

Historic St. James at Sag Bridge Church

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November 5, 2017
Thirty-First Ordinary Sunday



HE WHO IS GREATEST
AMONG YOU SHALL BE YOUR
SERVANT; WHOEVER EXALTS
HIMSELF WILL BE HUMBLLED,
AND WHOEVER HUMBLLES
HIMSELF WILL BE EXALTED.

Matthew 23: 11-12

CCD CORNER- NOVEMBER

ALL SOULS MONTH: During the month of November we remember and pray for all those who have passed away.



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

November 11th- Trip to Soup Kitchen ***CANCELLED***

November 13th- CCD in Session, Family Enrichment
CANCELLED

November 20th- NO CCD- THANKSGIVING BREAK

December 3rd- First Sunday of Advent

**BRING IT HOME: TRY SOME OF THESE ACTIVITIES DURING
DINNER OR PRAYER TIME:**

ENTIRE MONTH OF NOVEMBER: On November 1st sit down with your family and make a list of every person you know that has passed away. Write "In November We Remember..." at the top of the list. Display list somewhere that is constantly visible to serve as a daily reminder to pray for all of your loved ones that have passed away.

Since Thanksgiving is during November take a moment to go around the dinner table and have each person say something they are thankful for. This month can be a great opportunity for families to reflect on all the wonderful gifts God has given us. Children should be taught to thank God daily for these gifts and November is a great month to start this daily routine.

Mass Schedule

WEEKENDS: Saturdays: 5:00pm

Sundays: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30am

HOLY DAYS: 8:15am & 7:00pm

WEEKDAYS: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
8:15am & Fridays 6:00pm

WEDNESDAY: Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament at 5:00-7:00pm, w/Confessions
at 6:30pm & Mass at 7:00pm.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Saturdays, 9:30am-10:00am

Wednesdays, 6:30pm

Otherwise by appointment

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS:

Contact the rectory office at (630.257.7000).

SICK & HOMEBOUND PASTORAL CARE:

Please notify rectory.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri: 9:30am to
1:00pm.

CLERGY:

Fr. Tom Koys, Pastor

Fr. Edward Gleeson, Pastor Emeritus

Fr. Robert Coleman, Resident

Deacon John Wilkinson, C.K.M.

Register with www.formed.org & use our
St. James' code: KFWMDB (ALL CAPS)

WE JUST WANT TO SAY...
THANK YOU!

to Casimer Cislo for bringing beautiful flowers from his garden every Wednesday afternoon before Adoration to grace the altar of Our Blessed Mother. Your faithfulness is greatly appreciated.



Altar & Rosary Society

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR, FR. THOMAS KOYS, M.A., S.T.L.

On this weekend where we will hear members of our Finance Council report on St. James' annual report, (on page 3 of this bulletin) here are a few biblical quotes about giving to contemplate.

"Then God blessed Abraham and said, "Blessed be Abraham by God most high, possessor of heaven and earth; and blessed be God most high who has delivered your enemies into your hands. And Abraham gave him a tenth of everything." Gen 14:19-20

"Then Jacob made a vow; If God will be with me and will keep me in this way that I go and will give me bread to eat and clothing to wear, so that I come again to my father's house in peace, then the Lord shall be my God, and this stone which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house. And of all that you give me I will give a full tenth to you." Gen 28:20-22

"Moreover, you shall speak and say to the Levites, When you take from the people of Israel the tithe that I have given you from them for your inheritance, then you shall present a contribution from it to the Lord, a tithe of the tithe." Numbers 18:26

"Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty; and your vats will be bursting with wine." Proverbs 3:9

"And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." Mark 12:41

Parishioner surveys for Fr. Koys' participation in the Catholic Leadership 360 review process are due by Nov 13. Each parish needs at least 25 parishioners to fill out the online survey according to the company that runs this program. As of the writing of this bulletin, only 2 surveys have been completed. The survey can be easily accessed by going to the archdiocese's website (www.archchicago.org) and clicking on Offices and Ministries on the top panel. Under "M" select Ministerial Evaluation web page. Click on the "360 Catholic leadership review for priests" and click on English for the English version of the survey.

WHO ARE THESE KNIGHTS & WHAT DO THEY DO?

Members of The Knights of Columbus Council #1599 in Lemont meet regularly on the 1st Tuesday of each month at the VFW Post to continue organizing efforts to help those in need. Members, be there on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 6:45 PM & please bring your membership card.

Annually, we raise funds for important causes like the Special Religious Education Program (SPRED) & Special Recreation Program (SRA). We also do the other things like:

- Donating to Lemont Parishes toward the costs of special needs. (Thanks to Deacon Dan Rittenhouse for securing that!).
- Selling raffle tickets August through November to raise funds to benefit the Illinois Vocations Support Program (Our Priests of Tomorrow). Thanks to Bob Pacetti & The Illinois State Council of Knights of Columbus for making that possible!
- Providing funds for children to attend Scout Camps. (Thanks to Dave Anderson for seeing that through!).
- Providing winter coats for kids. (Thanks to the Lemont Township for distributing those!).
- Providing Rosaries for St. Patrick's parish members. (Thanks to John Hayes for that!).
- Assisting Kops-N-Kids by offering secure parking for bikes belonging to children who meet for a day of fun with police at the Lemont Park District each year. (Thanks to the Knights who volunteer for that special day!).
- Walking for Right-To-Life on Lemont streets every October on Respect Life Sunday which ends with Prayer & Benediction for Respect For Life at St. Alphonsus. (Thanks to the many men & women from the local parishes who walk with us, especially the Knights in regalia!).
- Building a vegetable garden area behind St. Alphonsus for Parish members. (Thanks to Grand Knight Tim Mathias for doing that!). Parishioners, it is through your purchases & donations that these Lemont Knights of Columbus members can continue helping those in need. **THANK YOU!**



**ZACCHAEUS HOUSE ANNUAL LUNCHEON
WITH BISHOP JOSEPH N. PERRY
SAT, DEC 2, 2017 AT 12:00-NOON
IN THE NEWLY RENOVATED
ST. JAMES SAG HALL
TICKETS ARE \$55.00ea.**

This is our annual luncheon supporting our Sharing Ministry, **ZACCHAEUS HOUSE**. Come join us, hear the experience the stories of the men whose lives are being transformed. Meet those who your support continues to make a difference.

Tickets & information contact the rectory office or Deacon John. We are also in need of volunteers & worthy giftcards & gift baskets for our parish sponsored event.

**St. James at Sag Bridge
Parish Financial Report
Year Ended June 30, 2017**

Receipts	Actual FY 2017	Actual FY 2016
Sunday/Holy Day collections	\$279,540	\$298,116
Fundraising/Net Auxiliary Income/Misc	\$46,181	\$32,645
Return on Investments:		
Stock/Mutual Fund	\$5,758	\$50,667
Fixed Income Fund	\$11,696	(\$2,556)
Balance and Growth Funds	\$43,787	(\$18,760)
Religious education (C.C.D.)	\$3,925	\$4,670
Arch. 2nd Collections	\$19,365	\$42,983
Zacchaeus House	\$12,464	\$13,758
A.C.A. rebate	\$6,435	\$31,068
Estates/Bequests/Memorials	\$2,000	\$12,800
Fund Collections—TTWCI	\$80,378	\$24,573
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>\$511,529</u>	<u>\$489,964</u>

Expenses	Actual FY 2017	Actual FY 2016
Salary & related costs	\$192,088	\$186,610
Books & Educational supplies	\$3,247	\$6,494
Administrative expense	\$14,292	\$12,498
Utilities, gas & electric	\$34,685	\$27,730
Maintenance & buildings	\$28,585	\$27,477
Altar & liturgical supplies	\$7,404	\$9,889
Archdiocesan assessment	\$36,523	\$30,732
PRMAA	\$12,780	\$10,752
Insurance	\$12,394	\$13,714
Miscellaneous	\$13,494	\$11,250
Other expenses:		
Arch 2 nd collections	\$17,400	\$45,835
Zacchaeus House	\$12,249	\$13,635
Capital improvements—TTWCI	<u>\$31,612</u>	<u>\$8,420</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$416,753</u>	<u>\$405,036</u>
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	<u>\$94,776</u>	<u>\$84,928</u>

Statement of Financial Position	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016
Cash (General Fund)	\$43,944	\$64,647
Investments (Investment Fund)	\$778,512	\$717,600
Cash (Capital Fund-TTWCI)	\$79,292	\$18,586
Other Assets-Prepaid Expense	\$0	\$6,000
Liabilities (Accounts Payable)	(\$6,667)	(\$6,528)
Net Asset Balance (Equity)	<u>\$895,081</u>	<u>\$800,305</u>

Our
Weekly Offering

Our *Weekly Offertory* collection from the weekend of October 26, 2017 was \$3,111.00. The number of envelopes used was 100.

OUR MANY THANKS TO OUR REGISTERED FAMILIES USING ENVELOPES & THE CASH-AND-CARRY FOLKS.

Our **CHURCH CLEANERS FOR FRIDAY 11/10/17** Are Margaret R., Dottie, Bronislawa & volunteer. If you are *interested in volunteering*, please contact the rectory office at 630.257.7000.



VOTIVE OFFERINGS FORTHE WEEK OF 11/05/17

**St. James Altar & Rosary Society
Heath & Healing for T. Hidaig
In memory of †Lillian Simanavicius**



ALTAR FLOWERS

Our beautiful bouquets of flowers surrounding our altar were made available by the generosity of
BRIAN & SEPHORA HELM

32 ND ORDINARY SUNDAY 11/11 & 11/12/17	Celebrant	Altar Servers	Lectors
5:00 PM	L.C. Priest?	Dooley J. Szarzynski T. Szarzynski	C. Zarzycki
8:00 AM	Fr. Socias	S. Carver Dillenburg Dillenburg	C. Stach-Pearman
9:30 AM	Fr. Tom Koys	A. Bertucci J.P. Colarelli M. Colarelli	S. Kelly
11:30 AM	Fr. Tom Koys	A. Gallager S. Imbarrato B. Zabilka	S. Hagen

Monday November 6th

8:15 AM Tom & Kay Coughlin

Tuesday November 7th

8:15 AM Tony & Dolores Lang – *65th Wedding Anniversary*

Wednesday November 8th

7:00 PM *Reparation & Consecration to Jesus Through Mary*

Thursday November 9th—DEDICATION OF LATERAN BASILICA

8:15 AM Patricia Carpino

Friday November 10th—ST. LEO THE GREAT

6:00 PM †Jozef Dziaba

THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY SUNDAY

Saturday November 11th—ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

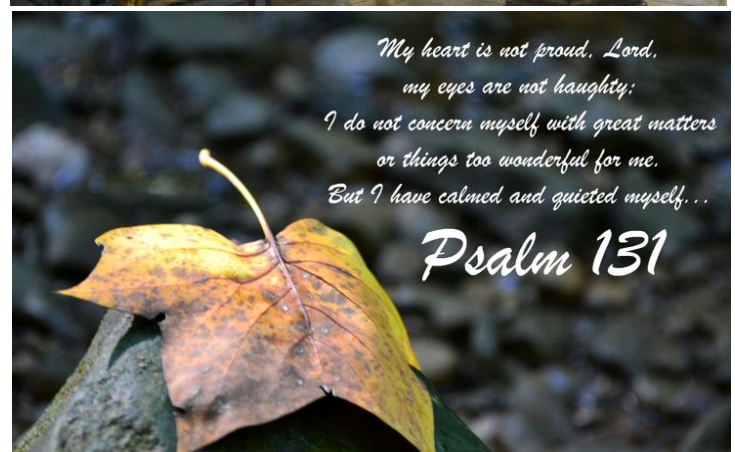
5:00 PM †Franklyn Marchand & †Barbara & †Leon John Pieprzyca

Sunday November 12th

8:00 AM †Stan Strzempek

9:30 AM †Terry Harris

11:30 AM *Reparation & Consecration to Jesus Through Mary*



*My heart is not proud, Lord,
my eyes are not haughty;
I do not concern myself with great matters
or things too wonderful for me.
But I have calmed and quieted myself...*

Psalm 131