



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday, August 7, 2022

# SAINT JAMES PARISH

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## Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday.....5:30pm  
Sunday .....9:00am  
11:30am Spanish

## Rosary

Thursday..... 8:30am

## Confessions

Saturday..... 4:30pm

## Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday..... 6:00pm  
Friday..... 8:30am



## 19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”  
- Lk 12:39-40

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### Mission Statement

*“To Glorify God through Word, Worship and Service”.*

## NOTES/NEWS

### STO

#### IT'S TIME TO CLAIM YOUR 75% STATE OF IOWA TAX CREDIT!

As an Iowa taxpayer, you can help families with demonstrated financial need attend St. James School through a qualifying contribution to the *School Tuition Organization (STO) of Southeast Iowa*. Each donor will receive an **Iowa income tax credit equal to 75%** of the donation. The gift may also qualify for a charitable deduction on your federal income tax return. Visit [www.stoseiowa.org](http://www.stoseiowa.org) or call Mary Sue Marek 319-653-4504 ext. 3 to learn more. **OUR STO GOAL HAS INCREASED BY 25% to \$100,000 for 2022!** Please help us reach our goal by giving now!

### ENCORE EXPRESS MEALS FOR SENIORS 60+!

Encore Express is "your second call to enhance your health" This new and innovative program features:

- Bi-monthly meal catered by Hy-vee
- Vouchers for meals at Hy-vee
- Suggested voluntary contribution of \$5 for those over 60+
- Charge of \$8 per meal for those under 60
- Evidence-Based Programs (Chronic Disease Self-Management, Tai Chi, Stepping On and more)
- Nutrition Education & Counseling
- Opportunities to socialize

**Food is served at 11:30am on the 2nd and 4th Thursday every month.**

Reservation are encouraged to ensure enough food. To **make a reservation call** Immanuel Lutheran Church at **(319) 653-3950**.

### MEALS ON WHEELS

St. James Parish will be in charge of Meals on Wheels deliveries for **October 3rd-31st**. Meals on Wheels is the daily personal delivery of lunch to the homebound. You'll be delivering nutritious meals, warm smiles, and safety checks that help keep Washington's seniors healthy, safe, and living independently in their own homes.

**We ask that you commit to delivering meals for a full week.** Meals are delivered Monday through Friday only. We also ask that you go with a partner for ease of navigation. **The sign up sheet is in the back of church or you may call the parish office to sign up.**

### YOU'RE INVITED

Please join us for: Season of Growth: A Time of Reflection, Discussion & Climate Action. Co hosted by the Diocese of Davenport and Iowa Interfaith Power & Light. **Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 4-6:15pm, St. James Church, Washington. Please join Bishop Zinkula** for prayer, reflection, discussion and meal. **To register for this free event, please go to** <https://iowaip.org/2022/07/21/season-of-growth-a-time-of-reflection-discussion-climate-action/>

### Diocesan campaign coming to our parish!

The Upon This Rock Campaign is the Diocese of Davenport's effort to raise \$28 million for three important goals:

- To increase funding for the health care and retirement needs of our priests
- To cover seminarians' education costs
- To benefit every parish in the diocese

Our parish is in Wave 2 of parishes participating in the campaign. We're in the preparation phase of our campaign, and we'll kick off the public phase this fall. In the meantime, each week we will be publishing a few Frequently Asked Questions about the campaign. A compilation of all the FAQs is available at [davenportdiocese.org/campaign](http://davenportdiocese.org/campaign).

There are no mask mandates currently in the Diocese or the State. If you want to send your child to school using a mask just let us know so we can help them with it. Everyone is always free to use a mask when and where they like in the school and parish. Father Bernie

There will be **no daily Mass starting on August 8<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>**.

Father Martin will be here for the weekend Masses. There will be Adoration on Thursday nights all of August. We will not be on Facebook live during August. We need to send the iPad to be cleaned and repaired. If it is back, we will start again in September.

Everyone who doesn't have a child in school: When you are out shopping pick up some school supplies and drop them off in the back of church or at the parish office and we will get them to both public and St. James students who need them.

It is time to start donating to the parish scholarship fund for the school year 2023-24. We were short in our funding this year. So, anything that you can do to help out is great.

\*As you know I had the honor of being one of the con-celebrating priests at my great niece's First Vows. I had never attended anything like this before. While, the ceremony had several parts here are the vows she made and the prayer when she received her new veil.

In the Name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

I, Sister Benedicta promise to Almighty God, to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, in the presence of Your Excellency and into the hands of the Major Superior, to observe for one years the vows of chastity, poverty, and obedience according to the Rule and Life of the Brothers and Sisters of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis and according to the Constitution of the Marian Sisters of Diocese of Lincoln. With confidence in God, and trusting in the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, and our Seraphic Father Francis, I place myself at the disposal of the religious Congregation, to glorify God and to do His will joyfully. Amen

\*Receive this veil as a sign of that wondrous marriage between the Church and Christ, her only Spouse, by which you are to show that you are totally given to Christ the Lord, and dedicated to the service of the Church. Please pray or my niece and the Marian Sisters.

JULY 2022	Weekly Budget	Week : 7/24/22	Difference
Church Envelopes	\$5,302.00	\$3,059.00	-\$2,243.00
School Envelopes	\$2,596.00	\$1,333.00	-\$1,263.00
Offertory	\$346.00	\$267.00	-\$79.00
Building & Main	\$356.00	\$151.00	-\$205.00
Other/Holiday			
<b>Budget Weekly</b>	<b>\$8,600.00</b>	<b>\$4,810.00</b>	<b>-\$3,790.00</b>
	<b>YTD SHORTFALL / SURPLUS</b>		<b>-\$8,189.00</b>

JULY 2022	Weekly Budget	Week : 7/17/22	Difference
Church Envelopes	\$5,302.00	\$4,324.00	-\$978.00
School Envelopes	\$2,596.00	\$3,088.00	\$492.00
Offertory	\$346.00	\$323.00	\$23.00
Building & Main	\$356.00	\$51.00	-\$305.00
Other/Holiday			
<b>Budget Weekly</b>	<b>\$8,600.00</b>	<b>\$7,786.00</b>	<b>-\$814.00</b>
	<b>YTD SHORTFALL / SURPLUS</b>		<b>-\$4,399.00</b>

**Readings for the Week of August 7, 2022**

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9, Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b], Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12, Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c, Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14, Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4, Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131, Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10, Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9, Jn 12:24-26

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12, Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62, Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63, Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6, Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32, Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19, Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10, Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b], Heb 12:1-4, Lk 12:49-53

**50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

Every year the Bishop of Davenport Diocese recognizes couple who are celebrating 50 years of marriage by having a special Mass and blessing. If you know of someone who will be celebrating please email your name and address to [gdiroz@sjknights.org](mailto:gdiroz@sjknights.org) by **August 24th**.

	Saturday, Aug. 13th 5:30 pm	Sunday, Aug. 14th 9:00 am
<b>Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion</b>	Marty Beenblossom Teresa Beenblossom Loreta Mellinger Jean Wehr	Janice Carr Raphael Gonshorowski Eric Turner Heidi Vittetoe Stephen Wolfer
<b>Gift Family</b>	Danny Greiner	James Nebel
<b>Altar Server</b>		Morgan Leichty Hattie Longbine
<b>Lector</b>	Marty Young	Linda Gonshorowski
<b>Music</b>	Dave Miller & Kirk Hittner	SJ Choir

## FAMILY LIFE

**SUNSHINE COMMITTEE**  
**Help St. James reach out to parishioners in need.** If you are aware of someone who needs a card of encouragement or concern call Charlotte Lindmeier at 653-6274.

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Caught in the Rising Action

Think of some of your favorite iconic movies. I'm not talking about the feel-good comedies or the offbeat coming-of-age flicks. I'm talking about the movies that you found had a profound impact on you or made you go "Hmmm."

I'm willing to bet that the plot of this film features some tough moments and difficult scenarios. However happy the ending, at some point, the situation for the protagonist might look awfully hopeless. The script speaks some truth to you about what it is to be human in difficult circumstances. What it means to persevere.

We're attracted to the tension that exists when the hero is besieged. We're captivated by the decisions he makes in the darkest hour of the night when it seems like the dawn will never come. Why? Because we know that feeling so well. This is the essence of our human life on earth: waiting, hoping, doubting — and enduring.

We know the ending to our story, but we don't know when it's coming. We live our whole lives in the rising action of the narrative. Sure, it gets old. Tiresome, even dull. We may start to despair that the climactic scene is coming at all.

But faith is the realization of things hoped for, and evidence of things not seen. We feel it watching a great movie, because we recognize it intuitively: it is faith which earns the happy ending. No one is drawn to the story when the hero gives up or gets tired of waiting for the payoff. Everyday stewardship is the collection of choices we make while we're waiting, because we are called to action, not idleness, even in our perpetual state of expectation. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi*

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN**  
**To report child abuse contact:** Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance Coordinator, 563-349-5002; [vac@diodav.org](mailto:vac@diodav.org) or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722.

## This week at St. James . .

Monday, August 8

Tuesday, August 9  
**NO MASS**

Wednesday, August 10  
**NO MASS**

Thursday, August 11  
**NO MASS**  
Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 pm (CH)

Friday, August 12  
**NO MASS**  
Prayer Group 7:00 pm (CH)

Saturday, August 13  
Confession 4:30 pm (CH)  
**MASS**-Helena (Tobin) Van Horn 5:30 pm (CH)

Sunday, August 14  
**MASS**-Herb Hammen 9:00 am (CH)  
**MASS**-The People 11:30 am (CH)

**KEY: THB-Tobin Hall Basement,  
TH-Tobin Hall, CH-Church,  
CHB-Church Basement,  
KC-KC Hall, CR-Conf. Room,  
GYM-SJ School Gym, YR-Youth Room**

### KC HALL RENTAL

To rent KC Hall, go to the website [washingtonkchall.com](http://washingtonkchall.com)

### PARISHIONER INFORMATION UPDATE

Have you remembered to notify the parish of an email or phone number change? Perhaps you had a change of address recently? Please take a moment to keep us informed. Return this form in the collection basket, or at the parish office.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

- I prefer electronic communication.  
 I would like to join St. James Parish.  
 I'm moving away, please remove me from roster.

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

St. Thomas Aquinas reminds us that, "Three things are necessary for the salvation of man: to know what he ought to believe, to know what he ought to desire, and to know what he ought to do." Everyone is called to work toward their salvation, which is ultimately union with God. Those who take this call seriously must embark upon a journey inward to the deepest recesses of their soul. In the adventure and wonder of that journey, we work out the details of our union with our Beloved. We cling to what we need to believe, remain firm in what we truly desire, and are guided by what we know we have to do. Once we know that our goal is to be one with our Creator, life becomes an exciting expedition to pursue that end. We make necessary preparations, follow the map, and remain on course.

Whenever we really want something, we put our entire selves into achieving it. Being fully invested in our labor, we willingly work extra hours, devote an abundance of energy and effort, and remain vigilant for beneficial opportunities that may come our way. We certainly do not passively sit by doing nothing! Such an attitude leads to laziness and the accomplishment of little. Worse yet, some look to others to do the work for them, hoping to reap the benefits of another's efforts. Conscientiousness and diligence are the only means to success.

For the one who eagerly awaits the day when they can be fully with God, life becomes a joyous adventure indeed! Alert, ready, focused, convicted, and willing to be a servant they constantly watch and prepare themselves for meeting the Lord. Loving the journey and being in love with their Creator, their lives become joyful witnesses of love and service. They are secure in their hope, confident in their faith, and perfect in their love. Never looking for recognition or gratitude, they stand as gentle inspirations of what the Holy Spirit can do in the hearts of those who believe. Because we do not know what tomorrow will bring, we stand ready to be used as God wills and run eagerly toward Him when He comes. How much do we desire to experience the joy of salvation? ©LPi

