

## **St. James the Apostle 65th anniversary gala**

**October 12, 2019**

I want to give my best regards to all who are attending this Spirit of St. James Gala – Celebrating 65 years -- The Past, The Present, and The Future – in recognition of St. James’ legacy on the South Side of San Antonio.

Your parish has been blessed with wonderful deacons and priests, such as Bishop Yanta – and especially your beloved Salesian Sisters – and your dedicated parishioners lead many active ministries and organizations in this vibrant parish and school.

I am especially pleased that you are highlighting the “On the Way Andale” capital campaign this evening.

Your contributions will support the capital campaign and will help provide for the needs of the parish and school

Pope Francis continually calls us to become missionary disciples and urges us not merely to maintain things as they’ve always been, but rather to keep listening to the call of the Lord and keep going forth. This is how we bring the Gospel to those who have never heard it, to those who are alienated from the Church or hurt within the Church, and those who are poor, vulnerable, or just captive of our secular culture.

This anniversary is a moment for parishioners new and old, under the guidance of your great pastor Father Joseph Kandeor, Principal

**Jennifer Grenardo, and the Sisters, to come together as never before, to bear witness to the Lord Jesus here and beyond.**

**May the Lord bless this parish family abundantly as it looks to the future with hope and joy! God bless you, happy anniversary to St. James, may the Lord bless & keep you always in His love!**