



TO THOSE WHO
COURAGEOUSLY
GAVE THEIR LIVES....

AND THOSE WHO
BRAVELY FIGHT
TODAY...

MAY 25 2014

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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PARISH INFORMATION

WELCOME TO ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NEWCOMERS: Welcome! If you would like to become a registered member of the parish, please pick up a registration form located on either side of the exit doors or stop by the parish office.

INFANT BAPTISM: We baptize in English on the 2nd Saturday of the month, and in Spanish on the 4th Saturday of the month. Please contact the parish office for more information.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please contact the parish office or see the priest before Sunday or daily Mass.

MARRIAGE: Couples must contact the parish office at least six (6) months prior to the wedding date. No reception hall rentals should be made until the date is placed in the church calendar.

RCIA Anyone interested in becoming Catholic and learning about our faith, should speak to a Priest or Deacon.



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Monday: 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
 First Friday of each month: 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.



MINISTRIES/ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Society: *(Theresa Avila)*tavila@stjta.com
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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.
 1:00 p.m. (Misa en español)

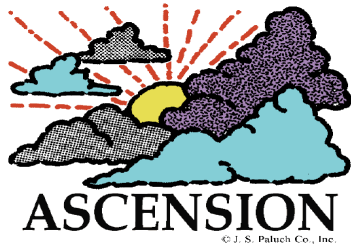
WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday-Friday 8:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Wednesday: 6:30-7:15 p.m.
 Saturday: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: FRIDAY BY 12:00 P.M.



PARISH OFFICES CLOSED ~ The parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 26th, for the Memorial Day Holiday. The Blessed Sacrament will not be exposed Monday evening.



PLAN TO GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE

We will have a blood drive here at **St. James** on **Sunday, June 1st, from 8am to 12:30pm in the Parish Hall.** Sign up in the vestibule after mass and give the gift of life!



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

The Knights of Columbus Council #6557 will award \$1,000.00 Educational Scholarships to graduating High School seniors. Two scholarships will be awarded to relatives of council members and one will be awarded to a St. James graduating parishioner. **Contact Bill Moeller at 832-594-4980 or Robert Cobb at 281-353-7269 for an application and details.** Applications must be received at the council no later than June 7, 2014.



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS COURT #2308

is sponsoring a **Baby Shower the weekend of June 7-8.** The shower will benefit Catholic Charities Pregnancy Services Program. Please place your donated items in front of the Altar in 2 weeks. The agency has requested monetary donations and gift cards to make purchases as needed due to limited facility space as well as diapers and baby wipes. Our Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court supports local and statewide community projects and we want to 'Thank You' for helping us with this project.

ACTIVITIES & READINGS THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, May 25, SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

- 7:30 a.m. Mass - *Gladys Samperi* +
- 9:00 a.m. Mass - *Pro Populo*
- 11:00 a.m. Mass - *Jose Fernando* +
- 1:00 p.m. Misa en Español - *Zelmira Villegas de Regalado* +

MONDAY, May 26, St. Philip Neri, Priest

Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a

~ OFFICE CLOSED ~

TUESDAY, May 27, St. Augustine of Canterbury

Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

- 7:30 a.m. Rosary
- 8:00 a.m. Mass - *Brittany Salathe* +
- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 9:00 a.m. Springtimers (*Parish Hall*)
- 6:45 p.m. American Heritage Girls Troop 355 Meeting (*JP II Rm*)
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Confirmation (*St. James Rm.*)

WEDNESDAY, May 28

Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15

- 7:30 a.m. Rosary
- 8:00 a.m. Mass - *Pat & Kathy O'Rourke* +
- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (*St. James Rm*)
- 6:30 p.m. Confessions (*South Confessional*)

THURSDAY, May 29, THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

- 7:30 a.m. Rosary
- 8:00 a.m. Mass - *Viola Johnson* +
- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

FRIDAY, May 30

Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

- 7:30 a.m. Rosary
- 8:00 a.m. Mass - *Int. Deacon Alfonso Chicas*
- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 7:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración (*Parish Hall*)
- 7:00 p.m. High School Youth Night (*Baseball Field*)

SATURDAY, May 31, THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Lk 1:39-56

- 8:00 a.m. Boy Scouts Bike Rodeo (*Parish Hall*)
- 3:30 p.m. Confessions (*South Confessional*)
- 5:00 p.m. Mass - *Jim Havonec* +

STEWARDSHIP

Who is a Christian disciple? One who responds to Christ's call, follows Jesus, and shapes his or her life in imitation of Christ's. Who is a Christian steward? One who receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord.

DSF 2014 ~
"GO FORTH AND BEAR FRUIT THAT
WILL LAST..."



Parish Goal for 2014:	\$85,000.00
Amount Paid:	\$36,919.02
Amount Pledged:	\$65,884.14
# of participants:	267
% paid at: 43.43%	Report date: 5/19/2014

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Thank you for your generous stewardship

Week ending May 17-18, 2014

Regular Collection (244 envelopes)	\$10,726.05
Mailed in contributions	\$ 3,226.88
Online Giving: 5/12-5/18/2014	\$ 2,094.62
Total:	\$16,047.55

Attendance: 1520

SCHEDULED SECOND COLLECTIONS:

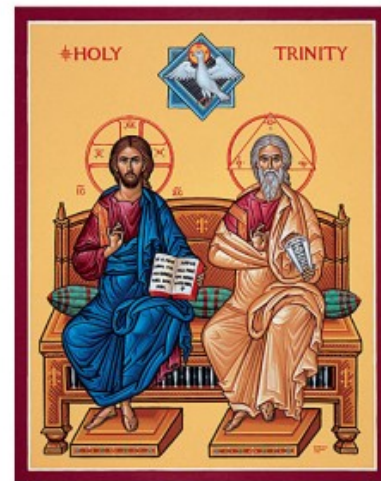
1st Sunday: Debt Reduction
5th Sunday: Social Ministry

Sign up for Online Giving by visiting
www.stjta.org

Stewardship Reflection: May 25, 2014

Sixth Sunday of Easter ~

"On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you." (John 14:20) Jesus is speaking to us about the Holy Trinity and our oneness with Him, God the Father, and the Holy Spirit. If we fully accept that this relationship exists, and if we embrace it to lead God-centered lives, we are much closer to the ideal of holiness the Lord wants for each of us. Stewardship is a God-centered way to live. One of the challenges of our secular society is that the way of life which we may see daily in all aspects of our experience, certainly on television and in motion pictures, is the opposite of stewardship. Rather than being God-centered it is often self-centered. Through all the readings for this Sixth Sunday of Easter we can sense this call to be one with God. The first reading from Acts reminds each of us that we are filled with the Holy Spirit, just as the Samaritans were. Peter's letter (the second reading) imparts the value of having Christ alive in our hearts. Of course, Jesus Himself, speaking to us through the Gospel of John, assures us that striving to be one with Him means that we have within us an Advocate, the Paraclete, the Holy Spirit. This is the Comforter Who allows us to accomplish much.



PLEASE let the parish office know if you moved or your phone number has changed.

If you are a registered parishioner, and want your church donation entered into our records, please use your Sunday envelope (with your name, address, and amount) or visit our website at www.stjta.org to register online for your Sunday donation.

*Visit our newly re-designed website – www.stjta.org
and join our Facebook forum.*

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE WHO RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
THIS MONTH:
FELICITACIONES A TODOS LOS QUE RECIBIERON EL SACRAMENTO DE PRIMERA COMUNION
ESTE MES:**

Victor Andrade	Dexter Anyichie	Tiffany Badillo	Dana Barrios	Kincaid Broussard
Litzzy Castillo	Jobeth Chavez	Jose Chavez	Caleb Clemons	Mercedes Cruz
Crystal Garcia	Matthew Garcia	Lazaro Garcia-Lara	Jorge Garza	Joan Gavani
Angela Gonzalez	Silvano Gonzalez	David Gutierrez	Jade Hernandez	Juan Hernandez
Alexandria Lancey	William Le	Nathan Lopez	Daniel Lugo	Elizabeth Mancilla
Angel Martinez	Jose Martinez	Michael Martinez	Adamaris Mendez	Sharai Mondragon
Meara O'Neill	Marc-Anthony Ortiz	Alyssa Osborne	Giovanni Pangilinan	Angel Penaloza
Anthony Penaloza	Kailee Penright	Pamela Posadas	Alondra Ramos	Ashley Rodriguez
Jonathan Rodriguez	Daniel Rosales	Bruno Samame	Renzo Samame	Angelica Sanchez
Jocelyn Sanchez	Alessandra Segovia	Jorge Tavares	Ian Torres	Emilio Trevino
Leonardo Tristan	David Trujillo	Raul Urias	Brenda Urias	



First Communion
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**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE
ON THE PRAYER LIST**

Natalie Martinez, Donna St. Clair, David Henry, Sarah Calzada, Hai Nguyen, Gerard Mokry, Luis Lopez, Josie Travlos, John Bowden, Evelyn Callery, Teresa Ozog, Rick Loudon, Edna Ford, Jamie Ford, Suzanne Williams, Sheryl Payne, Kathy Woods, Donna Steen, Akasha, Alan Ames, John Lyke, Michael Moran, Ken Bacon, Thelma Istre, Joal Jones, Andrew, Gloria Melgar, Brunilda Salinas, Muncey Family, Joseph Gallagher, Felix Gomez, Debbie Borders, Moises Woods, Andrea Duran, Hannah Henry, Ayanna Williams, Perla Rodriguez, Matthew Noonan, Andrew Flores, Katherine Miller, George Hawkins, Marissa Ramirez, Taylor Sitton, Rosie Whorton, Wayne Isaacs, Helen McAuliffe, Brian Shaw, Trey Spikes, Robert Hovanec, Raymond & Michelle Vera Jr., Florida Chicas, Pat Schultz, Zeny Naguit, Gail Nevlud, Mary Ahr, Erin Musick, Angela Ganucci, Rose Marie, Joseph Moone.

**ALSO FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY
AND THOSE WE HOLD IN OUR HEARTS**

If you or a member of your family experiences illness or injury call the parish office and we will add that name to the prayer list. We post the name in the bulletin for 4 weeks, and pray every day for those on the prayer list (present and past).



BIBLE STUDY
WEDNESDAY MORNINGS FROM
10:00-11:30AM IN THE
St. James Rm. Join us as we study
Ezekiel as the inspired word of God from a cultural,
geographical, and historical perspective.

**** AROUND THE DIOCESE ****



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Discover the joy of the risen presence of Jesus in your marriage. A prayerful and loving weekend of rediscovery is scheduled for **June 20 - 22, 2014**. This will be a weekend of renewal and joy. For many who have attended, this has been the most significant event in their married lives. The Application fee is \$100. There will be an anonymous free will offering collected at the conclusion. **Find out more or sign up at: www.houstonme.org or call (713) 482-1791.**

SERVICIO DEL FONDO DIOCESANO 2014
“VAYAN Y DEN FRUTO ABUNDANTE Y DURADERO...”



Meta de la parroquia 2014: \$85,000.00

Pagado: \$36,919.02
 Promesa: \$65,884.14
 # de participantes: 267
 % pagado: 43.43% Fecha: 5/19/2014

NO SE OLVIDE DE ANOTAR LA CANTIDAD DE SU DONACION EN SUS
SOBRES DOMINICALES
 CADA SEMANA PARA DARLE EL CRÉDITO APROPIADO

NUESTROS DONES A DIOS

Gracias por su ayuda Cristiana De Los Dones

Fin de Semana del 17-18 de mayo de 2014

Colecta Regular (244 sobres)	\$10,726.05
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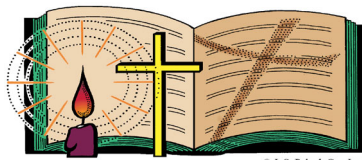
SEGUNDA COLECTA PROGRAMADA:

1er domingo: Reducción de la deuda
 5o domingo: Ministerio Social

REFLEXION

El Espíritu Santo es Consolador, no porque dé palmaditas en la espalda y diga: “Lo siento”, o “Todo va a estar bien”. El Consuela mediante la palabra de Dios que sostiene en la desgracia y alivia la angustia que nos abrumba. Y es que nada hay más afín al Espíritu que la Palabra inspirada de Dios. Ella asegura al fiel la compañía de Dios, en cada paso y circunstancia. Dios nos da su Espíritu con su Palabra, y así está con nosotros.

**CITA DE
 LA
 SEMANA**



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Que cada uno estime a los otros más que a sí mismo... Que reine la **concordia** entre ustedes. No sean, pues, altivos; más bien pónganse a nivel de los humildes.

Romanos 12: 10, 17

SABIA USTED?

Las pilas del agua bendita

¿Por qué hay pilas de agua bendita a la entrada del templo?

Entramos a la Iglesia a través de las aguas del bautismo. Esto fue el comienzo de nuestro proceso de iniciación. Cada vez que entramos al templo nos acordamos de nuestro bautismo al bendecirnos con el agua bendita “en el nombre del Padre y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo”. Los bautisterios estaban cerca de la entrada del templo o incluso en un edificio separado próximo a las puertas del frente. Hasta después del bautismo la persona entraba al recinto de la iglesia.

La pila bautismal

A raíz del Concilio Vaticano II nuevamente empezamos a ver el bautismo como un Sacramento a ser celebrado en medio de la asamblea, esto es, en el contexto de toda la comunidad. Por razones prácticas, la pila bautismal era colocada al frente, de manera que la asamblea pudiera observar la acción. Sin embargo, ahora los templos se construyen con la pila cerca de la entrada y a la vista de la asamblea, de manera que el simbolismo de entrar a la Iglesia a través de las aguas del bautismo sea de nuevo evidente.

Al mismo tiempo, la pila bautismal a la entrada de la iglesia hace que las pequeñas pilas sean innecesarias y permite que nos bendigamos con el agua de *la* pila, lo cual nos conecta más con nuestro propio bautismo. Cada vez que nos bendecimos de esta manera, se convierte en una renovación consciente de nuestro propio compromiso bautismal y en una afirmación de nuestro derecho y deber de rendir culto, como parte del Cuerpo de Cristo llamado por Dios, en un grupo de personas reunidas.

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