# SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### **RECTORY HOURS**

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

Rectory & Offices Closed on Fridays through Sept. 3

August 15, 2021

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

## MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID SANTOS

## Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## Reflection on the Readings

It is a rare occasion for the Church to celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on a Sunday. We get to share this delightful hour together in a way that's not possible mid-week, weary after work or on a hurried lunch break. Thank God for the opportunity for us to celebrate this wonderful solemnity together as a community of faith!

For her courageous discipleship, God blessed Mary during her difficult life, and at her death, God assumed her bodily into heaven, where she now enjoys full union with her Lord. Mary, as one of us, points to what awaits the Church and all disciples who wait in hope for full union with God. While not in Scripture, Mary's bodily assumption into heaven is an ancient Church belief. The solemnity not only celebrates Mary's assumption, but, as she is the primary symbol of the Church, Mary's assumption points to the fullness of salvation that will be given to the entire Church with the Lord's Second Coming. Where she has gone, we poor sinners hope to follow. Until that day, we rejoice in the help of her prayers, and we unite ourselves to the sacrifice of Christ's Body and Blood, the pledge of our resurrection.

Mary, Mother of the Church and our Mother, pray for our parish community!

#### Quote of the Week:

Today Earth has sent a priceless gift up to heaven, so that by giving and receiving within the blessed bond of friendship, the human is wedded to the divine, Earth to heaven, the depths to the heights....

—Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153).

Father in heaven, all creation rightly gives you praise, for all life and all holiness come from you. In the plan of your wisdom she who bore the Christ in her womb was raised body and soul in glory to be with Him in heaven.

May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness and join in her hymn of endless love and praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$6,893.00

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Not reported this week - Online Collection
2nd Collection: \$558.00 Church of Africa
WE ALSO ACCEPT ONLINE CREDIT CARD DONATIONS

To sign up for Online Giving go to:
www.saintjamestheapostle.org
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 one-time 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 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

Registration is underway for the upcoming school year. If you are a registered parishioner and have a child entering 1st grade in September in either public or private school, please contact me so we can make note of their sacramental preparation needs.

If your child is of school age and never baptized, baptized in a different faith, or has special learning needs, please email or call me. All children are welcome in our Faith Formation Program.

As we prepare to welcome students and families back in September for our last year of the traditional classroom learning, we are in need of catechists to teach grades 1 through 6 on Tuesday afternoons as well as classroom aides. High school students are always welcome to volunteer and are needed Tuesday afternoons to assist with virtual learners and to be classroom aides. This is a great high school community service project!

We also need adults to help with our small group, 7th & 8th grade evening gatherings (no teaching involved!).

Our new Family Faith program needs adult volunteer hospitality greeters and assistants for our monthly Sunday gatherings.

As the saying goes.... "it takes a village...." the success of handing down our faith is the responsibility of all of us!

Please call or email to volunteer!



Today, Catholics and many other Christians celebrate the feast of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This significant feast day recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from the earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God.

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

2nd Collection: Archdiocesan Assessment August 21/22, 2021

This collection provides funds to manage the Archdiocesan office and agencies, and to provide educational, charitable and social services.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Please make checks payable to <u>Saint Iames Church</u>

## PARISH NEWS



The Saint James Parish Annual Festival

"SAVE THE DATE"

October 12th ~ October 16th

Mark your calendar!

Stay tuned for ways to volunteer!



#### WE NEED YOU!!!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WAYS TO VOLUNTEER AT OUR PARISH FESTIVAL! VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR A VARIETY OF JOBS!



We invite you to watch this informational video about the 2021 Annual Appeal of the Archdiocese.

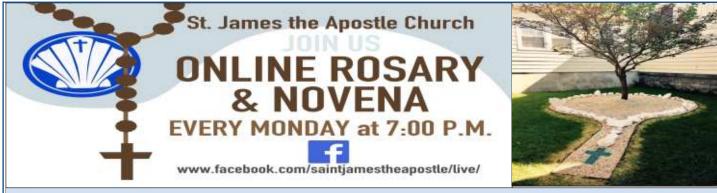
## 2021 Annual Appeal

The Annual Appeal serves the needs of all in the diocese. Each parish in the diocese is given a monetary goal to contribute. Saint James has not

reached our goal. Please consider helping your parish by making a donation. You can do so online at rean.org/sharing or by check, payable to Saint James Church (please write "Annual Appeal" in the memo section).

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Fr. Santos



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**



## You Are Mine **LGBTQ Parents & Allies Support Group Open House**

Find a space for respectful conversation that allows parents and family members of LGBTQ family members to share their concerns, joys, and struggles.

As our You Are Mine group enters its third year, join us for a BYO dinner and open house. Meet group members and learn about the group in a relaxed atmosphere.

When: 3rd Thursday each month at 7:00pm

August 19: BYO Dinner (drinks provided) Open House

Where: Little Flower Bernauer Church Lower Level (park behind church)

310 Plainfield Ave., Berkeley Heights

Questions or more info? contact Margaret at 908-464-1585 or pastoral 110.lf@gmail.com



Catholic Charities of the

Archdiocese of Newark Invites You To Attend

Who's Taking Care of You?

## Stress-Busting for Caregivers (SBC) offers:

- Nine 90-minutes sessions presented by two certified Master Trainers.
- Real-life strategies for managing stress we'll walk you through practical tips to apply in your caregiver role and self-care techniques you can use daily.
- A caring, respectful, empathetic environment with others facing similar challenges - everyone here understands what you're going through.
- A holistic approach to addressing the emotional, physical, spiritual, and cognitive needs of family caregivers.

SBC meets the <u>U.S. Administration on Aging's</u> highest criteria for evidence-based programs and is recognized by the VA as an evidence-supported program because It's been proven to reduce stressors associated with caregiving.

Hybrid classes starting August 2021 Register today! CAREGIVERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN US IN PERSON OR VIA ZOOM.

For more details please Call: 908-497-4011, 908-578-4959 or 201-259-9139 or Email: mmcgroaryeccannj.org

## A Time to Relax



Summertime is a time to relax. During this leisure time, would you be willing to go through your closets to get rid of all those unwanted heavy winter clothes and shoes which served you so well during the winter season? We also need small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, tools, novels, and children's books. Please donate them to the Catholic Charities Donation Bin(s) located on the Church grounds.

Thank you for helping Catholic Charities continue its mission.

#### **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).



#### Saints of the Week.....

#### Saint Bernard. Feast day August 20.

In 1112, at the age of 22, Bernard chose to enter a poor, crumbling monastery called Citeaux, a few miles from his home near Dijon, in France. The monks there, most of whom were elderly, faithfully followed the Rule of Saint Benedict. The monks at Citeaux lived a stricter life of prayer, silence, and penance. Thirty-one other men entered with Bernard.

Within three years, Citeaux was flourishing, and Bernard was sent to start a new monastery in a place that came to be named Clairvaux. As abbot in that first year, Bernard was strict about meals (sometimes only barley bread and boiled leaves), work, prayers, and sleep. Then he became sick and learned to be more understanding of human needs. After that, the monastery thrived.

During his busy years as abbot, Bernard often longed for solitude and a simple monk's life. Almost daily he received visitors and letters from people asking for advice and help. He gave time and effort to each request. Because of his ability to settle disputes, Bernard was also called to various countries to give advice on affairs of Church and of government.

In 1130, the newly elected Pope Innocent II faced the popularity of an antipope named Anacletus. The latter's claim to be pope threatened to split the Church. Bernard traveled to ask government and Church leaders to support the true pope. Finally, Anacletus lost his power, and Innocent II returned as the official bishop of Rome.

When Bernard was chosen as an official preacher for the Second Crusade, he inspired many to join the cause for Christ. The Crusade failed, however, because of the cruelty and greed of some crusaders, and Bernard was unjustly blamed.

Bernard died in 1153. He is known as one of the founders of the Cistercian order. He was named a Doctor of the Church for his many writings.

#### Saint Pius, X. Feast day August 21.

"I was born poor, I lived poor, I will die poor." These words were part of the will that Pope Pius X left at his death on August 20, 1914.

He was born Giuseppe Melchiorre Sarto, the second of 10 children. His father was a poor parish clerk in Riese, Italy, and his mother worked as a seamstress. At 11, Giuseppe was accepted as a student in high school. Every day, he walked five miles to school and back. At 15, he began attending the local seminary. When his father died, Giuseppe wanted to come home and help with the family. His mother, however, would not let him.

In 1858, he was ordained and then worked as a parish priest for 17 years. He believed his call was to encourage those who were poor to lead Christian lives and to help them overcome financial problems. He was, however, named spiritual director of the major seminary and chancellor of the diocese. Later, he became a bishop and then a cardinal.

In 1903, this little-known cardinal was elected to become Pope Pius X. He took as his motto "Restore all things in Christ." He emphasized the importance of the Eucharist. He directed that children as young as seven should be allowed to receive the Eucharist. He initiated changes in Church music and worship. He began a biblical institute. He gave the first official impetus to the modern liturgical renewal.

Pope Pius X believed that real peace could be achieved only through social justice and charity. He sponsored and sheltered refugees with his own resources. He wrote an encyclical encouraging Latin American bishops to improve the treatment of native people working on plantations. He worked to stop the world from going to war. When Europe entered World War I, Pius was heartbroken and said, "I would gladly give up my life to save my poor children from this ghastly scourge." Just a few weeks after the war started, Pope Pius X died.

Source: https://www.loyolapress.com



## **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

Joseph Galluzzi ~ Joan & Kenneth Nisch



#### **BREAD**

For the People of Saint James

## A TIME TO BAPTIZE

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## 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, Berta Franco,
 Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, Robert Hunrath, Eddie Jenna, Mary Keegan,
 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, Richard Quagliato, John Rendeiro, John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, 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

Francesco Conte, Rita Kussman, 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 15

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Carol House ~ Bob House

7:30AM

Angela Mainella ~ Raffaela Conetta

9:00AM

Josephine Cook ~ Claire Bernstein

10:30AM

Ann "Nan" Wade ~ John & Cocoa Catallo

12:00PM

Joseph Galluzzi ~ Joan & Kenneth Nisch

MONDAY, August 16

7:30AM

For the People of Saint James

TUESDAY, August 17

7:30AM

Maryanne Casale ~ Michael & Theresa Quick

WEDNESDAY, August 18

7:30AM

Gene Melleno ~ Family

THURSDAY, August 19

7:30AM

Maria Eugenia Calvo ~ Family

FRIDAY, August 20 Saint Bernard

7:30AM

Justin McConville ~ Kevin Corbett & Family

SATURDAY, August 21 Saint Pius X

8:00AM

Madonna di Canneto ~ Raffaela Conetta

SUNDAY, August 22 Twenty-First Sunday in OT

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Carlyn & Tom Ryan ~ Family

7:30AM

For the People of Saint James

9:00AM

Gerardo Di Leo ~ Di Leo & Clark Families

10:30AM

Jim Geoghan ~ Emily & Joe DeScenza

12:00PM

Gerald McManus ~ Weber Family

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

Amen.

### **TODAY'S READINGS:**

August 15, 2021
The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Visit: <a href="http://www.usccb.org/">http://www.usccb.org/</a> for Scripture Readings (click the links to access the readings)

FIRST READING: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab ~ SECOND READING: Corinthians 15:20-27 GOSPEL: Luke 1:39-56

Because she belonged to Christ, Mary, our queen, is raised on high, a great sign for all who believe in her Son.

## 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.