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CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. James Roman Catholic Church,  
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*Saint James Church is  
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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.

**LOCATION**

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Chicago, IL 60616

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**EUCCHARISTIC  
ADORATION**

First Friday of the Month  
8:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.  
(Chapel)

**20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me.” - Jn 6:56-57

**20º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

“El que come mi carne y bebe mi sangre, permanece en mí y yo en él. Como el Padre, que me ha enviado, posee la vida y yo vivo por él, así también el que me come vivirá por mí”. - Jn 6, 56-57

**ST. BARTHOLOMEW**

“ONCE YOU  
BEGIN TO  
BELIEVE  
HERE IS HELP  
'OUT THERE,'  
YOU WILL  
KNOW IT TO  
BE TRUE.”



**AUGUST 18, 2024**

# ON THE WAY....



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

Even though the calendar says that the new year begins on January 1 I think for many people in the United States the new year begins on September 1. School starts up again, vacations are over so it's back to work, football games are being played! Here at St. James we are gearing up for a "new year" as well. The campus ministry is welcoming new and returning students to join in their journey of faith. The religious education program will be inaugurated so that we can once again help the children to discover the love that God has for them and to prepare them for the sacraments of First Communion, Penance and Confirmation. The invitation goes out for those who are considering becoming Catholic to join in the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (formerly, the RCIA.) The Food Pantry, while it never really goes on hiatus, will incorporate a new group of volunteers. The 11:30am Mass will once again become part of the schedule with the added bonus of the SPRED community leading that celebration the first and third Sundays of every month. Soon you will start to hear about the coming of Jazzin' to Feed this fall!

Of particular interest this year is that St. James is inviting people into a program called Sycamore as part of our evangelization efforts. Some background: while overall church attendance has dropped across all denominations, polling indicates that many people still consider themselves "spiritual." There is a spiritual hunger out there that the normal ways that religion operates don't seem to address. We have been seeking a "soft entry point" for people to ask their questions and find where their spiritual yearnings are leading them. The Sycamore program will be a safe place, with no judgments and no pressure, for people to join together, form a community, share a meal, and have a friendly discussion about some of the important things in life. The first sessions will be something of a "pilot program" to see what works and what doesn't. Later sessions will cast a broader net to invite people who are unchurched or estranged from church to have a safe place to be themselves.

All of these things starting up this time of year are only possible because of the generous response of people who volunteer to make them happen. Old time parishioners might remember in the past we've had a "ministry fair," a one day event where we would introduce the many opportunities to serve the parish. People would decide where they could use their time and talent and sign up. This year we are doing things a bit differently. The various ministries will introduce themselves over the next several weeks and ask those who feel called to join in the work. St. James is a small parish with a small (but dedicated) staff. The parish only works because of YOU, because individuals step up and say, I can help. As you listen to the presentations of the ministries your heart will be touched at some point so that you will feel called to echo the words of the prophet: "Here I am. Send me."

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

Sun 08/18	20th Sunday In Ordinary Time	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) <a href="https://zoom.us/j/622647147">https://zoom.us/j/622647147</a> Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Bill and Marty Farnan by Cathy Moore</i>
	1:00 p.m.	Mass - Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)
	5:00 p.m.	On Campus Mass (Godbox)
Mon 08/19	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>Bill and Marty Farnan by Sister Bernadette Eaton, CSJ</i>
Tues 08/20	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Wed 08/21	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>Dina Williams by Charles and Alice Mazique, Jr.</i>
Thurs 08/22	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) †
Fri 08/23	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>Leo Coffey by Eileen Coffey</i>
Sun 08/25	21st Sunday In Ordinary Time	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) <a href="https://zoom.us/j/622647147">https://zoom.us/j/622647147</a> Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Van Bensett by Saira Bensett</i>
	1:00 p.m.	Mass - Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)

Are you an adult seeking a sacrament? or just seeking more information about the Catholic faith?

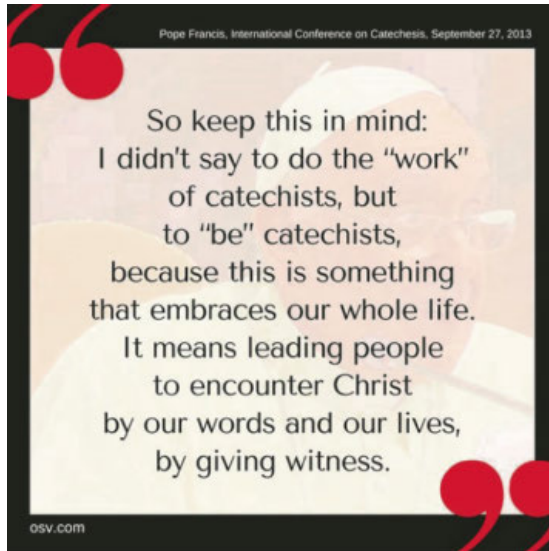
**OCIA**  
Order of Christian Initiation for Adults  
(formerly RCIA)  
program will be starting soon

Contact the Parish Office for info  
312-842-1919 ext. 207

St. James will soon begin our weekly sessions, formerly known as RCIA, and now referred to as OCIA (Order

of Christian Initiation for Adults). The sessions introduce the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church to individuals who wish to learn more about Catholicism, including the opportunity, if they wish, to become Catholic through the Sacraments. It is a time of teaching, formation, conversation, and conversion to come to know, love, and develop a relationship with God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

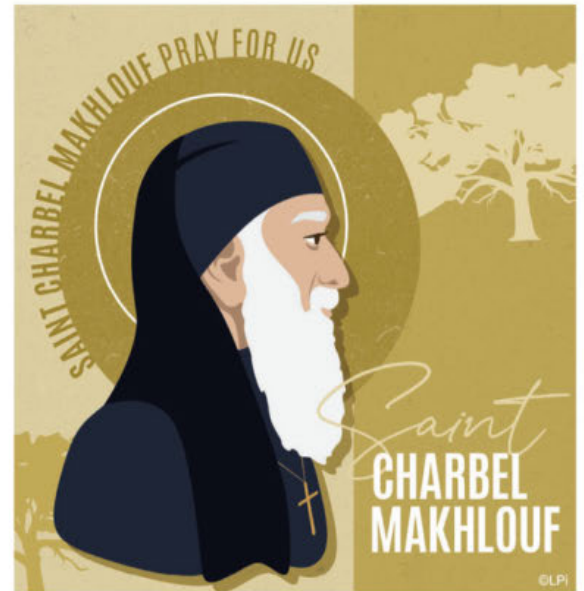
Contact Mary Ann at 312-842-1919 ext. 207 or email [faithformation@stjameswabash.org](mailto:faithformation@stjameswabash.org)



**Did you know that the church's name for those who teach the faith is "catechist" which comes from a Greek word meaning "echo?" Pope Francis instituted the work of catechists as a lay minister. Perhaps you are called to echo the word in our upcoming Sunday School program. Help is needed: Catechists, classroom aids, and helpers for all levels. No experience is necessary, just a lot of love for sharing the word of God, love of children, and a heart willing to serve. Please contact Mary Ann (312-896-1911 or [faithformation@stjameswabash.org](mailto:faithformation@stjameswabash.org)) with any questions or to volunteer. Thank you and God bless you!**

## Observances for the week of August 18, 2024

- Sunday:** 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** St. John Eudes, Priest
- Tuesday:** St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
- Wednesday:** St. Pius X, Pope
- Thursday:** The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Friday :** St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
- Saturday:** St. Bartholomew, Apostle
- Next Sunday:** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Saint of the week

St. Charbel Maklouf (1828-1898) was a Maronite monk and priest who lived much of his life as a hermit. He was renowned for healing, casting out demons, and levitating during prayer. Millions have visited his tomb and sought and received his intercession, even those of other faiths.

## Prayer of Eucharist

Dear Lord,  
May our congregation be more deeply assured of Your love each time we receive Communion. May our "Eucharist" make our lives a song of worship and thanks, sung to You. May this sacred food nourish us to be bold and brave disciples of You. Amen.



**St. James has a google form for submitting prayer requests:**

<https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A>



**In Our Prayers**



**Our Home Bound:**

Judy Archer  
Margie Bass  
Paul Freeman  
Juanita James  
Barbara Southhall

**Our Sick:**

Aayliah Cooper  
Patsy Cunningham

Marvelean Doss  
Claude Fisher  
Paul Kanzer  
Linda Griffin Kennard  
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Samuel Akuo Opong Duah  
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