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Office Hours:

Mon-Fri 8:30AM-3PM (Closed 12-1PM for Lunch)

Church Visiting Hours:

Mon-Fri: 8AM-2:30PM Sat: 9AM-1PM

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, January 7: 5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, January 8: Epiphany of the Lord 8:00AM - Fr. Dennehy 10:00AM - Fr. Santos 12:00PM - Fr. Dennehy

DAILY MASS:

Mon-Fri: 7:30AM Saturday: 8:30AM U.S. Holidays: 8:30AM

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday at 4:00PM or by Appointment; Please call the Office.

DEVOTIONS:

Rosary & Novena:

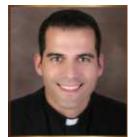
Mondays at 7:00PM in the Church and on Facebook Live

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesdays at 7PM Second Saturdays at 3PM

RECTORY OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS:

On Monday, Jan. 2nd the office will be closed.

PASTOR'S COLUMN



On behalf of everyone at Saint James Church, we wish you a blessed, healthy and prosperous New Year!

Fr. David C. Santos, Pastor

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REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

She Kept All of These Things in Her Heart by Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

"What was my first word? Who was there when I was born? When did I start to walk? Which toys did I play with? What made me cry when I was a baby?" My oldest has reached the age where she has started to ask questions like this. As she grows up, she is realizing that, in order to understand the world around her, she must first understand herself. This makes her insatiably curious about her own identity, her history — her "origin story," as they say in the movies. I've got most of it documented either in writing or in photos, but even if it's a detail that wasn't scribbled in a baby book or saved to my digital cloud, it's a memory that I can quickly summon and make real for her as we snuggle and talk about who she was, who she is, and who she may become. I'm the mom. I have kept all of these things in my heart. The Blessed Mother knew more about God before opening a book than most of us could discover after a lifetime of study and prayer. There is no one whose knowledge of Christ was so intimate, so deep, so simultaneously ordinary and extraordinary, as the human woman who bore him, birthed him, nursed him, raised him and eventually gave him up. In the way that I can tell my daughter everything there is to know about the part of her life she cannot recall, Mary can tell us everything we need to know about Christ. All we have to do is ask. "Mary kept all of these things in her heart." — Luke 2:19 OLPI

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27

The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 67 May God bless us in His mercy.

Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7

...God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then also an heir, through God.

Gospel Acclamation: Hebrews 1:1-2

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.

Gospel: Luke 2:16-21

And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.

Visit www.usccb.org to access full Mass readings online.

Christmas Memorials

THE CHRISTMAS NATIVITY
IS DISPLAYED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Raffaele & Sabino Battaglia r/b The Battaglia Family

THE WREATH IN THE SANCTUARY IS DISPLAYED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Matthew Swajkowski r/b Cynthia & Matthew Vincent & Alison Swajkowski

THE CHRISTMAS TREE IN THE NARTHEX IS DISPLAYED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

The Swajkowski & Felegi Families r/b Cynthia Swajkowski

THE CHRISTMAS TREES IN THE SANCTUARY ARE DISPLAYED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

The Deceased Members of the Delmauro Family r/b The Battaglia Family

Grandson, Michael P. Bongiovanni r/b Deacon Jerry & Family

Susan Sullivan r/b Her Sister, Pat

Tony Graziano r/b Anne Graziano & Family

Paul & Ann Marie Bentivegna r/b The Bentivegna Family

THE WREATH PLACED AT THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE IS DISPLAYED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Marie & Ettore Vecchione r/b Daughter, Jill

THE OUTDOOR CHRISTMAS CRECHE IS DISPLAYED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Pete Petino r/b Family

THE WREATH PLACED AT THE SHRINE OF SAINT JAMES IS DISPLAYED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Philip & Rose Ann Citro r/b Daughters and Family

THE WREATH OVER THE DOORS
INSIDE THE CHURCH IS DISPLAYED IN
LOVING MEMORY OF:

Irene Kareivis & Catherine McCluskey r/b Kathy & Joe Kareivis

THE WREATH OVER THE DOORS
IN THE NARTHEX IS DISPLAYED IN
LOVING MEMORY OF

John D. Pflug, III & Garrett Gurrieri
r/b Family

THE WREATHS ON THE OUTDOOR COLUMNS ARE DISPLAYED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Deceased Members of the Battaglia Family r/b The Battaglia Family

The Zara Family r/b Battaglia Family

Angela and Daniel Raimondo r/b Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser & Maryann VanVolkenberg

Hanna Grasso r/b Niece & Family

Louis Stiglitz
r/b Wife, Marilyn Stiglitz

Susan Lang r/b Mother, Marilyn Stiglitz

Mary Moessner r/b Daughter, Marilyn Stiglitz

Lewis Moessner r/b Daughter, Marilyn Stiglitz

The Deceased Members of the Mossner Family r/b Marilyn Stiglitz

> Mary Stawasz r/b Marilyn Stiglitz



OFFICE PHONE: (973) 376-2061

Happy New Year! We are excited to begin the new year with you and your family! Families should be working on Session #4 in their Pathways box.

Classes resume January 10th for 7th Graders.



SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM

Please call the Rectory to schedule your child's Baptism: (973) 376-3044

RECONCILIATION

4:00PM on Saturdays or by appointment.

ADULT SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION & RCIA

Please call the Rectory for information concerning the RCIA process. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process where individuals who seek to receive the Sacraments of Initiation or who have never been baptized enter into full communion with the faith.

VOCATIONS

Thinking Priesthood? Are you being called? Visit the Archdiocese of Newark Office of Priestly Vocations. Call: 973-313-6190. Email: info@newarkpriest.com. Social media: @NewarkPriest. Web: newarkpriest.com

Do you know someone who...

Was never baptized, or was baptized in another Christian denomination, and has expressed interest in becoming Catholic? Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?

Saint James the Apostle Church offers an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for adults and for children/youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm, accepting setting.

For more information, please contact the Religious Education Office at (973) 376-2061.

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00am For the People of Saint James 10:00AM **Protection of the Unborn**

r/b Fernandez Family

12:00PM Gloria Madrid

> r/b Michael G. **Eddie Graziano** r/b Joseph Graziano

MONDAY, JANUARY 2 St. Basil the Great

8:30AM Francis Congema

r/b Mary Ellen & Gary Capron

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3 7:30AM Rose Lavin

r/b Ellmer Family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 7:30AM Michele Vespa r/b Michelina Vespa

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

St. John Neumann

7:30AM Mary Jo Scutro

r/b Camille Mitarotonda

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

7:30AM John Montana, Jr.

r/b Janice Montana

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

Theresa Nikithser 8:30AM

> r/b Lou Cantagallo Pablo Ortiz Velasco, Jr.

r/b Cecilia Reyes & Van Corteza

5:00pm Ray Alberti r/b Wife

> **Jackie Vicidio** r/b Louis Cantagallo

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00AM Paul Macciachera

r/b Susan Pappalardo

Robert Holmes r/b Mary Vesey

10:00AM Catherine Hardenbergh

> r/b Roethlin Family Nicolina Bruccoleri

r/b Colandrea Family

12:00PM Carmela & Romaldo

r/b Carmela Fusco Helen Almeida r/b Vickie Steinback

Lord, Hear Our Prayer.



SANCTUARY LAMP:

Msgr. William Hatcher r/b Nancy Caputo

BREAD & WINE:

Fr. John F. Tyks r/b Brenner Family

To dedicate the Sanctuary Lamp, Bread & Wine, or Flowers by the Tabernacle to the memory of a loved one, please call the Rectory Office.

A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, Dolores Battiato, Jackie Belitti, Anita C. Bentz, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Marie Boin, Victoria Burns, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Thara Chandran, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, James Curry, Maureen D., Beverly DeMarzo, Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., Marguerite Duchantier, Victoria Egner, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Ann Graziano, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, Eddie Jenna, Dana Kelley, Dexter Kennedy, Art Kistler, Irene Kurpieski, Camille LaTouche, Dina Ledogar, Maureen Le Goff, Lucille Lerner, Andy Lindgren, Angelina Lipski, Chenoa Lipski, Richie Lipski, Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Erica Luther, Toni Ann Marabello, Maria Martino Fender, Angie Mazzarisi, Leonard McGinley, Stan Mickham, Richard Miele, Andres Montero, Timothy Morgan, Martin Muguerza, Ive Mureny, Christian Murphy, Cassidy Musson, Carol Muzacs, Michael Neer, Mary O'Connor, Rafaelina Oliviero, Anna P., John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Ray Slater, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Erin Wade, Anne Wallis, MaryEllen Warren, Elisa Warshall, Christopher Waryn, Peggy Wysock

Please Note: For privacy reasons and HIPAA regulations, names may only be added by members of the immediate family after they have received permission of the one who is sick. In the event of serious illness or hospitalization, the restory charles by notified. Visite to the side and in the serious charles are the side and in the serious charles and the serious charles are the side and the serious charles are the seri rectory should be notified. Visits to the sick and homebound are made by the priests, deacons and ministers of the Eucharist. It is not necessary for someone to be "gravely ill" to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

A TIME TO DIE

Jennie DeCorte Pat F. Pantalone

A TIME OF WAR AND PEACE

Tim Arentz, Lance Corporal Kevin Bernor, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, Capt. Sean P. Eadie, Stacy Enyeart, David Fenton, Shane Fenton, Luis Fonseca, LCPL Christopher P. Garrigan, 2LT Christopher W. Impellizzeri, Cpt. Brian Jacobs, 2LT Andrew Kerwin, LCPL Kyle Thomas Lynaugh, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten, Phillip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 2nd Lt. John Rogacki. Capt. Stacia Rogacki, Cpt. Steven Rogacki, 2LT Raymond Williamson

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

UNION COUNTY

AND NEED HELP WITH:

Housing Insecurity?
Rental Assistance?
Legal Representation?
Credit Counseling and more?

Please contact JOE CORREA immediately: jcorrea@thewaterfrontproject.org

www.thewaterfrontproject.org

A nonprofit organization dedicated to assisting economically disadvantaged people – the working poor, seniors, veterans, and those living with disabilities – to address their civil legal issues and concerns.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals Weekend of December 18th

 Regular collection
 \$ 6,552.00

 Online Giving
 \$ 7,448.00

 Total
 \$ 14,000.00

We accept online credit card donations. Parishioners wishing to mail-in or drop off their weekly contribution in the Rectory mail slot are welcome to do so.



ONLINE GIVING

To sign up for Online Giving, please visit saintjamesparish.org or scan the QR code with your smartphone.

Thank you for your generosity!

FRAUD ALERT: Please be aware that emails are being sent out by scammers claiming to be members of the Saint James parish community, including Fr. David Santos. Please disregard any emails from anyone claiming to be associated with Saint James, including Fr. David Santos, with solicitation to purchase gift cards or offer any other cash donations. In any event, please feel free to call the parish rectory to confirm any and all solicitation before contributing. We have contacted the local authorities to make them aware.



FINANCE COUNCIL CORNER

May the blessings of God be with our St. James parish community in the New Year.

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests. Luke 2:14

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