmation Classes ~ 1:00pm
- 10 - Rite of Election ~ 2:30pm at Holy Spirit Catholic Church
- 17 - RCIA Session ~ 9:15am
- 17 - Catechism Classes "GROUP CELEBRATION"- 9:15am
- 17 - Confirmation Classes ~ 1:00pm
- 24 - RCIA Session ~ 9:15am
- 24 - NO CATECHISM CLASSES
- 31 - RCIA Session ~ 9:15am
- 31 - Catechism Classes ~ 9:15am
- 31 - Confirmation Classes ~ 1:00pm

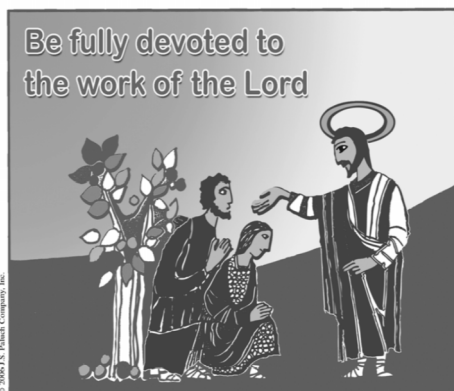
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

If you are 18 years of age or older, or know someone who is, and would like to become Catholic, the Church has a special program to help you through this process. Also, if you were baptized into the Catholic faith but have not received your Sacraments of Confirmation or First Eucharist, this program is for you as well.

Please contact Ms. Eagan in the Faith Formation office for more details.

Sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony

If you would like to have your child baptized or would like to be married in the Church, you must complete the preparation process. Contact Ms. Eagan in the Faith Formation office for details.

**BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES****Month of March**

- Mar 03:** Donald Bernard
- Mar 04:** Elizabeth Trantham
- Mar 05:** John Culliver
- Mar 06:** Jeanne Schuldt
- Mar 11:** Aurora Hernandez
- Mar 12:** Susan Nwogbe, Ricardo Clavel, Jacqueline Garcia
- Mar 13:** Cecilia Garcia, Yahaira Fuentes
- Mar 15:** **Anniv:** Dr. Jerome & Dr. Maria Nwokike
- Mar 16:** Yvonne Huey, James Lucero
- Mar 18:** Chinasa Ceaser, Robert Shack
- Mar 20:** Brenda Dumas, Bridget Hughes
- Mar 21:** Yakkia Comminey
- Mar 24:** Shawina Tims, Hermania Shoals, Joycelyn Jones
- Mar 25:** Jacqueline Jones
- Mar 27:** Richard Garcia, Richard Lozo
- Mar 28:** Barbara Lynch, Emeka Nwokike
- Mar 30:** Julia Occhiogosso

If your birthday or anniversary date is missing and you are a registered parishioner, please contact the church office.

**Lenten Regulations****NORMS FOR FASTING AND ABSTAINING FROM MEAT**

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Roman Catholic Church, the norms on **fasting** are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Roman Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.

Victim Advocacy Number

If you believe you are a victim of sexual and/or physically abused, please call our 24hr-hotline at 702-235-7723.

Catholic Services Relief – Rice Bowl**"ENCOUNTER LENT"**

Join our faith community – and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States – in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl.

Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl Today. During the 40 days of Lent, we will encounter the needs of the world. And don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app!

Religious Education Congress 2019, Anaheim, California

It is time once again for the annual Archdiocese of Los Angeles Religious Education Congress in Anaheim, California. The theme this year is "Thirsting for Justice." This event began back in 1956 and then turned into three days of workshops, liturgies and fellowship, beginning in 1967. People from all over the world, Catholics and non-Catholics alike, gather for this spiritual experience of teaching, preaching, praising and prayer.

You can go to the website: www.recongress.org for more information.

~~ Pastor's Message ~~

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. James the Apostle,

LIFE IS ALWAYS PRECIOUS...HANDLE WITH CARE!

Included with this bulletin is a letter from Bishop Thomas addressing S.B. 165, an Assisted Suicide bill being heard before the Nevada State Senate. Our Bishop expresses "in the strongest possible terms [his] opposition to S.B. 165 which proposes to legalize assisted suicide in the State of Nevada." He asks all of us to go to the legislative website and register our opposition as well. I've already done it, and it's quite easy. The accompanying page gives instructions on how you can easily register your opposition as well.

Opposition to assisted suicide naturally accompanies being Pro-Life! We respect life from conception through natural death, from womb to tomb and at all stages in between. Only God can create life, and only God can take life back home to himself. Interference with God's plan for life pushes God out of the picture. In essence, we then make ourselves "God!" It's like original sin happening again, when humanity gets tricked into not listening to the voice of God, and being fooled into following faulty human logic!

Please make every effort to show your opposition to this assisted suicide bill. If S.B. 165 gets passed, it will be another reason why society continues to suffer from immoral practices becoming the norm. As Bishop Thomas states, "Legalizing suicide is not a solution. In the face of these challenges, we should support and accompany our loved ones with genuine compassion, not with the false compassion of assisted suicide."

Thank you for your dedication to a respect for life in ALL its stages. Your voice needs to be heard, the voice which reflects God's love for every single human being, a voice that tries to stop other human beings from putting themselves in the place of God!

ARE YOU READY FOR LENT?

Believe it or not, Lent begins this coming **ASH WEDNESDAY on March 6th**! Actually, this is a pretty late start for Lent this year, for the latest possible date for Ash Wednesday would be March 10th.

Traditionally we usually ask the question, "What am I going to give up for Lent this year?" This could be something we cherish, like pizza or scotch...or both? Or maybe it could be giving up being judgmental, or being negative.

Or, perhaps we can ask ourselves, "What am I going to DO for Lent this year?" Maybe I can choose to make the special effort to spend some quiet time with God in prayer every day, if I don't already do this. This might be a good year to come to St. James for the Stations of the Cross on the Fridays of Lent at 6PM if I haven't already made that my practice.

Whatever we **do** or **not do**, let it be something that's going to change us for the better **beyond** the season of Lent, not just during it. That takes a little more time to discern. Ask God to help you with the decision, and then let it be between you and God alone. Read on...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING OR NOT DOING FOR LENT?

Actually, I shouldn't even ask that question, because **whatever you do or don't do for Lent is something that should be between you and God...an no one else!** Let's listen to what Jesus says in the Gospel we will read at the Masses this Ash Wednesday, March 6th:

*Jesus said to his disciples: "Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father. **When you give alms, do not blow a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win the praise of others. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.***

*"**When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.***

*"**When you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden. And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you.**" (Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18)*

So, it's pretty clear from the above words of Jesus that if someone asks you what you're doing or not doing for Lent, just simply say "That's between me and God." Let your Lenten sacrifices be something that only you and God know about, and "your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you." (Matthew 6:18) Have a Happy Lent...between you and God alone!

Peace always,



Fr. James Michael Jankowski
Pastor



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church invites you to a 3-Day Lenten Mission, Mon Mar 11—Wed. Mar 13 9:00 am and repeated nightly at 7:00 pm with Fr. Michael Renninger, Diocese of Richmond, VA.

2019 Schedule for Lent and Easter

Ash Wednesday Mass: March 6, 2019 – 9 am and 6pm

Stations of the Cross (Fridays 6:00 pm except Good Friday)

1st Week – March 8 - Spiritual Enrichment

2nd Week – March 15 - KPC and Ladies Auxiliary of Peter Claver

3rd Week - March 22 – Women's Auxiliary

4th Week - March 29 - Youth

5th Week – April 5 – St. James Choirs

6th Week – April 12 – Knights of Columbus (soup at 5pm)

7th Week – April 19 - Deacon James & community - **3:00 pm**

Holy Week Schedule

April 14: Palm Sunday (regular Mass schedule)

April 16: Chrism Mass (Guardian Angel) - Tuesday, 6:00 pm

April 18: Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7 pm

April 19: Passion of the Lord (Good Friday Services) – 7 pm

April 20: Easter Vigil Mass - 7:30 pm (Gospel Choir)