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MASS SCHEDULE

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

Monday Evening Novena: ~ 7:00PM
Facebook / Zoom only

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment

RECTORY HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00AM~3:00PM
(closed daily 12:00-1:00PM)
Closed Fridays: July 3 through Sept. 3, 2020

A WELCOMING
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
OF FAITH.

COME EXPERIENCE CHRIST WITH US!

August 2, 2020



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

During the course of these past few months, since the Black Lives Matter movement, we have seen a number of statues toppled, decapitated, and removed. These include statues of Christopher Columbus and figures associated with the Civil War. In addition, other statues and landmarks have been defaced with graffiti. These monuments represented racist events and individuals, and many people thought they should be defaced or removed. Obviously, there has been a lot of publicity about these events.

What we hear very little about, however, is that there have been statues of Jesus and the Blessed Mother that were also defaced. In addition, some churches, including St. Patrick's Cathedral, have had graffiti painted on them. Was this done because some people do not like the way the Catholic Church cares for all people, regardless of race, skin color, ethnic origin, or religion? Or is there no apparent reason for why this has been done? It seems that all of this is getting out of hand. I am not sure of the statement that folks think they are making when they desecrate symbols of care, concern, and love.

Today's Gospel is a prime example of the care and concern that Jesus has for people. It is the story of the multiplication of the loaves. Jesus was concerned that those following him would not have enough to eat, especially if they tried returning to their homes, which were miles away and would take a few hours to reach. Jesus fed these followers, but he also taught them how to feed each other by sharing whatever food they had. People who traveled in those desert areas always carried food and water with them so that they would not collapse from the heat or die on the way to where they were going. So, Jesus responded to their needs, as he did with anyone he met.

Jesus taught his apostles to do the same, and now we have the responsibility to do the same with the people that we meet. This does not mean that we have to solve everyone's problems or difficulties. It does mean, though, that we can be agents of care, concern, and healing for those who look to us for some kind of help. Not only does this show others how seriously we take the message of Jesus, but it is also a way that we can help build the kingdom of God on earth. Our mission is to help others experience Jesus through us and the efforts we make to help others.

This is especially true during the pandemic, which has somehow brought us together to watch out and care for one another. Maybe this is why this pandemic has occurred. Maybe it's God's way of reminding us that the world is much bigger than ourselves, and that we have to care for each other and the earth on which we live. It is easy to complain about COVID-19 and its destructive force in our world. It put masks on our faces and socially distances us from each other. This may not be what we wanted or expected, but it is the reality for the present.

Last Saturday, we celebrated the Feast Day of our patron, Saint James, with a bilingual Mass and procession. It was a nice celebration. And last Sunday, at the 12:00 Mass, we had a Mass of Thanksgiving for all the First Responders, doctors, nurses, EMTs, and all the workers who have stayed on their jobs and helped to keep us safe. We also remembered those who died from COVID-19, whether they were those living in the towns around here or people we knew. Then we followed Mass with a picnic. **THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE FEAST DAY AND/OR THANKSGIVING & PICNIC.** These are good ways to come together and celebrate who we are as God's people. **GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!**

HAPPY AUGUST!!

~ Fr. Joe

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$6,438.00

\$4,311.00 Collection

\$2,127.00 Online Collection

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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](https://charity.gofundme.com/donate/event/archdiocese-of-newark?lang=en-us)

Select Team: Saint James the Apostle, Springfield
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SACRAMENT INFORMATION

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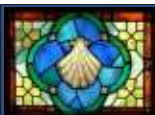
THE RCIA PROCESS

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.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Fr. Antonio N. Kuizon

The catechesis class begins by attending the 12:00PM Mass. Following the Mass, the Baptismal Team meets with the parents about the rite and its meaning. The Godparents are also encouraged to attend this class. The Sacrament of Baptism is held at 1:30PM and we ask that everyone arrive by 1:15PM. If you have any questions please call the Parish Office and someone from the Baptismal Team will return your call.

The suspension has been lifted for the preparation classes and Sacrament of Baptism Services



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

MESSAGE FROM FR. JOE

Regarding Attending Mass during Covid-19

Dear Fellow Saint James Parishioners:

It is great to be back together in church for Mass, but things are a little different. Please don't forget to call the parish office or email me (jbarbone@msn.com) by noon on Saturdays to let us know which Mass you plan to attend. Senior citizens and those with underlying medical conditions are encouraged to remain at home and watch the Sunday online 10:30AM Mass, which we will continue to live-stream.

If you do come to church for Mass, please remember the following:

1. You must wear a mask to enter the church and you must keep your mask on at all times while in the church, including during Mass.
2. As you go from the Gathering Area into the church, please use the appropriate door to enter and exit the church.
3. Please observe the one-way aisles, which are marked with blue tape on the floor.
4. You must maintain social distancing while in the church.
5. Half of the pews have been taped off to maintain social distancing. There are pieces of blue tape on each pew where you can sit. They are also on the floor by the back walls for those who prefer to stand. This area is also marked for social distancing.
6. Family members can sit together, but everyone else must sit 6 feet apart.
7. The weekly collection baskets will not be passed from parishioner to parishioner. They will be on the baptismal font. Please drop in your donation as you enter or exit the church.
8. There is no procession of the bread and wine ("bringing up the gifts").
9. Please do not shake hands when giving the sign of peace. Instead, wave, nod, or bow slightly.
10. There are three Communion stations: one in the center, one by the organ, and one by the ambo. The ushers will direct you to maintain social distance.
11. When it is your turn to receive Communion, approach the priest or deacon, receive the Host in your hand, raise or lower your mask, and place the Host on your tongue. Immediately replace your mask over your mouth.
12. Hosts can no longer be placed directly on a parishioner's tongue by a priest, deacon, or Eucharistic Minister. You must receive the Host in your hand and place it on your tongue. There is no receiving from the Cup.
13. The candles in the Gathering Area have been turned off and they are taped.
14. There are no printed bulletins. Bulletins are posted online on the parish website.
15. The Worship books have been removed from church. You may bring your own booklet, iPad or iPhone to use during Mass.
16. You will also notice that everything that can be touched has been removed from the church. There is no Holy Water.
17. Once Mass is over, please quickly exit the church so that the pews can be sanitized for the next Mass.
18. If you want to socialize with others whom you may not have seen in a while, please do so outside of church and not in the Gathering Area.

If you have any questions or are unsure of what to do while in church, please ask an usher. I ask your patience as we attempt to navigate through all of this. We realize this is a very different situation for all of us. It can work if we work together. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Stay safe!

Fr. Joe

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Ms. Nancy Caputo, Director ~ Mrs. Colleen Tyra, Administrative Assistant

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Religious Education is looking for a few volunteers with Google Classroom and Flipgrid experience to help us build out digital platform. Once the site is established we will be able to maintain it. We have all the online resources and received training from the Archdiocese on distance learning. Now we need volunteers familiar with creating and uploading the digital information to guide us. Please reach out to Nancy Caputo by phone or email: ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org if you are able to share your best practice tips with us!

Please remember, if you are attending Mass in person, we must adhere to the guidelines found on page 4 of this bulletin. For those not feeling comfortable returning to church to attend Mass, we will continue to offer our virtual 10:30AM Sunday Mass.

We remind you that the Religious Education Office will remain in the school building. The entrance is the same that the children use when coming to class. Door #8 is in the front of the school building along the walkway where the white Statue of Mary and the flagpole are located. We do not have access to any other doors so please be sure to visit us using door #8.

Thank you to the families who took the time to participate in the family survey and most importantly for your suggestions and feedback. We are here to support you in your child's faith formation and your suggestions are appreciated!

Should in-class gatherings be allowed, we will need additional catechists and class aids on Sunday mornings and Tuesday afternoons. We currently need catechists for Grades 4, 5, and 6 on Sundays and Grades 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 on Tuesdays. Without volunteers to teach, the children will not be able to have the in-person class experience that is so important to their faith development. Please call the Religious Education Office to make a difference in the lives of our children!

If you have ideas or suggestions on catechizing our children I encourage you to contact me.

Any family new to our program or with a child entering 1st grade (Kindergarten is optional) please email me so we can arrange to speak. Baptismal certificates are required for all new students regardless of grade at the time of registration.

SAINT JAMES RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IS HIRING!

8th Grade Religious Education / Sacrament of Confirmation / Youth Group Coordinator

Please call or email Nancy Caputo if interested in this part-time position.

973-376-2061 or ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IS GOING DIGITAL!!!

If you have experience with setting up Google Classroom and Flipgrid, we need you!!!

Once the platform is created, we should be able to keep it current!

Appreciate any and all assistance!

SUNDAY READINGS ~ August 2, 2020

Praying Together Unites Us As One

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

"Prayer is the best weapon we possess. It is the key that opens the heart of God."

San Pio De Pietrelcina

FIRST READING: Isaiah: 55 1-3

Thus says the LORD:
All you who are thirsty,
come to the water!
You who have no money,
come, receive grain and eat;
Come, without paying and without cost,
drink wine and milk!
Why spend your money for what is not bread;
your wages for what fails to satisfy?
Heed me, and you shall eat well,
you shall delight in rich fare.
Come to me heedfully,
listen, that you may have life.
I will renew with you the everlasting covenant,
the benefits assured to David.

The word of the Lord**R. Thanks be to God!**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

SECOND READING: Romans 8: 35, 37-39

Brothers and sisters:
What will separate us from the love of Christ?
Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine,
or nakedness, or peril, or the sword?
No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly
through him who loved us.
For I am convinced that neither death, nor life,
nor angels, nor principalities,
nor present things, nor future things,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor any other creature will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The word of the Lord**R. Thanks be to God!**

SUNDAY READINGS ~ August 2, 2020

Praying Together Unites Us As One

Priest / Deacon: The Lord be with you.....

R. And with your Spirit...

Priest / Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew....

R. Glory to you O Lord

(with your thumb, make a little sign of the cross, first on your forehead; then on your lips; then on your heart)

GOSPEL: Matthew 14: 13-21

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist,
he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself.
The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns.
When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd,
his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick.
When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said,
“This is a deserted place and it is already late;
dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages
and buy food for themselves.”
Jesus said to them, “There is no need for them to go away;
give them some food yourselves.”
But they said to him,
“Five loaves and two fish are all we have here.”
Then he said, “Bring them here to me,”
and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass.
Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven,
he said the blessing, broke the loaves,
and gave them to the disciples,
who in turn gave them to the crowds.
They all ate and were satisfied,
and they picked up the fragments left over—
twelve wicker baskets full.
Those who ate were about five thousand men,
not counting women and children.

Priest / Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.....

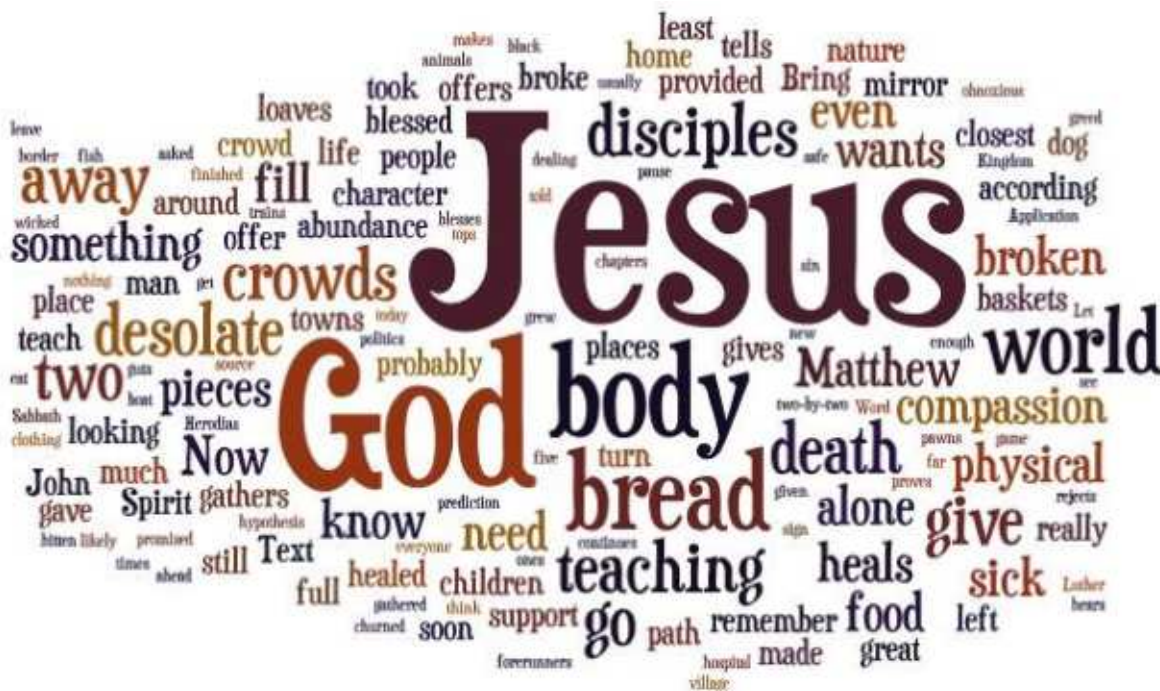
R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Reflection:

Matthew 14:13-21

What can truly satisfy our deepest hunger and longing? Wherever Jesus went multitudes of people gathered to meet him - people from every part of society - rich and poor, professionals and laborers, even social outcasts and pagans. What drew them to Jesus? Were they simply curious or looking for a healing? Many were drawn to Jesus because they were hungry for God. Jesus' message of God's kingdom and the signs and wonders he performed stirred fresh hope and expectation that God was acting in a new and powerful way to set people free from sin and oppression and to bring them the blessings of his kingdom.

Lord Jesus Christ, you satisfy the deepest longings of our hearts and you feed us with the finest of wheat (Psalm 81:16). Fill me with gratitude for your blessings and give me a generous heart that I may freely share with others what you have given to me.



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2020
19TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: Kings: 19-9a, 11-13a~ SECOND READING: Romans 9: 1-5

GOSPEL: Matthew

HYMNS

Hymn of Gathering: This Day God Gives Me

Communion Procession: Let Us Be Bread

HYMN OF GATHERING

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

1. Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the
 2. Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we
 3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of an - gels, Here on
 4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, You the

scep - ter, his the throne. Al - le - lu - ia! His the
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is
 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! Here the
 Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of

tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.
 near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.
 sin - ful Flee to you from day to day.
 Mar - y, Earth your foot - stool, heav'n your throne.

Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him When the
 In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, Earth's re -
 You with - in the veil have en - tered, Robed in

like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of ev - 'ry
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for - get his
 deem - er, plead for me, Where the songs of all the
 flesh, our great high priest; Here on earth both priest and

na - tion Has re - deemed us by his blood."
 prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?
 sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

Text: Revelation 5:9; William C. Dix, 1837-1898
 Tune: HYFRYDOL, 8 7 8 7 D; Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

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COMMUNION PROCESSION

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Refrain



The Refrain is written on a single staff in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. It consists of three lines of music with lyrics underneath. The first line ends with a repeat sign. The second line ends with a repeat sign. The third line ends with a double bar line.

You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart With
gift of fin - est wheat; Come give to us, O
sav - ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

Verses



The Verses are written on a single staff in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. They consist of five lines of music with lyrics underneath. The first line ends with a repeat sign. The second line ends with a repeat sign. The third line ends with a repeat sign. The fourth line ends with a repeat sign. The fifth line ends with a double bar line.

1. As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, They
2. With joy - ful lips we sing to you Our
3. Is not the cup we bless and share The
4. The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, No
5. You give your - self to us, O Lord; Then

know and heed his voice; So when you call your
praise and grat - i - tude, That you should count us
blood of Christ out - poured? Do not one cup, one
mor - tal tongue can tell: Whom all the world can -
self - less let us be, To serve each oth - er

D.C.
fam - 'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re - joice.
wor - thy, Lord, To share this heav'n - ly food.
loaf, de - clare Our one - ness in the Lord?
not con - tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
in your name In truth and char - i - ty.

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997
Tune: BICENTENNIAL, CM with refrain; Robert E. Krentz, 1922-1996
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Saints of the Week.....

Saint John Vianney, Feast Day is August 4th Jean-Baptiste-Marie Vianney, known as John in English, was born May 8, 1786 in Dardilly, France and was baptized the same day. He was the fourth of six children born to Matthieu and Marie Vianney.

John was raised in a Catholic home and the family often helped the poor and housed St. Benedict Joseph Labre when he made his pilgrimage to Rome.

In 1790, when the anticlerical Terror phase of the French Revolution forced priests to work in secrecy or face execution, young Vianney believed the priests were heroes.

He continued to believe in the bravery of priests and received his First Communion catechism instructions in private by two nuns who lost their convents to the Revolution.

At 13-years old, John made his first communion and prepared for his confirmation in secrecy.

When he was 20-years old, John was allowed to leave the family farm to learn at a "prsbytery-school" in Écully. There he learned math, history, geography and Latin.

As his education had been disrupted by the French Revolution, he struggled in his studies, particularly with Latin, but worked hard to learn.

In 1802, the Catholic Church was reestablished in France and religious freedom and peace spread throughout the country.

Unfortunately, in 1809, John was drafted into Napoleon Bonaparte's armies. He had been studying as an ecclesiastical student, which was a protected title and would normally have excepted him from military services, but Napoleon had withdrawn the exemption in some dioceses as he required more soldiers.

Two days into his service, John fell ill and required hospitalization. As his troop continued, he stopped in at a church where he prayed. There he met a young man who volunteered to return him to his group, but instead led him deep into the mountains where military deserters met.

John lived with them for one year and two months. He used the name Jerome Vincent and opened a school for the nearby village of Les Noes' children.

John remained in Les Noes and hid when gendarmes came in search of deserters until 1810, when deserters were granted amnesty.

Now free, John returned to Écully and resumed his ecclesiastic studies. He attended a minor seminary, Abbe Balley, in 1812 and was eventually ordained a deacon in June 1815.

He joined his heroes as a priest on August 12, 1815 in the Couvent des Minimes de Grenoble. His first Mass was celebrated the next day and he was appointed assistant to Balley in Écully.

Three years later, when Balley passed away, Fr. John Vianney was appointed parish priest of the Ars parish. With help from Catherine Lassagne and Benedicta Lerdet, *La Providence*, a home for girls, was established in Ars.

When he began his priestly duties, Fr. Vianney realized many were either ignorant or indifferent to religion as a result of the French Revolution. Many danced and drank on Sundays or worked in their fields.

Fr. Vianney spent much time in confession and often delivered homilies against blasphemy and dancing. Finally, if parishioners did not give up dancing, he refused them absolution.

He spent 11 to twelve hours each day working to reconcile people with God. In the summer months, he often worked 16-hour days and refused to retire.

His fame spread until people began to travel to him in 1827. Within thirty years, it is said he received up to 20,000 pilgrims each year.

He was deeply devoted to St. Philomena and erected a chapel and shrine in her honor. When he later became deathly ill but miraculously recovered, he attributed his health to St. Philomena's intercession.

By 1853, Fr. Vianney had attempted to run away from Ars four times, each attempt with the intention of becoming a monk but decided after the final time it was not to be.

Six years later, he passed away and left behind a legacy of faith and was viewed as the champion of the poor.

On October 3, 1873, Pope Pius IX proclaimed Fr. Vianney as "venerable" and on January 8, 1905, Pope Pius X beatified him. St. John Vianney was canonized on May 31, 1925.

His feast day was declared August 9 but it was changed twice before it fell to August 4.

He is the patron saint of parish priests.

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord ~ August 6

This feast became widespread in the West in the 11th century and was introduced into the Roman calendar in 1457 to commemorate the victory over Islam in Belgrade. Before that, the Transfiguration of the Lord was celebrated in the Syrian, Byzantine, and Coptic rites. The Transfiguration foretells the glory of the Lord as God, and His Ascension into heaven. It anticipates the glory of heaven, where we shall see God face to face. Through grace, we already share in the divine promise of eternal life.

Our divine Redeemer, being in Galilee about a year before His sacred Passion, took with him St. Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, Sts. James and John, and led them to a retired mountain. Tradition assures us that this was Mount Thabor, which is exceedingly high and beautiful, and was anciently covered with green trees and shrubs, and was very fruitful. It rises something like a sugar-loaf, in a vast plain in the middle of Galilee. This was the place in which the Man-God appeared in His glory.

Whilst Jesus prayed, he suffered that glory which was always due to his sacred humility, and of which, for our sake, He deprived it, to diffuse a ray over His whole body. His face was altered and shone as the sun, and his garments became white as snow. Moses and Elias were seen by the three apostles in his company on this occasion, and were heard discoursing with him of the death which he was to suffer in Jerusalem.

The three apostles were wonderfully delighted with this glorious vision, and St. Peter cried out to Christ, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. Let us make three tents: one for thee, one for Moses, and one for Elias" Whilst St. Peter was speaking, there came, on a sudden, a bright shining cloud from heaven, an emblem of the presence of God's majesty, and from out of this cloud was heard a voice which said, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him" The apostles that were present, upon hearing this voice, were seized with a sudden fear, and fell upon the ground; but Jesus, going to them, touched them, and bade them to rise. They immediately did so, and saw no one but Jesus standing in his ordinary state.

This vision happened in the night. As they went down the mountain early the next morning, Jesus bade them not to tell any one what they had seen till he should be risen from the dead.

Excerpted from *Butler's Lives of the Saints*, Benziger Bros. ed. [1894]

In the Transfiguration Christ enjoyed for a short while that glorified state which was to be permanently His after His Resurrection on Easter Sunday. The splendor of His inward Divinity and of the Beatific Vision of His soul overflowed on His body, and permeated His garments so that Christ stood before Peter, James, and John in a snow-white brightness. The purpose of the Transfiguration was to encourage and strengthen the Apostles who were depressed by their Master's prediction of His own Passion and Death. The Apostles were made to understand that His redeeming work has two phases: The Cross, and glory—that we shall be glorified with Him only if we first suffer with Him.

Things to Do:

- In the Russian Orthodox church, honey, pears, apples, plums and other fruits are brought to the church for blessing. This feast is also referred to as "Metamorphosis" in the Eastern church.
- The Transfiguration was another "first fruits" harvest feast particularly of grapes and wheat. The Roman Ritual has a blessing of grapes and blessing of the harvest for this feast.
- Playing up on the brilliant white of the garments, decorating with white (tablecloth, candles, etc.) and serving some white foods (mashed potatoes, vanilla ice cream, Mexican wedding cookies, meringues, etc.) can bring to mind that dazzling white.
- Having Moses and Elijah at the Transfiguration is a reminder of the Old Testament. Bring in some Jewish recipes or foods to highlight this aspect of the feast day.

Saints of the Week.....

Saint Dominic, Feast Day is August 8th. He was born in Caleruega, Spain in 1170. His parents were members of the Spanish nobility and related to the ruling family. His father was Felix Guzman, and was the royal warden of the village. His mother, Bl. Joan of Aza, was a holy woman in her own right.

According to one legend, his mother made a pilgrimage to an abbey at Silos. Legend says there were many signs of the great child she would bear. One of the most common legends says that during the pilgrimage, Joan had a dream of a dog leaping from her womb with a torch in its mouth. The animal "seemed to set the earth on fire." His parents named him Dominic, a play on the words Domini canis, meaning the Lord's dog in Latin. An alternative, and possibly more likely, story says he was named after St. Dominic de Silos, a Spanish monk who lived a century before.

It is known that Dominic was educated in Palencia, and he concentrated on theology and the arts. He spent six years studying theology and four the arts. He was widely acclaimed as an exemplary student by his professors. In 1191, a famine left many people desolate and homeless across Spain. Dominic sold everything he had, including his furniture and clothes and bought food for the poor. When he sold his manuscripts, required for study, he replied, "Would you have me study from these dead skins when people are dying of hunger?"

On two other occasions, Dominic attempted to sell himself into slavery to the Moors to obtain the freedom of others.

In 1194, Dominic joined a Benedictine order, the Canons Regular in Osma. He became the superior, or prior of the chapter in 1201.

In 1203 he joined his bishop, Diego de Acebo on a trip to Denmark. His mission was to help find a bride for Crown Prince Ferdinand. Although an agreement was made, the princess died before she could depart for Spain. Her untimely death left the pair free to travel where they wished. They opted to travel to Rome, where they arrived in late 1204.

Pope Innocent III did not wish the pair to travel to a distant land filled with unbelievers. Instead, the pair was asked to go to southern France, the region of Languedoc, to convert heretics back to the true faith.

This heresy was so dangerous that it even praised the suicide of its members, often by means of self-inflicted starvation! The heresy wrongly taught that all material things, including the human body itself, were fundamentally evil. The Christian faith teaches otherwise. In fact, it proclaims the very resurrection of the Body.

Diego and Dominic were austere by comparison to some of these worldly monks and this austerity and personal self discipline appealed to many of the heretics who had been deceived in their thinking.

In any case, while Dominic devoted his life to combating heresy, he was by no means the first inquisitor. It is possible he did advise various judges on Catholic orthodoxy when questions arose. There are no primary sources from the period which say Dominic was directly involved with the Inquisition.

The second thing concerns the Rosary. According to legend, St. Dominic received the Rosary during a period of prayer at the abbey in Prouille. This allegedly took place in 1214 during an apparition of the Virgin Mary.

This legend is a matter of some dispute among historians, but while similar devotions existed before this time, there is no record of the Marian rosary in this form before. Also, the Marian Rosary became popular following this event, suggesting the legend may be true.

Dominic became famous as a result of his mercy and his work. Several other prominent religious figures of the time petitioned for Dominic to be made bishop. He refused at least three attempts at promotion, saying he would rather run away with nothing than become a bishop.

Dominic remained steadfast to his mission to establish an order dedicated to promoting morality and the expulsion of heresy.

In July 1215, Dominic was granted permission to form his own religious order for this purpose. He was joined by six followers. The group followed a Rule of Life which included a strict routine of discipline, including prayer and penance. They also established a system of education. They often traveled the countryside to preach.

Saint Dominic is the patron saint of Astronomers; astronomy; Dominican Republic; falsely accused people; Santo Domingo Pueblo, Valletta, Birgu (Malta), Managua.

PARISH INFORMATION

Saint James the Apostle Feast Day!



Saint James the Apostle ~ Pray for us!

PARISH INFORMATION

Saint James Mass of Thanksgiving!



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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Caring for one another



Bereavement Support Group

Wednesday Afternoons 1:00-3:00 PM

July 22, July 29, Aug. 5,

Aug. 12, Aug. 19

Bernauer Parish Center of the Church of the Little Flower

Lower Level Multipurpose Room

290 Plainfield Avenue, Berkeley Heights, NJ

Please park in the back and enter through the back rear door
behind the building

*Due to Covid-19 restrictions, we are limiting the number of participants
to nine to ensure physical distancing.*

All participants will be required to wear a face mask.

Registration REQUIRED *Free of Charge*

Please provide name, address, phone number, and Email to:

Margaret Manning, Pastoral Associate 908-464-1585 Ext. 133

(leave a message and she will call you back)

or Email: PASTORAL110.LF@gmail.com

Sessions will be facilitated by Mark Joseph Williams, LCSW

Sponsored by the Bereavement Ministry

ACCOUNTABILITY WITH HEARTFELT THANKS

Catholic Charities received a payment of **\$906** as a result
of your donations from

December 1, 2019 to May 31, 2020.

The coronavirus fostered a shortage of food as well as a surge in unemployment which resulted in an increase of families who have never sought relief at our food pantries. Catholic Charities responded to this unprecedented demand by distributing 95,864 pounds of food to 15,976 people (Jan - May). Thank you for being our partner and enabling us to share Christ's love while facing the challenges of COVID-19. God bless and stay safe.



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, novels, knickknacks, toys, and children's books. Please donate them to the Catholic Charities donation bin located on the Church ground. Thank you for helping Catholic Charities continue its mission.

Prayer to Overcome Racism

MARY, FRIEND AND MOTHER TO ALL,
through your Son, God has found a way
to unite himself to every human being,
called to be one people,
sisters and brothers to each other.

We ask for your help in calling on
your Son,
seeking forgiveness for the times when
we have failed to love and respect
one another.

We ask for your help in obtaining from
your Son
the grace we need to overcome the evil
of racism
and to build a just society.

We ask for your help in following your Son,
so that prejudice and animosity
will no longer infect our minds or hearts
but will be replaced with a love
that respects
the dignity of each person.

Mother of the Church,
the Spirit of your Son Jesus
warms our hearts:
pray for us.

Amen.



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Oración para superar el racismo

MARÍA, AMIGA Y MADRE DE TODOS,
a través de tu Hijo Dios ha encontrado
un camino para unirse a todos los
seres humanos,
llamados a ser un solo pueblo,
hermanas y hermanos entre sí.

Pedimos tu ayuda al recurrir a tu Hijo,
buscando el perdón por las veces
en que hemos fallado en amarnos
y respetarnos.

Pedimos tu ayuda para obtener de
tu Hijo
la gracia que necesitamos para vencer
el mal del racismo y construir una
sociedad justa.

Pedimos tu ayuda para seguir a tu Hijo,
para que el prejuicio y la animosidad
no infecten ya nuestras mentes
o corazones
sino que sean reemplazados por el
amor que respeta la dignidad de
cada persona.

Madre de la Iglesia,
el Espíritu de tu Hijo Jesús
alienta nuestros corazones:
Ruega por nosotros.

Amén.



www.usccb.org/racism



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.

RECEIVING COMMUNION

A reminder that during the Covid-19 restrictions, the Eucharist can only be received in the hands. It is good to remind ourselves of the reverence needed when we receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

When we approach the altar please remove any gloves beforehand.

Remember to bow slightly without being ostentatious and reply "Amen".

If communion runs out, please wait in line for the Minister to return.

The ushers are available to assist you during the reception of Holy Communion and before / after Mass.

A Prayer for Persons Suffering from the Coronavirus

Merciful God, hear our fervent prayer for all who suffer from the coronavirus.

*May those who are infected receive the proper treatment
and the comfort of your healing presence.*

*May their caregivers, families and neighbors be shielded
from the onslaught of the virus.*

Give solace to those who grieve the loss of loved ones.

*Protect and guide those who strive to find a cure,
that their work may conquer the disease and restore communities to wholeness and health.
Help us to rise above fear. We ask all this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes,
and in the name of your Son, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.*

Amen.

A TIME TO BAPTIZE



A TIME TO WED



A TIME TO HEAL

Glenn Albright, Pat Anelli, Monina Avella, Anthony B., Concetta Bellott, Severina Bion, Arlene Boja, Janice Bongiovanni, Matthew Burns, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Dr. Chad, Helen Chelis, Soon Choi, Lena Chromowski, Lucia Cocuzza, Phyllis Colosimo, Dr. Conrado, Celine Correia, James Curry, Maureen D., Dr. Margaret Dames, Edwin Dava, Richard Delany, Victoria Egner, Rick Ellmer, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Laura Hughes, Robert Hunrath, Robert Jackowski, Wanda Jackowski, William Jackowski, Eddie Jenna, Neil K., Thomas Killikadan, Irene Kurpieski, Dana Kelley, Art Kistler, Maryann Leach, Dina Ledogar, Maureen Le Goff, Andy Lindgren, Angelina Lipski, Chenoa Lipski, Richie Lipski, Carmen Lombardi, Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Erica Luther, Angie Mazzarisi, Richard Miele, John Montana, Jr., Andres Montero, Timothy Morgan, Ive Mureny, Christian Murphy, Carol Muzacs, Michael Neer, Austerberta Olandres, Rafaelina Oliviero, Tom Olivo, Anna P., Ophelia Pitchford, John Reiss, Manny Reyes, Gary Ruzich, Anthony S., Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib, Richard Tegnander, Stephanie Toth, Filomena Vairo, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Kay Winski, Robin Wise, Mary Yobbi

A TIME TO DIE

John Lewis, Marie Policarpio, Frank Russo-Alesi, Regina Soltys,
and all who have died from Covid-19

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Tim Arentz, PFC 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 August 2 Eighteenth Sunday in OT

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Steven Payson ~ *Aunt Nancy*

7:30AM

Gerald Cocuzza ~ *Boris Family*

9:00AM

Deborah Tremarco

~ *Lorraine DeJianne & July Spadone*

10:30AM

Joseph Henry ~ *Joyce & Rich Koles*

12:00PM

Joseph Morris ~ *Rossomando & Starzynski Families*

MONDAY, August 3

7:30AM

Angela & Daniel Raimondo

~ *Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser & Marianne Van Volkenburgh*

TUESDAY, August 4 Saint John Vianney

7:30AM

For the People of Saint James

WEDNESDAY, August 5

7:30AM

Alfonse & Adelaide Soriente ~ *Angela Ragonese*

THURSDAY, August 6

Transfiguration of the Lord

7:30AM

Pio Salle ~ *Gene & Nieves Salle*

FRIDAY, August 7

7:30AM

Angela & Daniel Raimondo

~ *Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser & Marianne Van Volkenburgh*

SATURDAY, August 8 Saint Dominic

8:00AM

Alessio & Francesca Iacobelli ~ *Family*

SUNDAY, August 9 Nineteenth Sunday in OT

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Amelia Montana ~ *Family*

7:30AM

Virginia Koczor ~ *Judy, Joe & Family*

9:00AM

For the People of Saint James

10:30AM

Dolores Hennessy ~ *Sister, Arlene*

12:00PM

Henrietta Vicente ~ *Gaston Family*

O Jesus,

Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary,

I offer you my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the 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



SANCTUARY LAMP

Erin LaSpada ~ *Donnelly Family*



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**.