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April 26, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH



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**Mass Schedule
May 2026**

Monday: 8am @
St Joachim

Tuesday: 8:15am @
St. James

Wednesday: 8:15am @
St. Joachim

Thursday: 8am @
St. James

Friday: 8am @
St. Joachim

Saturday 4pm
(1st & 3rd weekend @
St. James; 2nd & 4th
weekend @
St. Joachim)

Sunday: 8am @
St. Joachim
10am @ St. James

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 27: @ St. Joachim

Tuesday, April 28: Thomas M. DeGonia

Wednesday, April 29: @ St. Joachim

Thursday, April 30: Anton Dattilo

Friday, May 1: @ St. Joachim

Saturday May 2:
8am: Rev. Larry Huber
4pm: Anthony Killion

Sunday May 3: Parish Family

Mass Intentions are \$10.
Please call the office or drop by to schedule them.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:15-3:45pm

Prior to Saturday evening Mass or by appointment



St. James Staff

Meet our team

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 Phone: 573-854-0291 (St. Joachim Rectory)

Rev. Vince Nyman-Associate Pastor
 Phone: 314-614-0718

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parish353@archstl.org

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Dr. Melissa Cordia
 Co-Coordinator
Laura Allen
 Co-Coordinator
Jamie Thompson
 Co-Coordinator
stjamespsr@gmail.com

May 3rd Fifth Sunday of Easter

Lector:

Saturday 4pm: Bob Mills
 Sunday 10am: Kennedy Cordia & Lily Litton

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday 4pm _____ Sunday 10am _____
 C: Maureen Mills Kim Coleman
 L: Judy East Jamie Thompson
 R: Vikkie Neier Melissa Cordia

Servers

Saturday 4pm: Abrienne McGovern
 Sunday 10am: Ava West & Meadow Henson

Music:

Sat: 4:00pm. Chala Short
 Sun. 8:00am Rebecca Richards
 Sun: 10:00am Anita Govero or The Little Way Band

Daily Mass Lectors

Tuesday April 28: Catherine Dickey
Thursday April 30: Judy Wright
Tuesday May 5: Mary Campbell
Thursday May 7: Vicki Thurmond
Tuesday May 12: Joyce Politte
Thursday May 14: Rhonda Politte

**If you cannot be available for your scheduled day, please notify the parish office. Thank you!

4th Sunday of Easter

“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.

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Envelopes:	3015.00
Loose:	306.00
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Maintenance:	75.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	673.00
Votives:	23.00

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 # of Contributors: 53

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 Mary Campbell 5/01
 Laura Allen 5/08
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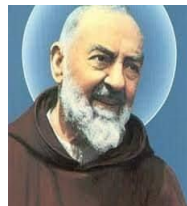
Pat & Tina 4/28
 Mary Ann & Donna 5/05
 Becky & Rhonda 5/12
 Jeanne & Rhonda 5/19

New Office Hours

Monday: 8am-3pm
Tuesday: 7am-3pm
Wednesday: 8am-3pm
Thursday: 7am-3pm
Friday: 8am-3pm

Easter reminds us that God's love is stronger than any suffering or darkness we may encounter.

- Saint Padre Pio



Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 26, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter (A)

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 / 1 Peter 2:20b-25 / John 10:1-10



Open Door

MIGUEL DULICK

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Reflect

How can we recognize voices that speak the truth? How do we recognize Jesus’ voice?



You had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

1 PETER 2:25

Dear Padre,

Should Christians avoid practicing qi gong or tai chi? Or even meditation in which you empty your mind? Thank you.

This is one of those questions that has been debated for a long time. Social media offers many so-called experts with vastly different opinions. It can be very confusing, particularly if you are looking for a black-and-white answer, a yes or a no.

The pope who provides us with the most helpful direction to answer this question is Pope Benedict XVI. He did not forbid Eastern spiritual practices entirely but warned against their integration into Christian life without proper discernment. His perspective was rooted in a theological understanding that Christian spirituality is a unique path focused on a relationship with Christ. He emphasized that our Catholic spiritual tradition is distinct from the goals and methods of non-Christian traditions. He believed the practice of such non-Christian traditions, without preparation and without awareness of the challenge they present, could lead to spiritual error if not approached with caution and discernment.

So, the answer is nuanced. If you are using the practice as a spiritual practice, you should proceed with the utmost caution. If, on the other hand, you are using these practices for the more common physical or psychological—not spiritual—reasons, then it is permissible. ●



VLADA KAROVICH / PEXELS

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Our faith is authentic when it embraces our whole life, when it becomes a criterion for our decisions, when it makes us women and men committed to doing what is right and who take risks out of love, even as Jesus did.... Jesus is the true measure of our faith; he is the gate through which we must pass in order to be saved.

ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 24, 2025

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THE COUNCIL'S CORNER

Our next meeting is May 12th@ 5:30pm. Thank you to everyone who helped make our Fifth Sunday Brunch an enjoyable event. Our next Fifth Sunday brunch will be on August 30th.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ERIC AUBUCHON @ 314-605-6268

St. James PSR NEWS

First Communion: May 3 at 10am Mass

Confirmation: April 25 at the Cathedral Basilica in St. Louis at 10am.

Please pray for our students, who are receiving sacraments this year.

From Dr. Melissa Cordia

Ladies Sodality

Our next meeting is May 5 at 5:30pm. We will not be meeting during June or July. Meetings will resume in August.

****We will be having a spring cleaning day at the Parish Hall on April 27th at 9am. We would welcome and appreciate any help on that day. The supply closet will be cleaned out to help accommodate the Knights of Columbus, the Picnic Committee, and the Ladies Sodality.**



Bobbie Heifner, President

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The St. James Food Pantry served 124 families (313 individuals & 60 seniors 65yrs old and up) on Saturday April 17. Thanks to all our dedicated volunteers! Our mission thrives because of you!

"Extend your mercy toward others, so that there can be no one in need whom you meet without helping."

St. Vincent de Paul

**St. Vincent de Paul collection:
Canned meat, canned chili w/meat,**

Parish Calendar

April 25-26: ACA Weekend

April 27: Spring Cleaning Day at the Parish Hall @ 9am. We would appreciate any & all help that day.

April 30: Picnic Meeting at 6:00pm in the Parish Hall

May 2: 8am Mass with Adoration/Benediction

May 3: 10am Mass- 1st Holy Communion

May 5: Ladies Sodality 5:30pm

May 8: Clarity House 6pm

May 9: Men's Faith Sharing Group 7am

May 12: Adoration & Benediction @ 4:45pm
Parish Council Meeting 5:30pm
KC Men's Meeting 6:30pm

May 16: Food Pantry Distribution

May 18: Rural Clinic here

Bible Study

Session 7: Who is Jesus?

FRIDAY 9AM (ST. JAMES)

Session 7) May 8

****If you have any questions, please text or call Vicki at 573-854-1257**

From Father Tony:

We are in need of Adult Altar servers for Daily Mass and to serve with the children on Sunday Masses. Volunteers need to be married in the church (if married) and attend Prevent and Protect Training.

Thank you! Please call or email the office if interested or need more details.



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MATRIMONY MOMENTS - Abundant Life Together & Beyond (Sunday 4/26/26)

"I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." (John 10:10 – Gospel, Fourth Sunday of Easter)

Marriage Motivation Tip: Jesus the Good Shepherd wants your marriage to overflow with abundant life. When you follow Him together, your strengthened bond becomes a shepherding presence—mentoring newlyweds, visiting the sick, and showing the parish that Catholic marriage is joyfully alive.

Prayer: *Good Shepherd, lead our marriage into the abundant life You promise. Use our love to guide and bless the families and individuals in our parish community. Amen.*

Couple Conversation Question: How can we live the "abundant life" together this month so that other couples or families in our parish feel drawn closer to Christ?

Interested in Becoming Catholic? (OCIA: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

We continue to pray and walk with our neophytes and newly received Catholics during this Easter Season and Period of Mystagogy (breaking open the mysteries). We also pray for the 9 candidates who are in the Period of Inquiry.

Note: It has been a blessing, an honor, and a joy to have served as the OCIA coordinator for many years, but it is time for me to step down as coordinator and just be a team member. My husband, Deacon Steve, and I along with Father Rosey began the OCIA process that was promulgated by Vatican II as the ordinary way to enter the Catholic Church. Beginning in August, Vicki Thurmond will become the OCIA coordinator. Vicki has been a part of our team for many years and has responded to God's call to continue the process. Pray for all who catechize and share the Word of God with others.

Sincerely, Joyce Politte

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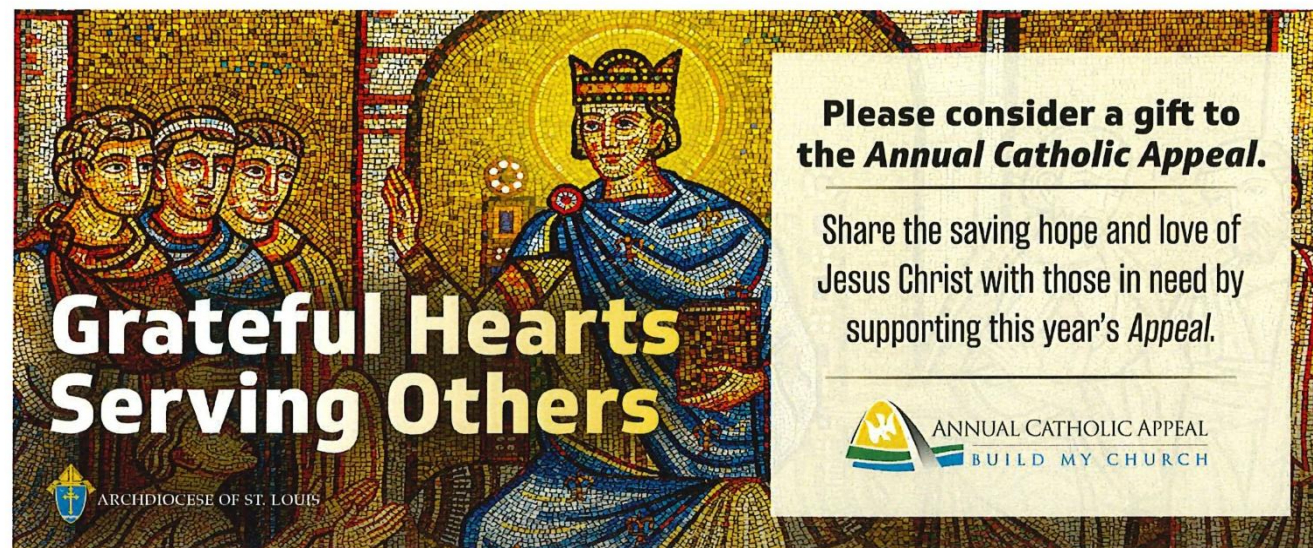
Pope Leo XIV, Apostolic Journey, April 13, 2026

We need one another and we need God. When we acknowledge our fragility, our hearts become open to one another & to invoking the One who can grant what no human power can ensure: the profound reconciliation of hearts and, with it, true Peace.

(posted on X, 04/13/26)



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In this Bicentennial Jubilee year, the faithful of the Archdiocese are invited to come together in prayer—entrusting our gratitude, our petitions, and our hopes to the Lord.

Prayer intentions gathered from our parishes through *Prayer of the People* will be presented together at the Jubilee Mass as an offering of faith and trust in God's providence.

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Place before the Lord what is on your heart.

A prayer for healing,

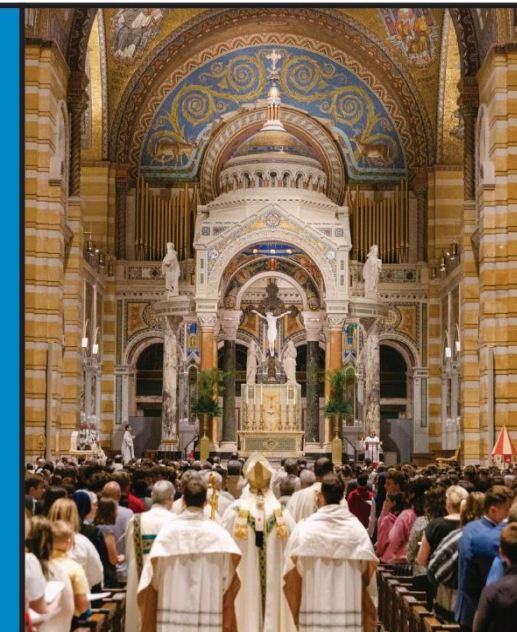
for your family and loved ones,

for those who are struggling or in need,

for our clergy, vocations, and the future of the Church,

for peace in our communities and in our world,

and for those who are searching for the Lord.



Submit your prayer intention:

- In the offertory basket
- At the parish office
- Online at ArchSTL200.org/prayer

St. James Picnic News June 7, 2026



****NEXT PICNIC MEETING: APRIL
30 @ 6PM IN PARISH HALL****

GUN RAFFLE

Join the fun!!!!
Tickets will be sold starting March 1 until the drawing after Mass on May 16, 2026. There are 4 guns being raffled. Cost of the tickets are \$5 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20. Please see Don Thompson or Paul & Nedra Villmer for tickets. They will be selling the tickets after the Masses.

PLACEMAT ADS

It's not too early to get your space reserved for our placemats for the picnic.
1. Small size- \$30
2. Medium size- \$60
3. Large size- \$120

The placemat ads can be for a business or in memory of a loved one. Please contact Kim Coleman if interested at 314-808-2207 or email kcoleman2@elara.com.

PICNIC RAFFLE TICKETS

It's time to start selling raffle tickets for the picnic. They are available in the back of church in a basket. Please take some and help us sell the tickets. They can be turned in at the office, through the collection basket or to Don & Jamie Thompson. There are great prizes available! \$1.00/each or 6 for \$5.

COUNTRY STORE

We are collecting items for the country store. Baked goods, canned goods, craft items, Home decor, starter plants, Anything unique or homemade.

BOTTLE GAME

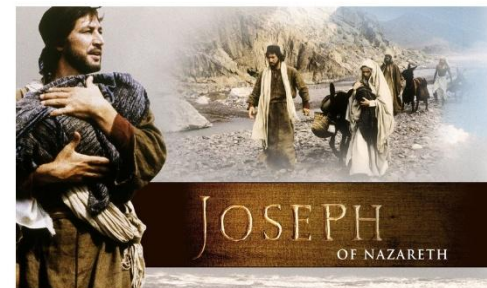
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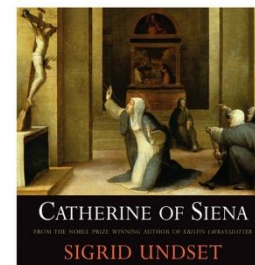
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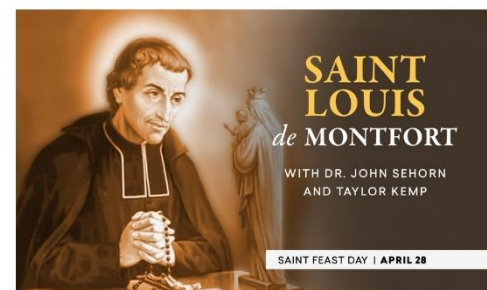
Joseph of Nazareth

Celebrate the feast of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect this year by watching a movie about him! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!



Catherine of Siena

Sigrid Undset's Catherine of Siena is critically acclaimed as one of the best biographies of this well-known and amazing fourteenth-century saint.



St. Louis de Montfort | Catholic Saints

Dr. John Sehorn joins Taylor Kemp to discuss the life of St. Louis de Montfort. Born in western France, St. Louis had a great love for Mary and the Rosary. His work True Devotion to Mary helps Catholics grow in their relationship with Jesus through his Mother, Mary.

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