

Historic St. James at Sag Bridge Church

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February 25, 2018
Second Sunday in

 **LENT**
Prayer . Fasting . Almsgiving



*Then a cloud came, casting
a shadow over them;
from the cloud came a voice,
“This is my beloved Son.
Listen to him.”*

Mark 9:7

**MASS & STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT
ARE FRIDAYS AT 7:00PM**

Be sure to register to www.FORMED.org.
Use our St. James' code: KFWMDB.

Mass Schedule

WEEKENDS: Saturdays: 5:00pm

Sundays: 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30am

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

WEEKDAYS: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

8:15am & Fridays 7:00pm (**During Lent**)

WEDNESDAY: Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament at 5:00-7:00pm, w/Confessions at
6:30pm & Mass at 7:00pm.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Wednesdays 6:00-7:00pm &

Saturdays 9:30-10:15am

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.

Deacon Doug Szarzynski

ALTAR & ROSARY INFORMATION

Saturday, March 3rd 9:30am
to 11:30am. All women of the
parish are invited to attend our
monthly meeting.

Sunday, March 18th All pa-
rishioners are invited to attend
our St. Joseph/Birthday celebra-
tion dinner. Check the bulletin
for details! Hope to see every-
one there!

Pres. ~ Margaret 630.728.3212

V.P. ~ Irene 773.366.2185

Sec. ~ Barbara 708.257.9129

Treas. ~ Linda 630.257.8252

St. James at Sag Bridge



**Altar & Rosary
Society**

FOUNDED 1953

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



"If a thing makes no difference, it is a waste of time to think about it. Let's begin, with the question, What difference does Heaven make to earth, to now, to our lives? Only the difference between hope and despair in the end, between two totally different visions of life; between "chance or the dance". At death we find out which vision is true: does it all go down the drain in the end, or are all the loose threads finally tied together into a gloriously perfect tapestry? Do the tangled paths through the forest of life lead to the golden castle or over the cliff and into the abyss? Is death a door or a hole? To medieval Christendom, it was the world beyond the world that made all the difference in the world to this world. The Heaven beyond the sun made the earth "under the sun" something more than "vanity of vanities".

Earth was Heaven's womb, Heaven's nursery, Heaven's dress rehearsal. Heaven was the meaning of the earth. Nietzsche had not yet popularized the serpent's tempting alternative: "You are the meaning of the earth." Kant had not yet disseminated "the poison of subjectivism". But a believer's confidence towards death gave him a confidence towards life, for life's road led somewhere. The Heavenly mansion at the end of the earthly pilgrimage made a tremendous difference to the road itself. Signs and images of Heavenly glory were strewn all over his earthly path. The "signs" were (1) nature and (2) Scripture, God's two books, (3) general providence, and (4) special miracles. (The word translated "miracle" in the New Testament [sēmeion] literally means "sign".) The images surrounded him like the hills surrounding the Holy City. They, too, pointed to Heaven. For instance, the images of saints in medieval statuary were seen not merely as material images of the human but as human images of the divine, windows onto God. They were not merely stone shaped into men and women but men and women shaped into gods and goddesses.

Lesser images too were designed to reflect Heavenly glory: kings and queens, heraldry and courtesy and ceremony, authority and obedience—these were not just practical socio-economic inventions but steps in the Cosmic Dance, links in the Great Chain of Being, rungs on Jacob's ladder, earthly reflections of Heaven. Distinctively premodern words like glory, majesty, splendor, triumph, awe, honor—these were more than words; they were lived experiences. More, they were experienced realities. But today, this glory has departed. We moderns have lost much of

medieval Christendom's faith in Heaven because we have lost its love of Heaven. And we have lost its love of Heaven because we have lost its sense of Heavenly glory."

From: Kreeft, Peter, *"Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Heaven"*



"Protecting Human Life is the Cornerstone of Catholic social Teaching." "The abortion conflict has never simply been about repealing Roe v. Wade. And the many pro-lifers I know live a much deeper kind of discipleship than "single issue" politics. But they do understand that the cornerstone of Catholic social teaching is protecting human life from conception to natural death. They do understand that every other human right depends on the right to life. They did not and do not and will not give up – and they won't be lied to."

Archbishop Charles J. Chaput O.F.M



Fridays of Lent: Mass will be at 7:00pm followed by the Way of the Cross.

Our
Weekly Offering



Our *Weekly Offertory* collection from the weekend of February 18th was \$4,200.00. The number of envelopes collected was 107.

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

Our **CHURCH CLEANERS FOR FRIDAY –3/02/18** Are *Sandy, Kristine, Diane, Bronislaw* & volunteer. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the rectory office at 630.257.7000.



VOTIVE OFFERINGS FORTHE WEEK OF 2/25/18

St. James Altar & Rosary Society
Health & Healing for Cathy A'Hearn
Get Well Karyn Cimaroli
In Memory of †Lillian Simanavicius

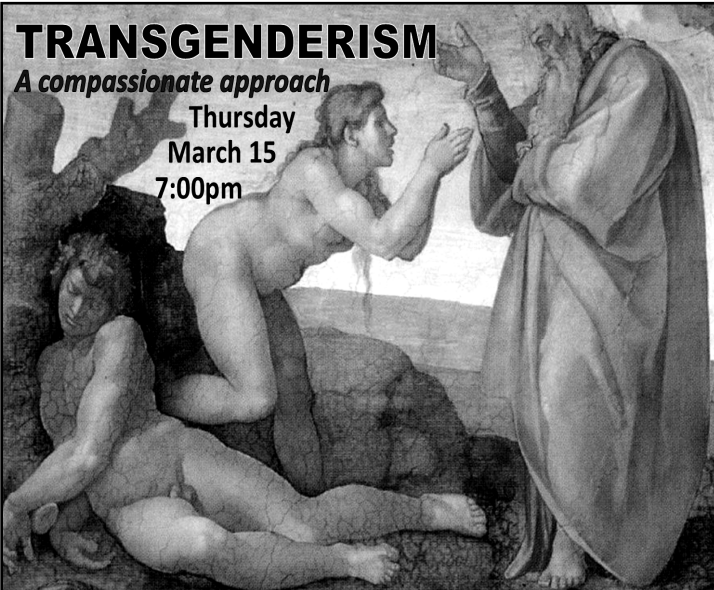


Our beautiful bouquets of flowers surrounding our altar were made by the generosity of our *St. James Parishioners*

TRANSGENDERISM

A compassionate approach

Thursday
March 15
7:00pm



Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church 14610 Will-Cook Rd. Homer Glen, IL

Sponsored by the Multi-Parish Respect Life Ministries of St. Bernard's- St. Francis of Assisi- Our Lady of the Woods - St. Michael - Our Mother of Good Counsel- Annunciation Byzantine Catholic

Make Lent 40 DAYS OF AWESOME



Home based retreat; Saturday mornings: Mar 3,10,17,24 & April 7th, \$29 for books.		Gather with Ms. Gal, (708-769-2285) or con- duct a small group in your home.	www.FORMED.org; (with Fr. Michael Gaitley).
Wednesday evenings Adoration & Mass	5:00pm – 7:00pm		6:00pm confessions 7:00pm Mass.
Friday evenings: Mass & Stations	7:00pm, (note different time for Lent).		
Youth Group Mtgs: 6:00pm @ St. Patrick's	Sundays: 2/18, 3/4, 3/18,		
40 Days for Life	Rosary prayed at the abortionary; 75 th St, just east of I-355.	Please register for an hour at www.40DaysforLife.org	Begins Ash Wednesday 
Men's Day of Recollection	Sat. Feb 17, 9:00am-3:00pm	Call the rectory to let us know your attendance	Featuring: Bishop Perry, & Fox News contributor, Dr. Lawler & more.
Tuesday Saint movie nights	3/6: St Augustine, 6:00pm	3/13: St Anthony, 7:00pm	3/20: The Jeweler's Shop, 7:00pm.
Anointing for the Sick Mass	Saturday, March 24, 11:00am, church	Please call rectory, leave a message if you plan to attend.	
Palm Sunday, Children's event	Sunday, March 25th	Sponsored by the Altar & Rosary.	
Fr. Lombardo Mission	Mon, Tue, Wed, of Holy Week.	7:00pm each night	
Holy Thursday	Mass of the Last Supper Adoration Pilgrimage Join our "flotilla of cars/ vans".	7:00pm Please call rectory to advise if you can drive or need a ride.	Pilgrimage will be to local churches.
Good Friday	Outdoor Stations Communion Service	1:00pm & 3:00pm 7:00pm	
Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil, 7:00pm.	Basket Blessing, 1:00pm.	

LENT

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

A TIME OF MERCY AND GRACE

MONDAY FEBRUARY 26TH
8:15 AM † Louis J. Sendziak

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 27TH
8:15 AM Patricia Carpino

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 28TH
7:00 AM † Raymond Hagen

THURSDAY MARCH 1ST
8:15 AM † Daniel New

FRIDAY MARCH 2ND – FIRST FRIDAY
7:00 PM Mass & Stations of the Cross
 & † Jozef Dziaba

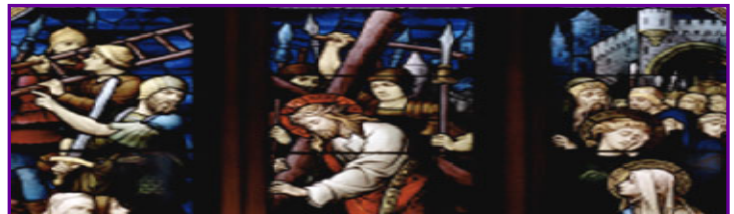


THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

SATURDAY MARCH 3RD – FIRST SATURDAY
5:00 PM † Florence Bernacchi

SUNDAY MARCH 4TH
8:30 AM † Nancy McCormack
10:00 AM † William Schafer
11:30 AM 19th Birthday Blessings for David Bock

3rd Sunday of Lent 3/03 & 3/04/18	Celebrant	Altar Servers	Lectors
5:00 PM	Fr. Tom Koys	Ramirez Ramirez Ramirez	B. Grandt
8:30 AM	Fr. Tom Koys	J. Beecher J. Beecher S. Carver	C. Slowik
10:00 AM	Fr. Tom Koys	N. Akroush J.P. Colarelli M. Colarelli	P. Brunk
11:30 AM	Fr. Edward Gleeson?	D. Estrada E. Estrada J. Jacobek	M. Fleckenstein



FRIDAY, 3/02/18 Mass & Stations	Celebrant	Altar Servers	Lectors
7:00 PM	Fr. Tom Koys	S. Carver O. Carver S. Imbarrato	G. Imbarrato