

ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



“BUILDING FOR GOD’S GLORY”

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Parish Office:

Monday - Thursday 9am until 1pm

Sundays: 9am until 11am

Parish Pastoral Council.....Meets 2nd Wednesdays at 5:45pm
Finance Council.....4th Wednesday at 5:45pm
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 Events Revival 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.

May 9, 2021

MASS SCHEDULES

**11:00 am Mass live streamed on
St. James Facebook only
(access through www.sjtac.org)**

Sunday Masses 8am, 11am

Reconciliation (Confessions): between Sunday masses
(all other times please make an appointment)

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.

ASCENSION

~ Sunday, May 9, 2021 ~
Sixth Sunday of Easter

THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We have a unique episode in the Acts of the Apostles today. A whole roomful of people are baptized with the Holy Spirit before they are baptized with water! The verb used—"the Holy Spirit 'fell' on them" (Acts 10:44)—is characteristic of the way the Spirit works throughout the book of Acts: powerful and surprising. Though this "baptism" is not the normative way the New Testament describes baptism, it is still a good reminder today that the Holy Spirit is not controlled by whether or not we pour water, but rather that our sacramental signs reveal the presence of the Spirit at work among us. And we have a double reinforcement of how this work is accomplished from a Letter and a Gospel bearing John's name. It is love, self-sacrificing and self-giving love, that manifests the Spirit of Jesus in our midst. It is love that is the greatest of commandments. The Spirit is manifested equally through those who live in that love.

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St. James Live Stream Sunday Mass at 11am
with Fr. Binoy (*St. James facebook - access sjtac.org*)
for those who are unable to attend Mass on Sunday.

The Bishop of Las Vegas has issued a new
Decree extension for dispensation from obligation of
attending Mass through May 30, 2021.

We continue to encourage those with vulnerable health conditions, the elderly or those who are uncomfortable to continue to participate via live streaming.

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 OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Marshall Bergeron	Jim Fautt
Yakkia Comminey	Robert Shack
Su Canapa	Shirley Morris
Vic Edwards	Robert Smith
Bethany Trantham	Juanita Elliott
Hermenia Shoals	Robert Lynch
Forrest Rodems	

Weekly Offering

St. James needs to collect **\$7,00.00** each week
in order to meet our operating expenses.
Please help us meet this goal

May 2, 2021
(including online Giving)

Ordinary Offering	\$ 5,149.00
Flowers	\$ 5.00
Outreach/Poor	\$ 205.00
Maintenance:	\$ 912.00

Black and Native/Catholic Mission Collection: \$842.00

Online giving on our website www.sjtac.org.

You may also mail in your offerings
1920 N Martin Luther King Blvd
Las Vegas, NV 89106

May God Bless your generosity

*If you would like to use **your debit/credit card** for your weekly offering, please call the church office (Mondays are good to call in your donations). You can also set up automatic deposits from your bank to the church. Thank you for your contributions. Please consider including your St. James family when planning your will.*



Schedule of Events

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- Sunday:** May 9, 2021
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!
 Mass ~ 8 am
 Mass ~ 11 am
- Wednesday:** May 12, 2021
 Parish Council Mtg ~ 5:30 pm
- Thursday:** May 13, 2021
 Gospel Jazz Committee Mtg ~ 5:30 pm
- Saturday:** May 15, 2021
 First Communion Practice ~ 10:00 am - 11:00 am

The above meetings will be held at the church



2021 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA)

Our St. James 2021 CSA Assessment has begun and we are obligated to the Diocese for the amount of **\$43,660**. Pledge cards were sent through the mail. If you haven't received a pledge card, please notify the office. We are encouraging all our families to participate in making 2021 a successful year. **"Strengthening One Another in the Faith"**. If you are not officially registered, we are encouraging you to do so. Please stop by the office after Mass to complete your pledge card and/or your parish registration.

We have received pledges in the amount of \$36,630.00 from 76 parishioners and have payments of **\$21,502.00**. Any funds received by the Diocese over and above our obligation will be returned to St. James for our use.

Thank you for your prayers and continuous support in meeting our obligation to the Diocese.

Mass Intentions for the week

May 9, 2021

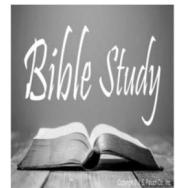
Presider's Personal Intentions

8 am: Mothers

11am: People of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Acts 16:11-15;
 Psalm 149:1b-6a, 9b;
 John 15:26 — 16:4a
- Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34;
 Psalm 138:1-3, 7c-8;
 John 16:5-11
- Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1;
 Psalm 148:1-2, 11-14;
 John 16:12-15
- Thursday:** Acts 1:1-11;
 Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9;
 Ephesians 1:17-23 or
 Ephesians 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13];
 Mark 16:15-20 (for
 Ascension); otherwise
 Acts 18:1-8;
 Psalm 98:1-4;
 John 16:16-20
- Friday:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26;
 Psalm 113:1-8;
 John 15:9-17
- Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28;
 Psalm 47:2-3, 8-10;
 John 16:23b-28
- Sunday:** Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26;
 Psalm 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20;
 1 John 4:11-16;
 John 17:11b-19; or,
 for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11;
 Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9;
 Ephesians 1:17-23 or
 Ephesians 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13];
 Mark 16:15-20



Why Register In the Church

Many people attend Mass here at our church, but are not *registered parishioners*. It is important to be registered and use your offering envelopes so that if you ever request a letter, whether it's for being a godparent, sponsor, marriage, confirmation, tax statement or any other purpose, we can check our records and see that you attend Mass here. This would also benefit you if you would like to have your child enrolled in next year's Religious Education Program. If you are not registered in the church, we cannot issue or sign any type of letter stating that you are a member of the parish, even if you attend Mass here. If you would like to register and **receive offering envelopes**, you must complete our registration form. You may also use the parishioner's updated form (green) located on the church lobby shelf for any **changes** to your address, email or phone number. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 702-648-6606.

"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit." — John 15:16

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

The Faith Formation Office hours:
Tuesday thru Thursday ~ 9:00am-1:00pm

Sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony

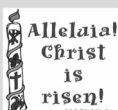
If you are seeking the Sacrament of Baptism for your child, there are some specific requirements that must be completed before this sacrament can be received. Please contact Ms. Eagan in the Faith Formation office.

**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.

May Calendar

15- Practice for First Communion Mass ~ 10:00am
16 - First Communion Mass ~ 8:00am
22 - Practice for Confirmation Mass ~ 10:00am
23 - Confirmation Mass ~ 11:00am
30 - Final Confirmation Class ~ 12:30pm-1:30pm

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Today, we welcome into the Church, through the waters of Baptism:

Jamie Margarette Cara Marquez
the daughter of Jaime and Marie Marquez

The St. James community congratulates you and stands ready to support you on your faith journey.

Attention Graduates

Every year the St. James community recognizes those parishioners who are graduating, with a special blessing at mass. This year our mass, where we will call forth our graduates, will be on June 6th at both the 8:00am and 11:00am Masses.

If you are a registered, participating member of this parish, and you are graduating from 8th grade, high school, or college, and would like to be recognized and receive a special blessing, stop by the church office to register.

You must register so that your name will be on the list. **The deadline to add your name to the list is Sunday, May 23rd.**

If you have any questions please contact Ms. Eagan, the Director of Faith Formation.

**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.

**BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**
Month of May

May 02: Rhonda Hooper, Keiba Crear
May 03: Tyrell Bass
May 04: Robert Marshall
May 05: Theresa Usigbe
May 07: Nancy Czulewicz
May 08: Rhonda Royal, Danielle Villano
May 10: Charles Okeke, **Anniv:** Charles & Betty Allen
May 11: Grace Whitten, **Anniv:** Rodd and Aleta Christensen
May 12: Naeem Langston, Jr.
May 14: Mary Schirling, Jeffery Ferba
May 15: Elizabeth Chimal-Arellano,
Anniv: John & Janet Holmberg
May 16: Amy Urrea
May 17: Maria Angela
May 18: Mike Rippa, Loretta Jordan
May 19: Elijah Hunter
May 22: Steven Nwogbe
May 23: Dan Skrenes, Michelle Okeke
May 24: Pauline Evans, Dorothy McComb, Clarke Barte, Sr.
May 26: Scarlett de Santiago
May 28: Michael Blackwell
May 29: Virginia Castaneda, Elyza Chimal-Arellano
May 30: Maria Nancy Gonzalez
May 28: Ina Dorman, Walt Evans
May 31: Stacey Scott-Cherry

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

St. Joseph

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TODAY'S READINGS

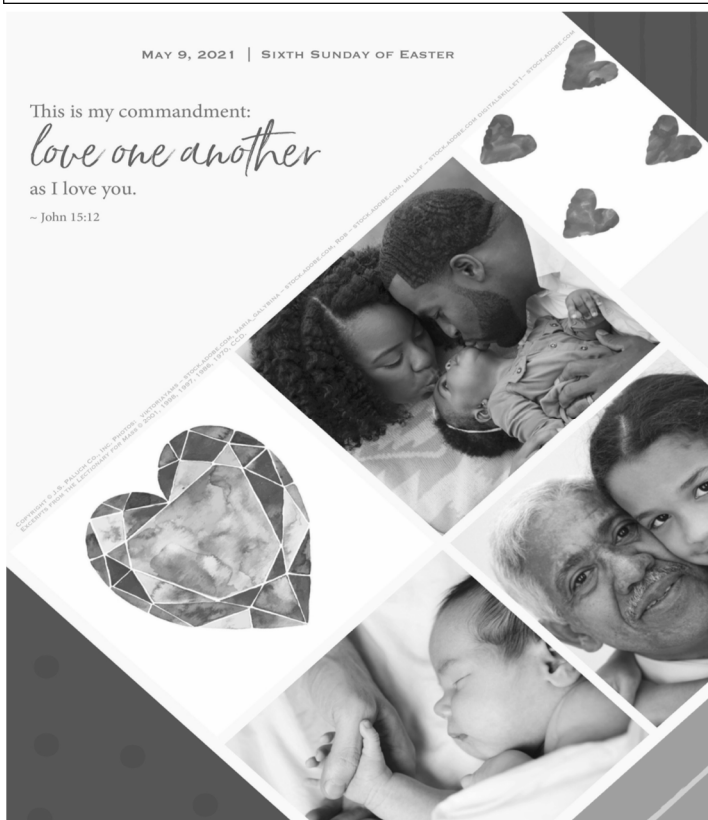
First Reading — The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

Psalm — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — God is love (1 John 4:7-10) *or* 1 John 4:11-16.

Gospel — No one has greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends (John 15:9-17) *or* John 17:11b-19.

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Written announcements to be published in our Sunday church bulletins must be received by the church secretary no later than **noon on Tuesdays** (unless there are early submissions due to holidays). Unfortunately, bulletin announcements advertising for profit organizations/businesses will not be accepted. If you would like your profit organizations/businesses to be published on our back bulletin page, please contact bulletin publisher, J. S. Paluch Co., 1-800-231-0805. We do encourage all of our parishioners to use those advertisers listed. Our church bulletin is published free because of their advertising with Paluch. Also, if your advertisement is listed on the back bulletin advertising page, you are most welcome to place your business information on our church information shelf in the front lobby. *Thank you for your support.*

Church's Media Notice From time to time, photos may be taken at various church and/or ministerial events given at St. James and may appear on our social media. If you do not want your photo to appear on St. James' social media, please inform the parish office.



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On the weekend of May 15 and 16, 2021, our Diocese will take up a collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) and the Catholic University of America (CUA).

Through websites, social networks, television, radio, and print, the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) helps the Church spread the Gospel message through the media locally and nationally. Half of all donations to the CCC collected in our diocese stay in our diocese to support our local communications needs, such as radio and television programming and diocesan publications.

This collection also benefits The Catholic University of America, the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States. At every level, the university is dedicated to the advancement of learning and the development of knowledge to discover and impart truth through excellence in teaching and research, all in service to the Church, the nation and the world.

For more information on the important work of the Catholic Communication Campaign, please visit www.usccb.org/ccs and for further information on The Catholic University of America visit www.cua.edu. Sincerely yours in Christ,

+George Leo Thomas, Ph.D.
Bishop of Las Vegas



FEAST OF FAITH The Creed

Following the readings and the homily, we stand together and say or sing the Creed, our profession of faith. The Creed is a solemn statement of belief, a "rule of faith" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 67). It states the core of what we believe about God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The language of the Creed is knotty and difficult at times, precisely because its purpose is to express with precision what we believe about God. The Creed that we pray most often, the Nicene Creed, came out of the earliest ecumenical councils: Nicea in 325 and Constantinople in 381. It originated in a time of great controversy about the divinity of Christ, and thus the longest section of the Creed relates to Christ, truly human and truly God.

The Creed is both communal and personal: it is "we," but it is also "I." In the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, it is only after listening to the teaching of the Church and professing faith in the Holy Trinity that the candidate is admitted to the sacraments. So it is every Sunday. We listen to the word, we profess our faith, and then we come to the altar.

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