



# SAINT JAMES

## the APOSTLE CHURCH



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### RECTORY HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00AM~3:00PM  
(closed daily 12:00-1:00PM)

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A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH.  
COME EXPERIENCE CHRIST WITH US!

**April 18, 2021**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

**“ALMIGHTY GOD, YOU GIVE US THE JOY OF CELEBRATING OUR LORD’S RESURRECTION. GIVE US ALSO THE JOYS OF LIFE IN YOUR SERVICE, AND BRING US AT LAST TO THE FULL JOY OF LIFE ETERNAL.”**

A Triduum Sourcebook, III, p. 482

While the resurrection of Jesus has certainly changed our lives, the church, and the world, it is also supposed to energize us so that we can respond to the needs of others with a new attitude. The resurrection helps us to recognize that the gifts we are and the gifts we have are meant to help others experience the new life of the Risen Lord. This is how the world can be renewed so that it reflects the joy of new life that the Lord has gained for all of us. The resurrection requires faith in the Risen Lord and a willingness to share this faith with all we meet. In today’s Gospel, the apostles had difficulty believing that Jesus had risen until he appeared to them. While we do not have the opportunity to see the resurrected Jesus in person, we recognize him in the Word, the signs and wonders around us, and in each other.

There are a number of people who helped make Easter the glorious feast that it is. **THANK YOU** to **PASQUALE** and **ANGELA MAZZACUVA & RITA LOMBARDI**, for washing the church windows; **MATT & TINA KJELLE**, for cleaning and sanitizing the church; **PAT SULLIVAN**, for setting up the church for Easter and for organizing the Holy Thursday “Breads of the World” loaves of bread collection; **DAN PALKO, THE CANTORS AND THE ENSEMBLE** for enhancing our worship with music and song; **CLAIRE BERNSTEIN** and **JOANNE ROETHLIN** for organizing the Helping the Hungry Good Friday food collection; **KENN FERNANDEZ**, for live-streaming the Easter Vigil and 10:30AM Mass; **POTTED GERANIUM**, for the beautiful flowers that adorn our altar and church; and **ALL OF YOU**, who were present – either virtually or in person – for the Vigil and Easter Masses, for your gifts to us priests, and your positive comments about how beautifully the church is decorated.

If I have forgotten anyone, it was not intentional. You are why I am proud and privileged to serve you as your pastor.

**GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!!  
HAPPY EASTER SEASON!!**

*~ Fr. Joe*

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

**\$6,620.00**

\$4,973.00 Mass Collection

\$1,647.00 Online Total

*To sign up for Online Giving go to:*

[www.saintjamestheapostle.org](http://www.saintjamestheapostle.org)

**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.*

**OR**

*To make a donation to help our parish, please visit our GoFundMe page:*

<https://charity.gofundme.com/donate/event/archdiocese-of-newark?lang=en-us>

*Select Team: Saint James the Apostle, Springfield  
(all donations are gratefully accepted)*



## MASS INFORMATION

Vigil Mass ~ Saturday 5:00PM

Sunday 7:30AM ~ 9:00AM ~ 10:30AM ~ 12:00PM  
(10:30AM Mass Facebook / YouTube)

### DAILY MASS

Weekday: Novena 7:10AM ~ Mass 7:30AM

Saturday: Novena 7:40AM ~ Mass 8:00AM

### NOVENA

Monday Evenings ~ 7:00PM  
Facebook / Zoom

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment



## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Due to the ongoing need for social distancing, there are no group baptisms at this time.

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated individually.

Please call the rectory to schedule your infant's baptism.



## ADULT SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

*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.

**BAPTISM ~ CONFIRMATION ~ MARRIAGE ~ SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

### 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.

### 2022 Parish Mass Book!

The 2022 Mass Book for your intentions will be available beginning

**Tuesday, April 20th from 9:00AM—3:00PM**

***The rectory closes daily 12:00PM—1:00PM for lunch***

Please note: To be fair to everyone, only **two** masses for the same individual will be accepted at this time.

Any questions, please speak directly to Fr. Joe Barbone or call the rectory 973-376-3044

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

*Ms. Nancy Caputo, Director ~ Mrs. Colleen Tyra, Administrative Assistant*  
Main Office 973-376-2061 :: Facsimile 973-376-4079

Next Saturday we welcome our first group of Communicants to the Table of the Lord! While the celebrations will be held outside of regular Sunday Masses, we do ask that you continue to keep these children in your prayers. Today is Zoom Sunday for students in grades 1 through 5. Our Family Faith Program has concluded for this school year and we are looking forward to seeing all of the families return to mass as things begin to open and families are comfortable returning to worship in person.

We will begin accepting registration for the 2021-2022 school year in June. We are hoping that we will be able to once again offer in-person classes on Sunday mornings and Tuesday afternoons in September as well the Junior High Program on Tuesday evenings. I am sure there will continue to be social distancing guidelines and we also need to be sure we have enough teachers to teach. We do keep our classes to a maximum of 12 students per class so now that the parents are “master teachers” we are also hoping that you will consider teaching!

If you are interested and able, please contact me so we can discuss the details of what is involved. If you aren't sure you want to teach the class but are willing to aid in the class, just let me know.



*Has your child been baptized but not catechized or received their sacraments?*

*Are they of school age and not yet baptized?*

*Do you have a special needs child needing catechesis?*

Please call or email the Religious Education Office.

**Congratulations and welcome to Rachel Washington who was fully Initiated into the Catholic Faith last Sunday!**





TODAY'S READINGS ~ April 18, 2021  
Third Sunday of Easter

Visit: <http://www.usccb.org/> to receive daily Scripture Readings

FIRST READING: [Acts 3:13-15, 17-19](#) ~ SECOND READING: [1 Jn 2:1-5a](#)

GOSPEL: [Lk 24:35-48](#)

## HYMN OF GATHERING

### Sing of the Lord's Goodness

1. Sing of the Lord's good - ness, Fa - ther of all wis - dom,  
2. Pow - er he has wield - ed, hon - or is his gar - ment,  
come to him and bless his name. Mer - cy he has shown us,  
ris - en from the snares of death. His word he has spo - ken,  
Come, then, all you na - tions, sing of your Lord's good - ness,  
mel - o - dies of praise and thanks to God.  
Ring out the Lord's glo - ry, praise him with your mu - sic,  
wor - ship him and bless his name.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 118

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

# HYMN OF SENDING FORTH

## Christ Is Alive!

1. Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing.  
2. Christ is a - live! No long - er bound

The cross stands emp - ty to the sky.  
To dis - tant years in Pal - es - tine,

Let streets and homes with prais - es ring.  
But sav - ing, heal - ing here and now,

Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
And touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.

Text: Romans 6:5-11; Brian Wren, b.1936, © 1975, 1995, Hope Publishing Company  
Tune: TRURO, LM; Williams' *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

### Gospel Reflection.....

Luke 24:35-48

Aren't we like the apostles? We won't believe unless we can see with our own eyes. The Gospel accounts attest to the reality of the resurrection of Jesus from the grave. Jesus goes to great lengths to assure his disciples that he is no mere ghost or illusion. He shows them the marks of his crucifixion and he explains how the Scriptures foretold his death and rising.

*Lord Jesus, open our minds to understand the Scriptures that we may fully comprehend the truth of your word. Anoint us with your power and give us joy and boldness to proclaim the Gospel in word and deed.*



### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

### GENUFLECTION

One way Catholics show respect for the Eucharist, which this year, will be present in the Tabernacle on Holy Thursday and Good Friday, is by genuflecting. The proper way for Catholics to genuflect is by lowering the right knee to the floor and then rising. The left leg should never be used for genuflecting. In addition, when genuflecting, you should be facing the Tabernacle, not the pew you are entering. When the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the Monstrance, the proper way to genuflect is to bring both knees to the floor (kneel). Those who are not able to genuflect should bow respectfully before the Tabernacle or Monstrance.



# APRIL Is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Every April, Catholic parishes and schools across the United States participate in National Child Abuse Prevention Month.



## The Effects of ABUSE

When a child is abused, the effects are grave and can last a lifetime. Some of the most common effects of abuse include:

- Loss of faith and trust in God.
- Post-traumatic stress disorder, psychological distress, and other indirect signs of trauma, such as anxiety, trouble sleeping, chronic stomach pain, and headaches.
- A greater risk of developing behavioral problems, substance abuse, and suicide.

The sense of violation goes deep into a person's psyche and feelings of anger, shame, hurt, and betrayal can build long after the abuse has taken place.

## Steps to Prevent ABUSE

### *Communicate with Your Children*

It is extremely important to communicate openly with your children. Let them know that they can talk to you about anything that bothers them. This will help you identify warning signs and grooming behaviors perpetrated by offenders before they escalate to abuse.

### *Educate Yourself and Your Children on Abuse*

Learning how to identify, prevent, and report abuse is key. Parents and guardians should empower their children to protect themselves from harm and to report abuse. Ask your diocesan safe environment coordinator or parish delegate about opportunities for safe environment training.

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### *Identify and Report Warning Signs of Child Abusers*

Grooming behaviors are the actions abusers take to project the image that they are kind, generous, caring people, while their intent is to lure a minor into an inappropriate relationship. Offenders can be patient and may groom their victim, his or her family, or community for years.

Some abusers isolate a potential victim by giving him or her undue attention or lavish gifts, while others allow young people to participate in activities which their parents or guardians would not approve, such as watching pornography, drinking alcohol, using drugs, and excessive touching, such as wrestling and tickling. Abusers also often try to isolate their victims from family or friends and encourage their victims to keep secrets from their parents or other caring adults.

## Holding Offenders ACCOUNTABLE

To help hold offenders accountable, report all suspected abuse to local public authorities. You can also contact your local diocesan victim assistance coordinator to make a report and seek outreach for the abused.

In accordance with diocesan policy, when a single act of sexual abuse is admitted or established, the offender is to be removed permanently from ministry.



"Let it be clear that before these abominations the Church will spare no effort to do all that is necessary to bring to justice whosoever has committed such crimes . . . To those who abuse minors I would say this: convert and hand yourself over to human justice, and prepare for divine justice."

—Pope Francis, Dec. 21, 2018





# COMMUNITY NEWS!

Due to the generous spirit of our parishioners, over 60 loaves of bread were collected on Holy Thursday. The bread was delivered the next day to Family Promise and it filled their entire freezer!

Thank you again for responding to the ministry of service!

*“What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, “Go in peace, keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action is dead.”*

James 2: 14 – 17




**OUR 2nd ANNUAL EARTH DAY CELEBRATION!**

**CLIMATE CHANGE: SOLVING THE PROBLEM FROM THE INSIDE OUT**

**Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer**

1651 US Highway 22  
Watchung, NJ 07069  
[www.msmhope.org](http://www.msmhope.org)


To register call  
908-753-2091  
or online  
[www.msmhope.org](http://www.msmhope.org)




**Starting with a deeper understanding of our own relationship with God's Creation, both environmental scientists will discuss the problem, consequences, possible political and technical responses to this global reality.**

**Wed., Apr. 21, 7-9 p.m.**  
(\$20-\$30 as you are able)

**Presenters:**

**Gerard McKenna**  
  
Gerard McKenna is an environmental scientist and teacher.

**Dr. Harry Allen**  
  
Dr. Harry Allen is an environmental scientist.

**Springfield Food Truck Festival**

presented by  
Rotary Club of Springfield  
and Jonathan Dayton High School PTSO

**Sunday, April 25, 2021**  
11AM - 6PM

- Food Trucks by Main Street Fairs
- 50/50 Raffle
- Basket Auction

**\$5.00 Per Person Admission** (children under 10 free)  
Proceeds benefit Rotary Club of Springfield and Jonathan Dayton PTSO.

Event to be held in the back parking lot of JCHS,  
139 Mountain Avenue, Springfield. Parking is available  
in the front parking lot and/or adjacent lots.  
Face masks and temperature checks required for entry.

**15+ Food Trucks Expected**



**For More Information:**  
Hope Rosenberg, 973-202-2855  
Rachel Gery, 201-675-9629  
[Springfieldfoodtruckfestival@gmail.com](mailto:Springfieldfoodtruckfestival@gmail.com)



## A TIME TO BAPTIZE

James William Chertoff, Alexander Joseph Cohen

## A TIME TO WED



## A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Anelli, Ginnie Attanasio, Monina Avella, Joyce Bauman, Concetta Bellott, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Arlene Boja, Leo Brady, Victoria Burns, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski, Lucia Cocuzza, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, James Curry, Maureen D., Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., Victoria Egner, Rick Ellmer, Alfredo Fernandes, Shaun Findley, Berta Franco, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, Robert Hunrath, Eddie Jenna, Irene Kurpieski, Dana Kelley, Art Kistler, Maryann Leach, 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, Richard Quagliato, John Rendeiro, John Reiss, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Justin Sequeira, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Filomena Vairo, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Kay Winski

## A TIME TO DIE

Paul Connelly, William Driscoll, Agnes Gennaro, Hans Kung, Prince Philip,  
Deacon Julio Roig, Richard Stieve,  
all who have died from Covid-19

## A TIME OF WAR & 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 Andrew Kerwin, LCPL Kyle Thomas Lynaugh, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten, Phillip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 1Lt. Stacia Rogacki, 1Lt. Steven Rogacki



## DEVOTIONS AND MEMORIALS ~ *Spiritual Offerings*

*To have a loved one remembered, please call the Rectory Office*

*Sanctuary Lamp ~ Bread & Wine ~ Flowers By the Tabernacle*



### SANCTUARY LAMP

For the People of Saint James



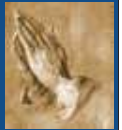
### BREAD

For the People of Saint James



## THE PRAYER CORNER

*"To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose..."*



### INTENTIONS FOR THE SICK

At the *General Intercessions* we pray for the sick. Our prayers for the sick are very important, especially in critical times of sudden illness, surgery or worsening condition. We will continue to pray for and mention the names of the sick. When the condition improves, please call the Rectory so that the name can be removed from the list.

### COMMUNION AT MASS

If you cannot walk up the aisle to receive Holy Communion and do not want to sit in the first pew, please let one of the ushers know and an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will come to you at the end of the procession and administer the Body & Blood to you.



## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, April 18 Third Sunday of Easter

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Carol House ~ *Bob House*

7:30AM

Eleanor Santoro ~ *Tom & Lynn Barbone*

9:00AM

Elisabetta Iannelli ~ *Family*

10:30AM

Mark Weber ~ *Family*

12:00PM

Bernie LoMacchio and James & Eleanor Carney  
~ *Patty & John Carney*

### MONDAY, April 19

7:30AM

Matthew Noah Bernstein ~ *Bernstein Family*

### TUESDAY, April 20

7:30AM

Mary DelPriore ~ *Marylou Kjelle*

### WEDNESDAY, April 21

7:30AM

For the People of Saint James

### THURSDAY, April 22

7:30AM

Mark Policarpio ~ *Ray & Annette Alberti*

### FRIDAY, April 23

7:30AM

Helen Corsi ~ *Angela Ragonese*

### SATURDAY, April 24

8:00AM

Alfonse & Adelaide Soriente ~ *Angela Ragonese*

### SUNDAY, April 25 Fourth Sunday of Easter

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Kathleen Ryan ~ *Family*

7:30AM

Tom Walsh ~ *Robin & Annie Melleno*

9:00AM

Ernest Reedy ~ *Eugenia Reedy*

10:30AM

For the People of Saint James

12:00PM

Anne Dolan Lofredo ~ *Capron Family*

## **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

Under the Guidance of the **Holy Spirit** as a  
Welcoming and Diverse Community,

We, the **Parish of Saint James the Apostle**

Invite All to Worship as We Celebrate the Eucharist,  
Proclaim the Good News of **Jesus Christ** and Serve the  
Needs of One Another,  
as We Help Build the **Kingdom of God on Earth.**