SAINT JAMES
the APOSTLE CHURCH

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JOIN US TODAY

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

AT 3:00PM IN THE CHURCH

A Welcoming Catholic Community of Faith.

Come Experience Christ With Us!

Saint James is served by:

Rev. Joseph F. Barbone, *M.A., Pastor*

Rev. Jeong Gyeong Kim, *Parochial Vicar*

Rev. John D. Dennehy, *Weekend Associate*

Mr. Jerome Bongiovanni, *Permanent Deacon*

Mr. Daniel O'Neill, *Permanent Deacon*

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SUNDAY MASSES
Anticipated Mass ~ Saturday 5:00PM
7:30AM ~ 9:00AM ~ 10:30AM ~ 12:00PM

DAILY MASS
Weekday: Novena 7:10AM ~ Mass 7:30AM
Saturday: Novena 7:40AM ~ Mass 8:00AM

Evening Novena: Mondays at 6:30PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday at 11:00AM

RECTORY HOURS
Monday-Friday: 8:00AM~4:00PM
(closed daily 12:00-1:00PM)

April 28, 2019

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

FROM THE PASTOR

**"THEN LET US FEAST THIS EASTER DAY ON CHRIST, THE BREAD FROM HEAVEN.
THE WORD OF GRACE HAS PURGED AWAY THE OLD AND EVIL LEAVEN.
CHRIST ALONE OUR SOULS WILL FEED; HE IS OUR MEAT AND DRINK INDEED;
FAITH LIVES UPON NO OTHER! ALLELUIA!!!"**

An Easter Sourcebook: The Fifty Days, p. 35

The Great Fifty Days of the Easter Season is the Period of Mystagogia. This means that during these days we have the opportunity to reflect more deeply on the resurrection and its effect on us as individuals, as families, as a parish and as a church. We sometimes think that once the Feast of Easter is over, then we can go back to "normal," whatever that means. The resurrection of Jesus has changed our lives, and the church says to use these 50 days to consider what this experience means as an ongoing encounter with the Risen Lord. Since we have been transformed by the resurrection, then we are supposed to live as a people with a new perspective and direction in life. This season invites us to consider what this means for all of us.

Today is **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY.** Today helps us recognize the generosity of our God in giving us Jesus and the mercy and compassion of the Lord. The mercy of Jesus is a recognition of his genuine love for all of us, and that he would not allow anything to interfere in our relationship with him. Sometimes this may seem overwhelming when we consider the fact that whatever Jesus did in his life, death and resurrection, he did for each of us. In the course of his life on earth he also showed us tremendous love, mercy and forgiveness that help us live as a people transformed and redeemed. This afternoon, at 3:00 PM, we will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Benediction.

Also today, at the 9:00 Mass, we will celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist with our RCIA Candidates, who have been preparing for this day: **ABENA DOUGLAS & TIFFANY LASCINA. CONGRATULATIONS, ABENA & TIFFANY,** in celebrating your full initiation into the Catholic Church!! Celebrations like this can also remind us of our own Confirmation and First Eucharist when we reaffirmed our baptismal commitment to live what we believe, allowing the Holy Spirit to guide our lives.

Today's Gospel is the appearance of Jesus to his apostles following his resurrection. It doesn't say, but maybe they were surprised to see him. Thomas, who was absent in this experience, needed to see Jesus and touch him to make sure he was alive. While Thomas may take a bad rap for not believing the other apostles, sometimes we are like him when we demand a sign from the Lord that will allow us to continue to believe in him. All we have to do is listen and reflect on the Word, celebrate the Breaking of the Bread, and recognize him in one another and we will discover that he is as close to us as we want him to be!

HAPPY DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY!!!
HAPY EASTER SEASON!!!

~ FR. JOE

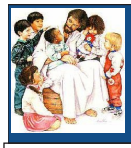
STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

April 14, 2019

$8,954.00
$7,864.00 Collection
$1,090.00 Online

***To sign up for Online Giving go to:* www.saintjamestheapostle.org**

WE ALSO ACCEPT
ONLINE CREDIT CARD DONATIONS
Thank you for your continued generosity!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Mrs. Nancy Caputo, Director

We hope to see you this week at the parish festival! Invite your family members and neighbors! Come, have a good time; play games, ride the rides, take a chance at the Tin Can Auction…. There's something for everyone!

Registration for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year is underway. Please take advantage of the opportunity to re-register now, so that you guarantee your preferred day in our Religion Program and save money at the same time.

Our 8th graders are anxious for Confirmation preparation classes to begin on Tuesday, May 7th at 7:00PM in Hatcher Hall.

If you have a child entering 1st grade (Kindergarten is optional) in September, please give us a call to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet and talk about your child's faith formation. We offer traditional classroom learning; Home Study (grades 3-6); and new this year, a Family Catechesis Program, which you will hear more about over the summer months.

It does take a village to teach our children; it also takes many volunteers and we are hoping that you are hearing the call! If you are interested in teaching, co-teaching, aiding, or being an office volunteer, (day or evening) please contact the Religious Ed Office –let's talk!

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 contact the Religious Education Office: 973-376-2061 or email: ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org.

CONFIRMATION CORNER

Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo, Coordinator

Confirmation Prep classes are beginning soon...Tuesday, May 7th at 7:00pm in Hatcher Hall.
All Confirmation Candidates must attend. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone and spending some Tuesday nights together as we open up the beauty and tradition of this Sacrament.

Classes are:

Tuesday, May 7th
Tuesday, May 14th
Thursday, May 16th - Project Pride (one parent must also attend)
Tuesday, May 21st

Please contact Ann Marie Gesualdo with any questions at 201-709-5280
or amgesualdo@saintjamesparish.org

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo, Coordinator

Join us this Sunday, April 28th at 7:00pm in the School Gym for our next meeting

Topic: to be announced

Coming up: Cinco De Mayo Celebration!! Sunday, May 5th! We will have traditional Mexican treats, games, and of course, a Piñata!

Hope to see you and, as always, friends are welcome!!

Saint James
the Apostle School

Early Childhood Education
OPEN HOUSE
Wednesday, May 8th, 6:00-7:30 pm

- ✓ Flexible PreK programs for 3 and 4 year olds
  - Three days or five days
  - Half days or full days
- ✓ Full Day Kindergarten
- ✓ Before & After Care programs
- ✓ Flexible tuition payment options
- ✓ Bus transportation for Union residents *(Kindergarten and up)*

Our teachers are **generous** and **constant** in their **love** and **dedication** to our youngest learners, understanding this is where their educational journey **begins**. At Saint James the Apostle School, children experience a **vivid** sense of **God** in a **safe** and **nurturing** environment. What a **great gift**... giving your child a **faith-based education** at this very young age!

CALL (973) 376-5194 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Easter Remembrance

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THE EASTER CANDLE

will burn in Loving Memory of
The Members of the Bernstein and Butler Families
r/b The Family

THE SANCTUARY ARRANGEMENT

The Ragosa/Fischer/Dondero Families
r/b The Fischer Family

THE LARGE SANCTUARY EASTER WREATH

will hang in Loving Memory of
Raffaele and Sabino Battaglia
r/b Battaglia Family

THE SHRINE WREATHS

will hang in Loving Memory of
Marie Dolly Giordano
r/b Granddaughters, Danielle and Nicole DePrimio

THE GATHERING AREA WREATHS

will hang in Loving Memory of

Deceased Members of the Asilo & Zarrello Families
r/b The Family

Norman Jackowski
r/b Wife, Wanda and Daughter, Lisa

Bernard and Susie LoMacchio
Deceased Members of the LoMacchio & Carney Families
r/b Patty and John

Deceased Members of the Scanlon & Peer Families
r/b Pat and Debbie Scalon

Deceased Members of the Roessner Family
r/b Nettie and Bob Roessner

Angela & Daniel Raimondo
r/b Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser and Marianne Vanvolkenburgh

THE EASTER LILIES & ROSES AT THE MARIAN SHRINE

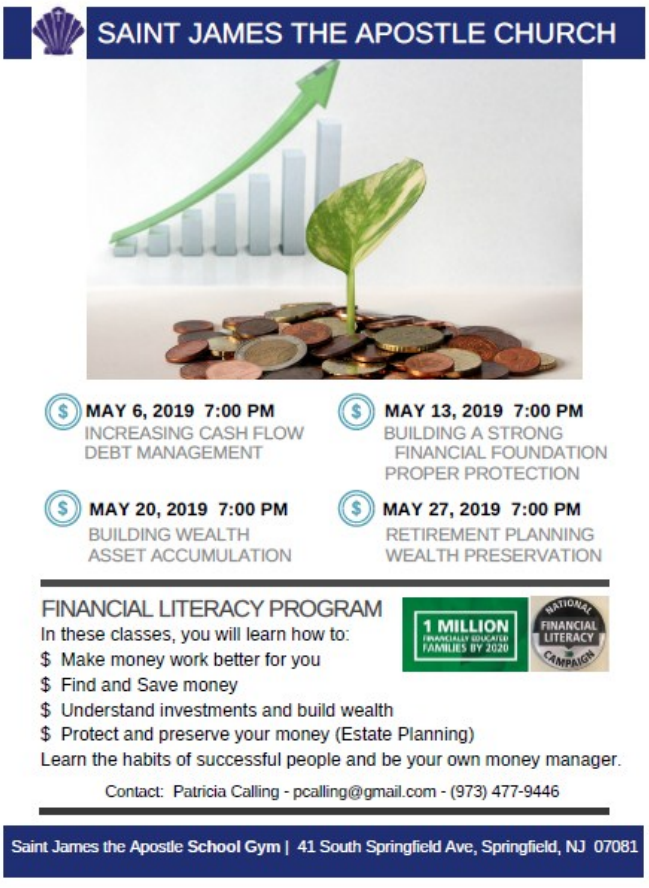
will be displayed in Loving memory of
Tony Graziano
r/b Wife, Anne and Family

EASTER "LITTLE WHITE BOOKS"
In Loving Memory of
John D. Pflug, III and Garrett Gurrieri
r/b The Pflug Family

COMMUNITY NEWS

Keeping in Touch With One Another

The Saint James Church parking lot will CLOSE after the 12:00PM Mass today for the duration of the festival. Daily Mass attendees can park in the F.M.Gaudineer school parking lot or on the street.



Little Flower Little Church
310 Plainfield Avenue
Berkeley Heights, New Jersey

LOSS OF A CHILD PRAYER SERVICE

Sunday, May 19, 2019 ~ 2:00 pm

A time of prayer and remembrance
for any parent or grandparent
who has ever grieved the loss of a child
*at **any age** before or after birth,*
*for **any reason**- including*
failed adoption and estrangement.

Want to keep up with events at Saint James?
Know a friend or neighbor who might like to hear about what's going on in our vibrant parish?

Send an email to:
publicity@saintjamesparish.org

to be added to our email list and be notified of parish events. The Publicity Committee also has a mail slot in the rectory for your convenience.

Like us on Facebook:
Saint James the Apostle Church

Barnabas Health: Renal and Pancreas Transplant Division, The Living Donor Institute

HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED BECOMING A LIVING KIDNEY DONOR?

* a kidney from a living donor: has a lesser chance of being rejected
* lasts nearly twice as long as a kidney from a deceased donor
* helps keep the recipient off of dialysis and the donation "waiting list"
* and greatly improves the quality of life for the recipient

Our parish knows of someone in need of a kidney transplant; if you are seriously considering becoming a living kidney donor, please contact Fr. Joe.

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE ANNUAL FESTIVAL!!!

Tuesday, April 30 ~ Saturday, May 4, 2019

Tuesday-Friday: 6:00-10:00p.m. ~ Saturday: 2:00-10:00p.m.

"All you can ride" bracelets $25 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 6:00-10:00 p.m. and Saturday 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to run the many fun activities which help make this parish fundraiser a success!

To sign up for volunteering, please email John O'Reilly: jxoreill@aol.com

Anyone requesting to volunteer in a game booth please note: **booths will be assigned upon your arrival**. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

NJ 101.5 IS COMING TO OUR PARISH FESTIVAL !!!

Stop by the Big Yellow Van on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 between 6:00-8:00PM

Say hi to the folks from NJ's own radio station

And enter drawings to win prizes!!

SUPER 50/50 Raffle

Chances for our parish Super 50/50 Raffle are out! If you did not receive yours or need more please contact the parish office. The drawing will take place on Saturday, May 5, 2018, the last night of the Parish Festival. One winner will split the drawing proceeds with the parish. Tickets are $1.00 each and the winner need not be present. For information please contact the parish rectory 973-376-3044.

ST. JAMES TIN CAN AUCTION NEEDS YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS

One of the major highlights of the annual St. James the Apostle 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 on prizes donated by area residents and merchants.

St. James needs contributions of prizes—goods, services, event tickets and other items - to make its Tin Can Auction a success. So, if you own a business or wish to donate goods, services, event tickets or other items, please contact: Antoinette Miller: 201-306-0520 or Janet Dellasala 908- 418-1451

THE PRAYER CORNER

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

A TIME TO HEAL

Glenn Albright, Anthony B., Paul Barbato, Concetta Bellott, Joe Brisick, Enid Cabot, Donna Capalano, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Van Corteza, James Curry, Berta Franco, Ana Harper, Steven Hensle, Laura Hughes, Joann Jennings, Anthony LaSalle, Maryann Leach, Dina Ledogar, Angelina Lipski, Richie Lipski, Carmen Lombardi, Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Angie Mazzarisi, Nicholas Melillo, Richard Miele, Michael Nargi, Rafaelina Oliviero, Karen Olsen, Anna P., Berit Phair, Elizabeth Piedl, Richard Quagliato, Cecilia Quintero, John Rehis, Anthony S., Ginny Sampson, Jack Silbert, Tom Stanick, Richard Tegnander, Anne Wallis, Kazia Winski, Mary Yobbi

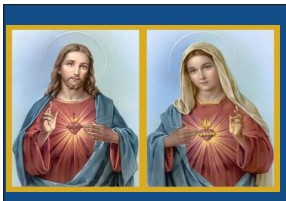
A TIME TO DIE

Peter Berlinski, Tony Bondar, Jessica Buscaino, Ronald Ciasulli, III, Carlos Davila, Richard Federacko, Margaret Gardner, Forrest Gregg, Mary Kapec, Jake Kesler, Frances Licato, William McNamara, Derrick Nelson, Mark Niemiec, Mike Sheppard, Sr.

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Tim Arentz, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, Capt. Sean P. Eadie, Stacy Enyeart, David Fenton, Shane Fenton, Luis Fonseca, 2LT Andrew Kerwin, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten, Phillip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 1Lt. Stacia Rogacki, 1Lt. Steven Rogacki

Holy God,
Holy Mighty One,
Holy Immortal One,
have mercy on us and on the whole world.



DEVOTIONS AND MEMORIALS ~ *Spiritual Offerings*

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

Sanctuary Lamp ~ Bread & Wine ~ Flowers By the Tabernacle

BREAD AND WINE

Rosario Alberto
~ Wife, Maria

SANCTUARY LAMP

Frank Wendoloski, Jr.
~ Family

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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

SUNDAY, April 28 Second Sunday of Easter
5:00 PM (SATURDAY)
Kathleen Ryan-Noonan & Thomas Ryan
~ *Ryan Family*
7:30AM
Yolanda Giovannone ~ *Lisa Monticello*
9:00AM
Rita & Don Wilms ~ *Dan & "Mike" Smith*
10:30AM
Michael Sangregorio ~ *Rita, Angela & Pasquale*
12:00PM
Bernie Lomacchio ~ *Patty & John*
MONDAY, April 29 St. Catherine of Siena
7:30AM
Edward Serasin ~ *Pat Gasalberti*
TUESDAY, April 30
7:30AM
Teresa Melleno ~ *Children*
WEDNESDAY, May 1
7:30AM
Dave Bernosky ~ Wife, Nancy
THURSDAY, May 2 St. Athanasius
7:30AM
Carmella Ruffa ~ *Maryann & Scappy Scoppettudo*
FRIDAY, May 3 St. Philip & St. James
7:30AM
Mary Romano ~ *John & Bernice Petersen*
SATURDAY, May 4
8:00AM
Sabino Zara ~ *Battaglia Family*
SUNDAY, May 5 Third Sunday of Easter
5:00 PM (SATURDAY)
For the People of Saint James
7:30AM
Julia & Joseph Sherma ~ *Family*
9:00AM
Hannah Jane Bernstein ~ *Bernstein Family*
10:30AM
Rosario Alberto ~ *Wife and Son*
12:00PM
Angelo Vitale ~ *Family*

OUTDOOR MINISTRY

Thank you to those who were a part of our Good Friday Seven Churches Bike Tour! Together we followed the roads of the towns outside and the Way of the Cross inside.

Keep an eye out for our next outing coming soon!

Please join us for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Miraculous Medal Novena, Rosary and Benediction on Monday evenings *(as scheduled)* at 6:30pm in our Church. All are welcome!

Join us Monday, April 29, 2019

SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Fr. Jeong Gyeong Kim

BAPTISM

Communal Baptisms are held on various Sundays during the year at 1:30pm in the Church. Please see the dates listed below.

RECONCILIATION

Individual Confessions are heard every Saturday at 11:00am in the Church, or anytime by appointment.

EUCHARIST

Communion can be brought to the sick and homebound either at home or in a facility.

CONFIRMATION

Adults who have celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism and would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation are encouraged to call the Parish Office and speak to one of the priests.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to marry are asked to call the Parish Office at least one year prior to their desired date so that arrangements can be made.

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. Please continue to pray for an increase in vocations.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

This Sacrament can be administered anytime. We make visits to area hospitals and nursing homes.

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 INFORMATION

The catechesis class begins by attending the 12:00pm Mass with instruction about the rite and its meaning following Mass. Godparents are encouraged to attend. Baptism Ceremonies are held at 1:30pm and we ask that everyone arrive by 1:15pm. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a Baptism or catechesis please call the Parish Office at 973-376-3044.

CATECHESIS	SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
May 5	Apr. 28, June 9

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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**.