



St James Cathedral

CHICAGO

Forged in Fire: From Age to Age



"Appearance to the Disciples" by Ed De Guzman

Holy Eucharist
Second Sunday of Easter
April 12, 2026 at 8 a.m.

Easter Flowers Given

IN MEMORY OF

Joseph P. Black
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Joyce Black
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Flo Rhoades
by Brandon Blazo & Todd Rhoades
Deborah Sobol
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Melvin Chang
by Rowland Chang
Helen M. & James L. Cook, Jr.
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Patricia Fickling
Richard Chang
by Susan Fickling
Mrs. William Nance
by Darryl Grant
Florence Leurquin Haworth
by David & Patty Haworth
Moyra Gay Outerson
Robert Bartlett Roach II
by Alex Kincaid,
on behalf of the Kincaid family
Richard E. Jenkins
by Laura Jenkins
Randolph King
Woodrow & Valerie Johnston
by Rachael King

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Lillian French
Chris Gomez
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Kasper & Pauline Bury
Thomas & Jane Sollers
Elizabeth Love
by Dean Niedenthal & Tom Sollers
Family & Friends
by Edith O'Keefe
James Olopade
John Bodunde
Dorcas Ibitomileye Falusi
by Sola & Funmi Olopade
Family & Friends
by John Palfrey
Howard Patton
Henry & Ocia Mack Family
Dr. Delores Gillum Brown
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by Tanya B. Patton
Betty Joan Reid
by Greg Reid
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Patricia Cromwell Miller
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by Scott & Kirstin Sumner
C. Raymond Burlason
by Paul W. Thompson
Marshall V.
& Ida Welch Canada
by Marsha Watt
William F., Jane G.,
William R. & Derrick S. Weaver
by Kurt Weaver
Susan Lenz
by Bob & Kaye Wertz
William Willoughby
by Judith B. Willoughby
Kimberly Donnelly
by the Woock family
IN HONOR OF
Pam Semanik
by Rowland Chang
John Bramsen
by Norma Bramsen
Patricia Johnston
by Rachael King
Children & Grandchildren
by Sola & Funmi Olopade
G. Richard Reid
by Greg Reid

Welcome to St. James Cathedral

Whether you are visiting or are a regular worshipper, you're not just welcome at St. James – you belong! This booklet contains everything you need to worship with us today. If you would like to learn about the mission and ministry of the cathedral, please complete one of the visitor cards available in the rear of the chapel and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a clergy person.

HOLY COMMUNION

We offer God's gracious gift of Holy Communion to anyone who wishes to receive it. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Let the priest know if you would need a gluten-free wafer or alcohol-free wine. We are also happy to bring Communion to you if you are unable to come to the altar rail. Please let an usher know if this would be helpful for you.

PARKING

On Sundays, reduced-rate parking is available at R.O.W. Parking Garage (50 E. Ohio) for \$2 for up to six hours from the time of entering the garage. Discounts are also available for all-day parking at Ohio Ontario Self Park (33 W. Ontario) for \$11. To receive a reduced-rate parking voucher, please go to the welcome table in the narthex or the reception desk in the Welcome Center.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Restrooms are in the Welcome Center connected to the east end of the cathedral and below the front entrance of the cathedral.

GET INVOLVED

There are a variety of ways to become involved, whether you are a committed follower of Christ, an occasional visitor who appreciates our programming, or fall somewhere in between.

Refreshments are available after the service, where we look forward to getting to know you and helping you connect with this vibrant and historic community!



The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James,
Dean of the Cathedral



THIS WEEK'S ENEWS

Gathering

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people stand as the clergy enter the chapel.

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: **Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The presider welcomes the people to the service and they pray together

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, **and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (2:14a, 22–32)

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having released him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover, my flesh will live in hope.
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades
or let your Holy One experience corruption.
You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

“This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Read in response by the reader and all.

PSALM 16

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
**I have said to the Holy One, “You are my God,
my good above all other.”**

All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.

But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.

Their libations of blood I will not offer,
 nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.

O God, you are my portion and my cup;
 it is you who uphold my lot.

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
 indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

I will bless you, O God, who gives me counsel;
 my heart teaches me, night after night.

I have set you always before me;
 because you are at my right hand I shall not fall.

My heart, therefore, is glad and my spirit rejoices;
 my body also shall rest in hope.

For you will not abandon me to the grave,
 nor let your holy one see the Pit.

You will show me the path of life;
 **in your presence there is fullness of joy,
 and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.**

The people stand.

HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. (20:19-31)

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."

Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Canon Steven Balke

Canon Vicar

In 325, the first ecumenical council of the Church established the Nicene Creed as a universal statement of faith for every Christian. Through the 20th century, international ecumenical councils, biblical scholars, and language experts worked together to achieve the most accurate English translation. In 2018, The Episcopal Church voted to include this version in our prayer book to reclaim the original meaning of the Nicene Creed. Notice, for example, the original statement that the Holy Spirit "proceeds from the Father." The phrase "and the Son" was added later without the wider Church's consent, therefore this version does not include it.

The people stand.

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.* For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition, the response is

Reader Lord, in your mercy,

All **Hear our prayer.**

The presider concludes, praying

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

PEACE

The presider says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The people greet each other in the name of the Lord.

Holy Communion

OFFERTORY



Your offering supports the ongoing mission of St. James Cathedral, including the St. James Meals, Meals Among Us, and Summer in the City. Contributions are welcome online at SaintJamesCathedral.org/give, by texting "SJC" to 73256, or you may place checks and cash in the collection plate.

The people stand.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; but chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

The presider introduces the Lord's Prayer.

Our Father, **who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

We offer God's gracious gift of Holy Communion to anyone who wishes to receive it. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Let the priest know if you would prefer a gluten-free wafer or alcohol-free wine.

THE ST. JAMES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER

The presider says

Let us pray.

Faithful God,
you call us to be living stones in a spiritual temple.
Bless the mission and outreach of this cathedral church.

By the power of your Holy Spirit,
enable us confidently to restore its fabric,
trustfully to reimagine our vocation,
and boldly to renew our ministries in your name.

Make this place a house in which your love dwells
and in which all your people find welcome.

Grant this, we pray, through the One who leads us ever onwards in your service,
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The presider prays for God's blessing on the gathered people, saying

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.
All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

FOR THOSE COMMENDED TO THE PRAYER OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Ginger, Loya, Andronica, Ibukun, Ted, Lois, Mary, Yvonne, Lee, John, Rachael, Jonah, Patricia, Kevin, Walco, Jim, Arthur, Tyria, Denise, Stacy, Richard, Cleo, Bill, Tom, Jane, Tim, Frank, Suzanne, Viraj, Ruchika, Sean, Catrina, Manal, Nicolette

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE BEEN COMMENDED TO THE PRAYERS OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Ursula Karst, Chris Irvine

FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED BY GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO IN THE PAST WEEK INCLUDING: Tyrese, Andrell, Amos, Kenyae

DIOCESAN PRAYER CYCLE: Our bishop, Paula, and our Presiding Bishop, Sean; Congregations in the Elgin Deanery: St. Philip in Palatine; One in Christ in Prospect Heights; St. Mary in Park Ridge; St. James in West Dundee; Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk: San Juan Bautista in Oaxaca; and St. Bartholomew in Thianguial

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign up for our weekly newsletter at SaintJamesCathedral.org/enews.

INVITE WELCOME CONNECT Please join us for a lively conversation as we reinvigorate this ministry of evangelism, hospitality and belonging on **Saturday, May 2 from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.** Send responses, questions and ideas to welcome@saintjamescathedral.org or talk to Laura Jenkins. And take a look at the video at invitewelcomeconnect.com.

CHORAL EVENSONG AT ROCKEFELLER CHAPEL SUNDAY, MAY 3 AT 4 P.M. Choral Evensong on May 3 will be celebrated at Rockefeller Chapel at the University of Chicago. The Cathedral Choir and Choristers join forces for Howells' iconic *Collegium Regale* setting of the evening canticles and music celebrating the legacy of Leo Sowerby.



THIS WEEK'S ENEWS

SMALL GROUPS AT ST. JAMES

- **The St. James Arts Council meets today at 12:30 p.m. in Room 307.** All who are interested in the arts at St. James are encouraged to attend. **Contact: Michael Stauffer** (ArtsCouncil@SaintJamesCathedral.org)
- **The First Sundays Book Group meets today at 1 p.m. in Room 212.** Join us as we continue with "When the World Breaks" by Jason Adam Miller, discussing Chapters 1-6. April's meeting is delayed one week due to Easter. Extra copies of the book are available. **Contact: Kim Moreland** (1stSundays@saintjamescathedral.org).
- **The St. James Young Adults Group gathers for Second Supper today at 2 p.m. in Kyle's Place.** Preceded by "Being With" formation opportunity at 12:30 p.m. in Meeting Room 1 (lower level of modern building). **Contact: Maria Price** (YoungAdults@SaintJamesCathedral.org)

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

PREACHER & PRESIDER:
The Rev. Canon Steven Balke

DEACON: The Rev. Rick Incorvati

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS	8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (<i>Spoken</i>)	Chapel
	9 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (<i>Family</i>)	Cathedral
	11 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (<i>Choral</i>)	Cathedral
		Live-Stream Service (<i>see enews, website, or YouTube</i>)	
FIRST SUNDAYS	4 p.m.	Choral Evensong (<i>Oct–June</i>)	Cathedral
WEEKDAYS	9 a.m.	Morning Prayer (<i>see enews, or website</i>)	Zoom
	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist	Cathedral
	5:45 p.m.	Choral Evensong (<i>Wednesdays, Sept–June</i>)	Cathedral

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