



# 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  
Tues & Thurs: Call for appointment.

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**Rectory** .....815-824-2004

**Emergency** ... (Father Okoro's cell) 815-519-9013

**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.

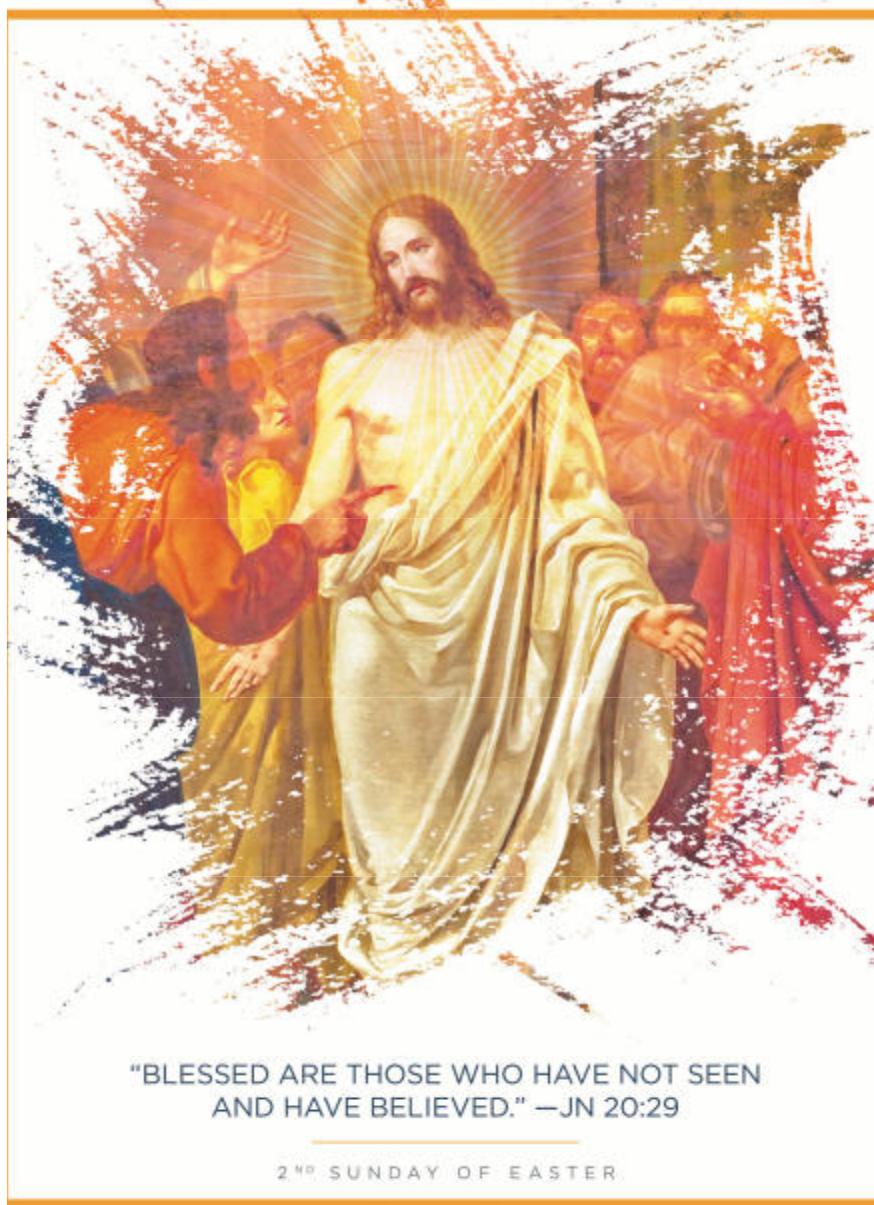
## Ministry of Care

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



"BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HAVE NOT SEEN  
AND HAVE BELIEVED." —JN 20:29

2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## Divine Mercy Sunday

Dear Friend in Christ,

I hope all of you had a nice Easter celebration with your friends and families. I hope the kids were able to find the eggs wherever they were hidden.

Today, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, an important theme in the redeeming work of Christ. We learn from Christ, that to love is to forgive and that forgiveness is an act of the Holy Spirit.

Leslie D. Weatherhead echoes this same truth when he says, "The forgiveness of God, in my opinion, is the most therapeutic idea in the world" (Psychology, Religion and Healing, 1952). We remember that Jesus linked forgiveness to the Holy Spirit, he breathed on the apostles and then sent them out to celebrate forgiveness with their congregation.

We know that the wound of hurt can only be cured with the combined effort of us and the Holy Spirit. In one of her books, Corrie Ten Boom tells of meeting the guard from the concentration camp where she and her family had been held by the Nazis. She had been speaking at a large church meeting, and after the meeting he had come forward. He put out his hand to her, and she instinctively pulled back, remembering the horrors to which that hand had been put or in which it had cooperated, but then, she testified, something came over her, she knew not what, and she reached out and grasped his hand and extended her forgiveness as the tears rolled down his cheeks. So forgiveness is a combination of our efforts and that of the Holy Spirit.

On this Divine Mercy Sunday, we are reminded of the important connection between Christ's redeeming work in our lives and forgiveness. May we continue to cherish it above all in the sacrament of reconciliation, for to love is to forgive and forgiveness is an act of the Holy Spirit. Please join us at the end of Mass for special prayers for Divine Mercy. We draw strength from God to embrace his mercy through our commitment to him in this devotion.

*~From the desk of Father Okoro*



## Liturgical Roles

### Weekend of April 17th/18th

<b>Sacristan:</b>	7:30 pm	Sarah Treadway
	8:30 am	Betty Thuestad
<b>E.M.</b>	7:30 pm	Sarah Treadway
	8:30 am	Betty Thuestad
<b>Lector:</b>	7:30 pm	Dave Lilja
	8:30 am	Marilynne Voris
<b>Ushers:</b>	7:30 pm	Ben Herrmann, Sue Lilja, Dan Nolan
	8:30 am	Paloma Cardenas, Saul Cardnas Jr., Emily White, Ana Cardenas, Saul Cardenas Sr.
<b>Money Counters:</b>		Saul Cardenas Sr., Kathleen Kupp, Pat Assel
<b>Linen Ministry:</b>		Anne Hart
<b>Altar Flowers:</b>		Ana Cardenas, Tess Rowland, Betty Thuestad
<b>Minister of Care:</b>		Betty Thuestad

## Mass Schedule

### Saturday, April 10

4:30 pm Ed Houghtby †  
By Jan Houghtby

### Sunday, April 11

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

### Tuesday, April 13

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

### Wednesday, April 14

8:30 am Robert & Bernice Kilpatrick †  
By Jan Houghtby

### Thursday, April 15

8:30 am Fred Cox †  
By Bill & Sheila Weigel

### Friday, April 16

8:30 am Our Parish Family

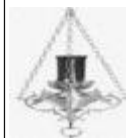
### Saturday, April 17

4:30 pm Steve Voris †  
By The Voris Family

### Sunday, April 18

8:30 am Stephan Biddle †  
By Betty Thuestad

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.



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.

This week the Sanctuary Lamp for:

**The Bailey Family**

## 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 11, 2021**

**Sun:** Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3  
**Mon:** Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8  
**Tue:** Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15  
**Wed:** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21  
**Thu:** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36  
**Fri:** Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15  
**Sat:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

**Stewardship of Treasure**  
**84 Registered Families**  
**Week of March 27th/28th**

Needed each week in 2020-21..... \$2,520.00  
 Rcvd.....\$2,073.60  
 Loss for the week.....\$ 446.40

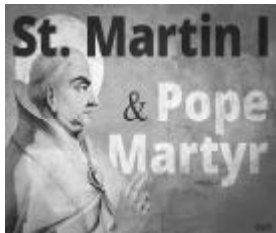
**Week of April 3rd/4th**

Needed each week in 2020-21..... \$2,520.00  
 Rcvd.....\$2,985.00  
 Gain for the week.....\$ 465.00

**Fiscal Year-to-Date (41 weeks)**

Needed (at \$2,520.00/week)..... \$103,320.00  
 Received for the fiscal year to date.... \$ 96,393.32  
 Loss to Date **\$ 6,926.68**

**Thank you for your generosity!**



**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.



**Upcoming Events**

**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  
**Tue 4/13 (8:30 am) Daily Mass**  
**Wed 4/14 (8:30 am) Daily Mass**  
**(9:00 am) Adoration of the Eucharist**  
**Thu 4/15 (8:30 am) Daily Mass**  
**Fri 4/16 (8:30 am) Daily Mass**  
**Sat 4/17 (4:30 pm) Vigil Mass**  
**Sun 4/18 (8:30 am) Sunday Mass**  
**(9:30 am) Family Catechesis** after Mass

**Birthdays**

Sue Crumpton 4/13 Jan Aloisio 4/16  
 Rich McElligott 4/14 Calvin Herrmann 4/16

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*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 parishioner intentions.*

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



If you or someone you know has had an abortion, “be assured that it is never too late to seek God’s forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.”\* Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select “Find Help” from the menu on [www.hopeafterabortion.org](http://www.hopeafterabortion.org) to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you.

*~USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities*





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