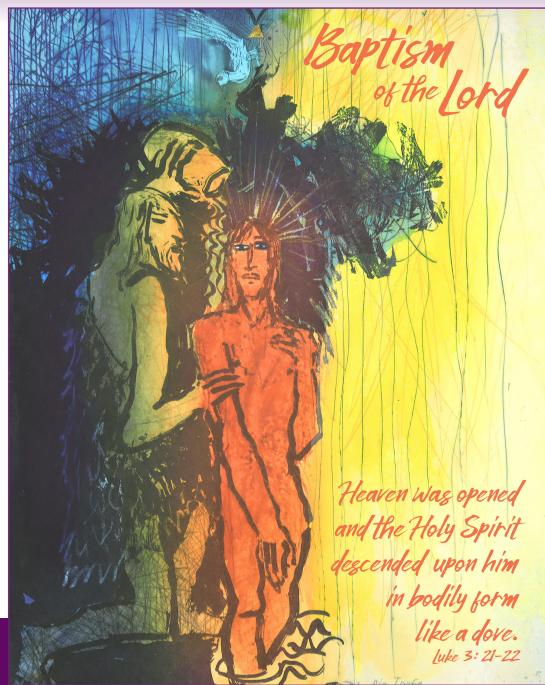
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mass times & information

SAT

4:00 pm 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 SUN

MON 9:00 am TUE 9:00 am 7:00 pm **WED** 9:00 am THU None FRI

OFFICE HOURS

SUN

Our Offices are MON currently closed TUE WED to the public. We will be answering THU all calls and FRI emails. **SAT**

BAPTISMS

By appointment, Parish membership and preregistration for preparation class required.

RECONCILIATION

WED 6:00 pm **SAT** 2:30 pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please call the parish office to arrange for anointing for someone who is seriously ill or preparing for surgery. If ill, homebound or hospitalized, we can visit upon request. There will also be an opportunity to receive the sacrament on the 2nd Saturday of every month after the 4pm mass.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the office to make an appointment with clergy.

FUNERALS

When planning a funeral at St. James, many details need attention and our staff is willing to assist you during this difficult time. Once you have contacted the funeral home, please call the parish office to plan the funeral Mass and other arrangements. The usual time for funerals is 10:30 am with visitation prior.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration forms are located on the credenza in the Narthex or on our website. Notify the Parish Office of address changes.

Bulletin Articles due by 1 pm on Friday(9 days prior to publication) Submitted content is subject to approval.

Baptism of the Lord





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SAINT JAMES

Religious Education

Religious Education News

upcoming classes

January 10 Grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6: RE4U

Good News You Can Use: Jesus through the year

Grade 2: Blessings Lesson 12

Ignite: Grade 7: Off

Ignite: Grade 8: Recorded Lesson will be posted Jan 13.

January 17

No Classes - Week Off

January 24 Grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6: RE4U

Good News You Can Use: The Liturgy

Grade 2: Blessings Lesson 13

Ignite: Grade 7: Recorded Lesson will be posted Jan 27.

Ignite: Grade 8: Off

Please find recorded lessons and complete calendar at sinovi.net

sacraments

First Reconciliation

First Reconciliation Dates: April 13 and 15, 7pm. Please look for an email with more information.

First Communion

May 8th: 10am, 1pm May 13, 7pm May 15, 10am, 1pm



Confirmation 2021

Dates to be announced soon. Please watch your email for updates.

SAINT JAMES Religious Education

Our son Logan, now 10 years old, was a calm baby, constantly smiling, giggling and always seemed to "go with the flow". One exception to this was during his baptism. Instead of his usual passive self, the moment the water began to flow over his head he unleashed a series of loud cries! Every parent's worst fear! While at the moment this was mortifying, looking back, I like to think this was Logan's way of sharing his excitement with Jesus, as his soul was cleansed and

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord this weekend, I began to think about the sacraments and how Jesus entered the Jordan river not to be baptized for His sanctification, but to empower Him to sanctify us. It was at the time of His baptism that the water became an outward sign of the bestowal of the Holy Spirit, who brings rebirth, transformation and an inner cleansing to our souls. Upon exiting the water, the Holy Spirit came down upon Him in the form of a white dove, which, for us, symbolizes the gift of the Holy Spirit first at our baptism and more fully at the time of our confirmation.

It is through the sacrament of Baptism that we receive the Holy Spirit, through the Eucharist we are given the body of Christ, and in Confirmation, we receive "our mission" with an out-pouring of the Holy Spirit and His spiritual gifts. It is through the gifts of the Sacraments that we are called to transform the world" as a missionary community of Christians, at our baptism when become the "anointed ones" of God, and are called to practice our Catholic faith in all aspects of our lives as we become witnesses of Christ in every situation.

As Logan grows in his faith, he has begun to reflect more, usually with comments before bed when we spend some time talking about the blessings that he has received, small or large, throughout the day and sharing things we are grateful for. Over the course of the years he has found the joy in helping others and through his own volition, with care and compassion, he has found many ways to practice his faith. One that he looks forward to each year is donating all the money he has saved to a charity that he researches and feels drawn to. It is beautiful to watch him to grow in his faith as a Christian as he continues his personal trek from baptism to confirmation.

Watching Logan reminds me that I should reflect and pray daily about how I am living my faith. Am I transforming the world as a Christian, as "an anointed one"? How can I better embrace the Holy Spirit as I act as a missionary of Christ?

Blessings to you all!

Meredith Skowronski

Director of Religious Education mskowronski@sjnovi.net



Being a parent is an awesome responsibility. I remember bringing my first baby home and feeling overwhelmed that this fragile little being was dependent on my husband and I for every need. As our children grew and had more interaction with



others, we yearned to protect them from bad influences and all harm. We taught them to be kind and helpful and pursue their passions. And yet, we were aware that there is only so much we can control, and we must trust God with

When Jesus was a baby, Mary and Joseph brought Him to the Temple to be dedicated to God. In today's Gospel, as an adult, he commits His life to His Father's mission through the baptism of John. Throughout His ministry He turns to His Father in prayer for strength and guidance.

When our children were baptized, they, too, were dedicated to God. How easy it is to forget that they are not just ours, but His! He loves

them and wants the best for them just as we do. So, let us continually dedicate our children to Him. Take time, today and every day, to put them, one by one, in His loving hands. Pray that He will protect and guide them along the best path for their lives. Pray that He will grant them health, true friends, and strong faith. Imagine yourself letting go of them and letting God take them into His care. And each time they go to bed or leave the house, bless them with the sign of the cross, saying, "God is with You." For He is the way to everlasting

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I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength. Phil. 4:13

upcoming events

january

17 Red Cross Blood Drive

18-20 Food Packing

23 Food Delivery



food pantry

immediate needs

- popcorn
- pineapple (canned)
- · granola bars
- pudding
- · beef stew
- · salsa
- · vegetable oil
- · spam

additional needs

- toothpaste
- · baked beans

PLEASE - Do Not Leave ANY fresh or perishable food items!

Please be aware, we are unable to accept any items that are expired.

Thank you for supporting this ministry throughout the year.



Food Pantry Update

Our Thanksgiving Basket Project, December monthly packing, and emergency food packing assistance have helped hundreds of people in our local area. It has also depleted our shelves of many items! Please check over the list of items needed on page 4 and bring in whatever you can. Donations may be dropped off anytime at door #6. Our Food Pantry is open year-round to those in need!

Food Pantry Packers & Deliverers

A 2021 schedule will be arriving in the next week or so. The first packing of the year will be January 18th through January 20th, with delivery on January 23rd. Thank you for your commitment to this ministry!

Kroger Shoppers

Thank you to all who have designated St. James Food pantry to benefit from the Kroger Community Rewards Program! For the quarter ending 10/31/2020, St. James received \$633! The Kroger Community Rewards Program is a no cost, easy way to assist the St. James Food Pantry. If you are not enrolled, pick up a Kroger Rewards card from any Kroger store and go online to www.krogercommunityrewards.com to sign up. If you have a Kroger card but it is not benefitting our pantry, you may go online and indicate St. James Food Pantry. Our organization number is IH458. Information may also be found in the Narthex on the credenza under the bulletin board, or by contacting Christian Service. Monies received from this program allow us to purchase laundry soap, dish soap, garbage bags and a few other hygiene type items for those receiving assistance through our monthly food program.

Attention: Food Pantry Packers

The January SignUp Genius has been sent. Please check your schedule and sign up for a time slot that works best for you to pack during the next two weeks. If you did not receive the sign-up email or have questions regarding the sign-up sheet, please contact Beth at ext. 37.

Collection of Eyeglasses & Cell Phones

Did you know St. James collects eyeglasses as well as cell phones on a year-round basis? Hearing aids are also accepted. Please be sure they are clean and in a Ziploc bag. No eyeglass cases are needed. Bins are located next to the Food Donation Box in the narthex for these items. You may also drop them off at door #6 anytime.



Computer Paper Boxes Needed

Please continue to bring in any computer paper size boxes you may be able to obtain. We use approximately 100 boxes each month for our Food Pantry program. If you are able to help with even one or two, please leave them by the Food Donation Box at door #6. Thank You!



Donors Still Needed

We will be in the Parish Hall

from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Sunday, January 17th!

Please schedule an appointment today!

We make it as easy as making a phone call, sending an email or going online:

- -Call Dan Hull at 248-347-7778 ext. 17
- -Email danhull@sjnovi.net
- -Go online at www.redcrossblood.org, enter sticc as the sponsor code and follow the prompts

You are eligible to donate every 57 days. If you have been out of the country or received a vaccine for shingles or hepatitis B series (flu shots not an issue), please be sure to check eligibility on the above noted website or call 866-236-3276 before making an appointment. Thank you!

A few high school student volunteers are needed to help with registration and handling the donors drink and snack after donation. Contact the Christian Service office if available.





None This Week

Christmas Adopt-A-Family and Giving Tree

Notes to share:

From a senior citizen - "Thank you so much for your generosity, which brought me to tears... The gas card will allow me to keep my medical appointments, the stamps will allow me to pay my bills and keep in touch with friends, especially during these trying times of COVID; the paper products and laundry supplies you provided will allow me to spend my money on my medications without having to choose between them. The personal items touched my heart in a very special way, and the utility assistance is greatly appreciated... Thank you so very much!!!"

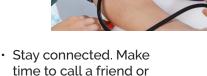
Another senior citizen - "I want to thank you so much for the gifts you have given me. Just to know people like you care and reach out during the Christmas season with a heartful of love, makes me feel cared for. Everything you have gifted me helps through the year and I am able not to worry about my gas bill during these cold months. Have a wonderful Christmas and a Blessed 2021!"

From Your Parish Nurse

Use these routines to boost your mood

Good habits not only improve your health, they can make you happier as well. Try these routines to make your day brighter:





 Unplug. Try an electronics free family dinner and have every family member share

something memorable

chat with a coworker.

 Deep breathing: Trigger a feeling of relaxation. Breathe in deeply

about their day.

through your nose and let your belly push out. Breathe out through your lips. Do this several times when you feel stress start to build.

 Getting plenty of sleep: Go to bed and get up at the same time each day. allowing for seven to nine hours of shut-eye.

scripture readings

WEEK OF JANUARY 10 SUNDAY

Is 42:1-4. 6-7 or Is 55:1-11: Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3): Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9: Mk 1:7-11

MONDAY

Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20

TUESDAY

Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:21-28

WEDNESDAY

Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:29-39

THURSDAY

Heb 3:7-14: Ps 95:6-7c. 8-9. 10-11: Mk 1:40-45

FRIDAY

Heb 4:1-5, 11: Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8; Mk 2:1-12

SATURDAY

Heb 4:12-16: Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

NEXT SUNDAY

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a); 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

mass intentions

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9

4:00 PM

Grace Okonkowski (Leo Okonkowski)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10

8:00 AM

For the Intentions of St. James Parish Family

9:30 AM

For the Intentions of St. James Parish Family

11:30 AM

For the Intentions of St. James Parish Family

MONDAY, JANUARY 11

9:00 AM

Walter & Delphine Zabinski (Kathy Tollis)

Fred Schwendenmann (Family)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

9:00 AM

Sam Tiseo (Kate Courtney)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

6:30 PM

Rosary Before Mass

7:00 PM

Mary Schywstell (Family)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

9:00 AM

Mark Stefl (Patricia Prince) Rick Schwendenmann (Family)

FRIDAY. IANUARY 15

NO MASS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

4:00 PM

Gayle Page Taylor (Steve & Jeanine Page Family) Frank Berger (Beth & Dave Quinley)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

8:00 AM

For the Intentions of St. James Parish Family

9:30 AM

For the Intentions of St. James Parish Family

11:30 AM

For the Intentions of St. James Parish Family





Thank you to all who joined us outside Northland Family Planning on Dec 19th to sing for those in great need of God's Love and Mercy.





Please remember in your prayers all who serve in the Armed Forces. May they be kept safe and out of harm's way.



Enrico Canini



Remember in your prayers:

Loretta (Lora) McComas Mother of Claire Mueller

Please remember in your prayers the sick listed below:

Karen Hryciuk

Carol Zalek

Karen Wing

Lori Rucinski

Tom Dull

John Boult Judy Heide Donna Hohl Denise Rosier Julie Maddocks Michael Sovran Terry Govan Mikaela Smith Gil Shultz Brian Barron June Cramer Julie Boivin Leona Budd **Bill Farmer** Dora Grady Louis Ayotte Patty Hanzek John Cartrette Jason Kimling Jane Hicks Andy Karay Carol Miller Pam Budde-White Margaret Layborn Paula Chomiuk Maria Arambula Jason Christopher Diane Christopher Joanne Schröder Michael Romanik Nicole Zapinski Helen Walczak

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Quaylon Haygood Michael McCanne Cathy Beal Morgan Elliot Michael McCarthy Ariano Russo Timothy Evans Mary McBurney George Freeman Candise Kemp Nish Patel Alex Michaels Estelle Oliansky Lora McComas Gregory Danilowicz

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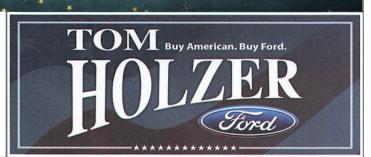
Pray for the Sick List: Please note that we regularly clear the "Pray for the Sick List" because the list grows beyond our space allocation and we don't always hear from people when they've gotten better. If you would like to add a person please call the Parish office at 248-347-7778, ext. 10 or send an email to parishsecretary@sjnovi.net.

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