



SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

Roman Catholic Church



WHOEVER EXALTS
HIMSELF WILL BE
HUMBLED AND THE
ONE WHO HUMBLER
HIMSELF WILL BE
EXALTED.

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | OCTOBER 23, 2022

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YOU ARE
Welcome Here

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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 29:
5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, October 30:
8:00AM - Fr. Dennehy
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

PASTOR'S COLUMN



Reflection on the Readings

A spiritual director ruined one of his directee's favorite pastimes—judging others and putting them down. He didn't want to acknowledge that's what he was doing. He preferred to call it small talk or dishing the dirt. But then his spiritual director cut into his fun, and he did it with just seven words: "If you spot it, you got it."

His point was that when you see some trait in another person that irritates you, odds are that you have the propensity for that same quality in yourself. Not liking it in you, you attack it in others. The faulty hope underlying this strategy is that you can persuade yourself you're better than others. All it does, however, is separate you from others—and from God.

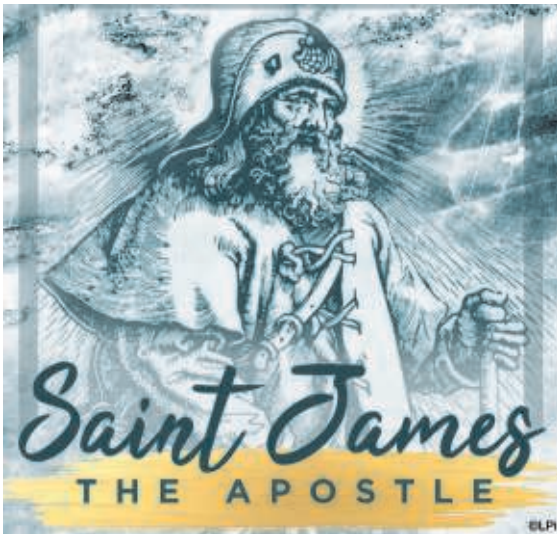
Jesus surprised and upset his listeners when he told the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector. The Pharisee thanked God he wasn't like the tax collector. But in fact, he was like the tax collector. WE ALL ARE. We all have the capacity to sin; we all have selfish impulses that run counter to our actual best interests. Because the tax collector was willing to acknowledge that and ask forgiveness, he went home justified in the eyes of God. That's something the Pharisee just couldn't spot. Friends, we are called to encounter one another with the same mercy God heaps on us.

Parish Staff Update:

Michelle Sblendorio, Business Manager and Assistant to the Pastor

One of the many blessings that I have encountered here at St. James is the parish staff. The staff's dedication, professionalism and comradery help to make our service to the St. James community meaningful, fun, and faith-filled. As a staff member, Michelle Sblendorio has been a significant contributor to the parish's ability to minister effectively and operate soundly over these last 7 years. Whether it was joyfully greeting a visitor at the rectory office door; diligently managing the parish office's operations; compassionately facilitating the preparation of a funeral liturgy with a grieving family, and even patiently assisting me as the pastor, Michelle has graciously shared her song of service with this community. For that and for so much more, we wish Michelle good fortune and blessings in her new employment. While we will miss her presence in the rectory office, we are happy to know that she won't be leaving us totally. Michelle, see you in the cantor's stand and in the pew!

*Thankful
for you*



SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest till it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds,

Responsorial: Psalm 34

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

I am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith.

Gospel Acclamation: 2 Cor. 5:19

God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, and entrusting to us the message of salvation.

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.

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

PASTOR'S COLUMN (cont.)

Saint James Campus Redevelopment Update

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 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.

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

The parish has negotiated a 10-month lease with Temple Sha'arey Shalom for the main floor of the school building. The 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.

Quote of the Week

Judging others makes us blind, whereas love is illuminating. By judging others, we blind ourselves . . . to the grace which others are just as entitled to as are we. -Dietrich Bonhoeffer

CENTENNIAL YEAR EVENTS



Saint James the Apostle Church presents

5K FOR THANKS

Run/Walk & Kids Turkey Trot

Nov. 24th—Thanksgiving Morning

8:00am Check-in/Registration - 9:00am Start - 9:45am Awards
8:45am Kid's Turkey Trot

Race Start/Finish:

St. James the Apostle Church
45 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, NJ

Timing/Scoring by Split Second Racing

Awards Top Female/Male
Top Girl/Boy (age 17 & below)
Top Female/Male Parishioner
Fastest Family



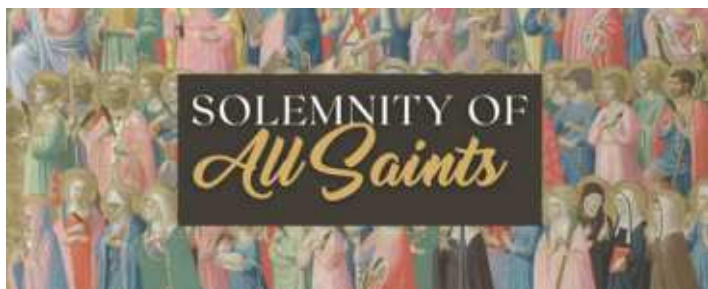
Fee Schedule	Before	After
	11/11/22	11/11/22
5K Run/Walk	\$30	\$40
Kid's Turkey Trot	\$10	\$10
All Fees Are Non-Refundable		
T-shirts guaranteed to all who register before 11/11		

Use the QR Code to register or go to:

<https://www.raceforum.com/thanks>

Questions, volunteer inquiries or sponsor opportunity information?
Contact the Rectory or email stjames5krun@gmail.com

PARISH EVENTS AND MINISTRIES



Join us for Mass on **Tuesday, November 1st at 7:00PM** as we celebrate all the Saints in Heaven at the Solemnity of All Saints.



The day after All Saints, the Church celebrates All Souls Day. Our Prayer Service will be held on **Wednesday, November 2nd at 7:00PM**. On this day, we honor and offer special prayers for all those who have gone before us in faith.



Seasons of Hope

Bereavement Ministry at Saint James

Thursday Nights 7:30PM to 8:30PM
November 10th & 17th
December 1st, 8th, 15th, & 22nd

Saint James Church is offering a 6-Week Bereavement Group for those dealing with the loss of a loved one. Meetings will take place in the Saint James Rectory. The goal of this group is to provide a process for healing within a safe and supportive environment. Participation is free however, registration is required. Please email bereavement@saintjamesparish.org or contact the parish office at (973) 376-3044.

Let us be your companions for the journey.

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.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Catechist Convocation

Saturday, November 5th
Paramus Catholic High School
9:00AM-1:30PM

This Convocation is not just for Catechists! All parish ministry leaders are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Please call Nancy Caputo, Director of Family Faith Formation if interested in attending before registering! Registration is online only and due by October 28th. Scan the QR code here for more information or visit the link below.



archdioceseofnewark.regfox.com/convocation-2022

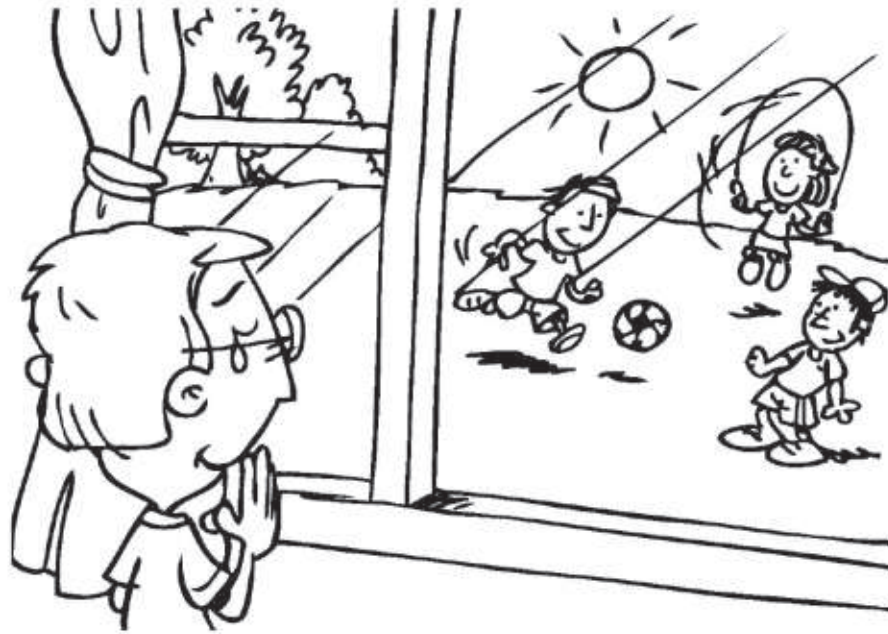


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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 18:9-14



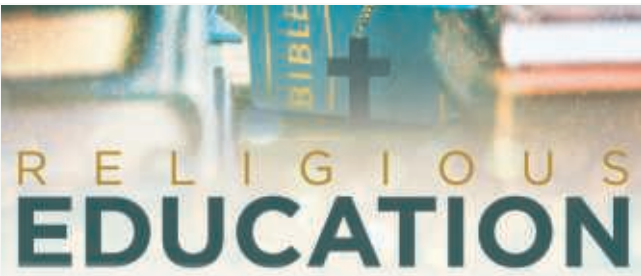
GOSPEL

If you have ever thought that you were better than somebody else, you are not alone. Even grown-ups think that way sometimes. The truth is, you really are not better than anyone else. You sin. You make mistakes, just like other people do. No matter how big or how small you think your mistakes are, they still make God angry. Instead of looking down on other people, remember your own mistakes. Ask God to forgive you.



PRAYER

Dear God, I am so sorry I ever thought I was better than anybody else. Please forgive me.



OFFICE PHONE: (973) 376-2061

Congratulations to all the students who were sealed with the Holy Spirit yesterday! We are here to encourage you on your faith journey now that you are fully initiated in the faith. There are many opportunities for you to become involved, especially our parish Lectors, Peer Leader and Youth Group Programs.

Fr. Santos and I are excited to welcome the Family Faith Formation families today for our very first gathering!! We will meet after the 10:00AM & 12:00PM Masses, families choose which session works best for their family's schedule. High school students and peer leaders are welcome to assist during these gatherings for community service hours. Please call / email me to let me know you are coming!

Our Emmaus Groups I & II will begin soon. If your child has not been Baptized or Baptized but never received First Eucharist and/or Confirmation, please call the Religious Education Office.

This Tuesday, October 25th is the Sacrament of Confirmation parent/child meeting for the students being confirmed in 2023. Families should have already received an email with meeting details.

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 call the rectory and leave a message for Maureen Bernor.

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

5:00PM **Albert Uliano**
r/b Claire Uliano & Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

8:00AM **Salvatore Zotti**
r/b Wife & Children

Collins Family
r/b Roethlin Family

10:00AM **Margaret Furner**
r/b Sam & Family

12:00PM **Michael Patuto**
r/b Wife
Sr. Irene Salimbene & Michael Salimbene
r/b Salimbene Family

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

7:30AM **James Vincent Congema**
r/b Gary & Mary Ellen Capron

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

7:30AM **For the People of Saint James**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

7:30AM **Rosario Zotti**
r/b Rosa

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

7:30AM **Salvatore Zotti**
r/b Wife & Children

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

Saints Simon & Jude

7:30AM **John Montana, Jr.**
r/b Janice Montana

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

8:30AM **Barbara Midgett**
r/b Yannazzone Family

5:00PM **Marie Vecchione**
r/b Daughter, Jill

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

8:00AM **Mary Hayes**
r/b Hayes Family
Ronnie Fusco
r/b Mother

10:00AM **Nathalie Monahan**
r/b Robin Melleno

12:00PM **John & Bertha Misdorn**
r/b Lesniewski Family

Lord, Hear Our Prayer.



SANCTUARY LAMP:

In Memory of Margaret Furner
r/b Sam & Family

BREAD & WINE:

In Memory of Margaret Furner
r/b Sam & 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 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., Beverly DeMarzo, 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 BAPTIZE

James Joseph Barbone

A TIME TO DIE

Laura Teles Menezes Santos
Jonathan Dos Santos Menezes

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

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 October 15/16

Regular Collection:	\$ 5,039.00
Online Giving:	\$ 2,760.00
Total:	\$ 7,799.00

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
Parish Finance Council

FINANCE COUNCIL CORNER

Did you know?... You can make a donation to St. James Church and restrict the use of those funds to a specific area or use.

Remember... The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor. Proverbs 22:9

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