

# ST. JAMES

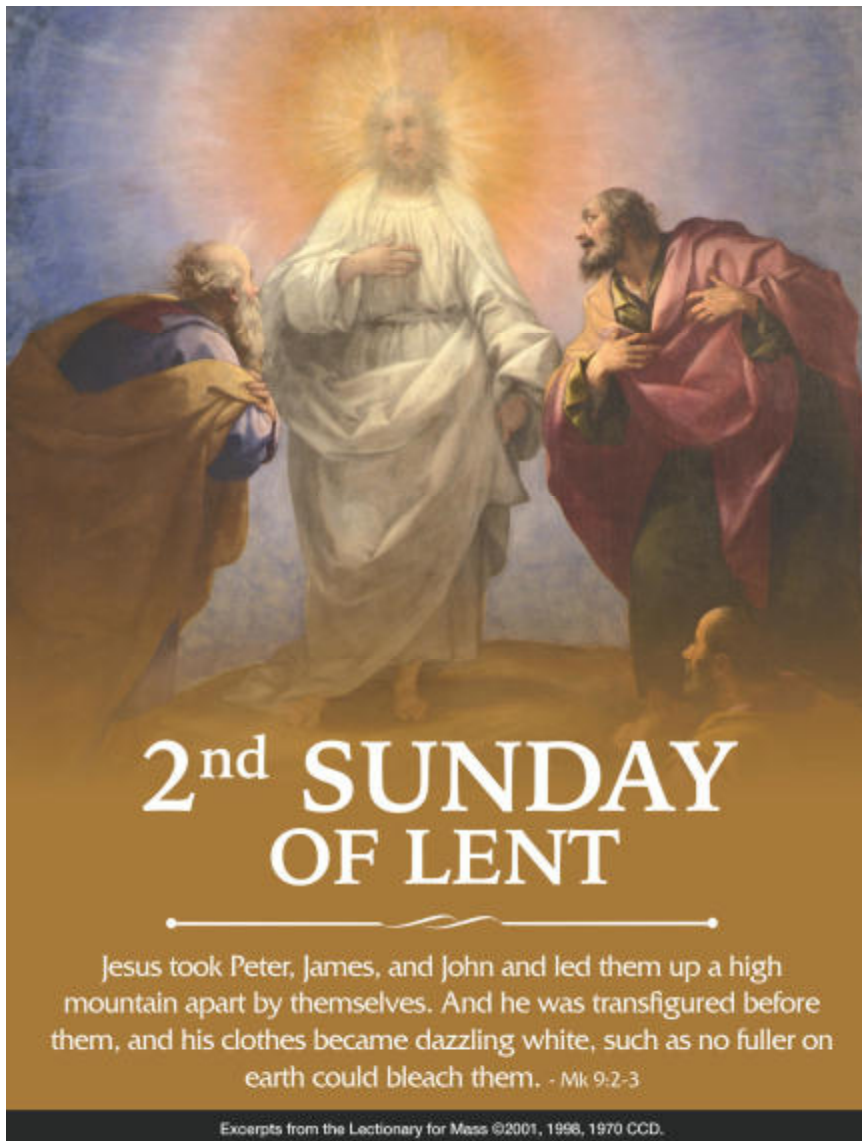
the Greater Catholic Church

**February 28, 2021**

Second Sunday of Lent

**Father John N. Hay, Pastor**

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## STATIONS of the CROSS

**Stations of the Cross will be  
Friday evenings at 7:00 pm.**

### Mass Schedule

**Monday Wednesday Friday**  
8:15 am  
**Saturday Vigil**  
5:00 pm  
**Sunday**  
8:00 am & 10:30 am

### Confessions

**Monday Wednesday Friday**  
7:45 - 8:05 am  
**Saturday**  
4:00 - 4:45 pm  
*or by appointment*

### Adoration Chapel

Shanna Payne, Coordinator: 316-312-3931

#### Division Leaders

Midnight-6 AM:	Fred Morrison	250-6056
6 AM-12 Noon:	Judy Funke	990-1904
12 Noon- 6 PM:	Karen Hughes	573-2646
6 PM-Midnight:	Lizzie Payne	259-5318

## St. James Catholic Church Directory

**Website:** [www.saintjamesaugusta.com](http://www.saintjamesaugusta.com)

**Phone:** 316-775-2155

**Pastor** Fr. John N. Hay  
[frjohn@saintjamesaugusta.com](mailto:frjohn@saintjamesaugusta.com)

**Medical Emergency Line:** 316-789-6091

**Parish Office Manager:** Vickie Knebler  
[vknebler@saintjamesaugusta.com](mailto:vknebler@saintjamesaugusta.com)

**Faith Formation Director:** Kathi Martinez  
[kmartinez@saintjamesaugusta.com](mailto:kmartinez@saintjamesaugusta.com)

### Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>Monday, March 1</b>	8:15 am	Father John Hay by Marilyn Runyan
<b>Tuesday, March 2</b>	No Mass	
<b>Wednesday, March 3</b>	8:15 am	Father David Lies
<b>Thursday, March 4</b>	No Mass	
<b>Friday, March 5</b>	8:15 am	†Norbert Rohling by Vincent & Marie Martin
<b>Saturday, March 6</b>	5:00 pm	†Connie Peters by Juan & Irma Miranda
<b>Sunday, March 7</b>	8:00 am	People of St. James
	10:30 am	†Roberta Alfaro by Pauline Combaw



#### First Reconciliation

Pray for our second grade PSR students and St. James School students as they prepare to received their first Reconciliation on Sunday, February 28.



### When Sacrifice Becomes Mundane

It seems to happen every year, like clockwork: we drag a bit, as we enter into the second week of Lent. On Ash Wednesday, we feel a bit like soldiers banging our shields, rushing into battle. “We’re ready, God!” our hearts cry out. “Transform us through sacrifice! Your will be done!”

But by now, these Lenten resolutions are no longer novelties — they’ve joined the ranks of everyday inconveniences, which somehow are the hardest to bear. Because transformation, in real life, happens in inches, just as a battle is won slowly in the crash of one sword against another. It’s not always a dramatic thing, to the naked eye. It’s the perseverance in prayer despite weariness, or the continual denial of some pleasure even though there’s that nagging voice in our minds saying: *go ahead, God doesn’t really mind.*

It’s a week when we all need a shock to the system — and wouldn’t you know it, this Sunday God gives us a double-whammy of dramatic sacrificial scenes. We picture Abraham, who also cried “Ready!” when God called, never imagining what He would ask: the surrender of his long-awaited son. We see Christ himself transfigured, as God shows us what He is ready to give up for love of us.

We must remain committed, persevering daily in acknowledging that everything belongs to God. What we sacrifice, we simply give back to Him.

If God is for us, who can be against us? Can we still reply, “Ready!” when we hear the call of God? — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* ©LPI

### Why do we use incense at Mass?

**Answer:** The use of incense in religious ceremonies and worship is a practice that predates Christianity, and which is also found in many other religious traditions today.

Incense, which is made from resin infused with aromatic spices and oils, is one of those fundamentally human symbols that incorporates more than one of our senses, helping us to reflect on realities that transcend the everyday details of our lives.

The use of incense in the Church’s liturgy — in the Mass, as well as in devotions to the Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Hours — is inspired by the use of incense in the Jewish tradition. In the writings of the Old Testament, we hear about incense being used in the worship of the temple, and Psalm 141 asks, “Let my prayer be incense before you; my uplifted hands an evening offering” (vs. 2). The image here is that, as the incense gently rises to heaven, our prayers also rise to God as something sweet and pleasant.

Another ancient use of incense that has also become part of our Catholic tradition is the idea that when we incense something, it’s because it is something special or sacred. This is why the Book of the Gospel is incensed during the Liturgy of the Word and the bread, wine, priest celebrant, and congregation are incensed at the presentation of the gifts. To this, we can also add the incensing of the Blessed Sacrament during eucharistic adoration and benediction, and the body of the deceased at the end of the Mass of the Resurrection (the Funeral Mass). ©LPI

### The Parish Mission Statement

As disciples of Jesus Christ, St. James the Greater Catholic Community, seeks to grow in holiness through the stewardship way of life.

#### Stewardship of Treasure:

Weekly Tithe (Feb. 21)	\$14,552.00
Children’s Envelopes	\$2.00
Weekly Needed	\$18,943.00
Monthly Needed	\$82,086.00
Monthly Tithe (Jan.)	\$72,220.53
Year-to-date	\$494,394.65
	- \$80,207.35

**Thank you for your stewardship.**

### Advisory Committees

#### Parish Council Chair

Rick Heise 316-644-6905

#### Parish Finance Chair

Michael Clifton 316-775-3603

#### Parish School Council Chair

Anna Barringer 720-951-1391

*If you would like to send words of encouragement or a card to Father John, please drop it off at the church office. Mail is sent to him often. We want him to know of our **continued** prayers, our love and our support for him during this time. **Pray for Father John.***



### Meetings & Events

#### Sunday (2-28)

- 9:00 am PSR & EDGE Classes (1-8)
- 6:00 pm First Reconciliation

#### Thursday (3-4)

- 7:00 pm RCIA Class

#### Friday (3-5)

- 5:30 am Men’s Study Group
- 4:30 pm Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary
- 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

#### Sunday (3-7)

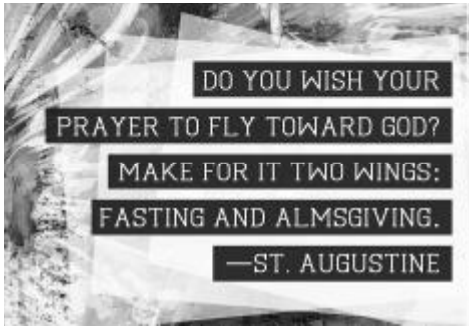
- 9:00 am PSR & EDGE Classes (1-8)



St. Theresa Guild #1 and ALL who want to help clean Church for the weekend of March 6/7.

Guild Leaders:

- Teresa Reavis @ 775-5095
- Shannon Fisher @ 440-2852



### Happy Birthday Father Lisle Pottorff

Father Lisle's birthday is March 10! He will be 97! We would love to honor him with a card shower. If you would like to send him a card, his address is: Father Lisle Pottorff  
Catholic Care Center  
Whispering Brooks Rm 217  
6700 East 45th St N  
Bel Aire, KS 67226

### Stations of the Cross

**Friday, March 5**

**Leader:** Joe Terick

**Servers:** Dylan, Lily & Riley Beckley

### Liturgy Assignments

**Saturday, March 6 5:00 pm**

**Hospitality:** Kelly & Wendy Becker, Jacki Conrady, Josh Ebenkamp, Bob Hirschfeld

**Lector:** Jennifer Leeker

**Host:** Gerry & Stacy Lipscomb, Connie Tillett, Bob Hirschfeld

**Sunday, March 7 8:00 am**

**Hospitality:** Harry Funke, Robert Reid, Diana Burrell, Jay & Michelle Poore

**Lector:** Jennifer Husselman

**Host:** Ann Carpenter, Deb Vittitow, Don Gerstenkorn, Vickie Knebler

**10:30 am**

**Hospitality:** Steve & Joan Reichardt, Anne Mosier, Joe Teter, Laura Mosier, Sam Mosier

**Lector:** Shannon Hughes

**Host:** Deann Korte, Pat Perkins, Mike & Karen Hughes



### St. James Parishioners:

Due to the concerns surrounding the Covid Pandemic, the 2021 Ice Cream Social has been cancelled, the health and safety of everyone is our number one concern. Thanks to the generosity of our donors last year, we were able to conduct the Raffle portion of the annual event. This and other fundraisers enabled the Altar Society and Knights of Columbus to continue supporting Saint James by giving over \$8,500 to the Church and School initiatives.

We are looking forward to having the Raffle again in 2021, if you are interested in donating an item or money, regardless of the amount, please call Vickie at the church office @ 775, 2155 or stop by.

**Thank you for your continued support, we appreciate everything you do.**  
**Ice Cream Social Committee**



### Brown Bags

During the month of February, St. James is responsible for the pantry at the Augusta Community Caring Center. Brown bags with a list of food items that the Caring Center needs are available in the foyer to pick up. We encourage everyone to go shopping for these items and to return the bags to the Church foyer. Cash donations accepted in the church office.



### Pray for the unborn

Our parish has been invited to participate in the recitation of the Holy Rosary to defend the unborn on the First Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at Trust Women Abortion facility 5107 E. Kellogg Dr. The Rosary begins at 9:00 am. Let us use prayer to change hearts. Questions contact the Respect Life Social Justice Office at 316 269-3935.



### Rice Bowls

Please take a Rice Bowl home and keep it on your dining room table or anywhere you will see it, to remind you that MANY locally and around the world are not as fortunate as we are. Many often go hungry. We can help! 25% of your donation helps fight hunger and poverty in our own community. 75% goes to Catholic Relief Services' work around the world. You may use the calendar inside to read to your children or grandchildren. This is a good way to teach them to love others and to become generous.



### Snow Removal

**For the week of Feb. 28:**

Dan & JD Biehler,  
James Berndsen, Juan Miranda,  
Alan Schneider, Brian Standfast &  
**all who want to help.**

**Bring your shovels**



**For the week of March 7:**

Bob Chance, Robert Reid,  
Robert Hirschfeld, James Glowaski,  
Jason & Gabe Kant, and **all who want to help.** **Bring your shovels!**

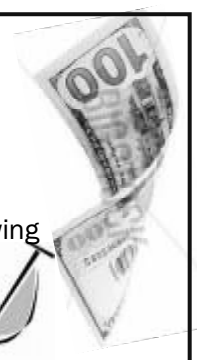


### Clean the church and win the RAFFLE

**Anyone in the parish can help clean the church. Middle school, high school, men & women.**

\$100.00 is waiting for you! A lucky helper will win \$100.00 for helping to clean the church. Do a job on the TO DO LIST and your name goes in the drawing for March 27. One job, one ticket. Clean between Wednesday afternoon and Friday afternoon.

**We are waiting for you to help clean up!**



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