



# SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Directory

**Parish Office**.. 815-824-2053...Fax 815-824-2043  
Hours ..... Mon, Wed & Fri: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
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**Coordinator of Religious Education,**  
Deacon George Schramm.....815-824-2053

## Mass Schedule

**Weekend** .....Saturday 4:30 pm  
Sunday 8:30 am

**Weekday**.....Tuesday - Friday 8:30 am

**Holy Day**.....8:30 am & 7:00 pm  
(EXCEPT Christmas & New Year's)

**Confessions**.....Saturday 3:15-4:15 pm  
Sunday & Weekdays 7:30-8:15 am

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wed. (except First Fridays) 9:00 am-10:05 am  
Benediction  
First Fridays, Mass at 8:30 am, 9:00-10:05 am  
Benediction

## Sacraments

### Baptism

1. You must be a registered member of our parish.
2. Make an appointment to see the priest to discuss and participate in the baptismal preparation.
3. Schedule the baptism (time and date).

### Marriage

1. Wedding arrangements need to be made six months in advance.
2. Either the bride or groom must be a registered member of the parish.
3. Call the parish office to make an appointment with the priest.

### Anointing of the Sick

Please call the office if a loved one is seriously ill or in the hospital.

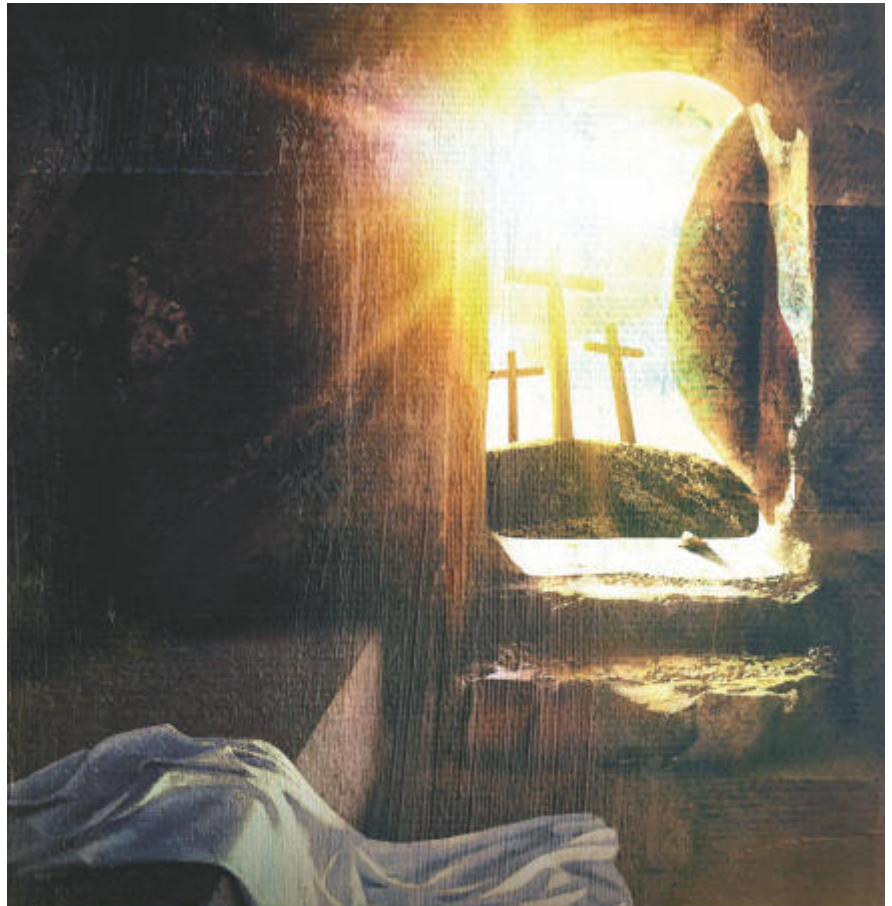
## Ministry of Care

If you or a family member is ill, homebound, or unable to come to church and would like to receive Holy Communion or a visit, please call the parish office or John Rood at 815-824-2518.

## Bulletin Deadline

Items must be submitted to the parish office by 12:00 pm on Monday or the Friday preceding a holiday.

Rev. Bonaventure Okoro, Pastor



## EASTER SUNDAY

He bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. - Jn 20:5-7

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## Easter Sunday

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Presidential candidate for 2008 Mike Huckabee was once asked if he believed in the resurrection. "Of course I do," said Huckabee. "Dead people vote in every election we have in Arkansas. Resurrection is very real to us." Huckabee was being humorous, but we know that he is an ardent Christian.

Thus you and I gather together in this church among our families and friends to reflect upon what God has done for us. We come together to worship in wonder and amazement at the resurrection of God's son who is Christ our Lord. This is also a time of a joyful new beginning in Jesus Christ for us as we renew our baptismal promise. God's message to us is that indeed we can be forgiven for our sins and freed to live in love and peace for all eternity. Like St. Paul in his letter to the Philippians 2:13-14, we will never view suffering and death as the final chapter in human existence.

Our faith then enables us to see disappointments and defeats as simply the conditions of our discipleship. Therefore, we need not let the shattering of dreams, or even the onset of age and illness disillusion us or leave us in despair. For we realize that this life is only a foretaste, a training ground for the life to come.

So, dear friends in Christ, the risen Lord himself calls us to live in his joy now and forever. Easter Day presents us also with an opportunity for a joyful new beginning which can enable us to make sense out of our past and hope for the future.

As we go from this place of worship, I challenge you to celebrate the resurrection every week and every day of your life. Let us today make a joyful new beginning in Jesus Christ.

Alleluia Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

*~From the desk of Father Okoro*

## Mass Schedule

### Saturday, April 3

7:30 pm Dorothy Stakanski †  
By Bill & Sheila Weigel

### Sunday, April 4

8:30 am Terry Dvorak †  
By Marilynne Voris

### Tuesday, April 6

8:30 am Geraldine Sandstrom  
By Tess Rowland & Family

### Wednesday, April 7

8:30 am Kathryn Thuestad  
By Betty Thuestad

### Thursday, April 8

7:00 pm Jim Thuestad  
By Betty Thuestad

### Friday, April 9

3:00 pm Joseph Hickey †  
By Bill & Sheila Weigel

### Saturday, April 10

4:30 pm Ed Houghtby †  
By Jan Houghtby

### Sunday, April 11

8:30 am Sarah & Conner Roesch †  
By Richard Roesch

We have several openings for Mass intentions. Masses may be said for a loved one who has passed, as a gift for someone who is living, or in thanksgiving for blessings received. Please call the parish office to schedule Masses.

## Liturgical Roles

### Weekend of April 10th/11th

<b>Sacristan:</b>	7:30 pm	Sharlyn Larson
	8:30 am	Paul Aloisio
<b>E.M.</b>	7:30 pm	Sharlyn Larson
	8:30 am	Paul Aloisio
<b>Lector:</b>	7:30 pm	Pam Freund
	8:30 am	Diane Durin
<b>Ushers:</b>	7:30 pm	Ben Herrmann, Francis Freund, Joe Bertrang
	8:30 am	Logan Bend, Caroline Bend, Ellie Bend, Jerry Binkowski, Jim Fritsch
<b>Money Counters:</b>		Jan Schnorr, Ginger Browder, Jerry Heitkamp
<b>Linen Ministry:</b>		Anne Hart
<b>Altar Flowers:</b>		Ana Cardenas, Tess Rowland, Betty Thuestad
<b>Minister of Care:</b>		Joe Herrmann



The red Sanctuary Lamp burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention make arrangements with the Parish Office. The cost of the candle is \$10.00. It will burn for one week. The memorial will be published in the Bulletin.

## Prayer Requests

*Millie Anderson, Marguerite Armstrong, Lia Aspengren, Suzanne Bertrang, Jim & Dorothy Caracciolo, Patricia Carlson, Wilfred Cidlik, Ann Cox, Tony Crumpton, Phil Foster, Heather Fritsch, Dolores George, Judy Hogan, David Mihm, Jan Mueller, Mary Mueller, Gladys Schnorr, Betsy Todd, Janet Weigel.*

**Readings for the week of April 4, 2021**

**Sun:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/  
Jn 20:1-9  
**Mon:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15  
**Tue:** Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/Jn 20:11-18  
**Wed:** Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35  
**Thu:** Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48  
**Fri:** Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27/Jn 21:1-14  
**Sat:** Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

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**🔔 Upcoming Events 🔔**

**Sat 4/3 (7:30 pm) Easter Vigil Mass**  
**Sun 4/4 (8:30 am) Easter Sunday Mass**  
**(9:30 am) No RE - Spring Break**  
**Tue 4/6 (8:30 am) Daily Mass**  
**Wed 4/7 (8:30 am) Daily Mass**  
**(9:00 am) Adoration of the Eucharist**  
**Thu 4/8 (8:30 am) Daily Mass**  
**Fri 4/9 (8:30 am) Daily Mass**  
**Sat 4/10 (4:30 pm) Vigil Mass**  
**Sun 4/11 (8:30 am) Divine Mercy Sunday Mass**  
**(9:30 am) RE at Home after Mass**

**Birthdays**

Kate Thuestad 4/4	Christopher Potter 4/7
Betsy Todd 4/4	Don Frieders 4/9
Jim Thuestad 4/6	Hailey Herrmann 4/9

**Anniversary**

Ken & Kathy Spears 4/4	51 yrs
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- ◆ Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [alife-timeoflove.org](http://alife-timeoflove.org) or call (888) 574-5653.



**Men's Cursillo Prayer Group meets:**

**Wed-Parish Office at 8:00 pm**

**Women's Cursillo Prayer Group meets:**

**Tue-Parish Hall at 10:15am**

Prayer Group is for anyone who has made or is interested in making Cursillo.



*The Rosary is a spiritual weapon in the struggle against evil.*

*Thirty minutes before every Mass the Rosary is recited for the healing of our families, marriages, relationships and parish-ioner intentions.*

*We invite you to join us as we gather to pray the Rosary.*





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