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

Rectory & Offices Closed on Fridays through Sept. 3

August 1, 2021

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID SANTOS

Time flies...it's been one month since I arrived at Saint James. Once again, thank you for your kind and warm welcome! This past weekend's celebration of the Feast of Saint James **the Greater** was certainly uplifting and festive, not to mention the enhancement to our music and the participation of our altar servers (welcome back!). Even though it is Ordinary Time in the Church's Liturgical Calendar, Feasts and particular parish celebrations give us the opportunity to *turn things up a notch*.

Thank you to our Director of Music Ministry, cantors, instrumentalists, the volunteers who assisted with the flowers in the church, and the generous donors who helped purchase the plants and flowers.

THANK YOU!

News and Updates

I met with the Parish Finance Council this past Tuesday morning. We had a very productive and forward thinking meeting. In addition to assessing the parish financial status, we discussed post-COVID stewardship outreach, explored potential revenue generating options for the school building, and discussed the future of the convent building. After meeting with the Finance Council I am confident that the future of our parish will be exceedingly bright. We have a talented group of faith-filled and committed members. As the summer winds slow down later this month, the Finance Council will be working on the Parish Financial Report which will be presented to the parish in the fall. Thank you to our Finance Council for guiding our stewardship efforts. Please be sure to thank them personally when you have the opportunity.

2021-2022 Saint James the Apostle Church Finance Council:

Rita Lombardi (President)

John Mailley

Janet Petino (Parish Trustee)

John Pflug (Parish Trustee)

Michael Quick

Michelle Sblendorio (ex officio member)

Mary Speckhart

Reflection on the Readings

Mark Twain wrote, "I have known many troubles in my life, most of which never happened."

We all know about such troubles, too. These are the troubles looming just out in the future that occupy our mind in unguarded moments throughout the day or especially as we try to drift off to sleep. We can worry about world problems a little and work problems even more. But the problems that keep us up the most, I'm sure, are **family problems**. Or at least you and I portray them as problems in our mind.

Saint Paul warns the Ephesians, "You must no longer live in the futility of your mind." He wants them to "put away the old self" and "be renewed in the spirit of your minds."

Friends, when worries come and you are living in the futility of your mind, turn your worry over to God, who loves you even more than you love your own family. Then get a good night's sleep.

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$7,530.00

\$5,431.00 Mass Collection \$2,099.00 Online Collection

To sign up for Online Giving go to: 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.



MASS INFORMATION

Vigil Mass ~ Saturday 5:00PM Sunday 7:30AM ~ 9:00AM ~ 10:30AM ~ 12:00PM (10:30AM Mass Live on Facebook / YouTube) DAILY MASS

Weekday: Rosary 7:10AM ~ Mass 7:30AM Saturday: Rosary 7:40AM ~ Mass 8:00AM **NOVENA**

Monday Evenings ~ 7:00PM In person and livestreamed on Facebook / YouTube

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
4:00PM Saturdays in the Church



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

Main Office 973-376-2061 :: Facsimile 973-376-4079

The 2021-2022 Religious Education registration link has been emailed to all families who attended (virtual) classes in 2020-2021. Registration is required yearly, giving families the opportunity to update their email and home addresses as well as provide us with any information that we might need regarding their child's learning needs. If you did not receive the link or were not registered last year, no problem. Please give me a call and I will forward it to you.

As we prepare to welcome students and families back in September for our last year of the "traditional" classroom model, we need catechists to teach on Tuesday afternoons as well as facilitators for our small group, middle school 7th & 8th grade evening gatherings (no teaching involved!).

We also need adult volunteer hospitality greeters and assistants during our monthly Sunday Family Faith gatherings. High school student volunteers are also needed on Tuesday afternoons to assist with virtual learners and to be classroom aides.

If your child is of school age and never baptized, baptized in a different faith, or has special learning needs, please either let Fr. Santos know or email me directly.

Traveling this summer?
Here's a helpful website to find a church near you:
https://masstimes.org



Thank you, Saint James community, for providing meals for our Family Promise Union County guests from July 5-18th!

The families are so grateful for the meals. They continue to be moved by the kindness of strangers to provide them a home-cooked meal during this most difficult time in their lives. Thank you for all the ways you show love to our families!

Sincerely, The Family Promise Union County Team



PARISH NEWS

PARISH EMAIL SPOOFING!

Recently someone used Fr. David's information in an Email Spoofing to trick people into thinking that the email was sent from him.

Please be assured that neither Fr. David nor any member of the parish staff would ever email you requesting money or pre-paid credit cards.

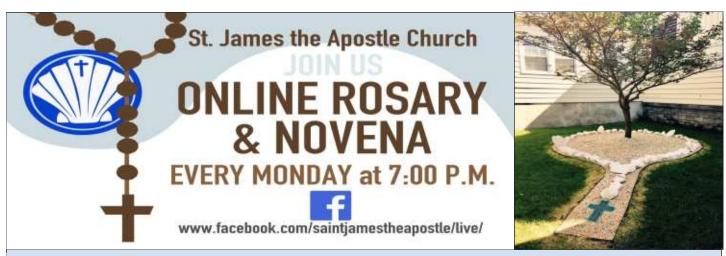
Please do not respond to these emails and delete them immediately.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the rectory.

2nd Collection: August 7/8, 2021



Our parish will take up a collection to support the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. Although the Church in Africa is growing, many still lack access to basic resources and pastoral care. The Solidarity Fund supports pastoral projects to build the capacity of the church and foster lasting peace and reconciliation in a continent often marked by division and tension. To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/africa.



Join us outside in the Rosary Garden (weather permitting) or Gathering Area of the Church (if raining) or log on to the Saint James the Apostle Parishioner Face Book Page to join us on YouTube.

All are welcome!

COMMUNITY NEWS





Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down?
Have you thought about separation or divorce?
Does talking about it only make it worse?
...Retrouvaille is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their
Marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions.

UPCOMING WEEKEND: August 13-15, 2021

TO REGISTER or for more information: Call Rich & Annette Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or email 3024@retrouvaille.org

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Joseph Golf Outing at Galloping Hill in September!

The Church of St. Joseph the Carpenter and the Roselle Knights of Columbus will hold a golf outing on (Monday) Sept. 27 at Galloping Hill Golf Course in Kenilworth.

The fundraiser for Council #3946 will feature an 18-hole scramble format with a shotgun start at 1:00PM following a BBQ lunch at 11:30AM. A post-golf dinner is planned for St. Joe's in Roselle at 6:30PM, when prizes will be awarded.

You can participate and help make the event a success in a variety of ways, including playing, sponsoring or donating. A foursome costs only \$600 (or \$160 for an individual golfer). Several sponsorship opportunities are still available, including hole sponsor.

To register, sponsor or donate, please contact Rich Biddulph (732-688-5045) or Joe Skrec (iskrec@hotmail.com).





YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH 2020-2021 ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK



POPE FRANCIS ANNOUNCES YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

One hundred and fifty years ago, Blessed Pope Pius IX declared St. Joseph as "Patron of the Universal Church." To mark the 150th anniversary of this occasion, Pope Francis has proclaimed a Year of St. Joseph from Dec. 8, 2020, to Dec. 8, 2021.

In the Pope's proclamation of the Year of St. Joseph, *Patris corde* ("With a father's heart"), he drew connections between St. Joseph and the humble people working throughout the pandemic. "People who do not appear in newspaper and magazine headlines, or on the latest television show, yet in these very days are surely shaping the decisive events of our history." The Holy Father notes, "how many fathers, mothers, grandparents and teachers are showing our children, in small everyday ways, how to accept and deal with a crisis by adjusting their routines, looking ahead and encouraging the practice of prayer. How many are praying, making sacrifices and interceding for the good of all."

St. Joseph was a man of sacrifice and prayer for the good of the Holy Family. Even today, he continues to inspire others to reach out to those in need, especially during this difficult time.

For more information on the Year of St. Joseph, please visit: www.rcan.org/joseph

"St. Joseph, pray for us!"

- Every Tuesday 6:30pm Exposition, 6:45pm Novena to St. Joseph, 7:00pm Mass St. Joseph Church
 Hackensack, NJ
- Every Wednesday & 19th of Each Month following the 12noon Mass Novena to St. Joseph Divine Mercy Parish - Rahway, NJ
- Every Thursday following the 9am Mass & First Sunday of Each Month following all Masses Litany of St. Joseph St. Thomas More Fairfield, NJ
- Every Thursday following the 9am Mass St. Joseph Novena St. Rocco / St. Brigid Union City, NJ
- First Saturday of Each Month 6:00pm Rosary By Men St. Nicholas Church Palisades Park, NJ



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

Steven Payson ~ Nancy Caputo



BREAD

Steven Payson ~ Nancy Caputo

A TIME TO BAPTIZE

Jackson Patrick O'Reilly, Amiliana Pellino

A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, Ginnie Attanasio, Joyce Bauman, Concetta Bellott, 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, Rick Ellmer, Deacon Stan Fedson, Alfredo Fernandes, Shaun Findley, Berta Franco, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, Robert Hunrath, Eddie Jenna, Mary Keegan, Dana Kelley, 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, Richard Quagliato, John Rendeiro, John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Justin Sequeira, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Rose Sinopoli, Ray Slater, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Filomena Vairo, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Kay Winski, 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 DIE

For 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, 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



SUNDAY, August 1

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Mary Corbett ~ Laura Hegen

7:30AM

Eddie Banaag ~ Pete & Fe Guilas

9:00AM

Irene Villa Nova ~ Religious Education Office

10:30AM

Glen Albright ~ Carol & Howard Balfour

12:00PM

For the People of Saint James

MONDAY, August 2

7:30AM

Lou & Mary Cantagallo ~ Lou Cantagallo

TUESDAY, August 3

7:30AM

Giacomino Nese ~ Cecilia & Van

WEDNESDAY, August 4 St. John Vianney

7:30AM

Deceased Members of the San Martino & Solazzi Families ~ Mary & Gus Solazzi

THURSDAY, August 5

7:30AM

Patrick J. Scanlon, III ~ Maria & Roch Le Pago

FRIDAY, August 6

The Transfiguration of the Lord

7:30AM

Domenico Calello ~ Gianna & Brian Hayes

SATURDAY, August 7

8:00AM

Iacobelli Family ~ Family

SUNDAY, August 8

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Amelia Montana ~ Family

7:30AM

Paul Dime ~ Deacon Hugh & Maggie Keffer

9:00AM

Dolores Hennessy ~ Sister, Arlene & Family

10:30AM

Joan McElroy ~ Weber Family

12:00PM

Susan Sullivan ~ Rose Anne Turiano

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

Amen.

TODAY'S READINGS:

August 1, 2021 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Visit: http://www.usccb.org/ for Scripture Readings (click the links to access the readings)

FIRST READING: <u>Ex 16:2-4, 12-15</u> ~ SECOND READING: <u>Eph 4:17, 20-24</u>

GOSPEL: <u>Jn 6:24-35</u>

Lord, Give Us This Bread Always

Saints of the Week.....

St. John Vianney. Feast day, August 4.

In 1805, John Vianney entered a seminary at age 19. After several months of study, he was still not prepared to attend lectures in Latin. He went to live with a friend who was a priest and who tutored him. This priest persuaded the bishop to ordain John not for his learning but for his holiness. After a few years, John was assigned to Ars, a village of about 50 families in France.



The people were careless about practicing their faith, so they were not happy with this priest who was eager to draw them back to God and Christian living. Some caused trouble by lying about John, by acting violently against him, and by refusing to cooperate with him. They hoped that he would give up and leave. Instead, Father Vianney increased his prayers, fasting, and penances.

Gradually, people came to celebrate the sacraments and listen to his homilies. Within a few years, Father Vianney was spending 10–15 hours a day in the confessional. People from all over France and other countries came to consult him. The government built a railroad line to Ars to accommodate all the pilgrims. Father Vianney just continued his hard, yet simple, way of prayer, fasting, and penance. He was strict with his parishioners but a hundred times more strict with himself. John gave away his furnishings, his belongings, and the gifts of clothes and food that the neighbors brought him. Once he received a black velvet cape as an award and sold it to buy food for those who were poor. He died at age 73. John was canonized in 1925 and is the patron of parish priests.

The Transfiguration of the Lord. August 6.

The first three Gospels contain a number of passages that show Jesus' divinity shining through his humanity. One of these is the passage on the Transfiguration. Sometime before he died on the cross, Jesus took Peter, James, and John up a high mountain—probably Mount Tabor. There, while the apostles watched, Jesus' face began to shine much more brightly than the sun. His garments became as white as snow.

Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared, standing on each side of Jesus. The three of them talked together for a brief time about Jesus' coming passion and death. Then Peter exclaimed, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" (Matthew 17:4).

While Peter was still speaking, a bright cloud gathered and covered the apostles with its shadow. Then the apostles heard a voice saying, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with

him I am well pleased; listen to him!" (Matthew 17:5). Peter, James, and John fell to the ground because they were so frightened. The next moment Jesus touched them and told them not to fear. When they looked up, there was no one in sight except Jesus, looking like his ordinary self.

As they walked down the mountain, Jesus told the favored three to keep the whole experience a secret. They were permitted to tell others only after he had risen from the dead. Perhaps Jesus gave these apostles a glimpse of his divine identity in order to strengthen their faith in preparation for the ordeals of his coming passion and death.



Source: https://www.loyolapress.com

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.