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## RECTORY HOURS

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

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children  
January 22

*for you created  
my inmost being:  
you knit me  
together  
in my mother's  
womb.  
- psalm 139:13*



A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH.

COME EXPERIENCE CHRIST WITH US!

January 17, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

We have now begun Ordinary Time. This is the time designated by the Church as being between one liturgical season and another. We will remain in Ordinary Time until Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. Being in Ordinary Time does not mean our lives are ordinary. Hardly, especially with the pandemic. Hopefully, the vaccines will help us all when we are able to receive them.

The first reading and the Gospel both speak of the call of God. In the Book of Samuel, Samuel is called by God while he is sleeping. In the Gospel, Andrew brings Peter and the other apostle to Jesus. In both instances, they willingly choose to follow. We, too, have that same opportunity to listen to the Lord and follow him as he calls us to bring his Good News to others.

Now that we have concluded the Christmas Season, I would like to thank a number of people who helped make the environment of the church festive for all. **So, THANK YOU to: PAT SULLIVAN, who decorated the church for Advent; the PFLUG FAMILY, for donating the Little Blue Advent Books; BRIAN & GIANNA HAYES, for taking care of the virtual Giving Tree; JOE KAREVIS, for donating the trees at the outdoor crèche; TONY BENTIVEGNA, for providing the trees in the church; THE YOUNG ADULT GROUP, for setting up the outdoor crèche; THE BOY SCOUTS, for the wreaths on the pillars of the church; ALL THOSE, who donated the wreaths and poinsettias in the church; DAN PALKO & THE ADULT CHOIR, and THE READERS, for making Lessons & Carols a great event; THE ENVIRONMENTAL LITURGY COMMITTEE, for decorating the church for Christmas; POTTED GERANIUM, for providing the wreaths and poinsettias; KENN FERNANDEZ, for live streaming the liturgies; THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY, for the light that shone over Jesus and for their donation to the parish; DAN PALKO & THE ENSEMBLE, who enriched the Christmas liturgies with their singing; ALL OF YOU, who were present for the liturgies, either in person or live streaming, and for your gifts to us priests. It was a good Christmas Season, in spite of the pandemic.**

**GOD BLESS YOU ALL. I am proud to serve you as your pastor.**

**HAPPY ORDINARY TIME!!**

*~ Fr. Joe*

**MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2021**

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**

**THE PARISH RECTORY AND OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED**

For many young children, and even some adults, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is simply a day off from school or work. However, children are very often interested in learning new things, and this holiday is a great opportunity to teach them about Dr. King and America's painful history of injustice, the Civil Rights Movement, and the long, ongoing march toward equality.

This year, make Martin Luther King, Jr. Day more meaningful for your children by providing them with some history as to why we celebrate. Take the time to inform and entertain your children with some educational, affordable activities:

Watch a movie about Social Injustice ~ Watch Dr. King's Speeches on YouTube

Read with your child ~ Find a local outdoor activity ~ Have a discussion on tolerance and acceptance

Make the day a family day of giving ~ Pray as a family for peace in our country.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

### Collection Totals:

\$7,042.00

\$4,630.00 Church Collection

\$2,412.00 Online Collection

\$393.00 2nd Collection:

Communicating God's Word

*To sign up for Online Giving go to:*

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

WE ALSO ACCEPT ONLINE CREDIT CARD  
DONATIONS

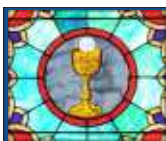
*Parishioners wishing to mail-in or drop off their weekly contribution in the Rectory mail slot are welcome to do so.*

**OR**

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

<https://charity.gofundme.com/donate/event/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

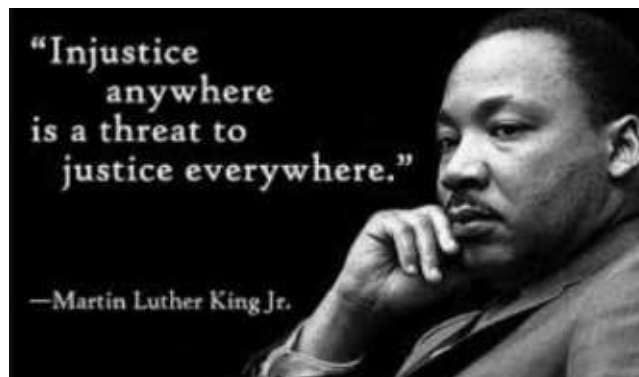
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Tomorrow we celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. [FamilyEducation.com](http://FamilyEducation.com) has activities that you can do with your children to remind them of the reason we honor Dr. King. Maybe you can begin a new family tradition of joining your parish family on YouTube or Facebook to unite our prayers through the Holy Rosary. The Rosary is live streamed every Monday evening at 7:00PM from our Church.

First Eucharist / Reconciliation families are reminded that the children's books and sheep are due before Thursday, Jan. 28th.

*We pray that 2021 will bring an end to the pandemic, a renewed sense of caring for each other and the ability to once again, gather in praise and thanksgiving to our Loving God.*



## ZOOM CLASS SCHEDULE FOR 2021!

1st through 5th Grades:	7th Grade:	8th Grade:	Family Faith:
January 24			
February 21	January 12	January 19	January 10
March 21	February 9	February 16	February 7
April 18	March 9	March 16	March 7
May 16			
<b>6th Grade:</b>	April 13	April 20	
January 19	May 11	May 18	
February 23			
March 13			
April 20			
May 18			

### FAMILY FAITH ZOOM CALENDAR

January 10, 2021 ~ Baptism of the Lord

February 7, 2021 ~ Lent / Holy Week

March 7, 2021 ~ Easter



## 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



## Statement of Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark, on violence in U.S. Capitol

**Jan. 7, 2020**

Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark, issued the following statement in response to yesterday's violence in the United States Capitol:

As I watched the appalling chaos in the U.S. Capitol yesterday, I witnessed an icon of democracy occupied and hostage to mob rule. The procession of violent images was deeply troubling. Particularly disheartening is that this event unfolded amid a deadly pandemic, a terrible plague that our troubled nation should face in solidarity.

The events of yesterday are a graphic exposure of the deep and advancing polarization in American society that has festered for years. This divisiveness disregards faith, justice and the rule of law. As shocking as it may be to glimpse how disordered our nation has become, the terrible truth is that we are not immune from further moral and social decay.

If we wish to claim it, Catholics have a legacy that is crucial to the healing of the nation. Our faith includes a commitment to mutual respect, dialogue, and the principles on which our democracy is based. We must come together as one nation under God, who loves and bestows dignity on all. The person with whom you may vehemently disagree is also a beloved child of God. For two millennia, our community has tried to live the teachings of Jesus. We are at our best when we put others first, with the common good as our guiding star.

Let us join with all people of good will in a choice for peace during this arduous time. We pray for our Savior's protection and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Jesus, Prince of Peace, teach us the way forward. Our Lady of the Americas, pray for us.

Mientras observaba ayer el espantoso caos que reinaba en el Capitolio de los Estados Unidos, fui testigo de cómo un icono de la democracia era ocupada y mantenida rehén por una multitud incontrolada. La secuencia de imágenes violentas fue profundamente impactante. Sobre todo, cuando todo esto sucedía en medio de una pandemia mortal, una terrible plaga a la que nuestra atribulada nación debe enfrentarse con solidaridad.

Los eventos de ayer son una muestra gráfica de la polarización profunda y creciente que se ha encontrado durante años en la sociedad estadounidense. Esta división ignora la fe, la justicia y el estado de derecho. Por más impactante que nos pueda resultar el ver cuán desordenado se ha vuelto nuestro país, la terrible verdad es que no somos inmunes a una decadencia moral y social aun mayor.

Si de verdad queremos cambiar la situación, los católicos tenemos un legado que es fundamental para la sanación de nuestro país. Nuestra fe nos exige un compromiso con el respeto mutuo, el diálogo y los principios en los que se fundamenta nuestra democracia. Debemos unirnos todos como una nación bajo Dios, que ama y otorga dignidad a todos. Recordando que la persona con la que podemos estar profundamente en desacuerdo también es un hijo amado de Dios. Durante dos mil años, nuestra comunidad ha tratado de vivir las enseñanzas de Jesús. Debemos poner a los demás en primer lugar, dejándonos guiar siempre por la búsqueda del bien común.

Unámonos con todas las personas de buena voluntad en la elección de la paz durante este tiempo tan difícil.

Suplicamos la protección de nuestro Salvador y la guía del Espíritu Santo. Jesús, Príncipe de Paz, enséñanos el camino a seguir. Nuestra Señora de las Américas, ruega por nosotros.

**THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF  
SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH  
WELCOMES  
BISHOP ELIAS LORENZO TODAY AT THE 10:30AM MASS!**




**Most Rev. Elias R. Lorenzo, O.S.B.  
Regional Bishop of Union County  
will make a pastoral visit to our parish  
on Sunday, January 17, 2021.  
He will celebrate the 10:30 AM Mass.  
Since there can be no reception  
following the Mass, he will greet the  
parishioners in the Gathering Area.  
Masks and social distancing required.**

As is our normal Sunday schedule, the 10:30AM Mass will be live-streamed for families preferring to participate virtually.

Anyone wishing to attend the Mass in-person: You are reminded to follow the social distance markings in our Church and keep your mask over your mouth and nose at all times.

Again, if you or someone in your house is sick, please remain home as a sign of caring for your neighbor.

## PARISH INFORMATION



St. James the Apostle Church

JOIN US

**ONLINE ROSARY  
& NOVENA**

**EVERY MONDAY at 7:00 P.M.**



[www.facebook.com/saintjamestheapostle/live/](http://www.facebook.com/saintjamestheapostle/live/)



Join us in the Gathering Area of the Church or log on to the Saint James the Apostle Parishioner Face Book Page to join us on YouTube!

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

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

January 16 / 17, 2021

2nd Collection: Archdiocese Assessment

Thank you for your continued generosity!



**SUNDAY READINGS ~ January 17, 2021**  
**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Visit: <http://www.usccb.org/> to receive daily Scripture Readings*

**FIRST READING: Samuel 3:3b-10, 19**

Samuel was sleeping in the temple of the LORD where the ark of God was.  
 The LORD called to Samuel, who answered, "Here I am."  
 Samuel ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. You called me."  
 "I did not call you," Eli said. "Go back to sleep." So he went back to sleep.  
 Again the LORD called Samuel, who rose and went to Eli.  
 "Here I am," he said. "You called me."  
 But Eli answered, "I did not call you, my son. Go back to sleep."  
 At that time Samuel was not familiar with the LORD, because the LORD had not revealed anything to him as yet.  
 The LORD called Samuel again, for the third time. Getting up and going to Eli, he said, "Here I am. You called me."  
 Then Eli understood that the LORD was calling the youth.  
 So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'"  
 When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!"  
 Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening."  
 Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect.

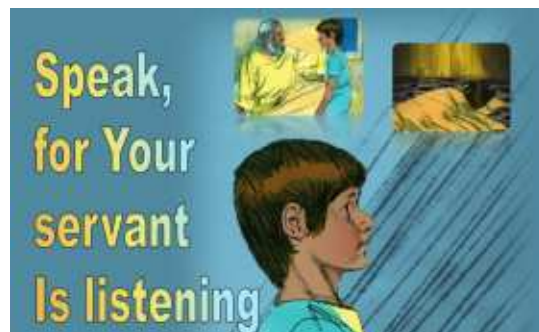
En aquellos días, el joven Samuel servía en el templo a las órdenes del sacerdote Elí. Una noche, estando Elí acostado en su habitación y Samuel en la suya, dentro del santuario donde se encontraba el arca de Dios, el Señor llamó a Samuel y éste respondió: "Aquí estoy". Fue corriendo a donde estaba Elí y le dijo: "Aquí estoy. ¿Para qué me llamaste?" Respondió Elí: "Yo no te he llamado. Vuelve a acostarte". Samuel se fue a acostar. Volvió el Señor a llamarlo y él se levantó, fue a donde estaba Elí y le dijo: "Aquí estoy. ¿Para qué me llamaste?" Respondió Elí: "No te he llamado, hijo mío. Vuelve a acostarte".  
 Aún no conocía Samuel al Señor, pues la palabra del Señor no le había sido revelada. Por tercera vez llamó el Señor a Samuel; éste se levantó, fue a donde estaba Elí y le dijo: "Aquí estoy. ¿Para qué me llamaste?"  
 Entonces comprendió Elí que era el Señor quien llamaba al joven y dijo a Samuel: "Ve a acostarte, y si te llama alguien, responde: 'Habla, Señor; tu siervo te escucha' ". Y Samuel se fue a acostar.  
 De nuevo el Señor se presentó y lo llamó como antes: "Samuel, Samuel". Éste respondió: "Habla, Señor; tu siervo te escucha".  
 Samuel creció y el Señor estaba con él. Y todo lo que el Señor le decía, se cumplía.

The word of the Lord .....

**R. Thanks be to God!**

La Palabra del Señor.....

**R. ¡Gracias a Dios!**



**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

PSALM 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

**R.** Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.**R.** Aquí estoy, Señor, para hacer tu voluntad.**SECOND READING: Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20**

Brothers and sisters:

The body is not for immorality, but for the Lord,  
and the Lord is for the body;  
God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his  
power.

Do you not know that your bodies are members of  
Christ?

But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one  
Spirit with him.

Avoid immorality.

Every other sin a person commits is outside the  
body,

but the immoral person sins against his own body.

Do you not know that your body  
is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you,  
whom you have from God, and that you are not  
your own?

For you have been purchased at a price.

Therefore glorify God in your body.

Hermanos:

El cuerpo no es para fornicar, sino para servir al  
Señor; y el Señor, para santificar el cuerpo.

Dios resucitó al Señor y nos resucitará también a no-  
sotros con su poder.

¿No saben ustedes que sus cuerpos son miembros de  
Cristo?

Y el que se une al Señor, se hace un solo espíritu con  
él. Huyan, por lo tanto, de la fornicación.

Cualquier otro pecado que cometa una persona,  
queda fuera de su cuerpo; pero el que fornicar, peca  
contra su propio cuerpo.

¿O es que no saben ustedes que su cuerpo es templo  
del Espíritu Santo, que han recibido de Dios y habita  
en ustedes?

No son ustedes sus propios dueños, porque Dios los  
ha comprado a un precio muy caro.

Glorifiquen, pues, a Dios con el cuerpo.

The word of the Lord .....

**R. Thanks be to God!**

La Palabra del Señor.....

**R. ¡Gracias a Dios!****Gospel Acclamation****R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

We have found the Messiah:  
Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.****R. Aleluya, aleluya.**

Hemos encontrado a Cristo, el Mesías.  
La gracia y la verdad nos han llegado por él.

**R. Aleluya, aleluya.**

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 John....

**R. Glory to you O Lord ....**

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

**R. Gloria a tí, 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: John 1: 35-42**

John was standing with two of his disciples,  
and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said,  
“Behold, the Lamb of God.”  
The two disciples heard what he said and followed  
Jesus.  
Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to  
them,  
“What are you looking for?”  
They said to him, “Rabbi” - which translated means  
Teacher,  
“where are you staying?”  
He said to them, “Come, and you will see.”  
So they went and saw where Jesus was staying,  
and they stayed with him that day.  
It was about four in the afternoon.  
Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter,  
was one of the two who heard John and followed  
Jesus.  
He first found his own brother Simon and told him,  
“We have found the Messiah” - which is translated  
Christ.  
Then he brought him to Jesus.  
Jesus looked at him and said,  
“You are Simon the son of John;  
you will be called Cephas” - which is translated  
Peter.

En aquel tiempo, estaba Juan el Bautista con dos de  
sus discípulos, y fijando los ojos en Jesús, que pasa-  
ba, dijo:  
“Éste es el Cordero de Dios.”  
Los dos discípulos, al oír estas palabras, siguieron a  
Jesús.  
Él se volvió hacia ellos, y viendo que lo  
seguían, les preguntó:  
“¿Qué buscan?” Ellos le contestaron:  
“¿Dónde vives, Rabí?” (Rabí significa ‘maestro’).  
Él les dijo: “Vengan a ver.”  
Fueron, pues, vieron dónde vivía y se quedaron con  
él ese día.  
Eran como las cuatro de la tarde.  
Andrés, hermano de Simón Pedro, era uno de los  
dos que oyeron lo que Juan el Bautista decía y  
siguieron a Jesús.  
El primero a quien encontró Andrés, fue a su  
hermano Simón, y le dijo:  
“Hemos encontrado al Mesías” (que quiere decir ‘el  
Ungido’).  
Lo llevó a donde estaba Jesús y éste, fijando en él la  
mirada, le dijo: “Tú eres Simón, hijo de Juan.  
Tú te llamarás Kefás” (que significa Pedro, es decir  
‘roca’).

**Priest / Deacon:**

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

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

# HYMN OF GATHERING

## Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1. Praise to the Lord, the Al-might-y, the King of cre -  
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly  
 3. Praise to the Lord, who will pros-per your work and de -  
 4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for  
 reign - ing And, as on wings of an  
 fend you; Sure-ly his good-ness and  
 dore him! All that has life and breath,



he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
 ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.  
 mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.  
 come now with prais - es be - fore him!



All you who hear, Now to his tem - ple draw near.  
 Have you not seen All you have need - ed has been  
 Pon - der a - new What the Al - might - y can do,  
 Let the "A - men" Sound from his peo - ple a - gain!



Praise him in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
 Met by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
 Who with his love does be - friend you.  
 Glad - ly with praise we a - dore him!

Text: *Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König*; Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.  
 Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN, 14 14 47 8; *Stralsund Gesangbuch*, 1665

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# HYMN DURING COMMUNION PROCESSION

## Here I Am, Lord

### Verses



1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my  
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my  
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the



peo - ple cry. All who dwell in dark and sin  
peo - ple's pain. I have wept for love of them.  
poor and lame. I will set a feast for them.



My hand will save. I, who made the  
They turn a - way. I will break their  
My hand will save. Fin-est bread I



stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.  
hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a - lone.  
will pro - vide Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

### Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Text: Isaiah 6; Dan Schutte, b.1947  
Tune: HERE I AM, LORD, 77 7 4 D with refrain; Dan Schutte, b.1947; arr. by Michael Pope, SI, and John Weissstock  
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My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present  
in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.

#### *Gospel Reflection:*

**John 1: 35-42**

To call someone a "rock" was one of the greatest compliments in the ancient world. The rabbis had a saying that when God saw Abraham, he exclaimed: "I have discovered a rock to found the world upon." Through Abraham God established a nation for himself. Through faith Peter grasped who Jesus truly was; the *Anointed One (Messiah and Christ)* and the only begotten Son of God. The New Testament describes the church as a spiritual house or temple with each member joined together as living stones. The Holy Spirit gives us the gift of faith to know the Lord Jesus personally, power to live the gospel faithfully, and courage to witness the truth and joy of the Gospel to others. The Lord Jesus is ever ready to draw us to himself. Do you seek to grow in the knowledge and love of the Lord Jesus Christ?

*Lord Jesus Christ, fill me with the power of your Holy Spirit that I may grow in the knowledge of your great love and truth.*

## NEXT SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS:

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2021**  
**3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FIRST READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10 ~ SECOND READING: Corinthians 7:29-31**

**GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20**

### HYMNS

Gathering Hymn: Christ Be Our Light

Communion Procession: Lord When You Came

Hymn of Sending Forth: Instrumental

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## **A Call for Prayer & Fasting to End Abortion**

**January 22, 2021**

We, the Catholic Bishops of New Jersey, ask Catholics and people of good will to join us on Friday January 22, 2021, the 48<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, in a Day of Prayer and Fasting to end abortion.

As we mark this tragic event in our nation's history, we remember the millions of lives lost to abortion and pray for the mothers and fathers left to suffer the tragic effects.

The Catholic Church is committed to protecting all life from conception to natural death. We will work vigorously to ensure the laws of our state and country protect and defend the intrinsic dignity of all people.

We humbly implore our Blessed Mother under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas and Protectress of the Unborn, to intercede on our behalf that these efforts to end abortion are guided by mercy, compassion, and above all charity.

Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R.  
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Bishop, Diocese of Metuchen

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Diocese of Paterson, Diocese of Trenton, Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Passaic and  
Our Lady of Deliverance Syriac Catholic Diocese

## **Saint Agnes. Feast Day, January 21. Patron Saint of young girls, chastity, rape survivors, and the Children of Mary**

Saint Agnes of Rome was born in 291 AD and raised in a Christian family. Agnes was very beautiful and belonged to a wealthy family. Her hand in marriage was highly sought after, and she had many high ranking men chasing after her. However, Agnes made a promise to God never to stain her purity. Her love for the Lord was great and she hated sin even more than death!

Whenever a man wished to marry Agnes, she would always say, "Jesus Christ is my only Spouse."

According to legend, the young men she turned away became so angry and insulted by her devotion to God and purity that they began to submit her name to authorities as a Christian follower.

In one incident, Procop, the Governor's son, became very angry when she refused him. He tried to win her for his wife with rich gifts and promises, but the beautiful young girl kept saying, "I am already promised to the Lord of the Universe. He is more splendid than the sun and the stars, and He has said He will never leave me!"

In great anger, Procop accused her of being a Christian and brought her to his father, the Governor. The Governor promised Agnes wonderful gifts if she would only deny God, but Agnes refused. He tried to change her mind by putting her in chains, but her lovely face shone with joy.

Next he sent her to a place of sin, but an Angel protected her. At last, she was condemned to death. Even the pagans cried to see such a young and beautiful girl going to death. Yet, Agnes was as happy as a bride on her wedding day. She did not pay attention to those who begged her to save herself. "I would offend my Spouse," she said, "if I were to try to please you. He chose me first and He shall have me!" Then she prayed and bowed her head for the death-stroke of the sword.

Other accounts of Agnes's life hold the Prefect Sempronius responsible for her martyrdom. It is said he condemned the young girl to be dragged through the streets naked. Some versions of the legend state that Agnes' hair grew instantly to cover her entire body and all the men who attempted to rape the beautiful virgin were immediately struck blind.

The stories go on to explain that another man presided over Agnes' trial after Sempronius excused himself. The new man sentenced Agnes to death. At first, Agnes was tied to a stake, but either the wood would not burn or the flames parted away from her. This prompted an officer to draw his sword and behead the girl. It is believed that her blood, which poured out to the stadium, was soaked up with cloths by Christians.

Saint Agnes is often represented with a lamb, the symbol of her virgin innocence, and a palm branch, like other martyrs. She is shown as a young girl in robes holding a palm branch with the lamb either at her feet or in her arms.

On her feast day, it is customary for two lambs to be brought in to be blessed by the pope. On Holy Thursday the lambs' wool is removed and woven into the pallium the pope gives to a newly consecrated archbishop as a sign of his power and union with the pope.



Source: [www.Catholic.org](http://www.Catholic.org)





## 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](http://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., Richard Delany, Anthony De Santis, Carmela DeSarno, Victoria Egner, Rick Ellmer, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Martin Gignac, 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, Angie Mazzarisi, Leonard McGinley, Stan Mickham, Richard Miele, Julie Mohnenhunn, Andres Montero, Timothy Morgan, Ive Mureny, Christian Murphy, Cassidy Musson, Carol Muzacs, Michael Neer, Mary O'Connor, Rafaelina Oliviero, Anna P., Berit Phair, John Rendeiro, John Reiss, Gary Ruzich, Anthony S., Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Filomena Vairo, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Kay Winski, Mary Yobbi

## A TIME TO DIE

Rudolph Bini, Thomas Caltagirone, Andy Gigante, Rev. William Gyure, Tommy LaSorda, Timothy Sprouse, Joseph Yobbi, 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, January 17**

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**5:00PM (SATURDAY)**

Carol House ~ *Bob House*

**7:30AM**

For the People of Saint James

**9:00AM**

Kathleen Congema ~ *Capron Family*

**10:30AM**

Ilene Runo ~ *Children*

**12:00PM**

James Carney ~ *Patty & John*

**MONDAY, January 18**

**7:30AM**

Gaetano Botte ~ *Botte Family*

**TUESDAY, January 19**

**7:30AM**

Joseph Riley ~ *Perez Family*

**WEDNESDAY, January 20**

**7:30AM**

Anthony LaSalle ~ *Sheila Pierce*

**THURSDAY, January 21**

**7:30AM**

Angelina DiLeo ~ *Dileo & Clark Families*

**FRIDAY, January 22**

**7:30AM**

Deacon John Baltus ~ John & Bernice Petersen

**SATURDAY, January 23**

**8:00AM**

Joseph Hennessy ~ Daughter, Arlene

**SUNDAY, January 24**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**5:00PM (SATURDAY)**

Amelia Montana ~ *Family*

**7:30AM**

Mary Hayes ~ *Brian & Gianna Hayes*

**9:00AM**

Ilene Runo ~ *Family*

**10:30AM**

Nicholas **Putigliano** ~ *Phil & Marie*

**12:00PM**

Bernie LoMacchio and James & Eleanor Carney  
~ *Patty & John Carney*



## DEVOTIONS AND MEMORIALS ~ *Spiritual Offerings*

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

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



### SANCTUARY LAMP

For the People of Saint James



### BREAD

For the People of Saint James

## **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

Under the Guidance of the **Holy Spirit** as a  
Welcoming and Diverse Community,

We, the **Parish of Saint James the Apostle**

Invite All to Worship as We Celebrate the Eucharist,  
Proclaim the Good News of **Jesus Christ** and Serve the  
Needs of One Another,  
as We Help Build the **Kingdom of God on Earth**.