

# Saint James

St. James Roman Catholic Church, a diverse community rooted in vibrant Eucharistic Liturgy, serves those in need in partnership with others.



Saint James Church is staffed by the priests and brothers of the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity

# SUNDAY MASS

9:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Español/Spanish (Church & On-line)

# **DAILY MASS**

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. (Chapel & On-line)

### OFFICE HOURS

**Monday - Thursday** 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

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#### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Saturdays

3 p.m.– 4:30 p.m. (St. House 3347 S Michigan) First Friday of the Month 8:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. (Chapel)



# THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:18-19

# LA SANTÍSIMA TRINIDAD

Entonces Jesús se acercó a ellos y les dijo: "Me ha sido dado todo poder en el cielo y en la tierra. Vayan, pues, y enseñen a todas las naciones, bautizándolas en el nombre del Padre y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo". - Mt 28, 18-19

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# ON THE WAY....



May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

At a previous parish the deacon was eagerly anticipating the first homily I would give on Trinity Sunday. Since I belonged to a congregation dedicated to the Most Holy Trinity he expected me to have some profound insight into the mystery of the Trinity. He was, I fear, disappointed after the sermon. Even after writing my doctoral paper on preaching about the Holy Trinity, my insights were as inadequate as anyone's.

It is the nature of mystery, after all, to resist explanation. How do you explain the beauty of an orange tulip or the feeling you have listening to Beethoven's Ninth Symphony or the nature of a sunset. Think of falling in love. Poets and song writers have tried for all of human history to describe it but cannot. Love is a mystery. So it should be no surprise that the greatest love story of all – the love of God - should resist a clear and distinct definition. But maybe invoking the image of human love provides some little insight into the love which is characteristic of the Triune God. The proper understanding of the Trinity is not a mathematical puzzle but the story of a relationship. The Greeks had the right idea when they used the word "perichoresis" as they thought about the relationships in God. The word literally means to dance around. (You can recognize choreography having the same roots.) In other words, the life in God is like a dance where the moving parts are what make up the whole.

Philosophers and theologians in the past tried to distinguish the inner life of God from the way that God related to creation. Modern thinkers have looked on that as a futile effort. The Triune God deals with us as the Triune God and so we don't need to imagine that there is some specialized kind of knowing in relating to God. "The grace of the Lord Jesus, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit" are the ways that we have come to recognize the presence of God in our lives.

The Trinity is not presented to us as an obscure doctrine which we need to learn the catechism definition of and then forget about it. The Trinity is at the core of all authentic Christian spirituality. When the Trinity is neglected, our spiritual lives get skewed. In simplest terms, the understanding of God as Trinity demonstrates the centrality of relationships in our spiritual life. If God cannot be God except as the relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit so we must understand that it is our relationships which will define us as human beings as well. Just as the relationships of the divine persons forms the foundation of the divine nature, so our relationships – with God, with family and friends, with the stranger, with the poor and needy, and, yes, even with the enemy – are foundational to our human nature. The celebration of the Feast of the Trinity provides the perfect occasion to get out of our shell of isolation and find the presence of God in others.

In the Most Holy Trinity, Fr. John Edmunds, S.T

Sun 05/26	The Most Holy Trinity	
	9:30 a.m. † 1:00 p.m.	
Mon 05/27	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Chapel & On-line) <i>Herbert A. Eaton and All Veterans by</i> <i>Sister Bernadette Eaton, CSJ</i>
Tues 05/28	7:30 a.m. †	
Wed 05/29	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) <i>Eileen Kellen by Mary Schulze</i>
Thurs 05/30	7:30 a.m. †	Mass (Chapel & On-line) <i>Jim O'Neill by Judy O'Neill</i>
Fri 05/31	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Sun 06/02		
	9:30 a.m. † 1:00 p.m.	
		(Presentation Hall)

Join us for an evening of song and reflection in the Taize tradition





A Family Mass featuring all of our Sunday School participants will be on June 9th at our 9:30 am Mass. If there is anyone whose child is not enrolled, but would like their child to participate, please see Mary Ann for an assignment. From him [Christ] the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.



Thanks to everyone who contributed in any way to the wonderful celebration we had Sunday afternoon for Fr. John & Sr. Bernadette' birthdays, Fr. Dennis' 50th anniversary of his ordination, and Cathy Moore's reception into the Catholic faith.



We hope you will join us in celebrating 1st Communion on Sunday June 2, 2024. The following children are now prepared to receive the body and blood of Christ:

Grace Biros, Anna Kinsella, & Micah Lents. We will also welcome to the table Denzel Debrah, who just recently celebrated with classmates from St. Gabriels, but is a parishioner here at St. James.

Please be sure to offer congratulations after mass and join us downstairs at fellowship with cake!



Congratulations to Cathy Moore on her reception into full communion with the Catholic church! God bless you Cathy!

# SAINT JAMES COMMUNITY FARM 2936 S WABASH AVE., CHICAGO, IL 60616 SATURDAY, JUNE 8TH | 9 AM - 12 PM



REGISTER BY SCANNING THE OR CODE The event is free with a suggested donation to support our youth education programming.

- \$5 covers one packet of seeds
- \$10 covers one hand tool
- \$25 covers one starter grow kit

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