

ST. JAMES PARISH SUPPORT

Please support these groups, because they support your children!

Hello, and welcome to St. James School. We are pleased that you have chosen St. James to help in the education and moral development of your child. Together the parents, students, teachers, and parish organizations will work together to give our children a solid foundation in their education and faith.

Our mission is to provide faith formation and a holistic educational experience which enables students to become self-confident, contributing members of society.

There are several organizations in our parish that help us to accomplish this mission. These groups provide financial and volunteer resources through fundraising efforts and activities to decrease the financial burden on parents. We are blessed to have many active, talented and caring parishioners who donate countless hours towards the success of our mission.

- **St. James PTA** is an active group that conducts school fundraisers such as the Sandy's Pizza sale, Basket Raffle at the Spot Shoot, dressing fundraiser, annual Card Party, and others. Our PTA provides the school with many of the basics and often the "extras" to make daily instruction and annual celebrations enjoyable for everyone. Just a few examples of how PTA supports St. James:
 - ✓ Purchases newly adopted textbooks
 - ✓ Provides teacher classroom money
 - ✓ Supplements the student book fee to help with cost of book replacements and reorders
 - ✓ Technology maintenance
 - ✓ Annual Accelerated Reader fee
 - ✓ Field trip admission and bus expenses for preschool-8th
 - ✓ Annual celebrations and receptions
 - ✓ Provides for various other requests, as needed
- **St. James Altar Society and Men's Club** are composed of the men and women in our parish who meet monthly and generously support St. James Parish and School. The Altar Society's main source of income is Madden Hall rentals, such as wedding receptions and other celebrations. The Men's Club members take care of the maintenance of the campus buildings and the parish grounds. Their monthly sausage-making is a big fundraiser, as well as Lenten fish suppers. Several volunteer cook teams of men and women provide food at wedding receptions and fish fries, with clean-up teams coming in after the events. Just a few examples of how the Altar Society and Men's Club have funded projects at St. James include:
 - ✓ Donating to the textbook fund
 - ✓ Purchasing technology for the school
 - ✓ Remodeling the school restrooms
 - ✓ Miscellaneous donations to the school as needed