

# ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH “BUILDING FOR GOD’S GLORY”

September 17, 2023

## 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

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Peter approached Jesus and asked him, “Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus answered, “I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.” - Mt 18:21-22

## MASS SCHEDULES

**Sunday Masses: 8am and 11am** *(with the Gospel Choir)*

**Wednesday Masses: 12 noon**

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

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

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

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

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Sirach 27:30-28:7/Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10,11-12 (8)/Romans 14:7-9/Matthew 18:21-35

**Monday:** 1 Timothy 2:1-8/Psalm 28:2, 7, 8-9/Luke 7:1-10

**Tuesday:** 1 Timothy 3:1-13/Psalm 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5,6/ Luke 7:11-17

**Wednesday:** 1 Timothy 3:14-16/Psalm 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Luke 7:31-35

**Thursday:** Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13/Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5/ Matthew 9:9-13

**Friday:** 1 Timothy 6:2c-12/Psalm 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/ Luke 8:1-3

**Saturday:** 1 Timothy 6:13-16/Psalm 100:1b-2,3,4,5/Luke 8:4-15

**Next Sunday:** Isaiah 55:6-9/Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (18a)/Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a/Matthew 20:1-16a

### Parish Office:

1920 N. Martin Luther King Blvd.  
Las Vegas, NV 89106  
Ph: (702) 648-6606  
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### Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9am until 1pm

Sundays: 9am until 11am

*Mini-Gift Shop: open only Sundays after Mass*

Parish Office Email: stjames@sjtac.org  
Website: https://sjtac.org

**Rev. Binoy Akkalayil-Lucka, O.S.S.T.**

**Pastor** (email: [bakkalayil@sjtac.org](mailto:bakkalayil@sjtac.org))

Deacon James Marek

Deacon Tim Byrnes

### Office Staff

**Faith Formation Director**  
Arsenia Eagan

**Administrative Assistant**  
Birdie Ray

**Operations/Facility Manager**  
Sandra Horton

**Director of Music**  
Susan Briare

**ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE  
ROMAN 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.*



## Schedule of Events

- Sunday: September 17, 2023**  
**Diocesan Elementary Catholic School Tuition**  
**Catechetical Sunday**  
**Mass ~ 8:00 am**  
 Opening of elementary & middle school faith formation classes ~ 9:15 am - 10:30 am  
**Mass ~ 11:00 am**  
 (WA Mtg following Mass)
- Wednesday: September 20, 2023**  
**Mass (healing) ~ 12:00 noon**
- Thursday: September 21, 2023**  
 Bible Study Group ~ 4:00 pm  
 Liturgy Team ~ 5:30 pm  
 Gospel Choir Practice ~ 6:59 pm
- Saturday: September 23, 2023**  
 Catechist Meeting (Imani Hall) ~ 10 am  
 Knights of Columbus ~ 11:30 am  
 Silent Auction Mtg - 10:00 am - 12 pm (classroom)  
**Eucharist Ministry Training - 3:00 pm**

## Weekly Offering

**September 3, 2023**  
**(including online Giving)**

Ordinary Offering	\$ 4,835.85
Religious/Gift Shop	\$ 213.00
Outreach/Poor	\$ 210.00
Maintenance:	\$ 2,125.69

**September 10, 2023**  
**(including online Giving)**

Ordinary Offering	\$ 6,164.00
Flowers	\$ 25.00
Outreach/Poor	\$ 365.00
Maintenance:	\$ 960.00
Religious/Gift Shop	\$ 126.00

**Online giving on our website [www.sjtac.org](http://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.*

## Ministries and Organizations

Parish Pastoral Council.....Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays at 6:00pm  
 Finance Council.....4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 5:45pm  
 Choir.....Practice each Thursday at 6:59pm  
 Women's Auxiliary.....2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday following 11:00am Mass  
 Knights of Columbus.....3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 11:30am  
 Knights of Peter Claver.....4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 9:30am  
 Knights of Peter Claver-4<sup>th</sup> Degree.....4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 12pm  
 Gracious Ladies-4<sup>th</sup> Degree.....1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 11am  
 Ladies' Auxiliary of Peter Claver.....3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 3:00pm  
 Spiritual Enrichment Committee..1<sup>st</sup> Saturday every other month 10am

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

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Yakkia Comminey	Grady Williams
Rudy Brewington	Joey Marlatt
Sidney McComb, Sr	Shirley Morris
Kaila Boyea	Deborah Townsend
Frank Sickels	Rod Bernard
Sylvia Scott	Marvin Cason
Cindy Wallace	Janice Minor
Marie Nicholson	Rita Monroe
Thomas Nicholson	Antonio Bueno
Bill Villano	Carl Trantham, Sr.

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

## Mass Intentions for the week

### Presider's Personal Intentions September 17, 2023

**8:00 am:** Nicole Dennis Okafor† and Mathias Okeke †  
**11:00 am:** Fred Delgado †

### September 20, 2023 12:00 noon: Marge Campbell†

**PARISHIONERS:** Mass is a very sacred time, and you are encouraged to please make a special effort to arrive early for service! When late arrivals enter the sanctuary at inappropriate times, readings and homily, it is quite disruptive to everyone. Your cooperation is sincerely appreciated! 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.

**Westside School Alumni Foundation, in collaboration with the City of Las Vegas, is planning a Historic Westside School Centennial Celebration - Parade - Saturday, September 30, 2023 - 10:00 am**  
**Please come and join the celebration!**

A part-time **St. James custodian/handyman** is needed (flexible hours). If you are interested in this position, please contact Sandi Horton 702-648-6606 in the parish office or visit the Archdiocese website for the application: [dioceseoflasvegas.org](http://dioceseoflasvegas.org)

## 20th Annual Gospel Jazz Brunch October 15, 2023 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

**Location: Santa Fe Casino**  
**Event tickets are priced \$85**

**Please stop by the Gospel Jazz table following Mass for further information**  
**You may also purchase raffle and brunch tickets on line at [sjtac.org](http://sjtac.org)**  
**or call the St. James office: 702-648-6606**

**Silent Auction Donations are needed!**  
**Donated raffle items also needed and appreciated!**

**Please place an ad in our Souvenir Journal**  
 (digital copy of journal will be displayed on St. James' website for a year)

**We thank you all for supporting our major fundraiser**

**"The LORD is kind and merciful, slow to anger, rich in compassion"—Psalm 103**



### The Director of Faith Formation

#### Faith Formation Office Hours:

Tuesdays and Wednesdays ~ 9:00am-1:00pm

Thursdays ~ 2:00pm-6:00pm

### September Calendar

17 -Catechetical Sunday

17 -Opening Elementary/Middle School classes and parent meeting ~ 9:15am – 10:30am

24 -Elementary/middle school classes ~ **9:15am – 10:30am**

24 -Opening Confirmation classes and parent meeting ~ **12:30pm – 2:30pm**

### Catechetical Sunday

For the pastoral activity of the Church, the cooperation of a great many people is needed, so that communities as well as individuals may advance to full maturity in faith and continually show forth their faith through the celebration of the liturgy, through study, and through their manner of life.

This cooperation is provided by those who devote themselves to catechesis. Enlightened by God's Word and the teaching of the Church, catechists impart to others an initiation or a deeper formation in those realities that they themselves have learned as truths to be followed in living and to be celebrated in liturgy.

Today, the Church celebrates and commissions those women and men who have answered the call and responded, "Here am I Lord, send me." **Our catechists for the 2023-2024 catechetical year:**

**Kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup> grades** – Pamela McDonald and Sonja Smith

**3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grades** – Naomi Holmes and Stacey Hunter

**5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grades** – Shirnice Villano and Annielean Young

**7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades** – Carolyn Malone and Danelle Marek (also working with RCIA program)

**First Communion Primary** – Tiffany Alemar and Phyllis Rose

**First Communion Intermediate** – Martine O'Neil

**Confirmation** – Francisco and Gladys Alemar

**RCIA** – Mary Schirling, Deacon Timothy Byrnes, and Deacon James Marek

### 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

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.

**Holy Land Pilgrimage :** If you wish to travel to Holy Land with Fr. Binoy on **April 8-19, 2024**, please go to the website for the details

[www.catholicjourneys.com/Binoy](http://www.catholicjourneys.com/Binoy)



### BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

#### Month of September

Sept 01: John Narvaiz, Nicole Okeke, Brenita Dent

Sept 02: Lei-Lani Bass

Sept 06: Uche Nwokike

Sept 08: Linda Davis-Sanders

Sept 09: Rose Daniel, Catherine Tasker, Martine O'Neil, Estefania Valladares

Sept 10: Jennifer Watson, Djoko Susilo, Tobias de Santiago, Thomas Anderson

Sept 11: Carol Duplessis, Hector Robles Navarro

Sept 12: Cynthia Cruz, Lanette McAfee, Virginia Mamac, Rafel Bugarin-Vazquez

Sept 13: Pearl Yarbrough, Maria Tucker

Sept 14: Evadne Martinez

Sept 15: Cheryl Spurlin, Stuart McKinney-Woithe

Sept 16: Terry Cupit

Sept 18: Cindy Wallace

Sept 19: Naomi Wade

Sept 21: Luis Morales

Sept 23: **Anniv:** Pat & Jim Fautt

Sept 24: Kemara Smith

Sept 25: E. Lavonne Lewis, Merlita Phillips

Sept 26: Ashley Willis, Marie Garcia

Sept 27: **Anniv:** John & Myrna Narvaiz

Sept 28: **Anniv:** Kirby & Birdie Ray

Sept 29: Mattie Blackshear

Sept 30: Robert Lynch, Kirby Ray, Erika Robles

**Anniv:** William & Cheryl Lewis

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



### "A Church of Eucharist"

**2023 CSA it's not too late to pledge.** Our obligation to the Archdiocese is \$43,879. We currently have received pledges in the amount of **44,765** from **91** parishioners and payment of **\$36,018**. Please stop by the church office after Mass to complete a pledge card and/or your parish registration. Any funds received by the Diocese over and above our obligation will be returned to St. James for our use.

**Thank you for support!**

**Marriage Help**– Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too! For confidential information about, or to register for the October program, beginning with a weekend on Oct. 6th, please call 702-812-8873 or email:

[Retrouvaillelasvegas@gmail.com](mailto:Retrouvaillelasvegas@gmail.com); or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.Org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.Org).

### Marriage Encounter Weekend:

God was at your wedding and wants to be part of your marriage too. Renew your commitment to your spouse and God by attending a worldwide marriage encounter experience. The next one is being held at Christ the King on October 7-8. Your good marriage can be great! Get more information and even register online at [WWME.org](http://WWME.org) or [LVloveyourspouse.org](http://LVloveyourspouse.org)

### 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.

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