



SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

Roman Catholic Church

APRIL 17, 2022 | EASTER SUNDAY

45 South Springfield Ave,
Springfield, NJ 07081
Hours: Mon-Thu 8AM-3PM
Fri: 9AM-3PM
Office: (973) 376-3044
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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, April 23rd:

- 5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, April 24th:

- 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

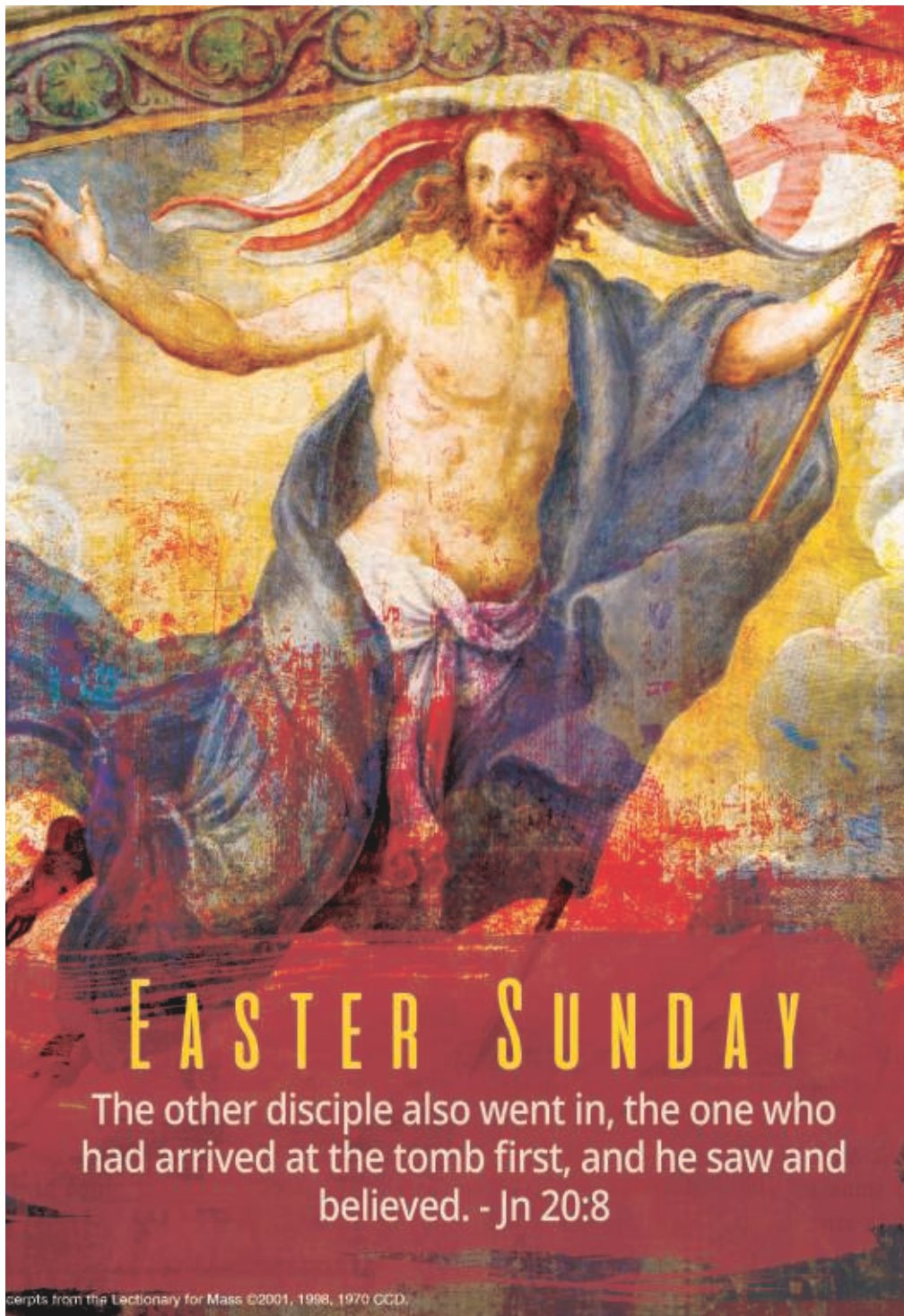
RECONCILIATION:

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:
Second Saturdays at 3PM



A MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID



He is risen! The dramatic action of the Triduum climaxes today with the first reports of the miraculous news. He is not dead! He has been raised!

Friends, our Savior has conquered death and been raised to new life. Since we are all baptized into his death, we are all raised to new life in him. God's love and mercy has been poured out on us all, for us all, so that we may live, as St. Paul wrote, "in newness of life." In that newness of life, we come together to celebrate at this most glorious feast, singing of our joy and thanksgiving. Alleluia!!!

THANK YOU!

I wish to thank all of those who helped bring the inspiring and joy-filled announcement of Easter to our worshipping community. Thank you to the parish staff, music ministers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers, and ministers of hospitality, for making Lent and Easter so meaningful.

Thank you for announcing the Easter message of the Resurrected Christ with your faithful service.

I would also like to thank those who came in droves to hear the message of Easter so beautifully proclaimed. Your witness to Christ and His Church is inspiring. Thank you, also, for the generous Easter donations to our parish. Your contributions serve as a reminder of your friendship and love for this faith-filled community.

Our prayer for you as we enter the holy season of Easter, is that you may experience in your life and in your home the joy of the Risen Christ...for truly the Lord is risen!

CONNECT WITH SAINT JAMES!

Thank you for celebrating Easter with us at Saint James the Apostle Parish! We are glad that you are here. We invite you to stay connected with us if you'd like to get involved or stay up to date on parish news and events through the following links:



FACEBOOK: [saintjamestheapostle](#)



INSTAGRAM: [@saintjamestheapostle](#)

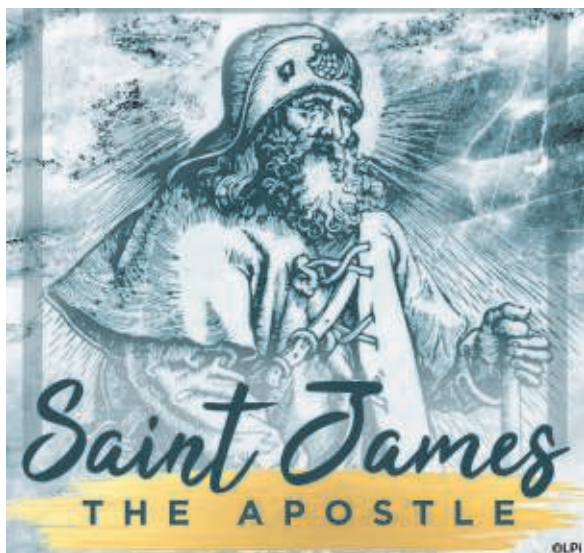


YOUTUBE: [Saint James the Apostle Church](#)



WEB: [saintjamestheapostle.org](#)

Interested in joining the parish? Please call the office or speak with one of our priests after Mass! (973) 376-3044



SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name

Responsorial Psalm 118

This is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad!

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters:

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

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

SPOTLIGHT ON FAITH



Spotlight ON FAITH

The Message of Divine Mercy Sunday

Did you know that this upcoming weekend, the Sunday after Easter, is known in the Church as Divine Mercy Sunday? It is a feast day during which we celebrate and remember the message of the great mercy of God that he asked a Polish nun, Sr. Faustina Kowalska, to share with the world.

God promises mercy and forgiveness to all who ask for it because they know they are in need of it. Divine Mercy Sunday is a feast day especially for those who feel lost, that they would be found, and for those who are struggling that they would find new strength and hope in God. No sin is ever too great that God's mercy cannot forgive it, and we can never stray so far that God would not welcome us back with open arms. Jesus came to save the world, not to condemn it. As we approach Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24th, know that God loves you with an everlasting love and that He wants to offer you mercy and healing for every sin and struggle that you face. Consider this simple prayer, called the Jesus Prayer, and hold it in your heart this week and as often as you need it:

*Jesus, Son of the Living God,
have mercy on me, a sinner.*

Even a quick prayer spoken sincerely can bring great peace of mind and heart. Know that the doors of God's mercy are always open. If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Confession, we offer it here at Saint James on Saturdays at 4:00PM, or by appointment (call 973-376-3044). If it's been awhile since your last confession, you can let the priest know and he will guide you through it. Have no fear - God delights in showing mercy and He waits for you with open arms!

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Join us at one of our upcoming social events!



SIP & SUPPER

**THURSDAY, APRIL 21ST AT 6:30PM
AT SOFIA'S ITALIAN IN SUMMIT**



Join us for an evening of food and wine with a multi-course, family-style meal accompanied by wines curated by wine "edu-tainer" Sandra Zotti.

\$75 PER PERSON ALL INCLUSIVE

Scan the QR code to make a payment or send checks payable to Saint James the Apostle Parish and mail/drop off payment to the Church Rectory. Please RSVP by April 14th.

SPEAKEASY *Casino Night*

**SATURDAY, MAY 14TH | 7:00PM-11:00PM
AT SPRINGFIELD KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Join us for an evening of food, fun and fellowship. We will have a buffet menu and cash bar. Games include blackjack, roulette, 3-card poker, and more, with play money, a 50/50 draw, and prizes to be won!

\$75 PER PERSON | ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT SAINT JAMES PARISH

HAPPY *Easter!*



The Centennial Committee has started planning for our Parish Centennial Anniversary in 2023. The year-long celebration will be centered around our 3 themes of:

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

Look for periodic updates throughout this year and ways you can get involved in planning for this exciting and significant milestone for our parish.

NEW MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

The goal of this ministry is to recognize the pastoral need to care for those who deal with mental health issues themselves or within their families. Team members will serve as “prayerful companions” for fellow parishioners experiencing mental illness, provide spiritual support to families and provide parish-wide education on the subject of mental illness in order to break down the stigma and discrimination of people with a mental illness.

Some activities you can assist with are organizing special masses around the Patron Saint of Mental Illness on May 15th, organize a Suicide Remembrance Mass, facilitate small faith sharing groups for people who live with mental illness or their friends and family members. There are opportunities to do home visits to people who are homebound because of their illnesses, or host speakers or events (videos) on mental health topics, or provide the parish health ministry webpage with resources, news and events.

The Archdiocese will provide free Zoom training beginning on Mondays April 4th weekly through May 23rd from 7-8:30PM. It's important to remember that this is a ministry of accompaniment, not mental health care or treatment and the responsibilities of the team do not include medical, clinical, or behavioral support.

If you would be interested in getting involved as a team member, please contact:
wellnessministry@saintjamesparish.org

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Milestone Anniversaries

CELEBRATION AT THE ARCHDIOCESE

Cardinal Joseph Tobin will be celebrating Milestone Anniversaries celebrated during the 2022 year at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark.

5th & 25th Anniversaries:
April 24, 2022 at 3PM

50th Anniversaries:
May 15, 2022 at 3PM



HEALING FROM ABORTION RETREATS

“Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven.” (Pope Francis) The Church can also be a place to heal. We are called to “be merciful like the Father.” So many are suffering from the effects of abortion. Where can they heal? Where can they feel safe and loved?

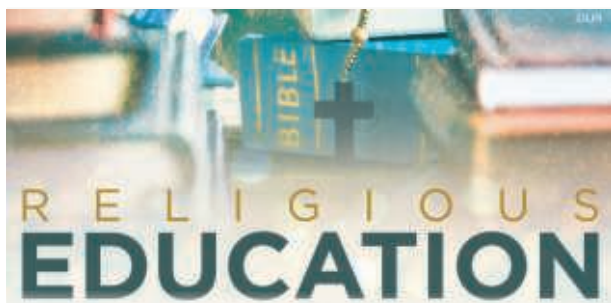
The Archdiocese of Newark Respect Life Office will be hosting four upcoming Rachel's Vineyard retreats in 2022 to heal the wounds from abortion. Retreat dates are:

April 22-24 (Spanish)
May 20-22 (English)
September 9-11 (English)
October 21-23 (Spanish)

Contact the Respect Life Office for more details by calling 973-497-4350 (Spanish option 2), or e-mail:

Cheryl.riley@rcan.org (English)
elvinedoderaquelin@rcan.org (Spanish)

“He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.” (Psalm 147:3)



OFFICE: (973) 376-2061

FAX: (973) 376-4079

Happy Easter, Alleluia!!! Many thanks to the children and adults who helped in the Stations of the Cross last Friday.

Our 8th graders have two more classes before starting to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our children preparing to receive First Eucharist will attend their retreat day in two weeks as part of their final preparation for the sacrament. Please continue to keep our children in your prayers.

**THIS IS THE DAY THE
LORD HAS MADE;
LET US REJOICE
AND BE GLAD!**

- Psalm 118 -



SACRAMENTS AT SAINT JAMES



BAPTISM

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

RECONCILIATION

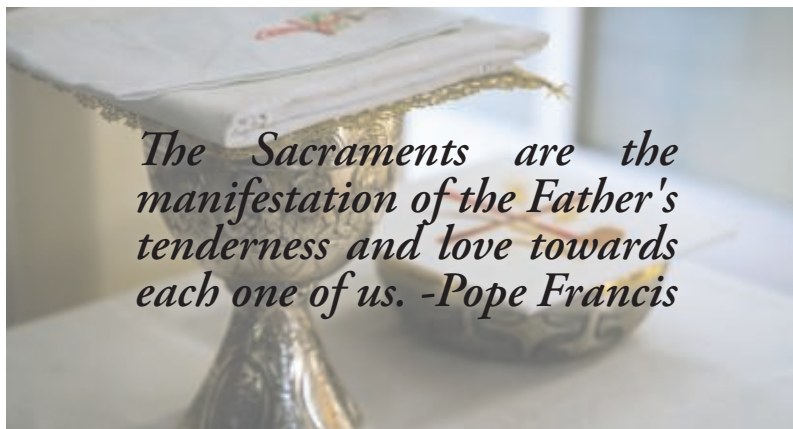
4:00PM on Saturdays
or by appointment.

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.



*The Sacraments are the
manifestation of the Father's
tenderness and love towards
each one of us. -Pope Francis*

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

7:30PM Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17

8:00AM: For the People of Saint James

10:00AM: For the People of Saint James

12:00PM: For the People of Saint James

MONDAY, APRIL 18

7:30AM: Amelia Montana
r/b Janice Montana

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

7:30AM: Matthew Noah Bernstein
r/b Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

7:30AM: Frank Macnab
r/b Kathleen McNany

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

7:30PM: Richard Quagliato
r/b Patty & John Carney

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

3:00PM: Anton & Theresia Pfeiffer
r/b Daughter

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

7:30PM Mario Morico
r/b Rosa
5:00pm John Montana
r/b Janice Montana

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

Divine Mercy Sunday

8:00AM: For the People of Saint James
Mark Weber
r/b Family

10:00AM: Ed Spillman
r/b Saint James Religious Education
Lillian & John Rendiero
r/b Margaret Meixner

12:00PM: Michael Sangregorio
r/b Rita, Angela & Pasquale
Rose & Orlando Cicales
r/b Family

Lord, Hear Our Prayer.

SANCTUARY LAMP:

For the People of Saint James



BREAD & WINE:

Joseph A. Ficchi, Jr.
r/b Rob & Sue Hagenbush

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, 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 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 OF WAR AND PEACE

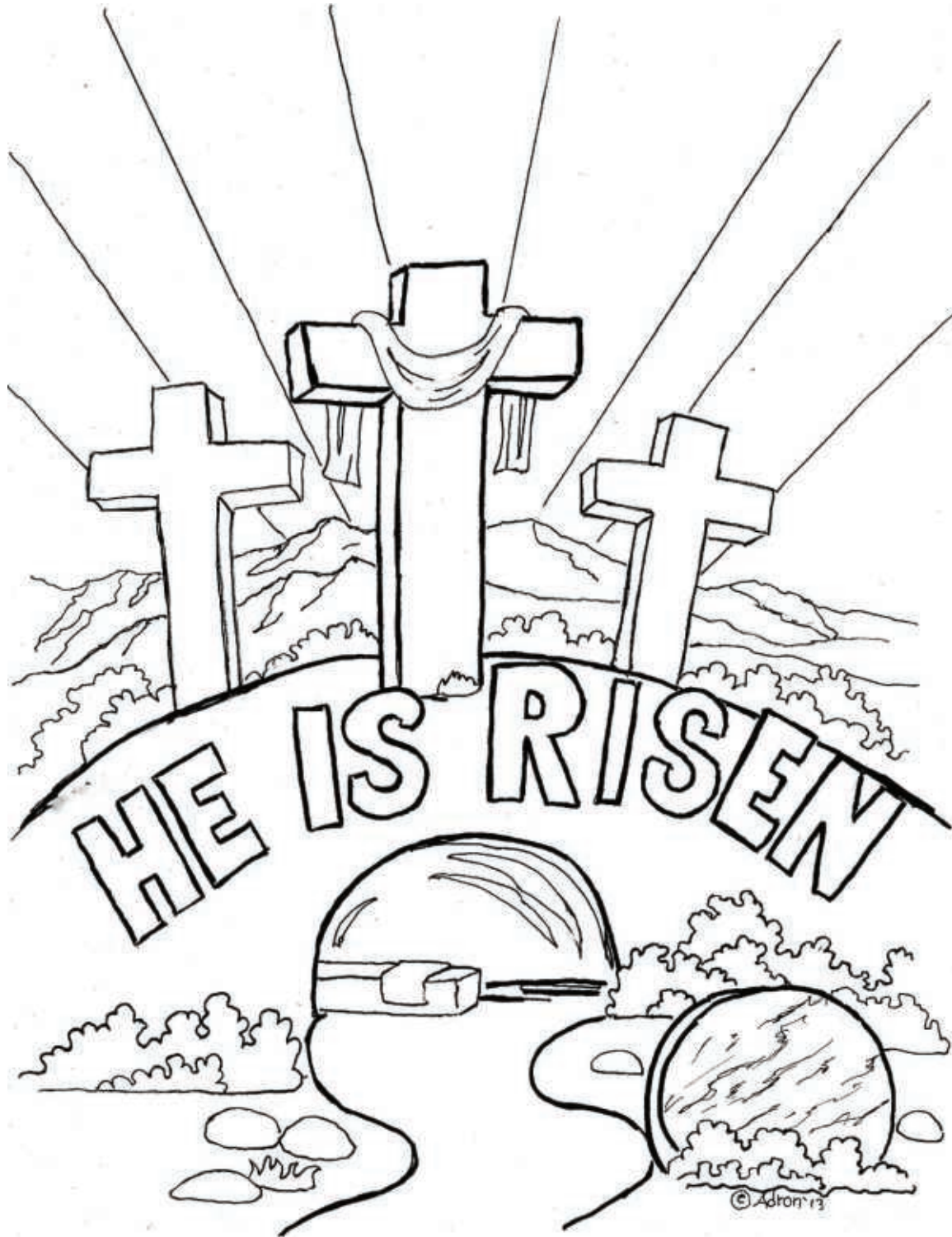
Tim Arentz, Lance Corporal Kevin Bernor, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, Capt. Sean P. Eadie, Stacy Enyeart, David Fenton, Shane Fenton, Luis Fonseca, LCPL Christopher P. Garrigan, Cpt. Brian Jacobs, 2LT Andrew Kerwin, LCPL Kyle Thomas Lynaugh, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten, Philip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 2nd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

A TIME TO JOIN TOGETHER

Congratulations on your Wedding,
Luis Martinez & Amanda Gutierrez

FOR THE KIDS

Easter Sunday - Jesus is Risen!



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Gospel

It is very early in the morning on Sunday. The tombstone was rolled away. Jesus was gone! All that was left inside were strips of linen cloth. When John and Peter saw it, they were amazed. They did not understand all the promises the prophets wrote about Jesus yet. However, they knew he was alive. He had risen from the dead!

Prayer

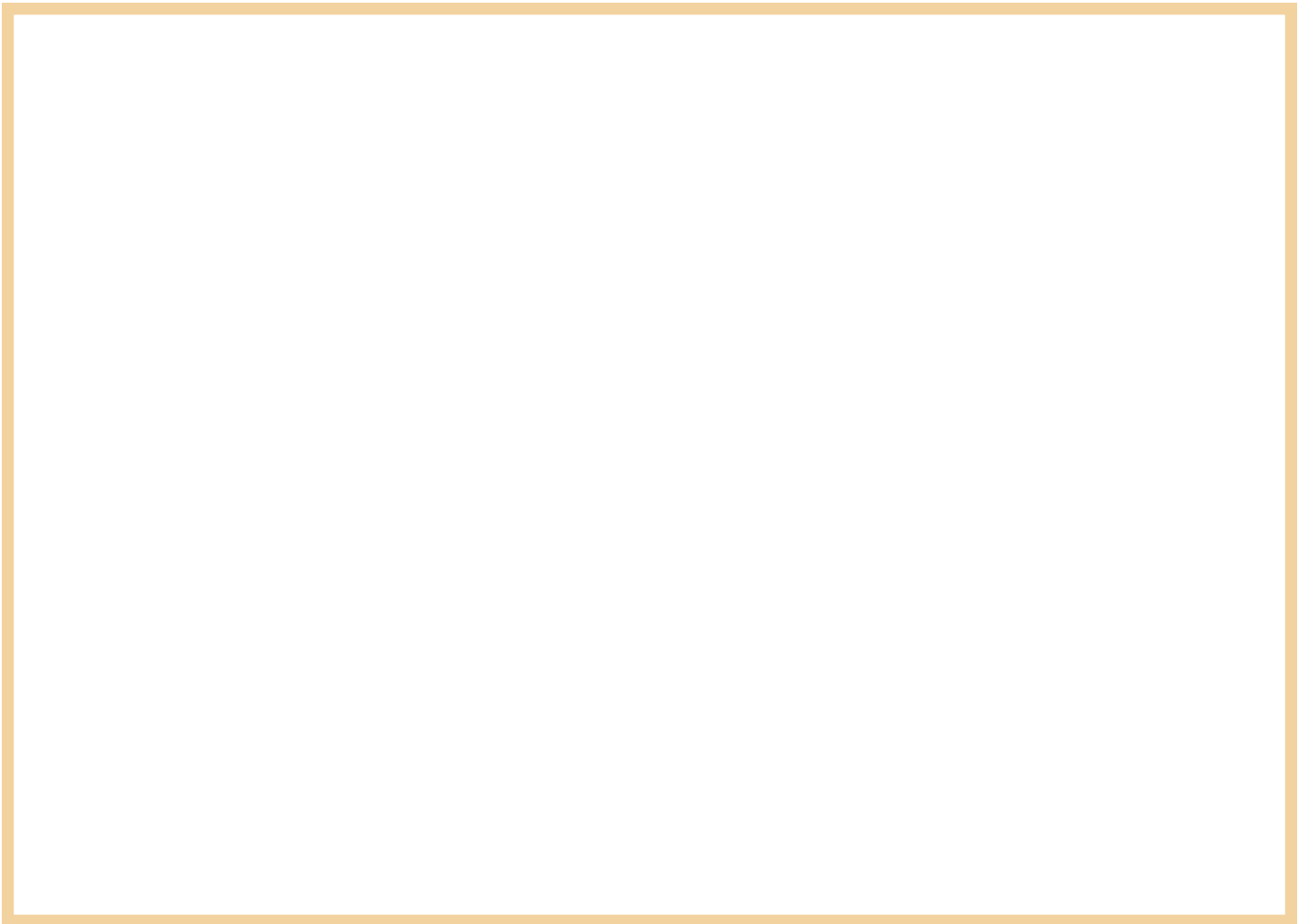
God, I thank you for bringing Jesus back to life, and for giving me life, too.

Mission

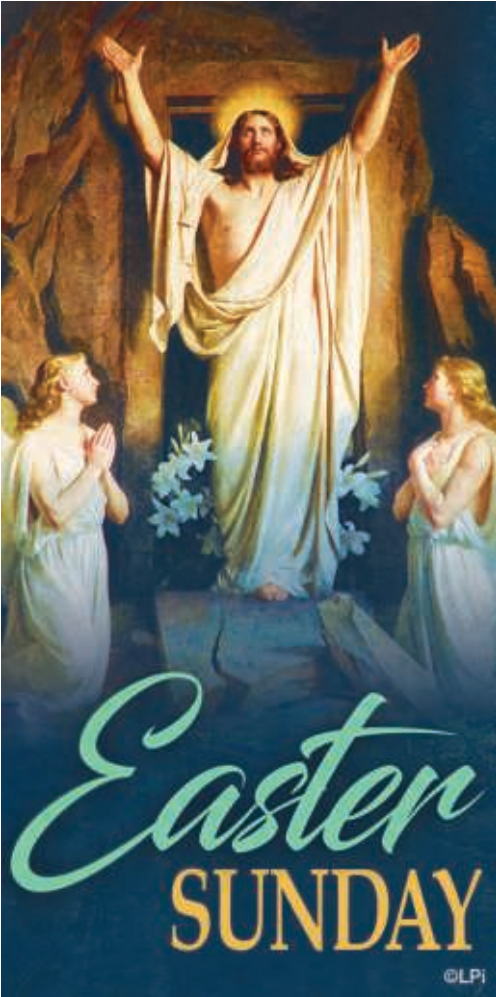
Bake Resurrection cookies with your family tonight. Ask your parents to help you look up the recipe at aroundmyfamilytable.com/resurrection-cookies

Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus on his Resurrection Day.

A large empty rectangular box with a gold border, intended for drawing a picture of Jesus on his Resurrection Day.

EASTER MEMORIALS 2022



THE EASTER CANDLE

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

Will be displayed in Loving Memory of
The Ragosa/Fischer/Dondero Families
r/b The Fischer Family

THE SHRINE EASTER ARRANGEMENTS

Will be displayed 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

Will be displayed in loving memory of
Tony Graziano
r/b Wife, Anne & Family

THE EASTER LILIES AT THE ST. JAMES SHRINE

Will be displayed 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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals for April 9 & 10

Church Collection:	\$ 8,057.00
Online Collection:	\$ 2,710.00
TOTAL:	\$ 10,767.00

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.



P.F.C.
Parish Finance Council

FINANCE COUNCIL CORNER

Did you know?... We reached our 2022 Annual Appeal Goal from pledges through April 1st! **THANK YOU** for your generous support and participation. To date we received \$51,390 in pledges, which is 103% of our Goal.

Remember... Amounts pledged by June 30th over our Goal are eligible for 100% rebate to the Parish.

Please consider supporting Saint James through our new partnership with...



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

"LEAVE IT IN THE TOMB"

Today, on the most important day of the liturgical year, the Apostle Paul is calling us out. "I see you hiding in that tomb," he says. "I see you baking with that old, stale yeast, thinking no one will notice." He says it a little more elegantly, I'll grant you. But the message is this: If you want to be raised with Christ, you'd better be ready to step out of the shadows. Seek what is above — not what is on earth.

I can feel myself responding almost reflexively, "Great idea, Paul — but I'm pretty comfy here." Because sometimes, it's just easier to stay in the tomb. It's easier to crouch in the shadows and look outward at everyone else, thinking of the changes they could make or the sins they could overcome.

Today we are called to embrace newness. New hearts, new lives, new futures, new chances. If there's anything keeping you from that, you need to leave it in the tomb. It's a little scary, sure — maybe Jesus thought so before he stepped into the light of that first Easter morning. But no loaf of bread worth eating was ever baked using stale yeast that wouldn't rise. No new life worth having was ever lived through the broken sins of yesterday. No Easter morning ever dawned without the tomb sitting empty.

Step into the light. He is waiting for you.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

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