



## **The Light**

WELCOME to St. James!! Whether online or in person we are so happy you are sharing this journey with us. If you have ideas for what we might be doing, concern about the welfare of a member, needs for help with technology or want to ask for prayers, we encourage you to contact the office or Fr. Josh.

**This Sunday at St. James  
Celebration of the Holy Eucharist  
In-Person at 8:00 a.m.  
and  
In-Person and Live Streamed at 10:00 a.m.**

On [Facebook Live](#) at [facebook/ stjamesdowntown](https://facebook.com/stjamesdowntown) or  
Via a live-stream on our [website](https://stjamesbirmingham.org) – [stjamesbirmingham.org](https://stjamesbirmingham.org)



**Holy Eucharist**  
The Seventh Sunday of Easter  
10:00 a.m. — May 12, 2024  
Rite II

# This Week at St. James

## May 12 – May 19

- Sun. 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist In-Person  
10:00 a.m. Church School for Pre-K – 6th  
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist In-Person and Livestreamed  
10:00 – 5:00 Art Birmingham Craft Table
- Mon. 7:50 p.m. Compline – <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/83578095965>
- Tue. 5:30 p.m. Preschool Night Out  
7:50 p.m. Compline – <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/83578095965>
- Wed. Noon Bible Study – <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84940791816>  
7:30 p.m. Choir Practice  
7:50 p.m. Compline – <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/83578095965>
- Thur. 7:50 p.m. Compline – <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/83578095965>
- Fri. 4:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal  
7:50 p.m. Compline – <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/83578095965>
- Sat. 3:00 p.m. Jezak/Hardig Wedding
- Sun. 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist In-Person  
10:00 a.m. Church School for Pre-K – 6th  
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist In-Person and Livestreamed  
11:45 a.m. Vestry Meeting



Now to find **ALL** of the active sign-ups for all things St. James  
just go to: <https://stjames.rock.s/SJSUG>  
On that page you'll find tabs for Hosting Coffee Hours, Sandwich Making,  
Sponsoring Worship, and all youth activities and events. Bookmark the page to be  
able to easily find it!



**COMPLINE**  
**Weeknights at 7:50 p.m. on Zoom**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89967846391>

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- **Kids Table for Art Birmingham**
- **Bring in Father's Day Photos**
- **Support Group for New Moms**

## SUNDAY AT ST. JAMES

### **ST. JAMES AT ART BIRMINGHAM**

One of our goals for this year is to increase our profile in the community by being more involved in city activities. A great opportunity is at Art Birmingham on Saturday, May 11 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Sunday, May 12 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Centered in Shain Park, booths for this event come right to our very doorstep. So why shouldn't we join in? Our vision is to set up on Martin Street in our covered parking area to make AMAZING cards for Mom, or any special person. To make that happen, we need your help. We are hoping to have parishioners participate in two-hour shifts to make this available to the Art attendees. Would you be willing to have some fun for a couple of hours on that Saturday and/or Sunday and let people know how welcoming a group of people we are? If so, there is a sign-up genius available at <https://stjames.rocks/art24>.

For more information, contact Shar at 248-763-5929, Michele at 248-875-5768, or Pam at 248-219-7464.

### **NEW FORWARD DAY BY DAYS**

Day by Day's for May/June/July are available in the Narthex. If you would like a copy mailed to you please contact the Michelle in the Church office at 248-644-0820 or [parishadmin@stjamesbirmingham.org](mailto:parishadmin@stjamesbirmingham.org)

### **HOST COFFEE HOUR**

Coffee Hour after both of our services is a wonderful opportunity to connect with fellow parishioners and guests. We are in need of volunteers to sign-up to host coffee hour in May and throughout the summer. Coffee and tea are provided by the church and you only need to provide the treats. Please sign up on the sheet in Centennial Hall or at <https://stjames.rocks/coffee23>

## THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

### **BIBLE STUDY**

*Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m.*

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84940791816>

Each Wednesday we meet on zoom to discuss one or more of our lectionary readings for the coming week. Participants learn methods of Biblical Criticism in order to delve more deeply into possible meanings of scripture. We ask about the author, the historical context, the narrative context, and, most importantly what it might mean for how we think about God and the way we live our lives today. This year we are focusing on the lessons from the Hebrew Scriptures, but will be reading stories from the Acts of the Apostles during the Easter season.

### **SEND IN YOUR PHOTOS**

*New Email address: [photos@stjamesbirmingham.org](mailto:photos@stjamesbirmingham.org)*

Whether attending a special event, like our book fair this Thursday, or our booth at Birmingham, or taking a Sunday morning photo at worship or people making blankets during coffee hour... we need your photos. To update our website (horizontal photos are best) or for the spirit or flyers, we want to show the world what St. James is about. Please send any pictures you have of worship, fellowship, service, or any of the other parts of our congregational life to [photos@stjamesbirmingham.org](mailto:photos@stjamesbirmingham.org) Thank you.

## NEXT SUNDAY AT ST. JAMES

### **PENTECOST READERS NEEDED**

If you can read in a language other than English, we can use your help on May 19<sup>th</sup> for the Pentecost lesson. To celebrate the speaking and understanding in tongues that occurred that day, we like to read in multiple languages. Contact Fr. Josh to volunteer or with any questions.

## COMING UP AT ST. JAMES

### **SUPPORT GROUP FOR NEW MOMS**

Thanks to a generous grant from the Diocese of Michigan, St. James is starting a support group for new moms. The group will meet Fridays 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the lounge beginning on May 31.

Modern motherhood is tough, and so often it feels like we're doing it alone. People need the space to breathe, to finish that sentence, to know they're not the only one that feels like this. We see a future where the mental health struggles of mothers postpartum are recognized, validated, and treated with seriousness and gentleness. Amanda Reister, a board-certified counselor, (LLC) as well as being a member here at St. James will facilitate the group.

If you know a new mom who could use support or just a morning out, please share the news. The group is free to attend, and women can sign up here:

<https://www.amandareistercounseling.com/new-moms-support-group>

Babies are welcome, but no judgement if moms need a few minutes to themselves.

## **SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE**

*One service at 9:00 a.m. June 2 – September 1*

Beginning on June 2, we will be switching to our summer service schedule and have a single celebration of the Holy Eucharist every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. This change for the summer alleviates some of the work for our many volunteers and also allows the entire St. James community to worship together.

## **FATHER'S DAY PHOTOS**

St James is celebrating Father's Day on Sunday, June 16 with an exhibit featuring a favorite photo of your father, stepdad, foster father, grandfather or anyone else who has been like a father to you.

All you have to do is provide us with a duplicate, original, or scanned copy of a photo of the man you want honored from any time during his life – from infant to adult. We'll have a card available for you to note a few facts, such as approximate date of photo, where taken and any interesting information you would like to share.

We'll be accepting photos for the display at a table staffed by Shar Wickens on Sunday June 1 and Sunday, June 8. Photos will be displayed on Sunday, June 15 and through the end of the month when they'll be available for a safe return to you.

Many of our parishioners will recall the May 2016 Mother's Day photo event "buzz" and the sense of community this event inspired. Whether you select something recent or find an historic photo from a dusty photo album, let's start searching! Kids, you are welcome to join in the fun with your favorite Dad photo.

## **CELEBRATING GRADUATES**

Do you have someone in your family who is graduating this season? Whether it is from High School, College, or Graduate School, we want to celebrate with you and congratulate them on their accomplishment. Please let us know by contacting Michelle Metry ([parishadmin@stjamesbirmingham.org](mailto:parishadmin@stjamesbirmingham.org)) and she'll send you a form to let us know some of the details about your graduate. The deadline to return the form is June 15.

## **VOLUNTEER AT ST. JAMES**

### **MAKE PB&J SANDWICHES for PONTIAC**

Every Thursday we need a volunteer or a family to come into church and make peanut butter & jelly sandwiches. We donate these sandwiches to a Community Breakfast at All Saint's in Pontiac. You can help by taking the time to make sandwiches (it takes an individual about 45 minutes to 1 hour). Sign up at <https://stjames.rocks/pbj>

## HELP OUT DURING THE SERVICE

Eucharistic Ministers assist Fr. Josh and Deacon Patti during communion. Tech support ensures our service is viewed by those who cannot be with us in person for worship. Questions about these ministries, ask Fr. Josh, Deacon Patti or Michele Wogaman.

## HELP BREAKDOWN AFTER COFFEE HOUR

We need families, or individuals, to sign up to help breakdown the tables and chairs after the 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour. You don't have to do the job by yourselves, just coordinate a few others in the room to get Centennial Hall ready for our Preschoolers on Monday morning. This would be a different group than those that sponsor coffee hour. Please sign up on the sheet in Centennial Hall or at <https://stjames.rocks/coffee23>

## LET'S GET TO CHURCH

Do you know someone who needs a ride to church? Or perhaps you are willing to drive someone to church on an occasional Sunday? Please contact Jane Barnes to volunteer as a driver and/or give her the name of someone who would appreciate a ride to church.

[Jane\\_barnesdivabasket@live.com](mailto:Jane_barnesdivabasket@live.com) or 989-293-2262.

## OUTREACH

### MENTAL HEALTH HOTLINE NUMBER

For people experiencing a crisis, they can call or text 988 to immediately get help from a trained mental health professional.

## STAFF & WARDEN CONTACT INFORMATION

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## PRAYER LISTS

### IMMEDIATE PRAYER LIST

Penny; Anne; Tom; Michael; Quenten; Bev; Jane Barnes; Michael Curry; Anita; Mary; Rich; Daniel; Cynthia; Sue M.; Linda Baldwin; Patti Fraley; Julian; Andy; Claire; Joe; Betsy Kent; and all those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

### SUSTAINING PRAYER LIST

Michelle; Richard; Noah; Maryanna; Natalie; Chuck & Mickie; Corinne; Evi; Pete; Mary; Marty; Sally; Don; Bill; Rachel; Dave; Sue; Mary Jo; Jean; Dave; Rob; Jacob; Bob.

### IN MEMORIAM

## WORSHIP SPONSORS

### SANCTUARY LAMP, ALTAR FLOWERS, LIVESTREAMING

Sign up to sponsor our service by paying for flowers, the sanctuary candle or the livestream: <https://stjames.rocks/sponsor> Or, you can call the office.

The cost is: Altar Flowers: \$75 / Sanctuary Lamp \$50 / Livestreaming \$100  
Or ALL THREE for \$200

## WORSHIP LEADERS

	Sunday, May 12	Sunday, May 19
8:00 a.m. EM	Jon Wickens	Vickie Hertenstein
8:00 a.m. Lector	Barbara Spencer	Diane A'Hearn
8:00 a.m. Ushers	Deric & Pam Righter	John & Pam Grier
10:00 a.m. EMs	Fred Austin, Nancy Schutte	David Stout, Michele Wogaman
10:00 a.m. Lectors	Angie Righter, Allie Hoover	Murray Christianson, Debra Lawson
10:00 a.m. Acolytes	Elise Everett, Timothy Hoover	Iain Hennebury, Luke Hennebury
10:00 a.m. Ushers	Marianne Ganiard, Nate Schmidt	Brody Gable, Mark Gable

<b>10:00 a.m. Tech</b>	Hank Everett, John Everett	Aiden Gable, Sophie Gable
<b>10:00 a.m. Nursery</b>	Andrea Everett	Marianne Ganiard
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Lauri Christianson, Marcia Murphy, Lois Yeats	Barbara Spencer, Lois Yeats, Andrea Everett

**Next Sunday's Readings: May 19**

\*Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:25-35, 37; Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15