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Dear Parishioners of St. James, Families & Alumni of CAA and Friends:

Here we are again, it's time to plan and prepare for our annual St. James Fair. Last year was one of our most successful year's and the fair committee is busy planning an even better event this year for our 51<sup>st</sup> Fair. That is why I am sending you this letter asking for your help. Even though it seems like a small thing to purchase the enclosed Raffle tickets and/or send in your Fair Memorial Leaflet envelope, it is a tremendous help in closing the gap in our budget.

**This year marks the 51<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of our St. James Fair! This year's Fair dates are June 26th, 27th & 28th. One of the most crucial factors in determining the financial success of the upcoming Fair comes from the sale of the annual raffle tickets.** I ask, especially if you haven't done so in the past, to please consider selling or purchasing these raffle tickets. If you could sell or even purchase for yourself the one booklet enclosed, that would be an immense help to us. And, who knows, you might win a great prize in return. I invite you to forward the completed ticket stubs with a check for \$15.00 to us. If you would like to sell more books, we would be happy to get them to you. I thank you in advance for supporting Augustinian Academy. For those of you who live nearby we are also in great need of workers to assist with all the various aspects of running the Fair. Even if you could give an hour or two, it would greatly help. It takes all of us working together to help make our fair a success and keep our parish family and school open and vibrant. Please contact the office to find out more information.

For the benefit of those who would like to also remember their deceased or to recognize their living loved ones, **we will again have a Fair Memorial Leaflet that will be published in the parish bulletin in early July. I invite you to return the enclosed Fair Memorial Offertory Envelope with the names you wished published along with a separate donation you would like to give in their memory. Please do not return your Raffle stubs and money in the Memorial Offertory Envelope.**

Appreciatively yours,

Rev. Todd E. Thibault  
Pastor

**P.S: I want to thank Bezanilla-McGraw Funeral Home, Bossuot-Lundy Funeral Home, and Carthage Savings & Loan Association whose financial contributions help underwrite the cost of printing and distributing the enclosed fair tickets.**

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