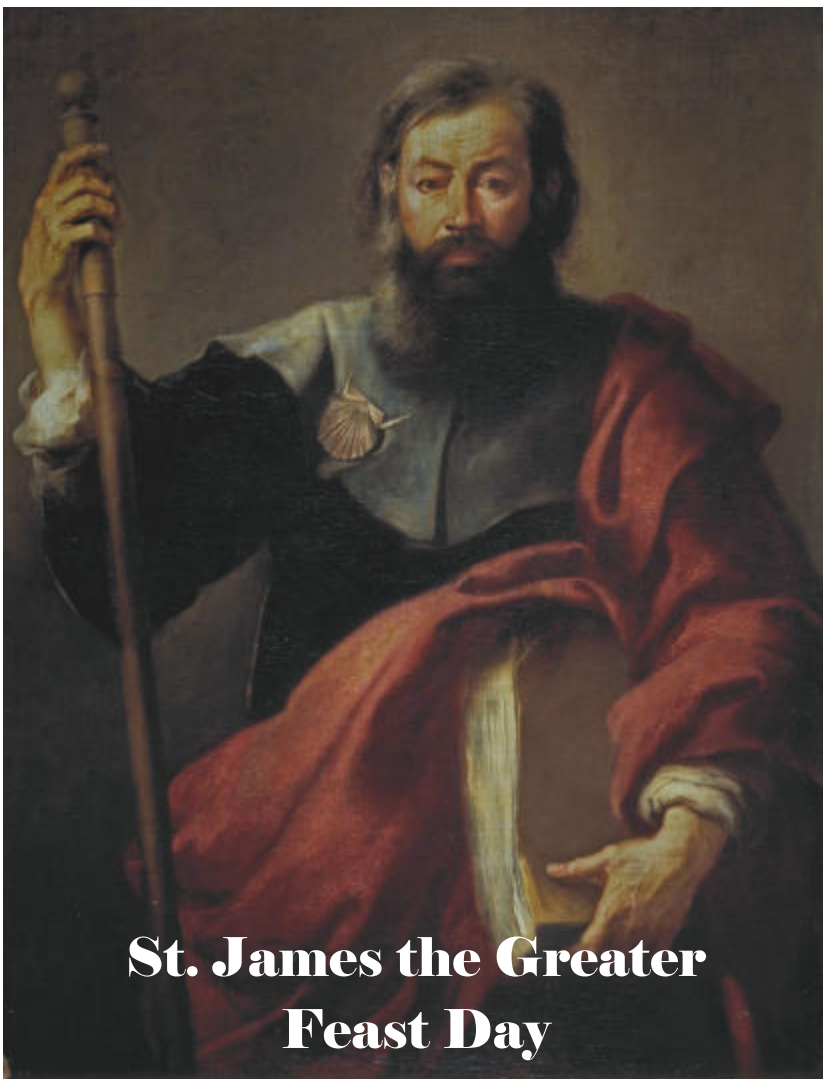




ST. JAMES THE GREATER CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY 25, 2021



**St. James the Greater
Feast Day**

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9:30am

DAILY MASSES

Mondays & Wednesdays -
7:30am in the Church
Fridays -
9:00am in the Church

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

By appt. only during the pandemic.

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office.
Families are encouraged
to be registered in the parish.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office at least 6
months prior the proposed date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you know of someone
homebound, sick, or in the
hospital, contact the Parish Office.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For those in need within our boundaries,
call 314-289-6101 ext. 1152.

OUR PARISH COMMITMENT

As parishioners of St. James the Greater Catholic Church, we strive to follow Jesus Christ in our Eucharistic Community by witnessing God's love for ourselves, our families, and our growing diverse community; particularly in Dogtown, and its surrounding neighborhoods and institutions...sharing our blessings with our new neighbors, and those living on the margins of faith.

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A Pastor's Reflection by Fr. Quirk, Ph.D.



Dear Parishioners,

Today is the official Feast Day of the apostle: St. James the Greater. This parish is named in his honor. As such, it is fitting that we remember him on this day. He took to heart his calling by Jesus

and worked to witness to his calling and belief in Jesus. He is particularly remembered for his efforts in Spain. There has, of course, developed since his days a "cultural" musical relationship between Irish music and Spain's traditional music roots.

Below is a reflection from the Little Sister's of the Poor Magazine. Today is World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. Pope Francis in his great love for family life has designated the last Sunday of July as the Church's liturgical day to invoke prayers and blessings for grandparents and the elderly.

Blessings,
Fr. Quirk, Ph.D.

As Little Sisters we are intensely aware of the burdens borne by the elderly during the Coronavirus pandemic. At the same time, the faithfulness of our staff members and the generosity of our benefactors, both old and new, have given us eloquent proof that the elderly have not been completely forgotten, even though they have been hidden away for over a year. As vaccination rates rise the urgent fears surrounding COVID-19 seem to be dissipating, and we are witnessing a growing commitment on the part of many to responding more holistically to the needs and aspirations of older persons.

As he has done throughout his pontificate, Pope Francis continues to demonstrate a preferential option for the elderly. Earlier this year he announced the establishment of a World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, which will be held each year on the fourth Sunday of July. This date was chosen because of its proximity to the feast of St. Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. We Little Sisters were filled with joy at this announcement - God knows how much the elderly deserve a celebration dedicated to them!

To express the closeness of God and of the Church to every older person, Pope Francis has chosen "I am with you always," from the Gospel of Matthew, as the theme for the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

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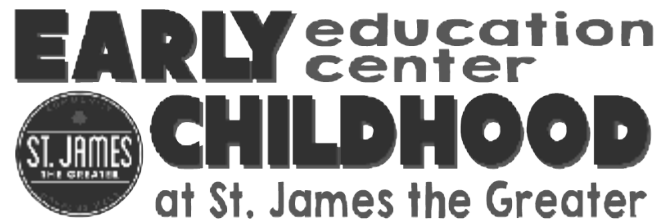
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Thank You. ❤️

Parish Highlights

This theme is especially appropriate "in these challenging pandemic times," said the Dicastery for Laity, the Family and Life.

"I am with you always" is also a promise of closeness and hope that young and old can mutually share," the Dicastery's press release said. "Not only are grandchildren and young people called upon to be present in the lives of older people, but older people and grandparents also have a mission of evangelization, proclamation and prayer, and of encouraging young people in their faith," the statement said.

The Dicastery is encouraging the development of programs of pastoral care of the elderly capable of overcoming the "throw-away" culture and societal indifference, of building bridges across the various stages of life and of enabling seniors to become active agents of evangelization and charity in the broader faith community.

We Little Sisters look forward to involving our Homes in this annual celebration of the gifts and charisms of seniors. We encourage all our supporters to find ways to mark this occasion, whether in their local parish communities, neighborhoods and senior living settings, or with loved ones in the intimacy of their own family. After so many months of separation we all need a reason to celebrate - and what better reason could there be than to honor our elders for all they mean to us and all they have done for us!

Flea Market

July 31 from 9:00am - 4:00pm
August 1 from 10:30am - 2:00pm \$1.00/bag
St. James Center Gymnasium

The last day we are collection rummage is on July 28 from 6:00 - 8:00pm (**NO CLOTHES, please**). Enter on Wade Avenue

Quilt Social

August 8
Doors open at 11:00am
Social starts at Noon
St. James Center Gymnasium

Holy Name Society

Holy Name Society meeting on August 8, 2021, 8:00am in Rectory basement; Rosary prayed in Church at 9:00am; and Mass at 9:30am.

All men are invited.

For more information, please call Richard Keenoy at 314-645-1558.



July - August

26th ~ Ronald Abling (Church 7:30am)

28th ~ Carl Stein (Church 7:30am)

30th ~ Jesus Ramirez (Church 9:00am)

31st ~ Irene Farris (Church 4:30pm)

1st ~ Albert & Elsie Bedolli (Church 9:30am)

Please consider a Mass Intention for our deceased families and friends as well as special intentions.

Mass Intentions are \$10.00 each.

Please contact the Parish Office for a Mass Intention Card or visit our website at <https://www.stjamesthegreater.org/mass-intention-request> to submit your request.



All are invited to:

REMEMBER
in your prayers

Judy Allen	Pat Ellingham
Penny Brennell	Donna Frank
Barbara Ann Burke	John Kelley
Michelle Donaldson	Pam Kellogg
Lynne Einig	Sr. Rosalie
Bill Ellingham, Jr.	Roxanne Trebus
	Steve Unland

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please email

contactchurch@stjamesthegreater.org

To add a name, you must have permission from the person you are adding to the prayer list.

Names will be honored for 4 weeks in the bulletin, then the request must be made again.

Thank you.



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