



The Shell

An e-letter for

Saint James the Greater Church, Cincinnati, Ohio

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The Shell, is a periodic email newsletter for the parishioners and friends of Saint James Church. This does not replace the Sunday bulletin or Parish Life. It's an opportunity for brief updates and news. A symbol for our patron saint is a shell and that gives the name to our e-letter.

Church re-opening

“Thank you” to everyone who helped with the re-opening of the church. It was a grand event. A special recognition has to be given to our Youth Choir for their participation in the Mass. Our Youth Choir is composed of students at McAuley, St. Xavier, LaSalle and Saint James School. They did an outstanding job on Saturday.

Communion stations

Even before we re-opened, we knew we might have to adjust the Communion stations. The problem is that we have no idea where people are going to sit. Nor how many people will be at each Mass. This is compounded by the fact that the first weeks all have special events. The 4:30 opening was a full house and the sports teams at 10:00 a.m. filled it again. But at 8 we had whole sections that were empty. Next Sunday is First Communion, which throws everything off again. So, patience is needed as we figure out what to do and that is based on normal attendance at Masses.

Shakedown

One kneeler broke during the opening Mass. One of the new main doors by the font broke on Sunday. If anyone notices something that isn't working correctly, let us know. I also ask that we be gentle with things. That's the only way we can keep the church looking good.

Youth Group Party

The parish high school Youth Group will have a party on Sunday, June 2 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. For the past months a group has been planning this first event. Posters are in all the high schools and we hope everybody will spread the word to our high school parishioners.

Father Nolker