



St. James Church
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www.aitkincatholic.org

*Welcome to the Parishes of
St. James and Holy Family
Catholic Churches
And Our Lady of Fatima Chapel*

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Holy Family Church
2 S Maddy St. McGregor
www.mcgregorcatholicchurch.org

Mass & Confession Times

Mass Schedule

Weekday*	Weekend*	
Most Mon	7:30 am (SJ)	Saturday 5:00 pm (SJ)
Tues	8:30 am (HF)	Sunday 8:00 am (HF)
Wed-Fri	8:30 am (SJ)	10:30 am (SJ)

*Pray the Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet one-half hour before Holy Mass.

Pray with the Knights

Join the Knights of Columbus on Tuesday mornings at 8:00 am at St. James to pray the Holy Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and other devotionals.

Confessions

Saturday	10:00–10:45 am	St. James
	4:00–4:40 pm	St. James
Tuesday	5:30–6:30 pm	Holy Family
Wednesday	5:30–6:30 pm	St. James
	(or by appointment)	

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**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 11, 2024**



**6th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." - Mk 1:40-41

Readings of the Week ©LPI

Readings for the week of February 11, 2024

Sun: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/
1 Cor 10:31–11:1/Mk 1:40-45
 Mon: Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75,
76/Mk 8:11-13
 Tues: Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15,
18-19/Mk 8:14-21
 Wed: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20–6:2/Ps 51:3-4,
5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thurs: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/
Lk 9:22-25
 Fri: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/
Mt 9:14-15
 Sat: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Lk 5:27-32
 Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
(see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

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MASS+ INTENTIONS

Monday, February 12

7:30 am No Mass (SJ)

Tuesday, February 13

8:30 am Ray Marsyla † (HF)

Ash Wednesday, February 14

10:00 am Wagner Family (OL)

6:00 pm Paul Ruzynski (HF)

6:00 pm Tim Anderson † (SJ)

Thursday, February 15

8:30 am Jim Ryan † (SJ)

Friday, February 16

8:30 am Michael Oihus Family (SJ)

Saturday, February 17

5:00 pm Richard Flier † (SJ)

Sunday, February 18

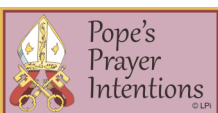
8:00 am Tressa Morres † (HF)

10:00 am Lacore Family (OL)

10:30 am For the People (SJ)

(HF)-Holy Family • (SJ)-Saint James •
(OL) Our Lady of Fatima

Mass Intentions: Deceased †



For February:
For the Terminally Ill

Let us pray that the sick who are in the final stages of life, and their families, receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment.

Sacraments

Baptism

Please contact the parish office to arrange for Baptism preparation and to schedule a Baptism.

Marriage

Couples are required to contact the parish office to make arrangements at least six to eight months in advance of the planned date.

Hospital Admission

If you are admitted to the hospital, please have a friend or family member notify the parish office for visits and prayers for you.

Communion for the Sick & Homebound

Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick

If you are experiencing a serious illness or if someone is close to death, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament.

Weekly Schedule ©LPI

Sunday, February 11

After 8:00 am Mass

Fellowship, Coffee and Treats (HF)

After 8:00 am Mass

First Sacraments Class (HF)

After 10:00 am Mass

Coffee and Treats (OL)

Tuesday, February 13

6:00 am

That Man is You (SJ)

8:00–9:00 am

Pray with the Knights (SJ)

9:30 am

Rosary Makers (SJ)

Noon–3 pm

Food Shelf Hours (SJ)

5:00 pm

Finance Council Meeting (HF)

5:30–6:30 pm

Confessions (HF)

Thursday, February 15

9:00 am to 6:00 pm

Adoration (SJ)

9:30 am to 5:00 pm

Adoration (HF)

10:00 am

Cemetery Board Meeting (SJ)

5:00 pm

Stations of the Cross (HF)

6:00–7:00 pm

OCIA Class (SJ)

Friday, February 16

8:00 am

Men's Group (HF)

9:00 am

Stations of the Cross (SJ)

Sunday, February 18

After 8:00 am Mass

Fellowship, Coffee and Treats (HF)

After 8:00 am Mass

First Sacraments Class (HF)

After 10:00 am Mass

Coffee and Treats (OL)

After 10:30 am Mass

Coffee and Donuts (SJ)

Vocations Chalice Schedule

Date	St. James	Holy Family
2/11	Steve Kinzer Family	Justin Handt Family
2/18	Patsy Christensen	Terry Klosterman

LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating one meal, with the possibility of two smaller meals that do not add up to a single full meal.



**Ash Wednesday
Mass Times**
Wednesday, February 14, 2024

10 am at Our Lady of Fatima Chapel, McGrath

6 pm at Holy Family, McGregor

6 pm at St. James, Aitkin

BEST LENT EVER 2.0

Sign up for Best Lent Ever at www.dynamiccatholic.com.

“Each day of Best Lent Ever, you’ll receive a short, free video from Matthew Kelly full of profound spiritual insight and intensely practical ways to apply the consecration to your life.



Consecration means to dedicate yourself to God and make yourself 100 percent available to Him. With three simple daily steps, you can prepare your heart, mind, and soul for this powerful surrender.”¹

The Little Black Book

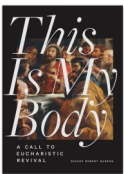
6-minute meditations on the Passion according to Luke.

These books are available at your parish. Please pick one up to help you on your journey this Lent. “The idea is to find six minutes of quiet time every day for the next 50 days, and walk through this Little Book a page at a time. Six minutes. That’s within reach. And it’s an investment that will pay big returns.”²

The Little Purple Book for Children

Signs and Symbols of Our Faith

“Each page holds a special message about God and our church. Do one full page every day during Lent and you will discover symbols and signs about our Catholic Faith.”³



This Is My Body

This book from Word on Fire is a parish gift to parishioners. “*This Is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival* is designed to accompany the National Eucharistic Revival. In this brief but illuminating text, Bishop Barron offers a threefold analysis of the Eucharist as sacred meal, sacrifice, and Real Presence, helping readers to understand the sacrament of Jesus’ Body and Blood more thoroughly so that they might fall in love with him more completely.”⁴

¹ dynamiccatholic.com/lent ² The Little Black Book

³ The Little Purple Book for Children ⁴ bookstore.wordonfire.org

Black and Indian Mission Collection

Next week, our parishes will take up the 140th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast.

Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!



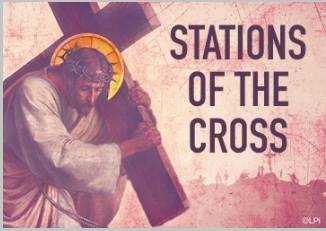
FORMED is excited to present curated content to help the Church journey through this Lenten season. In this collection are resources to help the faithful deepen their understanding of various Lenten days, practices, and devotions. You can find resources on prayer, the mystery of Christ’s Passion, the roots of Holy Week found in Judaism, and many things to help guide the faithful through the holiest days in our liturgical year—the Triduum.

We pray that all of these resources draw us deeper into the mystery of Lent, Holy Week, and the Triduum as we look forward to the joy of the Resurrection.

From [watch. Formed.org/lent](http://watch.Formed.org/lent)

Stewardship Report (Fiscal Year: July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024)

Through January 28, 2024	St. James	Holy Family	Our Lady of Fatima
Attendance	270	89	20
Received	\$3,926	\$1,673	\$244
Fiscal Year to Date Goal	\$191,395	\$59,133	\$5,929
Fiscal Year to Date Received	\$193,292	\$62,126	\$5,215



Lent Schedule

Stations of the Cross opportunities available for all parishes

St. James:

Stations of the Cross: 6:00 pm Wednesdays (Feb 21-March 20)
Soup Supper held each Wednesday at 5:30p pm
Stations of the Cross: 9:00 am-Fridays following morning Mass
(February 16-March 22)

Holy Family

Stations of the Cross: 5:00 pm (February 15-March 21)

Our Lady of Fatima

Stations of the Cross: 9:30 am prior to Sunday Mass (February 18-March 17)

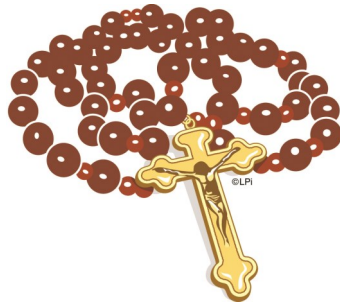


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Holy Family
2 S Maddy Street, McGregor

Rosary Makers

St. James Rosary Makers will be meeting on Tuesday, February 13th at 9:30 a.m. New members are welcome. If you have any questions, call Roseann at 218-927-2505.



Prayer REQUESTS

Prayer Chain

There are updated prayer requests available in the Narthex. This comes with a beautiful "healing" prayer. Please feel free to take one and, if you have a request, give Shirley Scollard a call (218-839-0754). Prayer is a powerful tool and we have many who are praying for people on our prayer chain.

St. James Liturgical Ministers*

*For the latest updates, check Ministry Scheduler Pro (MSP)

Ash Wednesday, February 14 at 6:00 pm

Sacristan Adam James
Servers Tyce Jorgensen, Jerome Joerger
Lector Dolores Wickham
EOMs Irmgard Boyer, Fran Kohanek
Ushers Hugh Janzen, Mark Ritter, Colton Varner, vol.

Saturday, February 17 at 5:00 pm

Sacristan/Server Bob Cummings
Lector Glenda Flier
EOM Terry Stein
Ushers John Appel, Martin Schmitt, 2 volunteers

Sunday, February 18 at 10:30 am

Sacristan TBD
Servers Jerome Joerger, Bentley Host
Lector Peg Lundberg
EOM Marie James
Ushers Josh Joerger, Ellie and Russ Hoppe, vol.

Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

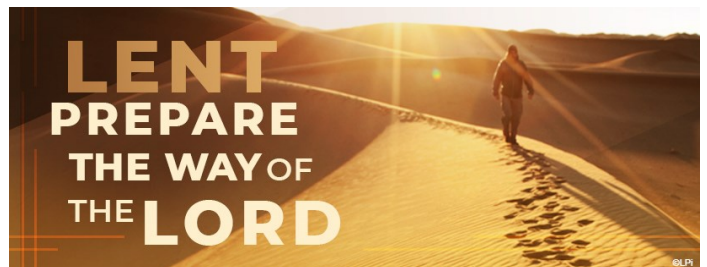
Holy Mass Schedule*

102 S Highway 65, McGrath

During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be at 9:30 am before Holy Mass.

Sunday, February 11, 2024 at 10 am
Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 10 am
Sunday, February 18, 2024 at 10 am

*Note this schedule is subject to change.



Youth / Religious Education



**No Religious Ed
Classes:
February 14**

February 14 is Ash Wednesday.
Please attend 6:00 pm Mass as a
family. Religious Education
Classes resume on February 21



Upcoming Religious Education Schedule

February 21, & 28
March 6, 13, & 20
March 27-No class
April 3, 10, 17 & 24

Attention Confirmation Students

A mandatory Confirmation Retreat is scheduled for March 15-17 at Big Sandy Camp in McGregor. Please go to the Diocese of Duluth website to register. All Confirmation students who will be confirmed in the spring must attend this retreat. Please contact Jen if you have any questions.



Just for Kids..... Catholic Trivia

Question: Which prayer is also called the Angelical Salutation?
Can you find the answer? The answer will appear in an upcoming edition of the bulletin.



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Holy Family Religious Education

Classes for First Reconciliation and First Communion prep will be on Sundays

- ◆ February 11th
- ◆ February 18th
- ◆ February 25th

at 9 am in the basement of Holy Family. A light breakfast will be provided for kids and parents. Any questions, call Andrea at 763-360-2058.

Upcoming Events

Group Rate Tickets Available for Star of the North Eucharistic Congress

May 17 & 18, 2024
The Sanford Center—Bemidji, MN



For those interested in attending the Star of the North Eucharistic Congress and wanting to save money by not having to pay the Ticketmaster Fees for individual tickets, we are organizing a group ticket order for our parish members. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity, please see the information below:

Complete each of the steps below:

- Register at <https://crookstoneucharist.org/register>. Only one registration is necessary per family.
 - Call or email the parish office (office@aitkincatholic.org) by February 13th.
- Submit payment for the tickets to the parish office. (Please make checks out to St. James and write Eucharistic Congress in memo line.) Tickets are \$40 for adults, \$30 for youth (ages 7-17) and free for children 6 and under.

Sign up today!

THIS WEEKEND: See bulletin insert for Cross Catholic Outreach WELLS OF SALVATION and how your family can participate. More details in next week's bulletin.



40 Hours Devotion at St. Francis Church in Brainerd

St. Francis Church in Brainerd invites you to join us for our 16th Annual 40 Hours Devotion, the first weekend of March. Fr. Louis Merosne, a priest who serves the church and the poor in Haiti will be our featured speaker on "The Eucharist – Sacrament of Love." Plan to come anytime during the weekend and spend some time in quiet adoration, hear Fr. Louis's talks and participate in communal prayer. Sign up for an hour of adoration on our website at brainerdcatholic.org under Events.