



SAINT JAMES

the APOSTLE CHURCH



45 SOUTH SPRINGFIELD AVENUE, SPRINGFIELD, NEW JERSEY 07081-2301
OFFICE: 973-376-3044 :: FACSIMILE: 973-376-0560



PASTOR

Father Joseph F. Barbone, M.A.
jbarbone546@gmail.com, jbarbone@aol.com

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Father Antonio N. Kuizon
ankui@aol.com

PERMANENT DEACONS

Deacon Jerry Bongiovanni
jerryjan133@aol.com

Deacon Hugh A. Keffer
hak07081@verizon.net

PARISH ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Ms. Michelle Sblendorio
msblendorio@saintjamesparish.org

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY

Mr. Daniel R. Palko
dpalko@saintjamesparish.org

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Ms. Nancy Caputo, M.Ed., Spec. Ed-ASD, Cert.
ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org

PARISH TRUSTEES

Mrs. Janet Petino and Mr. John Pflug

PARISH COUNCIL

saintjamesparishcouncil@gmail.com

RECTORY HOURS

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

[Click to join us on Face Book!](#)

[www. SaintJamesTheApostle.org](http://www.SaintJamesTheApostle.org)

LENT 2021 | Reflect. Repent. Restore.



Image Courtesy of www.GoogleImages.com



A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH.

COME EXPERIENCE CHRIST WITH US!

February 28, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

**“TRULY THE EYE OF THE LORD IS ON THOSE WHO FEAR GOD
TO DELIVER THEIR SOULS FROM DEATH,
AND TO KEEP THEM ALIVE IN FAMINE.”**

A Lent Sourcebook: The Forty Days, Book One, p. 135

The Gospel for the Second Sunday of Lent is always the experience of the Transfiguration of Jesus. The Transfiguration gives the apostles a glimpse of the resurrection so that they don't give in to the despair caused by the death of Jesus. This Gospel also reminds us what happens after we die. Our life doesn't end because we die; it continues in a new way with the Lord for all eternity.

But the Gospel also reminds us that Lent is not a season of doom and gloom, but one of hope and new life gained through the Lord. Yes, it is a season to consider what changes we need to make in our relationship with God. However, Lent also reminds us that we are called to holiness and goodness by the Lord, and that cannot happen if we are too focused on the negativity of our lives. Today's Gospel is meant to encourage and energize us so that we can be a vibrant sign of Christ without getting stuck in the mud.

Another way to look at this is to consider what we have accomplished during this pandemic. We have gotten used to wearing masks, social distancing and washing our hands often. These things may not be what we want to do; however, as long as we followed the protocols, they have kept many of us safe. But these practices have also helped us to be attentive to one another. The hope is that the vaccine will help protect us so that sometime in the future we might be able to live a somewhat normal life.

Today's readings also remind us of our baptism and the commitment made that each of us will live as a faithful follower of Christ. Many of us were baptized as infants, but hopefully, as we have become adults, we now understand this commitment much better and accept the responsibility to help make the Kingdom of God a reality for all we meet.

HAPPY LENT!!

~ Fr. Joe



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals:
\$4,750.00

\$4,750.00 Church Collection
Online Collection available next week
\$553.00 Central & Eastern Europe 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.*

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
(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.



SACRAMENT 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

Today we begin the Second week of Lent may you begin to feel the stirring of change in your heart and feel the transformation within your soul.

Just a reminder that any family who would like to lead us in Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings during Lent at 7:00PM is welcome to do so. Please email or give me a call to schedule your family!

Although we are still limited in the in-person gatherings, our parish offers a host of virtual opportunities for us to come together during this Lenten Season. We hope you will join us.

Just a reminder, everyone is welcome to join the parish community on YouTube or Facebook to unite our prayers through the Holy Rosary and Novena. The Rosary is live-streamed every Monday evening. Check the parish website or Facebook for additional information.

7th GRADE

Homework that was emailed and posted on Google Classroom is due Thursday, March 4, 2021

Next Zoom Class: Tuesday, March 9

8th GRADE

Homework that was emailed and posted on Google Classroom
is due Thursday, March 11, 2021

Next Zoom Class: Tuesday, March 16

FAMILY FAITH PROGRAM

The last Zoom Lesson will be Sunday, March 7

Topic: Holy Week & Easter

If you are having trouble with the online assessments please contact Colleen Tyra:

ctyra@saintjamesparish.org

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. 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 sharing 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. 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.
12. When it is your turn to receive Communion, approach the priest or deacon, receive the Host in your hand, step aside, raise or lower your mask, and place the Host on your tongue. Immediately replace your mask over your mouth.
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

PARISH INFORMATION



TIME CHANGE:

**LENTEN ROSARY AND NOVENA
MONDAY EVENINGS AT
6:30PM**

Join us in-person
(Gathering Area-limited space)

or

Facebook

Saint James the Apostle Parishioner Page

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.

Parishioners are encouraged to bring your iPhone and/or iPad to Mass with you to access the weekly bulletin and follow along with the readings and sing the hymns!

To access our parish website go to: www.SaintJamesTheApostle.org

Go to the bottom, right side of the website and click either the parish bulletin or
click the USCCB website.

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK LENTEN REGULATIONS

1) The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday Night) as the “paschal fast” to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to Fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2) The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence “substantially”, or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3) The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4) **The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, February 21, 2021 to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, May 30, 2021.**

**Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*



SUNDAY READINGS ~ February 28, 2021

Second Sunday of Lent

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

FIRST READING: Genesis: 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

God put Abraham to the test.
He called to him, "Abraham!"
"Here I am!" he replied.
Then God said:
"Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah.
There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you."
When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it.
Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son.
But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven,
"Abraham, Abraham!"
"Here I am!" he answered.
"Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger.
"Do not do the least thing to him.
I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son."
As Abraham looked about, he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket.
So he went and took the ram and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son.
Again the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from heaven and said:
"I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore;
your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies,
and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall find blessing, all this because you obeyed my command."

En aquel tiempo,
Dios le puso una prueba a Abraham y le dijo:
"¡Abraham, Abraham!" Él respondió: "Aquí estoy."
Y Dios le dijo:
"Toma a tu hijo único, Isaac, a quien tanto amas; vete a la región de Moria y ofrécemelo en sacrificio, en el monte que yo te indicaré."
Cuando llegaron al sitio que Dios le había señalado, Abraham levantó un altar y acomodó la leña.
Luego ató a su hijo Isaac, lo puso sobre el altar, encima de la leña, y tomó el cuchillo para degollarlo. Pero el ángel del Señor lo llamó desde el cielo y le dijo:
"¡Abraham, Abraham!"
Él contestó: "Aquí estoy."
El ángel le dijo:
"No descargues la mano contra tu hijo, ni le hagas daño. Ya veo que temes a Dios, porque no le has negado a tu hijo único."
Abraham levantó los ojos y vio un carnero, enredado por los cuernos en la maleza.
Atrapó el carnero y lo ofreció en sacrificio en lugar de su hijo.
El ángel del Señor volvió a llamar a Abraham desde el cielo y le dijo:
"Juro por mí mismo, dice el Señor, que por haber hecho esto y no haberme negado a tu hijo único, yo te bendeciré y multiplicaré tu descendencia como las estrellas del cielo y las arenas del mar.
Tus descendientes conquistarán las ciudades enemigas.
En tu descendencia serán bendecidos todos los pueblos de la tierra, porque obedeciste a mis palabras."

The word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God!

La Palabra del Señor.....

R. ¡Gracias a Dios!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Be merciful O Lord for we have sinned,
be merciful O Lord for we have sinned.

R. Ten piedad, oh Señor, porque hemos pecado,
ten piedad, oh, Señor, porque hemos pecado.

SECOND READING: Romans: 8:3b-34

Brothers and sisters:
If God is for us, who can be against us?
He who did not spare his own Son
but handed him over for us all,
how will he not also give us everything else along
with him?
Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones?
It is God who acquits us, who will condemn?
Christ Jesus it is who died—or, rather, was raised—who
also is at the right hand of God,
who indeed intercedes for us.

Hermanos: Si Dios está a nuestro favor, ¿quién es-
tará en contra nuestra? El que no nos escatimó a su
propio Hijo, sino que lo entregó por todos nosotros,
¿cómo no va a estar dispuesto a dárnoslo todo, junto
con su Hijo? ¿Quién acusará a los elegidos de Dios?
Si Dios mismo es quien los perdona, ¿quién será el
que los condene? ¿Acaso Jesucristo, que murió, resu-
citó y está a la derecha de Dios para interceder por
nosotros?

The word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God!

La Palabra del Señor.....

R. ¡Gracias a Dios!

Gospel Acclamation

Praise you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

¡ Alabado seas, Señor Jesucristo, Rey de gloria sin fin!

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

R. And with your Spirit...

Sacerdote / Diácono: El Señor esté contigo ...

R. Y con tu Espíritu ...

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

R. Glory to you O Lord

Sacerdote / Diácono: Una lectura del Santo Evangelio
según Mateo ...

R. Gloria a ti, oh Señor ...

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

*con el pulgar, haga una pequeña señal de la cruz, primero en la
frente; luego en tus labios; luego en tu corazón*

GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves.

And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them.

Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus.

Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here!

Let us make three tents:

one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified.

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice,

"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."

Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw Anyone but Jesus alone with them.

As they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.

En aquel tiempo, Jesús tomó aparte a Pedro, a Santiago y a Juan, subió con ellos a un monte alto y se transfiguró en su presencia.

Sus vestiduras se pusieron esplendorosamente blancas, con una blancura que nadie puede lograr sobre la tierra.

Después se les aparecieron Elías y Moisés, conversando con Jesús. Entonces Pedro le dijo a Jesús:

"Maestro, ¡qué a gusto estamos aquí!

Hagamos tres chozas, una para ti, otra para Moisés y otra para Elías."

En realidad no sabía lo que decía, porque estaban asustados.

Se formó entonces una nube, que los cubrió con su sombra, y de esta nube salió una voz que decía:

"Éste es mi Hijo amado; escúchenlo."

En ese momento miraron alrededor y no vieron a nadie sino a Jesús, que estaba solo con ellos.

Cuando bajaban de la montaña, Jesús les mandó que no contaran a nadie lo que habían visto, hasta que el Hijo del hombre resucitara de entre los muertos.

Ellos guardaron esto en secreto, pero discutían entre sí qué querría decir eso de 'resucitar de entre los muertos.'

Priest / Deacon:

The Gospel of the Lord
R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

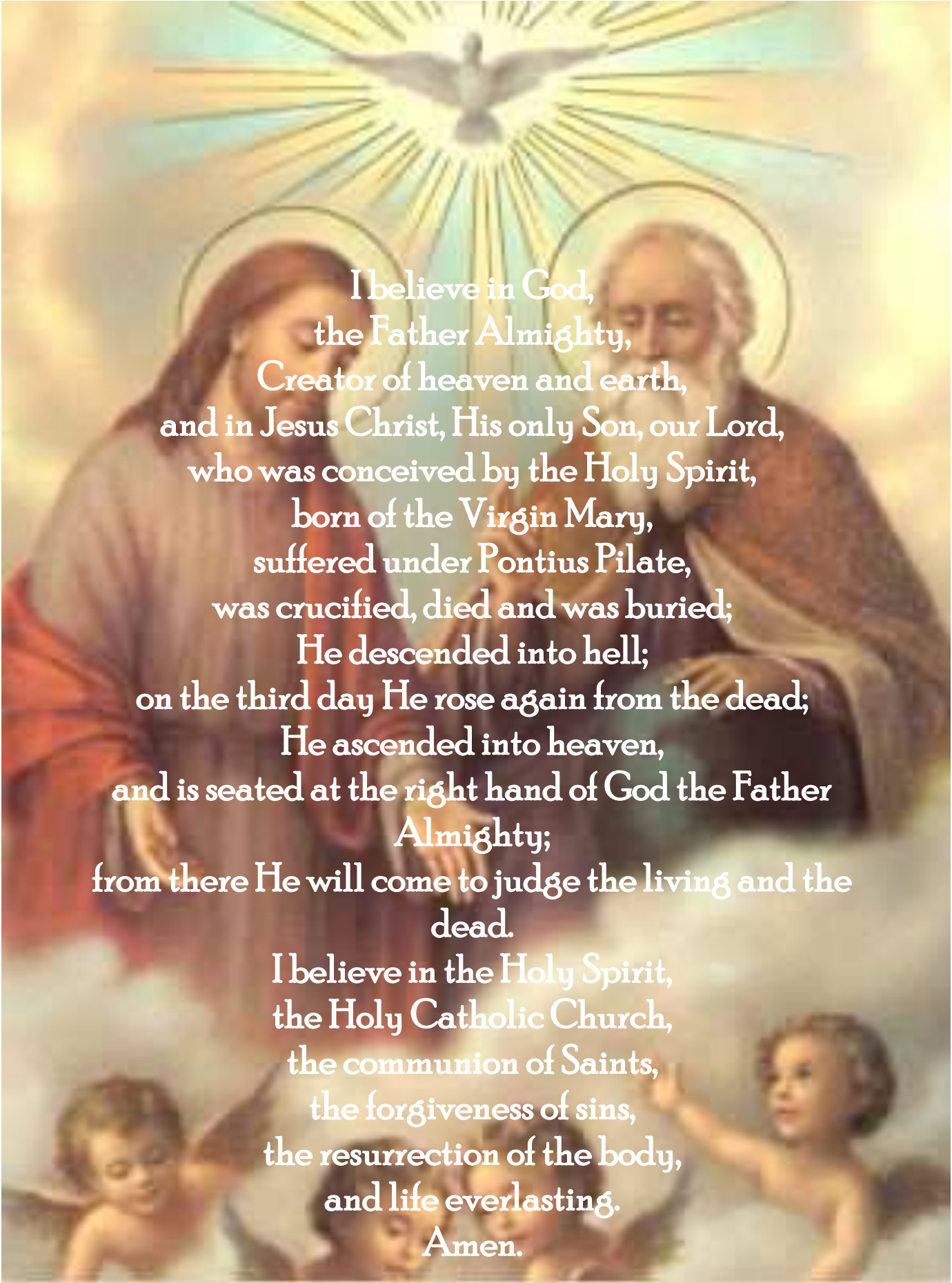
El Evangelio del Señor
R. ¡Alabado seas, Señor Jesucristo!

Gospel Reflection:

Mark 9:2-10

How spiritually awake are you to Christ's presence and word of life for you? Peter, James, and John were privileged witnesses of the glory of Christ. We, too, as Disciples of Christ are called to be witnesses of his glory. *We all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being changed into his likeness from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit* (2 Corinthians 3:18). The Lord wants to reveal his glory to us, his beloved disciples. Do you seek his presence with expectant faith, reverence, and willing obedience?

Lord Jesus, keep me always alert and awake to you, to your word, your action, and your daily presence in my life. Let me see your glory.



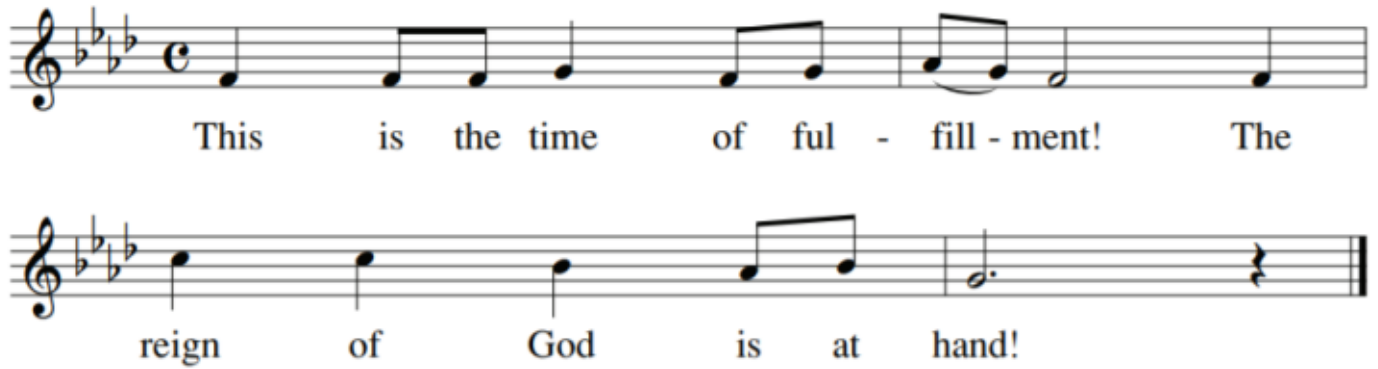
I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the
dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.

Amen.

HYMN OF GATHERING

This Is the Time of Fulfillment



Text: Mark 1:15, James J. Chepponis, b.1956

Tune: James J. Chepponis, b.1956

© 1994, GIA Publications, Inc.

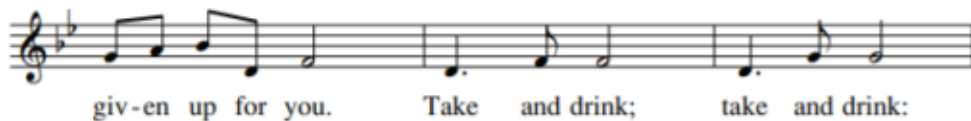
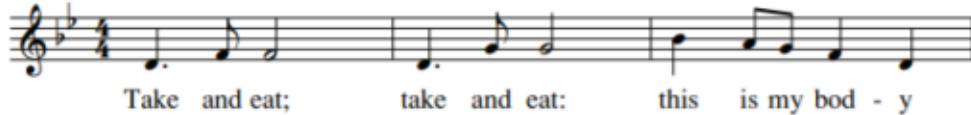
Reprinted under OneLicense.net A-700400



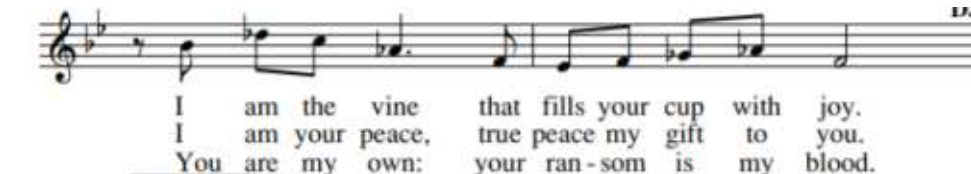
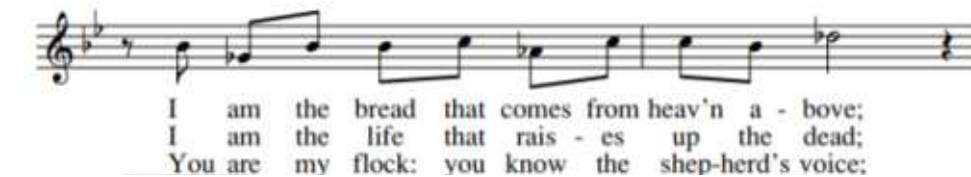
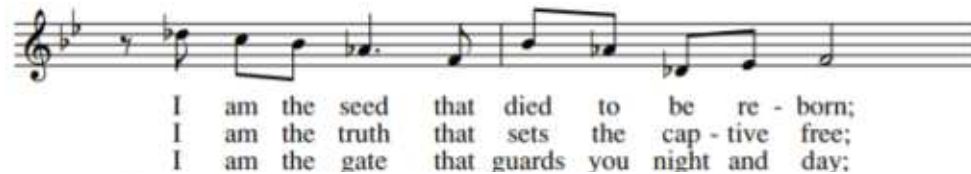
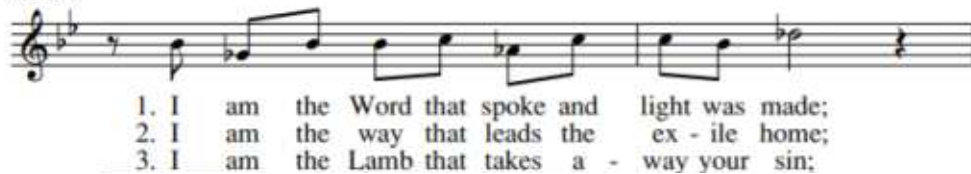
HYMN DURING COMMUNION PROCESSION

Take and Eat

Refrain



Verses



Reprinted under OneLicense.net A-700400

Text: Verse text, James Quinn, SJ, 1919-2010, © 1989. Used by permission of Selah Publishing Co., Inc.; refrain text, Michael Joncas, b.1951, © 1989, GIA Publications, Inc.
Tune: Michael Joncas, b.1951, © 1989, GIA Publications, Inc.

HYMN OF SENDING FORTH

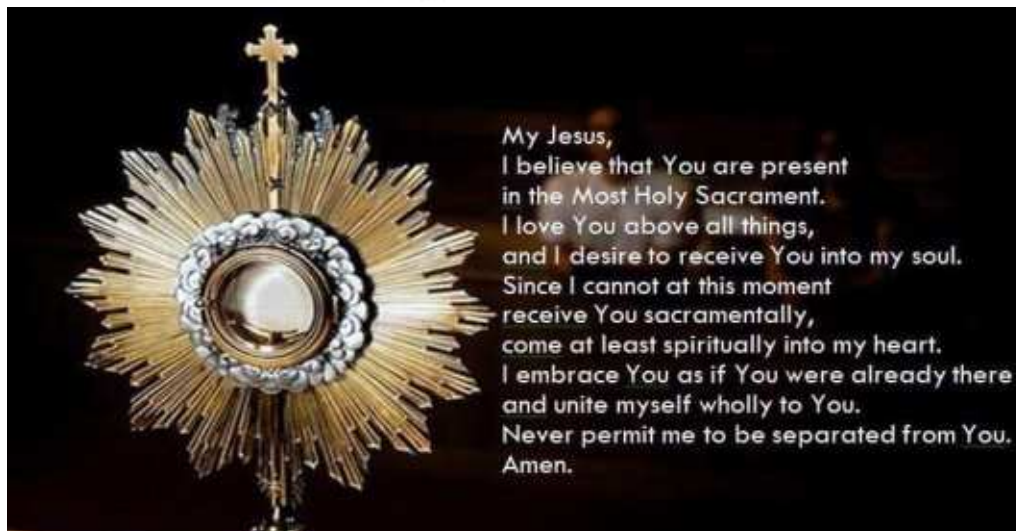
Jesus, Remember Me

Ostinato Refrain

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.
Spanish: Je - sús, re - cuér - da - me cuan - do en - tres en tu Rei - no.
Polish: Je - zu, w kró - les - twie Twym wspom - nij na swo - je - go słu - gę.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.
Je - sús, re - cuér - da - me, cuan - do en - tres en tu Rei - no.
Je - zu, w kró - les - twie Twym wspom - nij na swo - je - go słu - gę.

Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community, 1981
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
© 1981, 2005, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent



NEXT SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS:

SUNDAY, MARCH 7 2021 ~ THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: Book of Exodus: 17:3-7 ~ SECOND READING: Romans: 5:1-2, 5-8

GOSPEL: John 4:5-42

HYMNS:

Gathering Hymn: This Is the Time of Fulfillment

Communion Procession: Let Us Be Bread

Hymn of Sending Forth: Jesus Remember Me

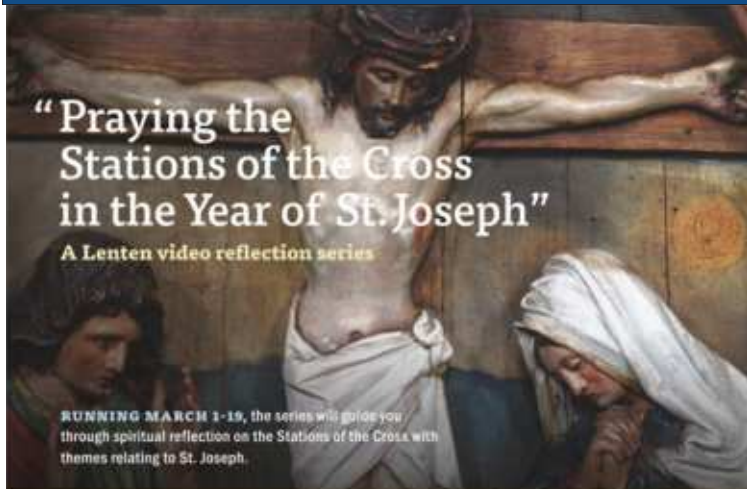


Candidates (those who were baptized in another Christian faith tradition) celebrate the Call to Continuing Conversion, publicly professing their faith and their desire to come into full communion with the Catholic Church.

We ask that you continue to pray for Rachel as she continues her journey to the Sacrament of Confirmation



COMMUNITY NEWS



Monsignor Joseph Reilly, Rector/Dean, and Dr. Diana Truller, Associate Dean, will offer a reflection each weekday, delivered via e-mail. Subscribe at WWW.SHU.EDU/LENTENSERIES

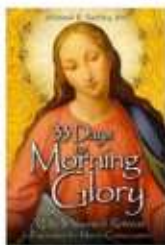


IMMACULATE CONCEPTION HANNAH SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY
SETON HALL UNIVERSITY



LENTEN RETREAT

A Do-It-Yourself Retreat with Weekly Zoom Group Sharings



Deepen your relationship with Mary and consecrate yourself to Jesus through

Zoom Sharing & Discussion Nights
7:00-8:30 PM
Thursdays from February 18th to March 25th

To register and for information, including where to purchase materials, email Ellen Rolier at rolier81@hotmail.com

All are welcome.

Caminando en la Fe

LUNES VIRTUALES

ENERO
4, 11, 18, 25
Espiritualidad del laico
P. Robinson González

FEBRERO
1, 8, 15, 22
De la mano del Papa Francisco
P. Manuel Rodríguez
Cuaresma 5A La alegría del evangelio
Cuaresma 6A La alegría del evangelio

MARZO
1, 8, 15, 22
Introducción al Antiguo Testamento
P. Pedro Repollet

ABRIL
5, 12, 19, 26
Introducción a los Evangelios
St. Valentín Apérez

MAYO
3, 10, 17, 24
La Iglesia
P. Joseph Furriguera

JUNIO
7, 14, 21, 28
La Iglesia Santa de la Se
en la Iglesia Primicia
St. Juan Bautista, 1914

Info: deaconasterio.velasco@rcan.org

BE A SWEETHEART



What better way to share your heart with someone than to help a person in time of need? Would you be willing to take few moments and look in your closet today? We accept clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, tools, stuffed animals, novels and children's books in our Donation Bin. Thank you with all our heart.

Let Us Help You

We pray for your success!

Ask our sponsors if they can be found on the **Finding FABER** app!

Encourage and support our sponsors when the need for goods and services present themselves.

Thank you.

RESPECT LIFE

Ms. Pat Sullivan

Lent is a journey of return to God especially when most people live each day ignoring or delaying their response to God's invitation to pray and do something for others. It is a time to reconsider the path we are taking, to find the route that leads us home and to rediscover our profound relationship with God, on whom everything depends.

Pope Francis, Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021



Prayer for Pregnant Mothers

O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son,

With faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.

Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need.

Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion.

Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.

Amen.



Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Scotch Plains NJ invites you to:

DIVE INTO YOUR FAITH THIS LENT!

Join our five part Zoom speaker series: 7 – 8:30pm each Tuesday of Lent

Feb. 23rd – What is Catholicism?



Dr. Jeffrey Morrow is Professor of Theology at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Seton Hall University. He will help us explore the gift of our Catholic faith; a convert to Catholicism, he brings a wonderful perspective on this gift.

March 2nd – Faith & Science: Truth Cannot Contradict Truth



Dr. Stacy Trasancos is Executive Director of the St. Philip Institute of Catechesis and Evangelization for the Diocese of Tyler and a teaching fellow for the Word on Fire Institute. Initially trained as a scientist, she will reveal the harmony of faith and science.

March 9th – Made in the Image & Likeness of God: The Dignity of Human Life



Sr. Magnificat Rose entered the Sisters of Life in 2013. she studied theology at the University of St. Thomas and served with NET ministries. Sister will consider the fundamental dignity of human life and share her joy working for its protection.

March 16th – The Family as a School of the Presence of God



Dr. Joseph P. Rice is Associate Professor of Philosophical Theology at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Seton Hall University. Dr. Rice is a specialist in the philosophical thought of St. Pope John Paul II. He will examine the role of the family in revealing God's presence.

March 23rd – Living as a Catholic in Challenging Times



Dr. Ralph Martin is Professor of Theology at Sacred Heart Major Seminary. He was appointed by Pope Benedict XVI to serve as a consultor to the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization and for the World Synod of Bishops on the New Evangelization. Dr. Martin will highlight the challenge of living a Catholic life in a secular world.

Important Information:

- Young Adults through Senior Citizens are invited to participate
- Internet access is needed for Zoom sessions
- There is no cost, but registration is required
- Click here to register: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AADA92CA5F94-dive>

Questions: Email maryclinton@ihmparish.net or engagingdisciples@ihmparish.net or contact IHM Nazareth Center Office @ 908-889-2100.

**This speaker series is brought to you through the collaborative efforts of IHM's Engaging Disciples Initiative and the IHM Faith Formation Office! ☺*

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life Study Set

by Marcellino D'Ambrosio Jeff Cavins and Edward Sri



Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life is a ten-week study program presented by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri. Filmed on-location in the Holy Land and anchored in the life of Christ as presented in the Gospels, this study explores the entirety of Jesus' life—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, what he did for our salvation, and what all of this means for us as Catholics today.

This 10 session Study Set includes:

- **The Full-Color *Jesus* Workbook** – Provides session overviews, home reading assignments, engaging study questions, responses, and talk notes for the video presentations.
- **The *Jesus* Timeline Chart** – A visual overview of the life of Jesus plus a summary of Catholic beliefs concerning Christ.
- **The *Jesus* Book** – Provides a detailed overview of Jesus' life and times.
- **Online Access for One Year** – Immediate access to the ten study videos and the online workbook.

Dates – Times – Location

Starting Wednesday, March 10, 2021

7:00pm on Zoom with discussion following

10 Wednesday sessions

Cost – Registration

\$29.99 for the Study Set, see above

Contact Geri Ann Kazimar 908-370-2318 with questions

Visit Ascensionpress.com to learn more. Under Bible Study

The marvelous treasures of the Catholic Faith—the Eucharist, Mary, the saints, and the Creed—are all centered on a single figure: Jesus Christ. Jesus is more than a historical or theological figure. He is our savior, our redeemer, our Lord, and our God. While many of us know a lot about him already, how well can we say that we really know him?

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life is a new and fresh look at Jesus—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, and what he did for our salvation. This encounter with Christ will inspire and empower you to center your entire life around him as you come to know and love him in an ever deeper and more intimate way.



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.

Source: www.LoyolaPress.com

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, Victoria Egner, Rick Ellmer, Alfredo Fernandes, 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, 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, John Rendeiro, John Reiss, Anthony S., Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Filomena Vairo, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Kay Winski

A TIME TO DIE

Jeffrey Hunrath, Louise Levandusky, Rev. Gerald Marchand, Rev. Salvatore Pacifico, Rose Piegaro, Maria Piniero, Bob Sekel, Sr.,
and 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, February 28

Second Sunday of Lent

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Amelia Montana ~ *Family*

7:30AM

Anna Maria Bellafore ~ *Mom, Rosallia*

9:00AM

Ilene Runo ~ *Family*

10:30AM

Viola Morano ~ *Daughter, Marylou*

12:00PM

Juanita McGraw ~ *Bianchi Family*

MONDAY, March 1

7:30AM

Sue Lewis ~ *Shanley Family*

7:00PM

Raymond Alberti ~ *Mom & Dad*

TUESDAY, March 2

7:30AM

Frank Impellizzeri ~ *Michael & Theresa Quick*

7:00PM

Savio Thomas ~ *Paulina & Family*

WEDNESDAY, March 3

7:30AM

For the People of Saint James

7:00PM

Bernard Separ ~ *John & Bernice Petersen*

THURSDAY, March 4

7:30AM

Theresa Blasi ~ *Family*

7:00PM

Donna Catalano ~ *Great Niece, Ellyn Collins*

FRIDAY, March 5

7:30AM

Caroline Tierney McGlynn ~ *Ned McGlynn*

SATURDAY, March 6

8:00AM

Anna Maria Villanova ~ *Family*

SUNDAY, March 7 Third Sunday of Lent

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Amelia Montana ~ *Family*

7:30AM

For the People of Saint James

9:00AM

Don Ryan Batayola ~ *Cyril Sanciangco & Family*

10:30AM

Ernest Reedy ~ *Samantha Wright*

12:00PM

James Carney ~ *Patty & John*

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



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



BREAD

For the People

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.**