



# SAINT JAMES

the APOSTLE CHURCH



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## RECTORY HOURS

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

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

**April 4, 2021**

**THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

“CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD,  
TRAMPLING DOWN DEATH BY DEATH,  
AND UPON THOSE IN THE TOMBS  
BESTOWING LIFE.”

An Easter Sourcebook: The Fifty Days, Book Two, p. 1

Today is EASTER! It is the most important day in the life of the church. Today celebrates the rising of Jesus from death. But it also celebrates the new life that restores us to right relationship with God. Easter also reminds us that we are called to celebrate this new life in a variety of ways in our lives. Easter always occurs in the spring, when nature is recreating with flowers and trees that are blooming.

Easter also reminds us that we have been recreated in the image of God and are invited to celebrate this with all we meet. The challenge for us is to live as a people transformed because Jesus offers us new life and resurrection. Even during this pandemic, we have an opportunity to celebrate new life in Jesus by the way we care for each other, responding to one another's needs as a witness to the resurrection.

After the doldrums of this long winter, we are happy to welcome the new life that spring affords us, including the warm weather. This is the new life Jesus has gained for us by his resurrection. But Easter is more than one day. It is a 50 Day Period of Mystagogia, in which we bask in the wonder of resurrection and new life, as we continue to reflect more deeply on the experience of resurrection in our lives and our parish.

In the name of our entire **PARISH STAFF: FR. TONY, DEACON JERRY, DEACON HUGH, NANCY CAPUTO, DAN PALKO, OUR SUPPORT STAFF & MYSELF, I want to extend to you and your families our best wishes for a HAPPY & HOLY EASTER AND EASTER SEASON.**

May this time be for all of us a time to bask in the glory of resurrection.

**HAPPY EASTER!! BUONA PASQUA!! FELIZ PASCUA DE RESURRECCIÓN!!**

*~ Fr. Joe*

**Thursday, April 1**, is Holy Thursday. There is no morning prayer. Mass of the Lord's Supper is at 7:30PM; it will also be live-streamed. Once the mass is over, the church will be closed. There is no veneration of the Blessed Sacrament that night.

**Friday, April 2**, is Good Friday. There is no morning prayer. The Good Friday Service is at 3:00PM, and it will be live-streamed. There will be veneration of the cross, but no one is allowed to touch or kiss the cross. You will either genuflect or bow before it. Once the service is over, the church will be closed, and there are no Stations of the Cross that night.

**Saturday, April 3**, is Holy Saturday. There is no morning prayer. Blessing of food will take place outside of church at 11:00AM. The Easter Vigil is at 7:30PM. Renewal of Baptismal Promises will take place with no sprinkling of Holy Water. The Easter Vigil will be live-streamed. There will be no lighting of the fire before Mass.

**Sunday, April 4**, is Easter Sunday. The mass schedule is the same as every Sunday, and the 10:30AM mass will be live-streamed. Renewal of Baptismal Promises will take place with no sprinkling of Holy Water.

The church has a limited capacity of 25% occupancy, so I suggest you call the rectory and reserve a place for the services of Palm Sunday, the Triduum, and Easter Sunday. You can also email me at [jbarbone546@gmail.com](mailto:jbarbone546@gmail.com).

Masks and social distancing must be maintained.

Thank you.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

*Palm Sunday and Easter collection totals  
will be posted next Sunday.*

*To sign up for Online Giving go to:  
[www.saintjamestheapostle.org](http://www.saintjamestheapostle.org)*

**WE ALSO ACCEPT ONLINE CREDIT CARD  
DONATIONS**

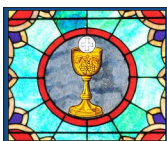
*Parishioners wishing to mail-in or drop off their  
weekly contribution in the Rectory mail slot are  
welcome to do so.*

**OR**

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

[https://charity.gofundme.com/donate/event/  
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**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.**

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

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

Happy Easter! Alleluia, Alleluia!!

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.

Wishing our parish community joy in His Resurrection!



## 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.

## Gospel Reflection.....

**John 20:1-9**

The reality of the resurrection is the central fact of the Christian faith. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Lord gives us "eyes of faith" to know him and the power of his resurrection. The greatest joy we can have is to encounter the living Lord and to know him personally. Do you celebrate the feast of Easter with joy and thanksgiving for the victory which Jesus has won for you over sin and death?

*Lord Jesus Christ, you have triumphed over the grave and you have won new life for us. Give me the eyes of faith to see you in your glory. Help me to draw near to you and to grow in the knowledge of your great love and power.*

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# EASTER REMEMBRANCES



## THE EASTER CANDLE

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 LARGE SANCTUARY EASTER WREATH

in Loving Memory of

Deacon Dan O'Neill  
*r/b The Saint James Parish Community*

## THE SHRINE WREATHS

in Loving Memory of

Max Porto  
*r/b Battaglia Family*

## THE GATHERING AREA WREATHS

in Loving Memory of

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

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

Deceased Members of the Roessner & Henson  
Families  
*r/b Nettie and Bob Roessner*

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 SAINT 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*





## 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.

## TODAY'S READINGS ~ April 4, 2021

### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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

**FIRST READING:** [Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43](#) ~ **SECOND READING:** [Colossians 3:1-4](#)

**GOSPEL:** [John 20:1-9](#)

#### HYMNS:

**Gathering Hymn:** Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

**Communion Procession:** varies per mass

**Hymn of Sending Forth:** Sing with All the Saints in Glory

Readings for next week: Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 11, 2021

First Reading: [Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35](#) ~ Second Reading: [John 5:1-6](#) ~ Gospel: [John 20:19-31](#)



### 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.

### Monday Evening Rosary & Novena

Returns to 7:00PM beginning

Monday, April 5



St. James the Apostle Church

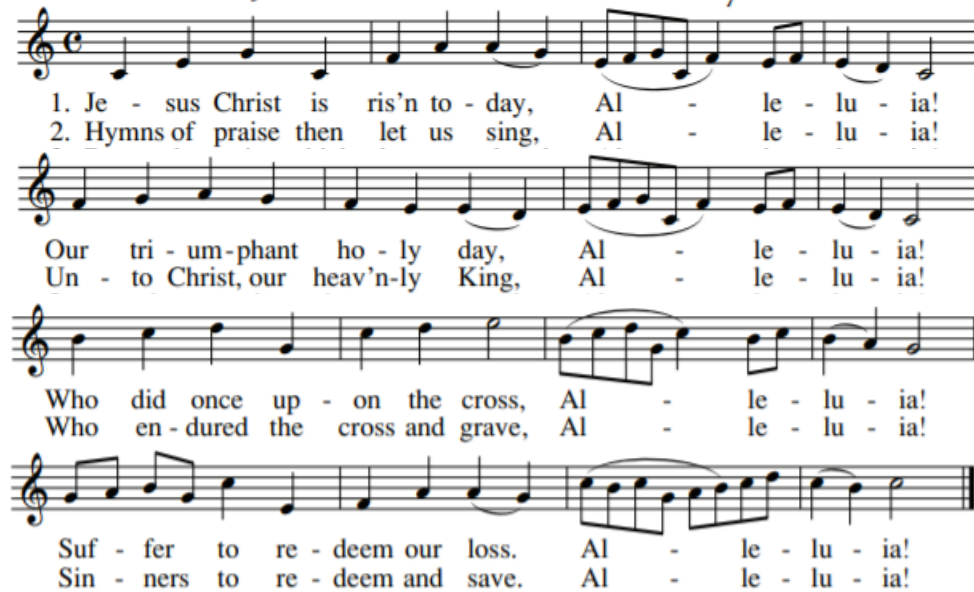
JOIN US  
**ONLINE ROSARY  
& NOVENA**  
EVERY MONDAY at 7:00 P.M.



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## HYMN OF GATHERING

### Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!

Our tri - um-phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Un - to Christ, our heav'n-ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!

Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!

Suf - fer to re - deem our loss, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Sin - ners to re - deem and save, Al - le - lu - ia!

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 22

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

R. Este es el día que hizo el Señor; regocijémonos y alegrémonos.

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## HYMN OF SENDING FORTH

### Sing with All the Saints in Glory / Canten con Glorioso Fieles



1. Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, Sing the res - ur -  
 2. O what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing All that eye has

rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry,  
 yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts, for a - ges plead - ing,

To the for - mer days be - long. All a - round the  
 Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised,

clouds are break - ing, Soon the storms of time shall cease; In God's  
 Christ pre - pares it, There on high our wel - come waits. Ev - 'ry

like - ness we a - wak - en, Know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.  
 hum - ble spir - it shares it; Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.

## PARISH INFORMATION



If you or someone you know might find comfort by receiving a prayer shawl, please contact the Rectory at: **973 376 3044**

### What is a prayer shawl?

A prayer shawl begins with the shawl maker saying prayers of peace and blessings for the recipient.

The intentions are continued throughout the creation of the shawl.

When a person is given a prayer shawl, it is the hope of the ministry that it will be a reminder of the unconditional love of God and His embrace of each of us during our times of grief, illness, or trial.

May the one who receives this shawl  
be cradled in hope, kept in joy,  
graced with peace and  
wrapped with love.

### Shawls can be used for:

- Those undergoing medical procedures
- Those grieving a loss or undergoing a time of stress
- Those who are ill or recovering from illness
- Those who are in need of a tangible reminder of God's love, regardless of situation.

St. James the Apostle Church

Prayer  
Shawl  
Ministry

ALL WHO RECEIVE A PRAYER SHAWL ALSO RECEIVE THIS

PRAYER OF BLESSING:

May God's grace be upon this shawl,  
warming, comforting,  
enfolding and embracing.

May this mantle be a safe haven,  
a sacred place of security  
and well-being;

Sustaining and embracing in  
good times  
as well as in difficult ones.

May the one who receives  
this shawl  
be cradled in hope, kept in  
joy,  
graced with peace,  
and wrapped in love.

With love and all blessings.

St. James the Apostle Parish  
Prayer Shawl Ministry



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Thank you.

The Parish Publicity Committee wishes everyone at Saint James a blessed and holy Easter.

May God's divine grace,  
as experienced in the Resurrection,  
bring all of us a new hope for better days to come.

He is risen! Alleluia!

*"No one works in secret if he wants to be known publicly.  
If you do these things, manifest yourself to the world."*

John 7:4



## A TIME TO BAPTIZE



## 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., Joe Policastro, Berit Phair, Richard Quagliato, John Rendeiro, John Reiss, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Roy Sandford, Justin Sequeira, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Filomena Vairo, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Kay Winski

## A TIME TO DIE

all who have died from Covid-19

## A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Tim Arentz, Lance Corporal Kevin Bernor, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, PFC Paul Devine, 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, LCPL Nick Wheeler



## MASS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY, April 4** The Resurrection of the Lord

**7:30AM**

For the People of Saint James

**9:00AM**

For the People of Saint James

**10:30AM**

For the People of Saint James

**12:00PM**

For the People of Saint James

**MONDAY, April 5**

**7:30AM**

Herb & Jane Boutot ~ *Linda & Bob Donnelly*

**TUESDAY, April 6**

**7:30AM**

Phillip Griffin ~ *Mike & Midge Grady*

**WEDNESDAY, April 7**

**7:30AM**

Erin La Spada ~ *Keffer Family*

**THURSDAY, April 8**

**7:30AM**

Erin La Spada ~ *Michael & Theresa Quick*

**FRIDAY, April 9**

**7:30AM**

Una Ehrhardt ~ *Karen Moore*

**SATURDAY, April 10**

**8:00AM**

Arcangela D'Agostini ~ *Family*

**SUNDAY, April 11** Second Sunday of Easter

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

**5:00PM (SATURDAY)**

Amelia Montana ~ *Family*

**7:30AM**

Mary & Vincent Inneo ~ *Inneo Family*

**9:00AM**

Muriel Geoghan ~ *Emily & Joe DeScenza*

**10:30AM**

Matthew Swajkowski ~ *Saint James Choir*

**12:00PM**

Anne Marie Genninger ~ *Maureen & Clyde Bernor*



## DEVOTIONS AND MEMORIALS ~ *Spiritual Offerings*

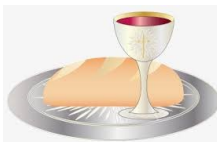
*To have a loved one remembered, please call the Rectory Office*

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



### SANCTUARY LAMP

For the People of Saint James



### BREAD

For the People of Saint James

## **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**.