

St. James Community

428 N 2nd Street
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Our Mission Statement

*We, the Parish of St. James,
are a family of faith,
who worship together
and serve God's People
through works of
compassion, education,
justice and peace.*

MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY:

8:00 AM, Monday through Friday

WEEKENDS:

Saturday 8:00 AM & 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM & 11:15 AM

HOLY DAYS:

See bulletin

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM, Monday - Thursday

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Friday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 2:45 PM to 3:30 PM, or by
appointment. Fridays 8:45 AM to 9:45 AM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

4th Sunday of the month at 12:15 PM.

Inquire at the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements must be made **6 months
in advance** to allow for adequate
preparation and instructions

DEVOTIONS

Monday-Friday 7:30 AM Rosary & Divine
Mercy Chaplet

Fridays 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM Holy Hour &
Devotions

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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of
Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to
the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus
said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

Mass Intentions for the Week

- MONDAY, January 17: St. Anthony, Abbot**
8:00 AM + Mike Rotello Sr. (Mike Rotello)
- TUESDAY, January 18: Weekday**
8:00 AM + John Nash (Linda Nash)
- WEDNESDAY, January 19: Weekday**
8:00 AM + Virginia & Erwin Dach (Pat Levins)
- THURSDAY, January 20: Weekday**
8:00 AM + Rosemarie Gambini (Rosie Magee)
- FRIDAY, January 21: St. Agnes**
8:00 AM + Karen Carlson (Pat Levins)
- SATURDAY, January 22: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**
8:00 AM + Christine Labella (Bob & Marilyn Fox)
4:00 PM The People of St. James Parish
- SUNDAY, January 23: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30 AM + Don Cash Sr. (Family)
11:15 AM + Christine Labella (Arlene Misslich)



LECTORS NEXT WEEK:

- Sat. 4:00 PM Mike Cieslak
Sun. 8:30 AM Sheila Antosch
Sun. 11:15 AM Ron Toti

COMMENTATORS NEXT WEEK:

- Sat. 4:00 PM John Lynde
Sun. 8:30 AM Peter Smith
Sun. 11:15 AM Carl Patrnczak

COMMUNION MINISTERS NEXT WEEK:

- Sat. 4:00 PM Vince & Sharon Enna
Sun. 8:30 AM Barb Frampton, Anna Key
Sun. 11:15 AM Barbara Johnson, Pray Meh

ALTAR SERVERS NEXT WEEK:

- Sat. 4:00 PM Jacob Pierce, Danielle Stiles
Sun. 8:30 AM Shan Non, TBD
Sun. 11:15 AM Olivia & Elsie Schirger

GREETERS NEXT WEEK:

- Sat. 4:00 PM Betsy Pierce, Kathy Wilson
Sun. 8:30 AM Jacque Bolger Buffo, Mary Ann Streitmatter
Sun. 11:15 AM John & Kathy Barton

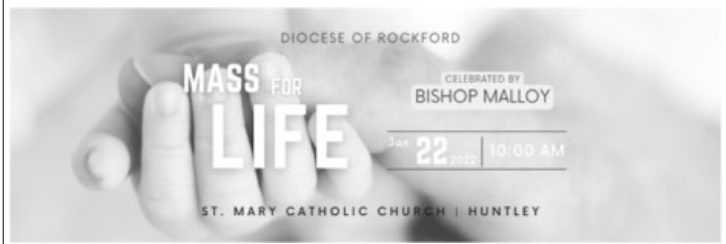
WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION (Jan 1-7)

BUDGET NEEDED	\$ 7,200.00
TOTAL COLLECTIONS:	\$ 4,771.00
SURPLUS/DEFECIT	\$ (2,429.00)
FUEL ENVELOPE	\$ 438.00
CHRISTMAS	\$ 1,500.00

St. James Prayer Chain

Would you like prayers for someone who is ill or dealing with serious problems?

Call Diane Roman at 815-566-9746
or email dicanread@aol.com
to make your prayer requests.



Pope St. John Paul II declared, "A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world." On January 22, the Church in the United States observes the annual "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children." You are invited to join Catholics from throughout the diocese in a special Mass for the respect of human life celebrated by Bishop David J. Malloy on Saturday, January 22, at 10:00am at St. Mary Parish, 10307 Dundee Road, Huntley, IL. If unable to attend in person, the Mass for Life will be live streamed on the St. Mary Catholic Church Huntley YouTube channel. It can be viewed live or at a later time.

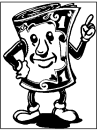


St. James parishioners donated \$1,813.22 to Cornucopia in December.

2021 Annual Diocesan Stewardship Appeal



Parish Target \$41,859.00
Pledges \$38,740.00
Collected \$37,346.41



% of Parishioners who pledged 18%

Note: At the end of each year the parish must make up the difference between Target and Collected.

Join us for coffee & donuts on Sundays after 8:30 a.m. Mass in Richter Hall.



Please keep the following parishioners and their caregivers in your thoughts and prayers as they cope with their illnesses:

- Karen Harding
- John Smith
- Marsha Newburg
- Camryn Guinta
- Lucille Jens
- Jacki Lindquist
- Ruth Szeszinski
- Justus Nicaloa
- Marcia Chiodini
- James Macdonough
- Linda Zuba
- Michael Serrano
- Paula Scwitters
- Don Sawyer
- Mary Pat Bradley

- Michael Smith
- Loretta Reif
- Ricky Lind
- John Zuba
- Rolleen Cerio
- Rose Mary
- Mary Beth Allen
- Mary Ann Dion
- Linnea Lundy
- Gregory Hartman
- Sharon Enna
- John Barton
- Joan Sprague
- Mary Ann Knighton
- Peter Vander Vannet

May they keep their faith in getting stronger every day. Call the parish office 815-962-1214 to add or remove a name.

In continuing our efforts to provide the best safety for our school children and parishioners, we have changed the entry method of Parish Hall (Beauvais Center) to a card key access system. If you currently have a key to Parish Hall, please call the Parish Office at 815-962-1214 to set up a time to exchange your key for a FOB. We will be changing the locks at the end of January and your key will no longer work after that.



"There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem. In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is always and radically incompatible with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image." United States Conference of Catholic Bishops "Living the Gospel of Life," © 1998 USCCB.

In December, St. James parishioners donated a total of \$121.00 for window restoration!



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January 16, 2022 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

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