



SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

Roman Catholic Church

STRIVE TO ENTER
THROUGH THE
narrow gate.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | AUGUST 21, 2022

YOU ARE Welcome Here

45 South Springfield Ave,
Springfield, NJ 07081
(973) 376-3044

Office Hours:

Mon-Fri 8AM-3PM

(Closed 12-1PM for Lunch)

Church Visiting Hours:

Mon-Fri: 8AM-2:30PM

Sat: 9AM-1PM

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, August 27th:
5:00PM - Fr. Dennehy

Sunday, August 28th:
8:00AM - Fr. Santos
10:00AM - Fr. Santos
Livestream Available Online
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

A MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID

With 2023 marking the 100th anniversary of St. James the Apostle Church, we enter this Centennial Year of celebration grateful that the Holy Spirit has guided this faith-filled community.

Although the impact of the pandemic **presented** challenges to our parish, it also helped reflect its **strengths**.

Our parish is **thriving** in many ways. Our ministries are **alive** and **active**. Our community outreach, youth religious education and adult faith formation programs continue to flourish, and many new and young families are finding a spiritual home here at St. James. **We are blessed and foresee a bright future ahead.**

This is a unique time in the life of the parish and our centennial provides us the perfect time to creatively, courageously, and collectively think about our present needs as well as our future needs.

A major necessity that has become evident is the need for an accessible, spacious, versatile, and attractive area to gather in fellowship for events, meetings, and parish activities as well as providing administrative space.

In consultation with the Pastoral Council, Finance Council and Parish Trustees, we are embarking on a Feasibility Study. This study will allow parishioners to provide their input in helping us determine our capacity to conduct a parish Capital Campaign and obtain the necessary financial support to achieve the goal of the construction of a New Parish Center.

Every registered household should have already received a mailing inviting you to participate in the feasibility study that is intended to solicit your thoughts and perspectives regarding this project. The parish leadership and I want to know your thoughts of the prospects for the Capital Campaign in meeting the related construction costs.

As a parish, we will not make a decision to conduct any efforts to raise the funds until the feasibility study is completed and all the results are reviewed.

The goal to construct a beautiful, new parish center is dependent on your participation, your involvement, and your commitment.

As a preliminary step and to help us in this work, we are partnering with the Office of Development and Stewardship at the Archdiocese of Newark, and the office's Director, Thomas J. Smith on this feasibility study. Please know that **our parish will not incur the expensive costs usually associated with retaining outside counsel for these services.**

Please read the letter and the case statement enclosed in the mailing and then consider participating in the feasibility study by responding accordingly. Copies of the feasibility study mailing materials are available from the parish rectory office upon request.

A visual rendering of the proposed parish center will be on display in the narthex of the church starting Sunday, August 14th and is also enclosed in the mailing.

We look forward to your prayerful thoughts and participation.

Friends, **THANK YOU** for all that you do for our parish and for making St. James a special place to worship God! God bless you!



PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE *Centennial Year Festivities*

Saint James the Apostle will celebrate its Centennial Year in 2023. We are pleased to announce that ***the kick-off of our centennial celebration will coincide with the installation of our 14th pastor, Father David Santos on September 18th, 2022.***

We will celebrate the centennial throughout the coming year with various events and activities including a Centennial Mass with Joseph Cardinal Tobin as the main celebrant and homilist. This joyful event will be followed by a parish family picnic.

The Centennial Committee looks forward to your presence and participation in all the events. Please stay tuned and check the bulletin and our online platforms for more information.

***Remember our Past
Celebrate our Faith
Lead the way into the Future***

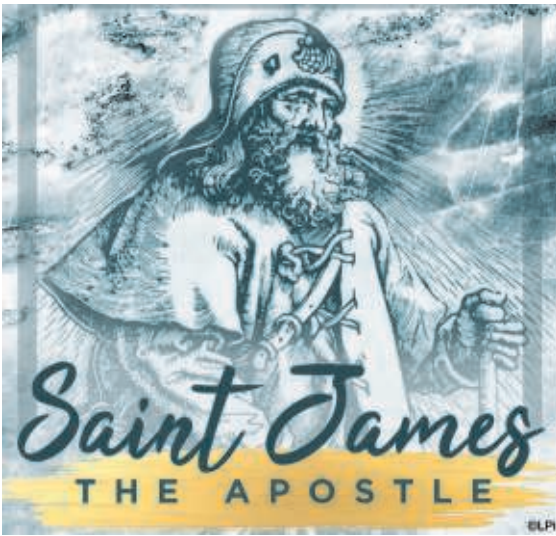
Join the *Saint James Choir!*

You are invited to join the music ministry at Saint James the Apostle as we begin a new season in September under the direction of Mr. Philip La Gala.

Our choir provides music for the 10:00AM Mass on Sundays and on the last Saturday of the month at 5:00PM. (September through June). On occasion, we also enhance liturgies during holy days and special Masses.

Rehearsals will take place every Thursday in the church, beginning promptly at 7:00PM and typically lasting about an hour. All interested members (high school age and older) are welcome to join our community of song; no prior singing experience is necessary. Please contact Philip La Gala with any questions at musicdirector@saintjamesparish.org, or feel free to speak with him after Mass.

Our first rehearsal will take place on Thursday, September 8 at 7:00PM in the church as we begin preparing for Fr. Santos' installation as our new pastor. We look forward to singing with you!



SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

Thus says the LORD: I know their works and their thoughts, and I come to gather nations of every language; they shall come and see my glory.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 117

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Second Reading: Heb. 12:5-7, 11-13

At the time, all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain, yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it.

Gospel Acclamation: John 14:6

I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

OFFICE: (973) 376-2061

EMAIL: ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org

Fr. Santos and I are so excited to welcome our parish families to Religious Education this year! Families who had children in our Faith Formation Program last year have already received detailed information. We are excited to share with all of our parishioners information about the model we will be using. Over the last few years, we have transitioned from the classroom model of religious education to the Family Faith Formation model. For those who are less familiar with Family Faith Formation, it can easily be described as a model of religious education that empowers parents to activate and embrace their role as the primary faith model in the life of their child(ren), all while having the guidance and active support of the Saint James staff and parish community.

As we make the transition into the Family Faith Formation model, please know that this model is built on **two pillars**: the **parish church** (the Saint James community) and the **domestic church** (the family's home).

Pillar #1 - The Parish Church: Once a month the families come together after either the 10:00AM or 12:00PM Mass. We gather as a large group and begin the session with light refreshments, fellowship, prayer, and the lesson of the month. On certain Sundays, the children will go to a classroom with their appropriate grade level teacher for a 20-minute lesson. While the children are with their catechists, the parents will have their own faith development opportunity.

Pillar #2 – The Domestic Church: An exciting and crucial element of this program is to rediscover the home as the key location where young people's faith formation really happens. While it is statistically clear how pivotal the role the family and the home plays in the faith life of a child, we are also aware of the other commitments you and your child(ren) have in your daily lives. We truly believe this model of catechesis will eliminate the stress of choosing between participating in extracurricular activities and continuing to provide your child(ren) with religious instructions. You can do both!

Since this is a family-based program, all children in the family (grades 1-6) will participate using this model. Older children in grades 7th and 8th will remain in the Confirmation preparation program which will continue to meet twice a month in the church on Tuesday evenings.

If you have a child entering 1st grade in public school or have any questions about our Faith Formation Program, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Religious Education Office. Enjoy the rest of your summer!



Saint James Tin Can Auction Needs Your Help!

One of the major highlights of the annual Saint James the Apostle Parish Festival is the Tin Can Auction - and your help is needed to make this year's event even more successful than the last!

The Tin Can Auction is a tricky-tray-type event during which festival goers purchase raffle tickets for prizes donated by area residents and merchants.

Saint James needs contributions of prizes - goods, services, event tickets and other items - to make its Tin Can Auction a success.

If you own a business or wish to donate goods, services, event tickets, or other items, please contact Antoinette Miller through the Rectory office at (973) 376-3044, or you can email tincanauction@saintjamesparish.org.

Saint James Fall into Fun Fair

**September 24th, 2022, 10:00AM - 4:00PM
at Saint James the Apostle Church**



BOOK SALE

**Gently used hard
& soft cover books
from many topics!**



CRAFT FAIR

**Support local artists
& vendors! Many
types of crafts!**



CAR WASH

**Get your car
sparkly clean!**

CALLING ALL VENDORS FOR THE

Saint James Craft Fair

Saturday, September 24 - 10:00 am – 4:00 pm - \$25 per table

**Please fill out information below and return with
Your check for \$25 made out to: Saint James Parish**

In Memo please put: Table at Craft Fair

Business Name: _____

Business Contact: _____

Craft Type: _____

Telephone: _____

For additional information, email: Specialevents@saintjamesparish.org

SECOND COLLECTION

Next Weekend: Aug. 27-28

Archdiocesan Assessment

This collection provides funds to manage the Archdiocesan office and agencies, and to provide educational, charitable and social services.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Thank You Message:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the virtual baby shower! The expectant mother said she felt so very blessed to be the recipient of the generosity of people she has never met. She is now well equipped to welcome her baby son home.



SIGN UP FOR OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER!

Stay up to date on all parish happenings! As part of our effort to communicate more effectively with you, we have launched an e-newsletter through a platform called Flocknote. The newsletter will contain parish news, event updates, and much more. Here's how you can sign up:

- > **Text NEWSLETTER to 84576**
- > Visit saintjamestheapostle.flocknote.com
- > Fill out a card at the info center in the church narthex

If you signed up but haven't received emails or have found the newsletter in your spam folder, be sure to add mail@flocknote.com to your email contacts list and/or choose the option "Mark as Not Spam," or similar when you open the email.

SACRAMENTS AT SAINT JAMES



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

Is God calling you to the Priesthood or Religious Life? Speak to one of our priests or call the Vocations Office: (973) 497-4365.



MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

5:00PM **John Montana**
r/b Janice Montana
Janice Bongiovanni
r/b Deacon Jerry

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

8:00AM **Jose Sanchez**
r/b Connie Garcia & Family
10:00AM **For the People of Saint James**
12:00PM **Angie & Daniel Raimondo**
r/b Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser
and Marianne Van Volkenburgh

MONDAY, AUGUST 22

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:30AM **Ann Rizzo**
r/b Pat Sullivan

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

7:30AM **Robert Hunrath**
r/b John & Cindy O'Reilly

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

7:30AM **Richard Matela**
r/b Gene & Nieves Salle

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

7:30AM **Antony Lofredo**
r/b Jo Ann Lofredo

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

7:30AM **Don P. Richards**
r/b Linda Graziano

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

8:30AM **Joanne Insauto**
r/b Aida Gamboa, Penny Montana,
& Janine Nagroste
5:00PM **Joseph Perez**
r/b Cocoa & John Catallo
Helen Reedy
r/b Reedy Family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

8:00AM **Edna Pinkham**
r/b Pat Sullivan
Antony Lofredo
r/b Sue & Rob Hagenbush
10:00AM **Michael Patuto**
r/b Wife
Christopher Juliano
r/b Claire & Mark Bernstein
12:00PM **Alex & Elsie Bokyo**
r/b Lesniewski Family

Lord, Hear Our Prayer.

SANCTUARY LAMP:

For the People of Saint James



BREAD & WINE:

For the People of Saint James

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 Anelli, 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., Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., 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, 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 rectory should be notified. Visits to the sick and home-bound 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:

Jacob Delva

A TIME OF WAR AND PEACE

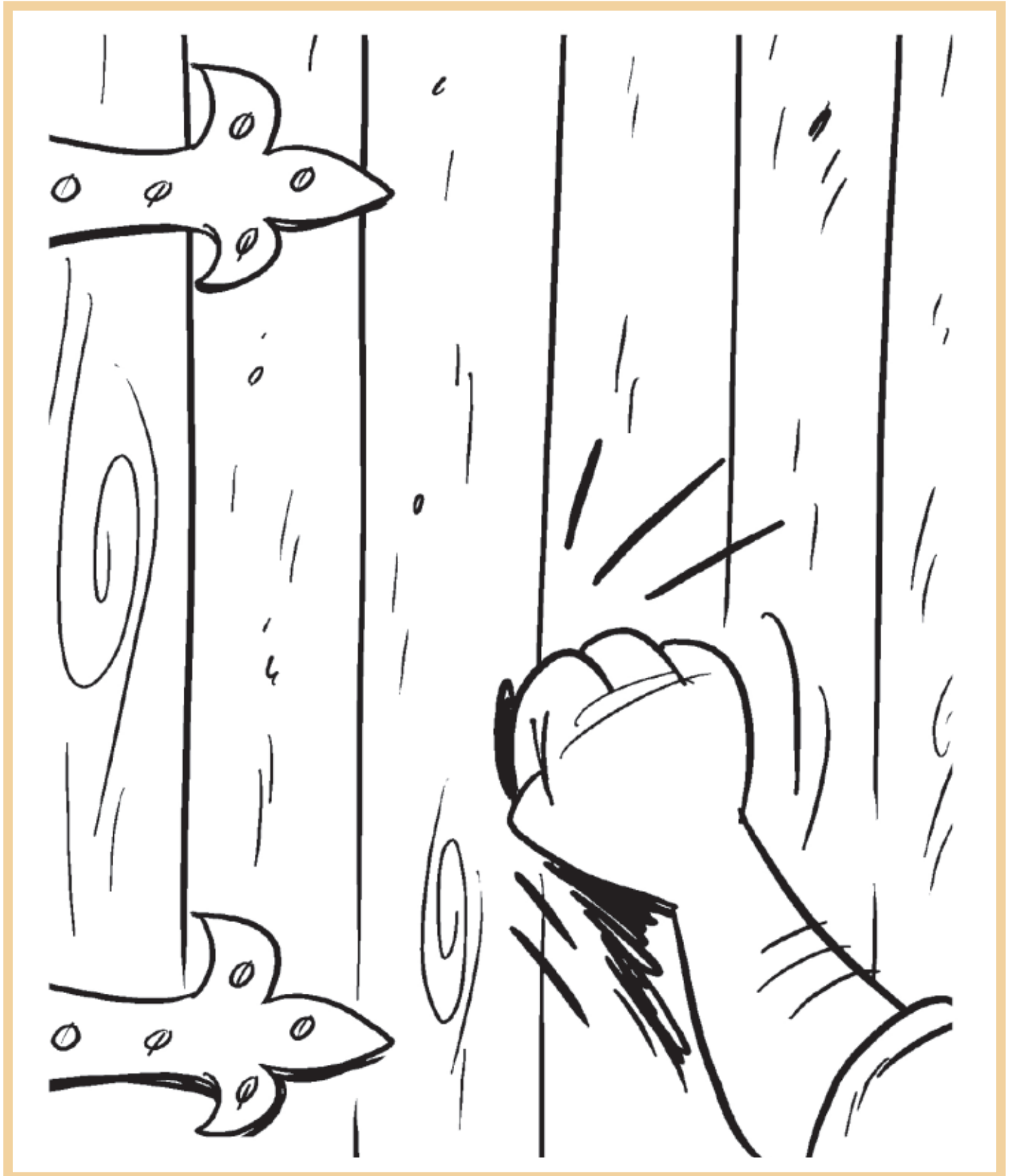
Tim Arentz, Lance Corporal Kevin Bernor, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, Capt. Sean P. Eadie, Stacy Enyeart, David Fenton, Shane Fenton, Luis Fonseca, LCPL Christopher P. Garrigan, 2LT Christopher W. Impellizzeri, Cpt. Brian Jacobs, 2LT Andrew Kerwin, LCPL Kyle Thomas Lynaugh, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten,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

A TIME TO BAPTIZE:

Bowen Frederick Cahill
Joshua Le Roux
James Le Roux
Alan Solis
Olivia Tess Vigilante

FOR THE KIDS

The Narrow Gate



Gospel

Heaven will be wonderful! People from all over the world will be there to enjoy God's friendship. No matter how small you feel now, you will always be important to God, both now and when you get to Heaven. Once you accept the gift of love from Jesus, you will want to change your life. You will want to spend time with God, and you will want to show love to other people. Then you can look forward to Heaven!

Prayer

Dear God, help me to do all that I can to grow closer to You!

Mission

Pray with your family and ask God to change your hearts so that you can love Him more than anything else.

Draw

Draw a picture of you and Jesus in Heaven!

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

DO YOU LIVE IN 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 August 13/14

Regular Collection:	\$ 7,548.00
Online Giving:	\$ 2,737.00
Total:	\$ 10,285.00

We also 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

Did you know?... The second collection the weekend of August 27/28 is for the Archdiocese Assessment... but did you know how St. James benefits from the assessment funding? We benefit greatly by being part of a larger Archdiocesan faith structure from receiving administrative services provided at no cost to the parish such as pension plan administration, legal and human resources services, as well as a number of other operational costs such as property and health insurance expense items that if purchased directly by the parish would far exceed our assessment cost. Will you help us cover this assessment expense?

Remember... Give, and it will be given to you. Luke 6:38

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Deacon Jerry Bongiovanni
Please call the rectory to reach Dcn. Jerry

PERMANENT DEACON

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