

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE Roman Catholic Church



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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, October 8: 5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, October 9: 8:00AM 10:00AM Livestream Available Online 12:00PM

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

Church and on Faci Live

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

A MESSAGE FROM FR. SANTOS



REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

My niece, Sara is the youngest of my sister's three children. She loves taking chances. Always has. When she was 4 years old, she announced to me that she was going to jump from the landing five steps above her parent's backyard steps. I told her that it was too dangerous and that she could certainly hurt herself. She nodded and hung her head, saddened. So I stood at the bottom of the stairs and told her I'd catch her.

"That was fun. Let's do it again," she shouted running back up the stairs. And so it went for about ten minutes. I finally told her that we had to stop. Her mother was putting dinner on the table. I caught her one last time, set her down, and started walking into the house. I looked over my shoulder to make sure she was following me. There she was back on the top step. She smiled at me and jumped. I dove and caught her.

"Sara, you could have been hurt." "No, Uncle David. I knew you would catch me." This time I took her hand and made sure we walked in together. Despite what people say, **trust can't be blind**. It's not a license to be foolish or reckless.

Friends, listening to God leads us to act as God would have us act, even (or maybe especially) if we are tempted or even foolish enough to do it our own way.



SAINT JAMES CAMPUS REDEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Last week the Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for the school and convent properties were sent to over 50 companies. The submission due date for responses to the RFPs is November 17th. At that time, officials from the Archdiocesan Office of Property Management Administration, members of the parish's Campus Redevelopment Committee, and myself will evaluate the submissions.

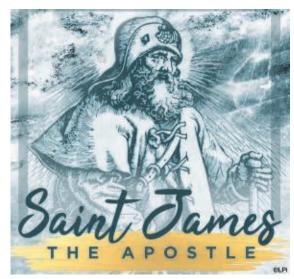
My plan is to schedule a parish Townhall meeting shortly thereafter where parishioners will hear a presentation regarding the results of the RFPs and have an opportunity to ask questions. We are eager to review the proposals and present them to you.

Centennial Capital Campaign Feasibility Study

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our feasibility study regarding the potential construction of our parish center. The results have been very positive, and many families and individuals have participated thus far. If you have not yet participated there is still time to participate. We ask that you complete and return the survey either online on the parish website or via paper (available in the narthex). We are working with the Archdiocesan Development Office who will continue to reach out to schedule time to speak with families. We anticipate more updates regarding the study and the parish center in the upcoming weeks. Thank you again.

Lease of the Saint James School Building - Temple Sha'arey Shalom

For the Jewish High Holy Days of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur this September 25th through the 27th and October 4th and 5th, the parish will be leasing the main floor of the school building to Temple Sha'arey Shalom, a local house of worship. We are pleased to provide a space for Temple Sha'arey Shalom to gather as a community of faith during the holiest of seasons. The parish is also negotiating with Temple Sha'arey Shalom on a potential year-long lease of the main floor of the school building. The potential lease will provide a temporary home for Temple Sha'arey Shalom here in Springfield, in addition to providing us with a tenant as we begin the formal process of soliciting proposals for redevelopment of the school and convent properties.



SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading:

Habbakuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

The rash one has no integrity; but the just one, because of his faith, shall live.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 95

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Second Reading:

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.

Gospel Acclamation: 1 Peter 1:25

The word of the Lord remains forever. This is the word that has been proclaimed to you..

Gospel:

Luke 17:5-10

So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"

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

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FEASIBILITY FAQ

QUESTION #1. What is the plan for the use of the school and convent buildings?

As previously reported to the parish, a Campus Development Committee of parishioners has been established that is working, in conjunction with the Parish Council and the Finance Council, in seeking proposals from developers to determine the highest and best use of the property to allow the parish to meet its determined objectives. This process is also proceeding in coordination with representatives of the township of Springfield and the assistance of the Office of Property Management Administration of the Archdiocese of Newark.

QUESTION #2. How will the proceeds from a potential lease agreement or property sale be utilized?

Currently the proceeds are intended to have a three-fold purpose, one is to extinguish the approximately \$800,000 parish debt to the Archdiocese, the second is to establish a permanent ongoing revenue source for the parish, and thirdly would be to purchase a residence to serve as the St. James rectory.

QUESTION #3. If the site of the new Parish Community Center is going to be where the rectory currently stands, then where will the rectory be?

Yes, the new Parish center will sit on the footprint of the existing rectory. Where the rectory will be relocated has been a key part of the planning process and will be addressed in the Campus Development Committee plan along with the developer proposals.

QUESTION #4. Will the new Parish Center be connected to the church building?

Currently the new parish center is not designed to be directly connected to the church building but indirectly connected through an extension of the already existent outdoor arcade. The design will provide quick and easy access to the parish center from the church.

QUESTION #5. How will the construction of a new Parish Center impact parking? Will parking be impacted if we sell the school and convent buildings?

As part of the planning for the new Parish Center and the planning for the usage for the school and convent property, parking is proposed to increase by a minimum of 70 spaces.

QUESTION #6. Why don't we renovate the school building and use that as the new Parish Center and move the parish offices in there?

We have explored this option with the Office of Property Management and Administration of the Archdiocese of Newark. The professional consensus is that renovating and repurposing the school building to serve as a parish center and parish offices would not work for the parish to meet its necessary and established objectives. First and foremost, the financial resources required for a total renovation of the school building would be enormous and are well beyond our means. The plan moving forward for the school and convent property, among other things, needs to include the ability to extinguish the debt to the Archdiocese and provide for a means for establishing an ongoing revenue stream for the parish.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

PASTORAL COUNCIL UPDATES

Please join Fr. Santos and the Pastoral Council in welcoming our new members:

Jenny Bernard | Andrew Kerwin | Patricia Morris | Michael Ryan

Thank you for saying "yes" to the call to serve. Your decision to gift St. James with your time and talent will bear much fruit. We look forward to an exciting, productive and grace filled year ahead.

We also wish to express our gratitude to our outgoing members:

Kenn Fernandez | Israel Lopez | Robin Melleno

They have worked with passion, dedication and utmost sincerity in service to God and the mission of the Church. St. James has been blessed by their stewardship.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10.



YOUTH NIGHT AT SAINT JAMES

As we settle back into the new school year, Saint James invites students in 8th grade and higher to enjoy s'mores and Bible Games on **Sunday, October 2nd from 6:30-8:00PM** in the lower parking lot behind the Saint James school building. Please RSVP to the Rectory so we are sure to have enough s'mores for everyone. Hope to see you there!



ROSARY & PROCESSION

In observance of the Month of the Holy Rosary and the October apparition in Fatima, we will be celebrating the occasion at Saint James with a Rosary and Marian Procession on **Monday, October 3rd at 7PM.**

FALL SMALL GROUP SERIES:



The CHOSEN

Join us for a unique and exciting small group experience based on "The Chosen", a groundbreaking streaming series based on the Gospels. Participants will screen each episode at home (using The Chosen App or on Prime) and then gather in groups of 10-15 to discuss the show. We will meet for 6 weeks beginning on Monday, October 3rd and running through the week of November 14th (No group gatherings the week of the Parish Festival).

Sign up at this QR code, or online at saintjamestheastpostle.org.



PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

HEI PING THE HUNGRY MINISTRY

BREAKFAST BAG NS COLLECTION

DONATIONS WILL SUPPORT NOURISH.NJ

Drop off after all Masses

OCTOBER 8 & 9



Sign up required in order to manage storage limitations



Gallon-sized ziploc bag containing:

- single-serve box of cereal
- single-serve box of shelf-stable milk (i.e. Parmalat)
- 100% fruit juice box or 8 oz. bottle of water
- granola bar
- fruit cup
- plastic spoon & napkin

Also needed: banker boxes for storage and drivers to deliver to nourish.NJ in Morristown

The Helping the Hungry Ministry will be collecting Breakfast Bags at all Masses on October 8 and 9. The Breakfast Bags will be donated to nourish.NJ in Morristown, an organization whose goal is to create lasting solutions to the problems of hunger, homelessness, and poverty in our communities. The Breakfast Bag program supports local children in need.

We are also in need of drivers to pick up the breakfast bags at Saint James on Sunday, Oct. 9 at 12:15 and then deliver them to nourish.NJ (36 Sussex Avenue, Morristown) on Monday, Oct. 10 or Wednesday, Oct. 12. We also need banker boxes to store and transport the Breakfast Bags. Sign-up is required to best manage donation quantities due to storage limitations at nourish.NJ. Sign up using the QR code here.



AROUND THE COMMUNITY

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY OF HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH

The Bereavement Ministry of Holy Spirit Church will again offer its Christ centered support group session for those in need of help coping with the loss of a loved one. The next session will begin Wednesday October 19th and will meet for 8 weeks on Wednesdays at 7:30-8:30PM through December 7th at Holy Spirit Church in Union (at the corner of Morris Avenue & Suburban Road, Union, NJ).

Participation is FREE, however, REGISTRATION is required. Please contact the parish office at (908) 687-3327. Let us be your companions for the journey. God bless you!



GAMES * RIDES * FOOD * MUSIC * BEER TENT * TIN CAN BASKET AUCTION AND MUCH MORE FUN!



FESTIVAL SPONSORS October 11 - 15, 2022

Would you like to learn about how to be a sponsor to support the Saint James Parish Festival? There are various opportunities available for individuals, families, and businesses. For additional information on how to support this great and very important fundraising event, email: festivalsponsors@saintjamesparish. org.

TIN CAN AUCTION

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

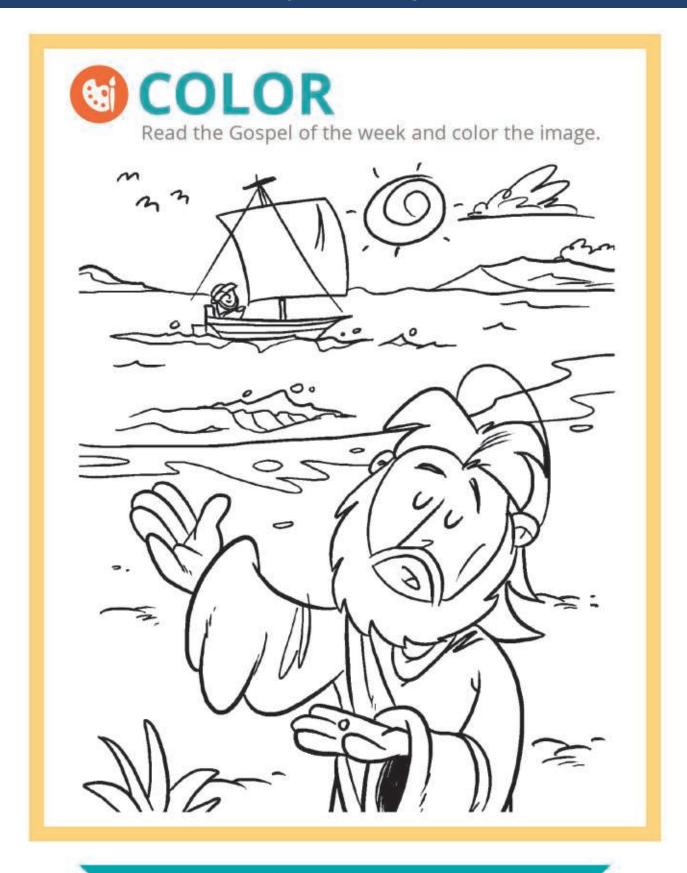
Saint James needs contributions of prizes-goods, services, money, event tickets and other items to make its Tin Can Auction a success!

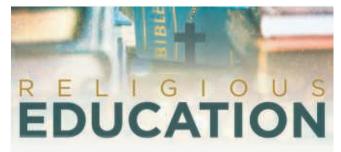
If you own a business or wish to donate goods, services, event tickets or other items, please contact Antoinette Miller through the Rectory Office at (973) 376-3044 or send an email to tincanauction@saintjamesparish.org.

SUPER 50/50 RAFFLE

TICKETS FOR THE
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FESTIVAL ARE BEING
SOLD AFTER EVERY MASS.
GET YOUR TICKETS TO
SUPPORT OUR FESTIVAL AND
RAISE THE TOTAL WINNINGS!

FOR THE KIDS





OFFICE PHONE: (973) 376-2061

This coming Saturday our 2022 Confirmation Class will attend a special retreat at the Kearney Youth Center, please continue to pray for these students as they continue on their journey to Confirmation.

We hope you are planning to join us for the screening of The Chosen! Bring your chair or blanket and experience this depiction of Jesus's life among us. This is open to all families and individuals, popcorn will be served!

We also invite you to volunteer and come to our parish festival next week! Volunteer information is found elsewhere in this bulletin.

The link to the online registration for Family Faith has been closed. Please call the Religious Education office for assistance.

Do you have a student interested in entering a Catholic high school in September 2023?

Parents and students can find information and forms pertaining to the Cooperative Admissions Program and admissions tests for the Catholic high schools in Bergen, Essex, Hudson, and Union County, at **catholicschoolsnj.org** under the Admissions tab. Information about High School Expo events and a directory of Catholic high schools can be found at catholicschoolsnj. org as well.

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

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

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY

Members of this ministry pray for the people who are ill, in the hospital, undergoing surgery, or who have been involved in an accident, are grieving the loss of a loved one or any other special intention. If you know someone in need of prayers or if you would like to become a member of this ministry, please contact the Rectory office at (973) 376-3044.

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus

5:00PM Carl Quick

r/b Yannazzone Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

8:00AM For the People of Saint James

Ronnie Fusco

r/b Carmela Fusco

10:00AM Francesco & Salvatrice Giordano

r/b Roglieri Family

12:00PM Irene Villanova

r/b Daugther, Carol

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

7:30AM Gaetano D'Agostini

r/b Family

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4
Saint Francis of Assisi

7:30AM George Schmidt

r/b Wife

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

7:30AM Laura Trowbridge

r/b Eileen, Catherine and Tina

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:30AM **Juli**

Julius Vincent Olano r/b Gene & Nieves Salle

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7
Our Lady of the Rosary

7:30AM Joseph Dorneo

r/b Family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:30AM Nenita Ayeras

r/b Gene & Nieves Salle

5:00PM Andrew Foscto

r/b Michael & Theresa Quick

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

8:00AM Sr. Claire Ouimet

r/b Inneo Family

Jennie Stallone

r/b Michelle Sblendorio

10:00AM Amelia Montana

r/b Janice Montana

12:00PM James J. Carney

r/b Patty & John Carney

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 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., 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 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

Reverend Alfred V. Celiano Reverend George M. Reilly Maurice Salcfas

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 September 23/24

Regular Collection: \$ 6,042.00
Online Giving: \$ 2,785.00
Total: \$ 8,827.00

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?... Signing up for online giving is quick and easy. The start of the Fall season brings with it cooler temperatures, back to school activities and before long the busy holiday season. Take one thing off your list by signing up for online giving today. With a few quick selections, your giving can be set up for the rest of the year and beyond.

Remember... Online giving makes for easier living.

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