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St. James Roman Catholic Church,
a diverse community rooted in vibrant
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SUNDAY MASS

9:30 a.m.
11:30 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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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday of the Month
8:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
(Chapel)
Every Saturday
And Confessions
@ Missionary Servant House
3347 S. Michigan
3:30 to 5:00 pm

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.

- Lk 4:18

El espíritu del Señor está sobre mí, porque
me ha ungido...para anunciar la liberación a
los cautivos y la curación a los ciegos, para
dar libertad a los oprimidos.

- Lc 4, 18

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ON THE WAY....



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

The readings we use at Sunday Mass are taken from a book called the Lectionary. The Lectionary divides up the Bible into bite-sized pieces for our inspiration and instruction. In order to read from various sources in the Bible the Lectionary consists of a three-year cycle of lessons. This is year “C” and most of the gospel texts both in Ordinary Time and the liturgical seasons will be taken from St. Luke. The second reading will usually be from one of the letters of St. Paul (for the next few weeks from the First Epistle to the Corinthians). The first reading is taken from one of the books of the Old Testament and it is meant as a commentary or to pre-figure the gospel of the day.

St. Luke is by far the most prolific of the New Testament authors. Besides the gospel which bears his name which is the longest of the four, he also penned the Acts of the Apostles. Together these two works comprise over one quarter of the New Testament. Luke was not a companion of Jesus. We first meet him in the Acts of the Apostles as a disciple of St. Paul. As he reports at the beginning of the third gospel he relies on “eyewitnesses” who “handed on” to him (and hence to us) the story of Jesus. He writes the gospel (like all the evangelists) not so much to provide biographical details about Jesus as to lead us to come to faith. As one famous commentator noted, Luke positions the coming of Jesus as “the middle of time.” All that came before him led up to his coming. All that came after is a result of his coming. He populates the story with Old Testament-type characters to show the continuity with the past (Zechariah, Elizabeth, Simeon, Anna) and he wrote the Acts of the Apostles to demonstrate the ongoing history of salvation.

A careful analysis of the gospel suggests that there were three primary sources he used in the basis of the narrative. He shaped the story of the public ministry of Jesus using the model developed by St. Mark. The sequence of events leading up to and including the passion rests on a Markan foundation. A second source was a hypothetical document that St. Matthew was also aware of which scholars call “Q” (from the German word for source.) This is mostly a collection of sayings that Matthew and Luke have in common which Mark does not. Luke also had his own sources for many of the most characteristic elements in his text. The infancy narratives featuring the role of Mary in the history of salvation are an important addition to the gospel tradition. (Did he learn of this from Mary herself?) Also, some of the most beloved of the parables of Jesus are only found in Luke – the Prodigal Son and the Good Samaritan, for example. How much poorer would the Christian tradition be without his recovering these sayings of Jesus.

As you hear the Lukan gospel proclaimed during the course of this year become sensitive to some of the distinctive elements in the way he tells the story. Notice in particular how his gospel highlights the role of women in the ministry of Jesus and how his message resonated most particularly with the poor. Two messages that need emphasis today!

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

Sun 1/26	3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957)
	11:30 a.m.	† Mass (Presentation Hall) For The People Of St. James
	1:00 p.m.	Mass - Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)
Mon 1/27	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Tue 1/28	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Wed 01/29	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Thurs 01/30	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Fri 01/31	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Sun 02/02	The Presentation Of Our Lord	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957)
		† Louis Marano from Mena Marano and Debra and Shirley Barker from Phyllis Barker
	11:30 a.m.	Mass SPRED (Presentation Hall)
	1:00 p.m.	Mass - Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)



This year we will be celebrating the African American Heritage Celebration on Sunday February 23, 2025 following mass which will be at 10:30 am., allowing time for our guests from St. Edna's to arrive. There are sign-up sheets in both vestibule's and downstairs. Please make sure to let us

know how you are able to participate. Thank you and if you have any questions, please contact Mary Ann: faithformation@stjameswabash.org



Fr. John will be away this week (January 27-31) at a community meeting in Colombia.



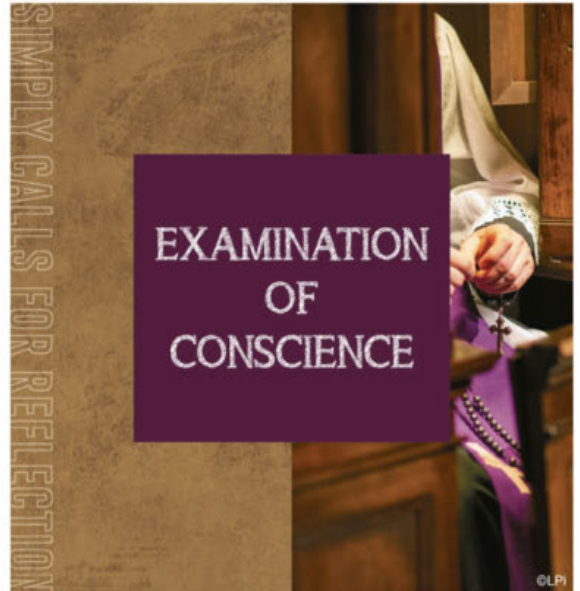
February 2 is the World Day for the Consecrated Life. Let us remember all the religious sisters, brothers and priests who serve the church in diverse ways.

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus is the fulfillment of the Scripture passage he reads in the synagogue, a missive of promise and hope from an ancient prophet. But he invites us to be part of his work, here and now, in our own lives, our own communities. Be part of the fulfillment.

Observances for the week of January 26, 2025

- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week
- Monday:** St. Angela Merici, Virgin
- Tuesday:** St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Wednesday:**
- Thursday:**
- Friday:** St. John Bosco, Priest
- Saturday:**
- Next Sunday:** The Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life



Devotions, *Explained!*

The practice of examining one's conscience dates to the very beginning of the Christian faith. It simply calls for reflection on one's actions, making note of lapses in judgment that should be confessed in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Prayer of Mission

Spirit of the Living God,
Anoint me to bring your love,
light, and freedom to the places
you call. From the heights to the
depths: you are there, you are
actively moving, and when you
call, you will also provide.

Amen.



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

<https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A>



In Our Prayers



Our Home Bound:

Margie Bass
Paul Freeman
Juanita James
Barbara Southhall

Our Sick:
Aayliah Cooper
Patsy Cunningham

Marvelean Doss
Claude Fisher
Paul Kanzer
Linda Griffin Kennard
Nancy McCarthy
Samuel Akuo Opong Duah
Sandra Reynolds
Donald Rogers
Kimberly Starr
Ruthie Turnbull



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