

April 30, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter



Scripture Readings:
Acts 2:14-41; Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:20-25; John 10:1-10

“And Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ...’” Acts 2:38
The word “repent” means to turn from sin - to change our thoughts, words, and actions. Change that is permanent comes from within – a transformation or conversion of heart. This requires prayer, discipline, and perseverance. Change is hard. The first step is recognizing that we are broken and that we need God’s help. The good news - we are not alone in our journey. Ask Jesus daily for guidance and patiently listen for his response.

Liturgical Assignments – May 6/7	
	Lector
4:30 p.m.	Monica Purdy
7:00 a.m.	Volunteer needed
9:00 a.m.	Josh Bachman
	Altar Servers
4:30 p.m.	Josh Green / Volunteer Needed
9:00 a.m.	Gavin Weiland
Weekday	School Servers
Money Counters	
Rosie Kovac / Erin Rocha	
Sacrificial Offerings to God – April 22/23	
Envelopes	5,706.57
Plate	622.75
Votives	55.50
Repair/Utility Fund	592.00
Miscellaneous	20.00
TOTAL	6,996.82
Average Weekly Offertory Needed	\$14,360.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This weekend the second collection will go to the repair/utility fund.

SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

One of the air conditioners for the parish center has to be replaced. The cost is \$9,329.00. If 186 families can give \$50, we can pay for this extraordinary expense. We know times are tough right now; any sacrificial amount is greatly appreciated. If you want to give at a later date, please write “air conditioner” on your envelope.

Dear Parishioners of St. James,
Happy Easter! What an amazing time of year this is. A new liturgical season, the school year coming to a close, and the weather turning decidedly for the better. God gives us these times of transition that are so perfect for reflection, and for appreciation of all the things He does for us. Everything comes together at this point in a school year. On the one hand, we recently enjoyed the culmination of our students’ talents in the performing arts at our Spring Showcase. We were able to join as a school for singing, dancing, instruments, and artwork. Saint James has truly become a center of performance this past year, from our Showcase to our Christmas Program to Living Stations to our poetry recitations to the Living Rosary. The future is bright with so much talent onboard!



And on the other hand, Iowa testing has provided us with an academic milestone this past week. Our students diligently completed assessments on Math, Reading, Science, Social Studies, Language Arts, and more. When we get the scores back, we can analyze them to see where we need to improve, and also publish them for increased accountability and transparency. We value these scores as a metric of our stewardship of the resources entrusted to us by the Parish. Thank you all so much for your continued support. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out. Just this week we had a new milk cooler delivered for our cafeteria. The money for the cooler was raised by our lunch staff selling Easter rolls–perhaps you enjoyed one yourself! It may seem like a small thing, but it will increase the quality of life for our students and staff a great deal. That is just one tiny example of how the Parish helps us continue to thrive. It of course goes much deeper than that, and we try not to take any of it for granted. Again, thank you!

Sincerely,
James Hosler, Dean of St. James Catholic School

Geranium Sale - May 6th -Deadline Extended!

Order forms (in the back of church) with payments are due **May 1st** (deadline extended). Drop in collection basket or school office or Mail to: Elizabeth Marek, Attn: Marketing Committee, 308 Illinois Avenue 64504.



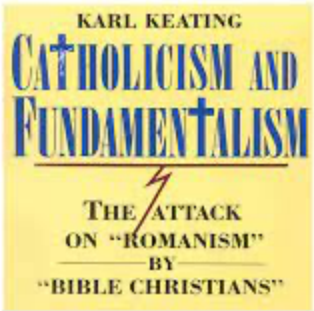
THIS WEEK AT SAINT JAMES

Sunday, April 30	Holy Hour – 8 am to 8:45am Parish Breakfast – 10 am, MMHall CCD – 10:05 am, School RCIA – 10:05 am, Casper Erk Rm
Monday	Confessions – 7:30 am KofC Mtg. – 7 pm, C. Erk Rm
Tuesday	Confessions – 5:00 pm
Wednesday	Confessions – 7:30 am
Thursday	Confessions – 7:30 am No Adoration
Friday	Confessions – 7:30 am Office Closed
Saturday	Confessions – 3:30 pm Geranium Pick Up – 10am to 2 pm, MMHall
Sunday, May 7	Holy Hour – 8 am to 8:45am Last Coffee and Donuts until September 10 am, MMHall CCD – 10:05 am, School RCIA – 10:05 am, Casper Erk Rm

Tuesday, May 9th – Mother/Daughter Banquet-6:15pm
Wednesday, May 10th – Holy Name Smoker – 6 pm
Both events will be held in the church basement

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Parish Directory Update:

We have received a rough draft of the directory. We are in the process of making corrections.



Congratulations to our First Holy Communion Class!

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 30

Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:00 a.m. – *Pro Populo*

9:00 a.m. – *Bryson Bolton*

Third Sunday after Easter

11:30 a.m. – Latin

Robert Kneib +

Monday, May 1

St. Joseph the Worker

8:00 a.m. – *Father Totton*

Tuesday, May 2

St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

5:30 p.m. - *Hollowell Family +*

Wednesday, May 3

Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

8:00 a.m. – *Katie Helsel +*

Thursday, May 4

Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. – *Bill & Louise Cordonnier +*

Friday, May 5

Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. – *Caden Embrey +*

Saturday, May 6

Fifth Sunday of Easter

4:30 p.m. – *Jack Rose +*

Sunday, May 7

Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:00 a.m. – *Pam Bachman +*

9:00 a.m. – *Pat & Robert Lamar +*

Fourth Sunday after Easter

11:30 a.m. – Latin

Pro Populo

(A cross indicates that the Mass intention is for a deceased loved one.)