

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE Roman Catholic Church

MAY 1, 2022 | THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

45 South Springfield Ave, Springfield, NJ 07081 Hours: Mon-Thu 8AM-3PM Fri: 9AM-3PM

Office: (973) 376-3044 Fax: (973) 376-0560

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, May 7th:

• 5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, May 8th:

- 8:00AM Fr. Dennehy
- 10:00AM Fr. Santos
 Livestream Available Online
- 12:00РМ Fr. Dennehy

DAILY MASS:

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

RECONCILIATION:

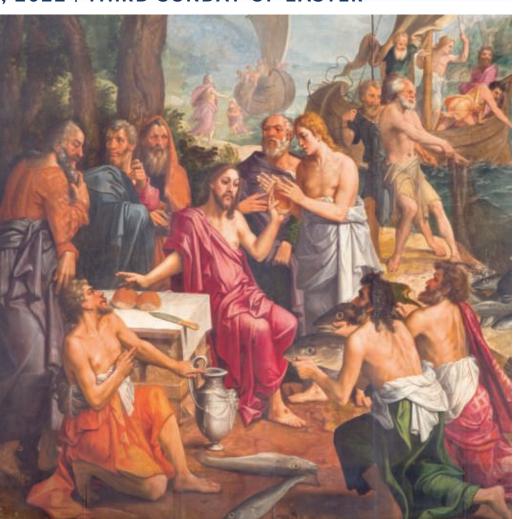
Saturday at 4:00PM or by Appointment; Please call the Office.

DEVOTIONS:

Rosary & Novena:

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

Eucharistic Adoration: Second Saturdays at 3PM May 14th



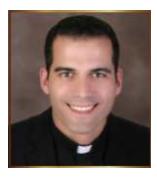
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Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. - Jn 21:12-13

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A MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID



FLOCKNOTE LAUNCH

Flocknote is a parish communications tool that the Pastoral Council and I have selected as our primary communications platform here at St. James. This spectacular platform is super easy to use and will work to help keep parishioners - like you - connected and informed with all that's happening here at St. James.

On Wednesday, May 18th the first weekly parish newsletter will be sent via email through FLOCKNOTE to all our registered parishioners' email addresses. If we don't have your email address or you just want to make sure that we have your correct email address, please email flocknote@saintjamesparish.org.

In addition to email newsletters and email notifications for events, FLOCKNOTE will also provide mobile phone notifications for special events, Holy Day reminders, and other important communications.

ANNUAL APPEAL 2022

The Finance Council and I are delighted to share with you that St. James has reached our 2022 Annual Appeal goal!

Thank you for your generous support of this important annual appeal. As you are aware, the annual appeal goal is guaranteed, which means if we do not reach our goal in funds

collected the shortfall would have been added as an expense in our Fiscal Year 2023 budget. And because we have exceeded our goal, the extra funds will be used to refinish the wooden exterior church doors in time for this summer's 20th anniversary of the church building.

FORWARD IN FAITH: CONTINUING THE CONVERSATION

It's hard to believe that it's been 7 months since our Forward in Faith Listening Sessions. The objective of the Listening Sessions was to invite parishioners to one of two in-person sessions at which the parish leadership (parish staff, Pastoral Council, Finance Council, and myself) were present, or participate via an online survey or a paper survey. Both the in-person listening sessions and survey were meant to provide an opportunity for the parish leadership to hear parishioners' assessment of the state of the parish. The process was facilitated by an external consultant, Dennis M. Corcoran.

While the in-person sessions and survey feedback echoed a positive outlook and showed the love parishioners have for St. James Church, the overall participation was low (approximately 8% of registered parishioners). As such, the parish leadership and I would like to offer another opportunity for parishioners to provide feedback not only on the state of the parish but also on your hopes and dreams for our future.

For 3 weekends (April 23-24, April 30-May 1, and May 7-8) members of the parish Pastoral Council will be available in the narthex/gathering space after all the Masses (Saturday and Sunday) to hear from you.

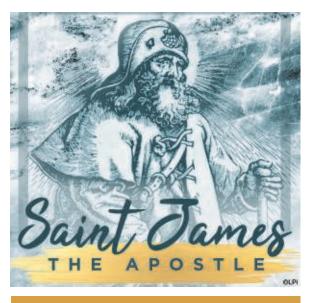
Take some time to reflect on the following questions and share your thoughts with a member of the Pastoral Council after Mass or via email (pastoralcouncil@saintjamesparish.org).

- v How do we do as a parish sharing faith with others both inside and outside the parish?
- v Are our parish liturgies relevant, inspiring with welcoming participation?
- v Does our parish have a sense of life-long formation and learning about our faith?
- v How does our parish do at fostering a sense of unity "many gifts one Spirit"?
- v Does our parish reach out consistently to those in need, the hurting, disenfranchised, poor?
- v Is there a system of leadership in our parish that addresses the needs of the parish and clearly plans for a successful future?

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Jesus is concerned with whether Peter loves him; not whether he acknowledges his doctrine; not whether he has the desire to become a fisherman again, but whether there is affection in his heart. —Auguste Valensin, S.J.

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41
"We are witnesses of these things, as is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Responsorial Psalm 30

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14 "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing."

Gospel: John 21:1-19

Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish.

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





INVITATION

Saint James the Apostle Parish
SPEAKEASY

COSINO
VIGINAL

May 14, 2022 • 7:00 - 11:00 pm at Springfield Knights of Columbus

Tickets being sold in advance. Scan the QR code below to purchase tickets online or send/drop off a check to the parish office, Attention: Casino Night and payable to Saint James Parish.



Buffet Menu • Cash Bar \$75 per person Blackjack, Roulette, 3 Card Poker, and more Play Money ••• 50/50 ••• Prizes

For questions please email specialevents@saintjamesparish.org



AROUND THE COMMUNITY



MOUNT SAINT MARY House of Prayer

An Oasis of Peace, Contemplation & Hospitality

VIRTUAL CENTERING PRAYER

Come together monthly to pray this ancient form of prayer and breathe in God's peace. Includes Centering and Lectio Divina.

Tuesday, May 3rd from 7:30-8:30PM on Zoom

WEEKEND SILENT DIRECTED RETREAT

An experience of personal prayer based on scripture. Daily spiritual direction. Atmosphere of prayerful quiet.

Friday, May 13th at 7PM - Sunday, May 15th at 1PM. \$180/weekend; non-refundable deposit \$80

Proof of COVID vaccination is required at time of registration

SACRED TIME, SACRED SPACE

A personal, quiet day to enjoy God's presence. Day begins with communal prayer. Bring bag lunch.

Thursday, May 19th from 9:30AM-3PM \$20-\$30 as you are able

MAN TO MAN

Men have unique roles in life...husbands, fathers, grandfathers, the single life and religious life...We're pushed and pulled in a thousand directions by responsibilities, stress, loss and by joys. Where can we find time to reflect on the loss and gain of our lives? For all men—young, old and in between. Join our group over coffee or tea for life affirming discussions and prayer to find God in our lives and to make a difference in our own worlds.

4th Tuesday of the Month May 24th from 7-8:30PM Both at the House of Prayer and on Zoom

Information and registration at www.msmhope.org, or call 908-753-2091 or email us at msmhope@msmhope.org.

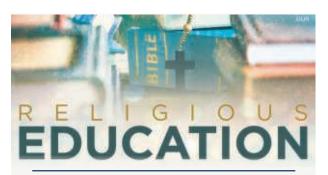
ST. BERNADETTE RELICS TOUR



From April-August 2022, the relics of St. Bernadette will tour the United States for the first time, bringing the grace of Lourdes to parishes across the country. The Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes is organizing the pilgrimage of the relics in partnership with the USCCB, North American Volunteers, Hospitalite of Miami and the Order of Malta.

The Relics of Saint Bernadette will visit the Cathedral of St. Francis in Metuchen, NJ,

on May 19. More details can be found at diometuchen.org.



OFFICE: (973) 376-2061 FAX: (973) 376-4079

Thank you to all of the volunteers who made the First Eucharist retreat such a wonderful event for the children! The children and their parents had a wonderful day preparing to receive the sacrament.

Please keep the First Communicants in your prayers as we get ready to welcome them to the Table of the Lord.

Spotlight ON FAITH

Q. Why are some saints honored as "patron saints"?

A. Each person is unique and each of us has different gifts, interests, talents, and, yes, even struggles and areas where we need to grow. This is no less true of those holy women, men, and children who have been canonized or beatified.

Because we believe that the saints and blesseds are both models of faith and intercessors, Christians have looked to certain holy people as role models and heavenly protectors for occupations, spiritual charisms, and even places. Although the Church sometimes names a person as a patron saint (e.g. Saint Philip Neri as the patron of Rome, Saint Clare of Assisi as the patroness of television, or Saint Aloysius Gonzaga as the patron of youth and young adults), more often it is popular devotion that inspires lay Christians to turn to a particular saint or blessed for heavenly help and support. This is how, for example, Saint Cecilia came to be honored as the patroness of musicians, Saint Toribio Romo as patron of migrants coming into the United States, and Saint Gertrude of Nivelles as patroness of cat lovers. Although there are official and unofficial lists of patron saints, we should always feel free to ask any and all the saints to give us their patronage and protection in whatever it is that we need.

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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.





Will burn in Loving Memory of the members of the Bernstein & Butler Families r/b The Family

Raffaele & Sabino Battaglia r/b Battaglia Family

THE SANCTUARY ARRANGEMENT

In Loving Memory of The Ragosa/Fischer/Dondero Families r/b The Fischer Family

THE SHRINE EASTER ARRANGEMENTS

In Loving Memory of Max Porto r/b Battaglia Family

Carmela Zara r/b Battaglia Family

THE GATHERING AREA WREATHS

Bernard and Susie LoMacchio James and Eleanor Carney r/b Patty & John

Susan Sullivan r/b Pat Sullivan

THE EASTER LILIES AT THE MARIAN SHRINE

In loving memory of Tony Graziano r/b Wife, Anne & Family

THE EASTER LILIES AT THE ST. JAMES SHRINE

In Loving Memory of Battaglia and Zara Families *r/b Battaglia Family*

EASTER "LITTLE WHITE BOOKS"

In Loving Memory of
John D. Pflug, III and Garrett Gurrieri
r/b The Pflug Family

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

5:00PM Teresa Melleno

r/b Children

SUNDAY, MAY 1

Third Sunday of Easter

8:00AM Anthony DeSantis

r/b Angela Ragonese Hannah Jane Bernstein

r/b Family

10:00AM Ed Spillman

r/b Roethlin Family

Hannah Jane Bernstein

r/b Family

12:00PM Bernie LoMacchio

r/b Patty & John Carney

MONDAY, MAY 2 Saint Athanasius

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7:30AM For the People of Saint James

TUESDAY, MAY 3

Saints Philip & James

7:30AM Josephine Ann Kopko

r/b Carol & Howard Balfour and Tommy & Norma Brzozowski

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

7:30AM Richard Quagliato

r/b Bratsch Family

THURSDAY, MAY 5

7:30AM Patricia Henn

r/b Marie Burns

FRIDAY, MAY 6

7:30AM Matthew J. Swajkowski

r/b Cynthia Swajkowski

SATURDAY, MAY 7

8:30AM Theresa Blasi

r/b Family

5:00PM For All Mothers

SUNDAY, MAY 8

Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00AM For All Mothers

10:00AM For All Mothers

12:00PM For All Mothers

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, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, 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, 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., Berit Phair, John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Ray Slater, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, 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 BAPTIZE

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A TIME TO DIE

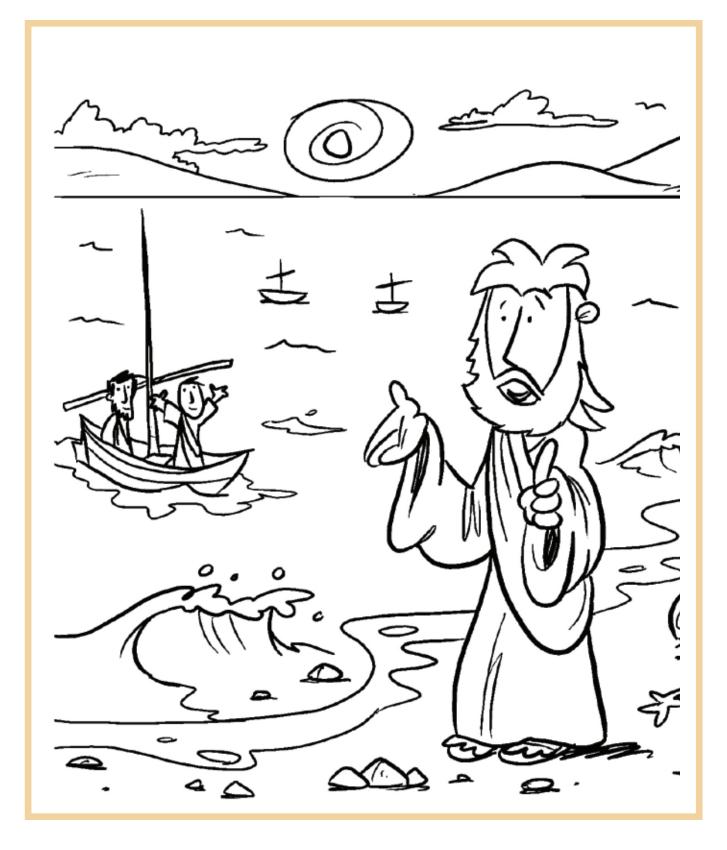
Kevin Morris Susan Olesky Rev. Msgr. George Trabold

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.

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, 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, Lt. Raymond Williamson

Jesus and the Disciples on the Shore





After Jesus rose from the dead, He must have looked very different. Jesus helped His apostles catch a lot of fish, just as He had done before. Jesus invited His friends to eat with Him and He still broke the bread to share it in the same way He always had. The disciples still recognized Jesus by the things He did.



Dear God, thank you for being with me when I am afraid.



Invite a friend over to eat dinner with your family, so you can share food just like Jesus did!



Draw a picture of Jesus cooking fish for His friends.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals for April 23 & 24

 Regular Collection:
 \$5,538.00

 Online Giving:
 \$2,470.00

 Total:
 \$8,008.00

Easter Collection to Date: \$43,368.00

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 saintjamestheapostle.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?... 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

Please consider supporting Saint James through:



Saint James has recently partnered with Amazon Smile! Please remember that while you shop and consider using smile.amazon.com. *The Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to our church.* It's no additional cost to you! Choose Saint James the Apostle via this link: https://smile.amazon.com and start shopping or scan the QR code with the camera on your mobile device. Thank you for your support!

Everyday Stewardship

"GIFTS IN DISGUISE"

Have you ever opened a gift and wondered what the giver was thinking?

I won't call out any of my family or friends here, but suffice to say, I think we have all been the confused recipient of a sweater that wasn't our size or a gift card to a store where we don't shop. But we smiled all the same and said how much it meant to us, because we know that when it comes to gifts, it's all about the gesture.

Suffering is a lot like that — the gift you never asked for, and don't really want to receive. Sometimes we look at suffering and, like the apostles who see Jesus as a stranger on the shore, we don't recognize it for what it can be. We don't appreciate the catalyst suffering can be for change, for growth, for grace.

What was the gift that you received in disguise? Was it a relationship that confounded and frustrated you? Was it a job that tested your spirit? An obstacle that stopped you dead in your tracks? A rejection that threatened to break your spirit?

If I go back and look at the worst gifts I've ever gotten, chances are that I didn't like them because I didn't know what to do with them — they were more fitted for someone else's interests, someone else's life. It's the same with suffering. We're tempted to cast suffering aside when it comes our way because it doesn't fit the person we are. Suffering is made to fit the person God knows we have the ability, with His grace, to become.

Hang onto that suffering. Unlike the misshapen sweater, it really will come in handy.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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