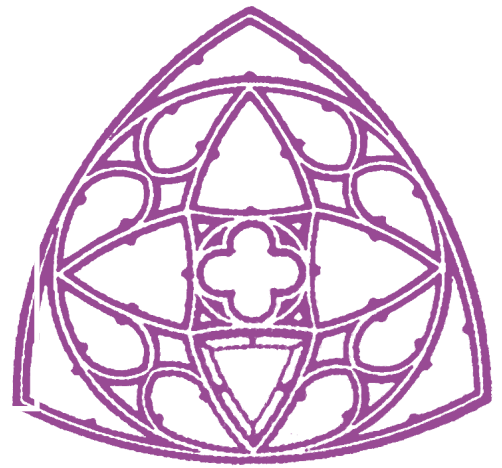


Pentecost Sunday  
June 8, 2025

## St. James Synodal Catholic Community in Midtown

Small enough to know your name  
Big enough to make a difference

Join us for Mass every Sunday at 10:00 am



### St. James Catholic Church Mission

We, the people of the St. James community in faith, commit ourselves to building the Reign of God for all people, serving especially our neighbors in Midtown, Kansas City.

#### Sacramental Preparation Information

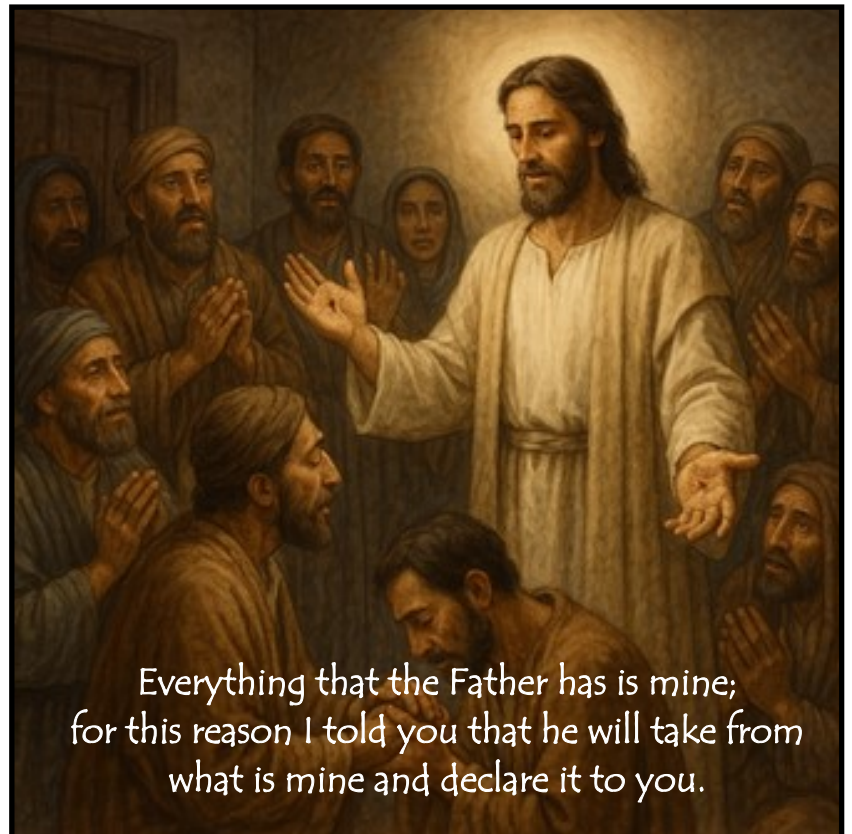
**Sacramental Minister:** Fr. Garry Richmeier  
C.P.P.S: [GarryCPPS@gmail.com](mailto:GarryCPPS@gmail.com)

For information on preparation for the Sacraments of **Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation**, please contact Bonnie Haghirian, our Faith Formation Coordinator at [FaithFormation@StJKC.org](mailto:FaithFormation@StJKC.org).

**Rite of Christian Initiation** in the Catholic Church (Adult Baptism, Eucharist, Reconciliation and Confirmation) will take place as needed. Contact Bonnie Haghirian at [FaithFormation@StJKC.org](mailto:FaithFormation@StJKC.org).

Considering **Marriage**? Contact Phyllis McCarty, Marriage Coordinator at [PhyllisAMcCarty@gmail.com](mailto:PhyllisAMcCarty@gmail.com) at least 9 months prior to the wedding date.

**Confessions** arranged upon request. Email Fr. Don Farnan [FrDon@StJKC.org](mailto:FrDon@StJKC.org) or Fr. Garry Richmeier [GarryCPPS@gmail.com](mailto:GarryCPPS@gmail.com).



Everything that the Father has is mine;  
for this reason I told you that he will take from  
what is mine and declare it to you.

**Bulletin Deadline: 10 pm  
Mondays. Email items to  
[Bulletin@StJKC.org](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org).**



**For information to be  
posted on the St. James website, email  
your items to: [website@StJKC.org](mailto:website@StJKC.org).**

Each Friday, St. James sends out an **all-parish email** with additional information for our St. James' Community.

**If you are not receiving the Friday parish email, it is because we don't have your correct email address or you may not be officially registered with the parish.**

Email [Bulletin@StJKC.org](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org) to let us know that you are not receiving the email and we will add you to our email list and check to see if you are registered with the parish.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## ST. JAMES CONTACT INFORMATION

**Pastor:** Fr. Don Farnan, [FrDon@StJKC.org](mailto:FrDon@StJKC.org)

**Parish Office Phone:** 816-561-8512

**Office Hours:** 10:00A-3:00P, Monday, Wednesday & Friday (Staffed by volunteers. Call for an appointment.)

**Email:** [ParishStaff@StJKC.org](mailto:ParishStaff@StJKC.org)

**Website:** [www.StJKC.org](http://www.StJKC.org)

**Mailing Address:** P.O. Box 30388, Kansas City, MO 64112

**St James Facebook Public Page:** Only St James admin team can post to- <https://www.facebook.com/stjamesmidtown>

## WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER



Cindy McKay Basolo, Ross Beaudoin, Rick Cordaro, Paul DeMerchant, Michael Heringer, Theresa Maly, Caroline Martin, Amie Miller, Denise Simeone, Eric Sitterley, Sean Shaughnessy, and Steve Wallace  
**If you or someone you know needs prayers, please send their names to [Bulletin@StJKC.org](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org).**

PEACE BE WITH YOU. AS THE FATHER  
HAS SENT ME, SO I SEND YOU! John 20:21

## ST. JAMES COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### 6/8 Pentecost Sunday

6/8 Hospitality Sunday— enjoy refreshments after Mass

6/8 Immigrant Rapid Response Presentation after Mass

6/8 First Communion candidates class meet after Mass

6/8 Pick up pre-ordered cinnamon rolls

6/15 Father's Day

6/15 Parish-wide Synod Meeting after Mass

6/15 Celebration of 1st Reconciliation in Marian Hall

6/15 First Communion Class (Change of date)

6/15 Brief practice and review for First Communion

6/16 Parish Leadership Ministry meeting—6:30pm

6/17 Knitting/Crocheting, 6:30 pm in Rectory

6/22 First Communion Sunday, reception following Mass

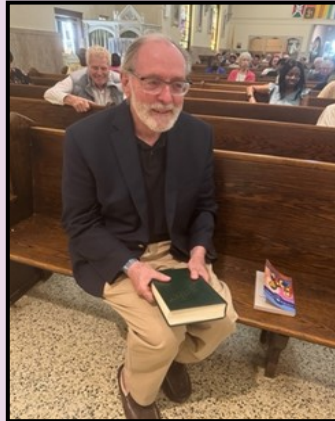
6/29 Fifth Sunday Luncheon after Mass—All are invited

6/29 Sign-ups for children seeking the sacraments

8/17 Sign-ups for family-based "Seeking God" program

9/14 First session for "Seeking God" families

## OUR PARISH SYNODAL DIRECTOR HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED!!!!!!



**The Transition Team is pleased to announce that our recommendation for the Synodal Parish Director is Pat Marrin.** Pat has been a member of St. James for over 24 years and is very familiar with what a Synodal Parish should look like. Besides being a member of the Transition Team, he has taught

theology at all levels of education and has extensive pastoral experience.

After affirming our decision during a meeting with the diocesan HR representative, Pat is finishing up some onboarding requirements and plans to begin serving us on a part-time basis (average 29 hours a week or less) in mid-June. We are conducting discussions about hiring another part-time person to assist Pat in his duties.

**We plan to have Pat speak at the Synod Meeting on June 15, outlining his vision for St. James and the role of parishioners in that vision.** At the conclusion of his presentation to the community, we will have a discernment and confirmation by the synod.

**The Transition Team wants to thank St. James for your prayers, patience and support through this process. We are excited about our next steps in the process of becoming a more synodal parish. Please continue to pray for our parish.**

## DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR PREORDERED CINNAMON ROLLS AFTER MASS TODAY!



**Thanks  
for your  
continued  
support of  
St. James'  
Ministries.**

## FAITH FORMATION

**Sunday, June 8**, following our Mass, Trinidad Raj Molina will share how he and others provide immigrants with rapid response assistance, immigrants who are new arrivals to the KC area. Trinidad is from AIRR, **Advocates for Immigrant Rights and Reconciliation**. Come and hear what we can do to help our neighbors.

**June 8**, we will have a session for all those preparing for First Communion on June 22. We will be learning about Reconciliation and the Eucharist. Banner making in Marian Hall after Mass. **June 15**, we will be celebrating First Reconciliation in Marian Hall, followed by a session on Eucharist and practice receiving Communion. We will finish the banners if needed.

**June 22: First Communion Sunday** - It is very important that our candidates for First Reconciliation and First Communion attend Mass on June 22 and the sessions on June 8 and 15 after Mass.

**June 29: Sign-ups for parishioners who want to prepare their family members for Baptism, First Reconciliation, and First Communion.** Classes begin in August.

For information about any of the offerings above, contact Bonnie Haghirian at [FaithFormation@StJKC.org](mailto:FaithFormation@StJKC.org).

**Nata and Ross Beaudoin send their thanks** to all who shared prayers and good wishes for their 58th anniversary recently. Ross hopes to be able to return to St. James for Mass as soon as his health allows. Your friendship and prayers mean a lot to both Nata and Ross.



## SHORT PARISHWIDE SYNODAL COMMUNITY MEETING IS NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 15 AFTER MASS.

**ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!**

**THE ONLY TOPIC IS AN INTRODUCTION  
AND CONFIRMATION OF PAT MARRIN AS  
OUR PARISH SYNODAL DIRECTOR.**

## READING FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY, JUNE 15, 2025

**First Reading - Proverbs 8:22-31:** In this passage, Divine Wisdom is personified as a timeless companion and craftsman who was present at the very beginning of God's creative work, intricately shaping the cosmos and delighting in the unfolding of life.

**Reflection Question:** How does embracing the image of Wisdom as an ever-present, creative partner with God influence your perspective on the inherent order and beauty in the world around you?

**Second Reading - Romans 5:1-5:** Paul explains that being justified by faith in Jesus grants us peace with God, access to His overflowing grace, and a transformative hope that is refined through enduring life's afflictions.

**Reflection Question:** How might you view your own challenges as opportunities for character development and deeper experience of God's love working within you?

**Gospel - John 16:12-15:** Jesus promises that even though He cannot yet disclose everything, the Holy Spirit—the Spirit of Truth—will soon guide His disciples into all truth by revealing what is to come and glorifying Him.

**Reflection Question:** In what ways might you open your heart to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, allowing it to reveal deeper truths and enrich your understanding of God's plan?

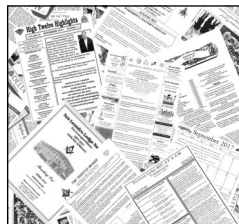
## ST. JAMES NEEDS VOLUNTEERS



**Faith Formation needs adults who would like to work with our children in grades 2, 3, and 4 for an intermediate Children's Liturgy of the Word at the beginning of Mass.**

All materials will be provided, and sessions will occur during the first part of Mass in Marian Hall. Please contact Bonnie Haghirian at [FaithFormation@StJKC.org](mailto:FaithFormation@StJKC.org) if you would like to participate in this ministry.

**ST. JAMES IS SEEKING ONE OR TWO INDIVIDUALS TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMPOSING AND DESIGNING THE PARISH BULLETIN AND FRIDAY EMAIL.**



If you have questions or are interested, please contact Bill Cordaro at [Bulletin@StJKC.org](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org).



## BUSY SUNDAY, JUNE 1ST

Bonnie Haghirian, our Faith Formation Director, thanks all our families who participated in Sunday Funday! It was wonderful seeing everyone getting to know each other and having fun. We will plan more gatherings in the future. Special gratitude to Peter Hughes, Chris Dewberry, Fr. Garry, Mike Art, Martha Belker, Bill Cordaro and everyone else who helped make our First Annual Family Funday a huge success.

**We also want to congratulate the newest member of St. James' Faith Family, the littlest Olter.**

**It takes an entire parish!**

**THANK YOU!**



All photos provided by Chris Dewberry.



**Kyle Olter** (grew up in the parish and a member of the St. James youth group) along with his wife **brings his newborn son to be Baptized.**

**Father Garry burns and blesses the hotdogs for the family picnic.**



**Piñata and duck pond fun.**

Laura swings at the piñata.  
Celso and Alba catch the ducks at the duck pond.

**LORD, SEND OUT YOUR SPIRIT, AND  
RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH.**

**Do you have a question or concern?** Send it to [Bulletin@StJKC.org](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org). St. James is always looking for ways to better minister to our faith community.



## GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS, SEPTEMBER 28

The celebration includes those couples whose 50th Wedding Anniversary falls between January 1, 2025 and December 31, 2025. Please complete the form here by September 15: <https://forms.office.com/r/EjvxEJnux0>.



Bishop Johnston will celebrate the Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 11:00 a.m. **If you and your spouse are celebrating your Golden Anniversary this year, please let St. James know by emailing [Bulletin@StJKC.org](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org).**

## NEW PARISHIONERS

**All are welcome at St. James.** We are an inclusive community of faith following the gospel of Jesus who never excluded anyone and who lived justly. If you want to learn more about St. James Community, please get in touch with staff ([ParishStaff@StJKC.org](mailto:ParishStaff@StJKC.org)) or visit our website at [www.StJKC.org](http://www.StJKC.org) to complete a registration form.

**We are excited to have you as part of our faith journey!**

**The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church.**

If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age ), and
  2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
- If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman at 816-213-6024 or [ombudsman@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:ombudsman@diocesekcsj.org). The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816-714-2357 ext. 516 or [victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.