

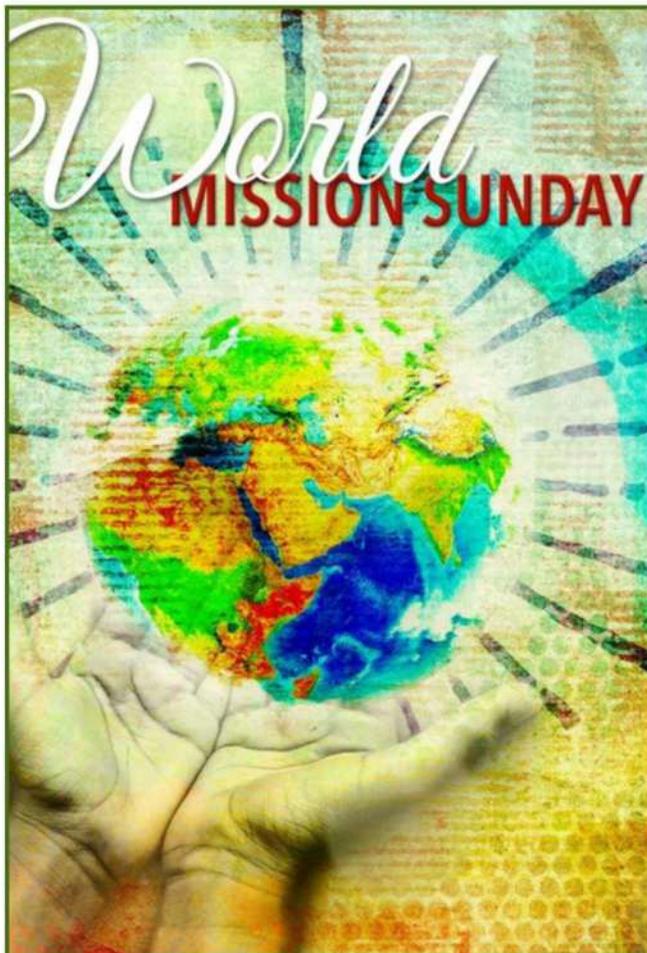


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**Mission Statement:** St. James Roman Catholic Parish is a warm and welcoming, Christ centered community, dedicated to service of all.

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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time / October 19, 2025 / 29º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario / 19 de octubre de 2025



### *Parish Hours*

**Weekend Masses** † Saturday - 4:00PM

Sunday - 8:00AM - 10:00AM -

12:00PM (Español) - 6:00PM

**Daily Mass** † Wednesday - 7:00PM

Monday - Tuesday - Thursday - Friday -

Saturday - 8:00AM

Holy Days † Please consult the Parish Office

**Reconciliation** † 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays -

6:00PM - 6:45PM

Saturday - 2:00PM - 3:30PM, Or by

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**Parish Office Hours** † Sunday - 8:00AM -

1:00PM /

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# ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH — A FAITH AND FAMILY COMMUNITY

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## Intentions

### Monday, October 20th

8am — Raquel Gabriel and Family (Birthday)

### Tuesday, October 21st

8am — Father Ben Onegiu (Birthday)

### Wednesday, October 22nd

7pm — Richard Rivera (Birthday)

### Thursday, October 23rd

8am — Betty McCarty (Deceased)

### Friday, October 24th

8am — Father Truong Buu Diep (Thanksgiving)

### Saturday, October 25th

8am — Justin Taitano (10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

4pm — Christina Costa (Deceased)

### Sunday, October 26th

8am — Anna Geros & Edith Price (Deceased)

10am — Rosemary Akwaya Clou (Deceased)

12pm — Nathan Pacheco (Deceased)

6pm — St. James Parishioners

## St. James Council Members

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## Financial Blessings

Sunday, October 5, 2025 Offertory.....\$10,694.77

Weekly Offertory Budget.....\$14,115.00



\*Monthly donations will be debited on or after the 27th of each month\*

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*Sunday Readings*

**First Reading:**

As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight, but when he let his hands rest, Amalek had the better of the fight. (Ex 17:8-13)

**Psalm:**

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. (Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2))

**Second Reading:**

Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed, because you know from whom you learned it, and that from infancy you have known the sacred Scriptures, which are capable of giving you wisdom for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. (2 Tm 3:14-4:2)

**Gospel:**

“Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”(Lk 18:1-8)



**Monday, October 20th**

Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday, October 21st**

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday, October 22nd**

Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday, October 23rd**

Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53

**Friday, October 24th**

Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday, October 25th**

Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9



There will be **NO Adoration**  
**Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**

*This Week at St. James...*

**Monday, October 20th**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch

**Tuesday, October 21st**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass  
9:00am –12:00pm Safe Environment Training Support  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch

2:30pm –3:45pm Legion of Mary

6:00pm –7:30pm Junior High Group

6:00pm –8:00pm K of C Leadership Mtg

**Wednesday, October 22nd**

7:00am –11:00am Rummage Sorting  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch

6:00pm –7:30pm First Reconciliation Preparation Class

6:00pm –6:45pm Reconciliation

7:00pm –7:30pm Daily Mass

**Thursday, October 23rd**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass  
9:00am –12:00pm Safe Environment Training Support

10:00am –12:00pm Rosary Makers

11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch

5:30pm –7:00pm Español Coro Practicar

6:00pm –7:30pm Teen Confirmation class

7:00pm –8:30pm English Choir Practice

**Friday, October 24th**

4:00am –10:00pm Fall Festival - Setup

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch

**Saturday, October 25th**

Mass Times: 8am and 4pm  
10:00am –12:00pm OCIA  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch

1:00pm –10:00pm Fall Festival

2:00pm –3:30pm Reconciliation

5:00pm –7:00pm African Choir Rehearsal (Saturday)

**Sunday, October 26th**

Mass Times: 8am, 10am(African), 12pm (Spanish), 6pm

7:00am –8:00am Choir Rehearsal

9:00am –10:00am Choir Rehearsal

11:00am –12:00pm Choir Rehearsal

11:15am –12:00pm Rosary  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch

1:15pm –1:45pm Rosary - Divine Mercy Chaplet

1:30pm –3:00pm Magnificat Charismatic

7:00pm –8:30pm Teen Group

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## ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH — A FAITH AND FAMILY COMMUNITY

### *From Fr. Ben's Desk*

#### TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C.

During the last two weeks we have heard about faith. The disciples requesting an increase in faith and Jesus tells them even a little will do. The Syrian general, who requested healing for his child and the Samaritan leper who returned to thank Jesus, were both told their faith delivered them.

Jesus uses the parable to teach his disciples the need to pray continually and never lose heart. Before we look at the parable, let us understand what we mean by the word, prayer, and becoming weary. The catechism of the catholic church quoting words of John Damascus tells us **that prayer is the raising of one's heart and mind to God**. Prayer is therefore **communication with God**. Sometimes in **words**, sometimes in **silence**. Communication means to be with. In prayer, we seek to be one with God. True communication requires listening. To become weary means to be persistent.

**Persistence in prayer lies at the heart of the parable of the widow and the unjust judge.** This parable must have gotten a laugh. Widows and the orphans were among the most powerless people in society in those days and still today in some unjust societies. In other words, they had very little social standing. Without a man to defend them, they easily became the victim of oppression. At least the woman in the today's gospel is able to defend herself.

That is why the prophets were taking up their cause. But here you have a judge who neither fears God nor respected anybody else covering before a widow who won't go away. He even goes so far to say that his only reason for deciding in her favor was the fear that she would give him a black eye, a more accurate translation of "come and strike me". Jesus contrasted the judge with God who is ever just and faithful even when we call out to him day and night, so we should never quit communicating with him.

Moses is also shown persisting in prayer, with the help of Aaron and Hur, so that the Israelite people will have access to land for their flocks and water for humans and beasts. Paul urges Timothy to be persistent in learning and preaching the scriptures, which would mean the Old Testament, since the New Testament.

Today Jesus asks: **"When the son of man comes, will he find faith on earth?"** This question seems to hang in mid-air, but not if we relate it to what Jesus has just said about persisting in prayer.

**Will the son of man find faith?** He will, if we persist both in prayer and learning the word of God.

- Do you see yourself as a persistent person? Do you persist in prayer?
- Do you persist in turning to scripture for its wisdom and to hear the voice of God?

#### REFLECTION ON WORLD MISSION SUNDAY.

Every second to last Sunday of October, the church invites us to turn our gaze outward – toward the margins, towards the peripheries, towards the many men, women and children who long for hope that only Christ can give. World Mission Sunday celebrated on October 19 is not merely a date on the calendar. It is the living expression of the church's deepest identity. We are, by nature a missionary people. We exist to evangelize: to bring Jesus and his saving Gospel to others. The theme chosen by Pope Francis before his passing – Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples – has now been taken up by Pope Leo XIV, who brings to the Chair of St. Peter the experience and heart of a missionary. For decades, he traversed the dusty roads and remote villages of Peru, celebrating the sacraments, proclaiming the Good News, and serving the poor. He understands deeply what it means to bring Christ where the church is still young or struggling to stand on its own. Together we can accompany Pope Leo XIV, our chief missionary, as he leads the church in apostolic moment. Together, as missionaries of hope, we can bring Christ our Hope to the world.

Pope Leo XIV in his first remark as Pope, from the balcony overlooking St. Peter's square declared, *"Together, we must look for ways to be missionary church"* and called on Catholics *"to be missionaries."* This is neither a radical agenda nor a new one. Missionary work has been at the heart of the catholic church from its earliest days. This has not been of the knocking-on-doors sort; Catholics tend to be service missionaries who mingle their faith with earthly vocation. Catholic movements throughout history have typically formed in response to a pressing need of the human person. Some missionaries in this movement have cared for the sick, while others have taught young people or fed the hungry. The ethos is to treat both body and soul. As the new Pope charges Catholics to be service missionaries representing a missionary church, the question is this: What pressing need do we face? Pope Leo named it himself at his inaugural Mass: *"Brothers and sisters this is the hour for love!"* to bind up the wounds in our families, nations, and the church is the mission we need today – a mission of true love for our suffering world.

Love is central to the Christian faith. In the Book of Genesis, God said, *"Let us make mankind in our likeness: "God is love"; thus, we are made to love."* As St. Thomas Aquinas provides a compelling answer in his *Summa Theologiae*, written in the years before his death in 1274: *"To love is to will the good of the other."* It is love that impels us to go work for the salvation of souls which is the mission of the church. And we cannot do that without touching the human needs.

# Ministry Updates



## ST JAMES CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 2025

TELL ONE, TELL ALL...St James Christmas Pageant is on **Friday, December 19, 2025 @ 7:00 pm.** (Children to arrive at 6:00 pm in costume.) Mandatory dress rehearsal Thursday, December 18th, time to be determined. **Adult and Youth Group volunteers are needed!**

We are inviting the children Pre K-6 grade to participate in the reenactment of "The Story of the Birth of Jesus". We are currently casting the following: \*Mary, \*Joseph, \*Messenger Angels (3), Choir of Angels, \*Innkeepers/Townspople, \*Chief Priests, \*Shepherds, Stable Animals (Camels, Cows, Donkeys and Lambs) Magi (3 Kings, Star of Bethlehem)

Please note all cast indicated with an "\*" requires practices as these are speaking parts. At this time, these speaking part practices are scheduled at St James on Sundays at 2:00 pm. These practices will be: November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and December 7, and 14.

There is no cost to participate in this pageant, as costumes will be provided; however, there will be a free will offering on the day of the pageant. We do ask that you be as generous as possible as these funds go directly to the Children's and Music Ministries.

This is a wonderful Christmas gift your children can give to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Don't miss out! If you are interested in signing up for this pageant, please contact Jeannie Mascaro through the front office.



## Liturgical Ministry Training



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**First Saturdays at 9:30 AM**

Come, be part of something beautiful!

\*Training and Retraining is done by Appointment.

## Family Formation!

Next Family Formation is  
**Wednesday, November 5th**  
at 6pm.



**First Reconciliation:**  
Next class is **October 22nd at 6PM**

## JOIN THE YOUTH GROUP



Junior High (6th - 8th grade):  
Tuesdays 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Teen Group (9th - 12th Grade):  
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### Sacrament of Baptism / Sacramento de Bautismo

Please contact Terri-Ext 104.  
Must be a registered parishioner for six months. Preparation classes are required. A brochure is available in the church foyer.

### Sacrament of Marriage / Sacramento de Matrimonio

Nine months in advance. Preparation classes are required.

### Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Call the Parish Office when seriously ill.

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Fellowship in St James Hall  
Sundays Following  
The 8:00 and 10:00 Masses!

Come Meet Your Fellow Parishioners and Have Donuts  
and Coffee (\$1.00 ea.)

Youth Group and Family Formation is now serving the donuts!

## Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped with and  
shopped at our fall rummage sale. We raised around  
\$11,750 for St. James! We still need more volunteers  
for sorting, setup and tear down. Come meet the  
wonderful people in this ministry and make some new  
friends. Remember - many hands make light work.

### Rosary Makers



Our Lady's Rosary Makers have  
started to meet again. Like all of our  
ministries they can use additional  
help. All supplies and instructions are  
provided. **Work is done on the 2nd  
and 4th Thursdays of the month  
from 10:00AM until Noon in the  
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name and phone number at the  
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show up!



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Catholic?

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**\*Assistant teachers needed! Contact the front office if  
interested.**



**This week our pantry needs  
soup, peanut butter, jelly,  
and mac and cheese.**

**SVdP:** In the Gospel today Jesus tells his disciples to pray  
always without becoming weary., indeed our prayer  
must always be an expression of our love for God, our  
family, our world, and especially for the suffering poor.

As you place your gift in the SVdP collection next  
weekend, please say a special prayer for the poor who  
have no one to pray for them.

"In the silence of the heart, God speaks...It is only when  
you realize your nothingness, your emptiness, that God  
can fill you with himself." Saint Teresa of Calcutta

**Looking for Volunteers to help in the pantry! Contact  
the front office if interested!**

### ADOBE MOUNTAIN THANKSGIVING DESSERTS

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**All treats must be purchased at grocery stores or  
bakeries and presented in their original package.  
Please leave the receipts with the treats.**



Chaplain will pick up all treats by **11:30am on  
Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>.**



Thank you for the love and care you have given these  
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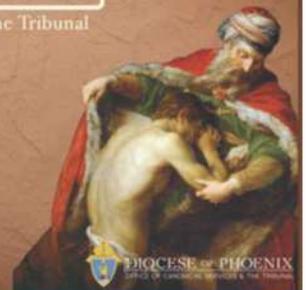
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