

# SAINT JAMES

## the APOSTLE CHURCH



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Rev. John D. Dennehy, Weekend Associate

Mr. Jerome Bongiovanni, Permanent Deacon

Mr. Daniel O'Neill, Permanent Deacon

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#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Anticipated Mass ~ Saturday 5:00PM 7:30AM ~ 9:00AM ~ 10:30AM ~ 12:00PM

#### **DAILY MASS**

Weekday: Novena 7:10AM ~ Mass 7:30AM Saturday: Novena 7:40AM ~ Mass 8:00AM

**Evening Novena: Mondays at 6:30PM** 

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**Saturday at 11:00AM

#### **RECTORY HOURS**

Monday-Friday: 8:00AM~4:00PM (closed daily 12:00-1:00PM)

A Welcoming Catholic Community of Faith. Come Experience Christ With Us!





January 20, 2019

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# FROM THE PASTOR

We are now in Ordinary Time. It is easy to tell because the Christmas decorations are gone, and the color is green again. The Gospels are focused on the public ministry of Jesus. Ordinary Time will continue until Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

The immigrant situation at the southern border of the United States has led to the partial shutdown of the government. One of the effects of this is that the average person who works for the government is suffering. The workers are trying to figure out how to pay bills, provide food for their families and maintain some semblance of life without receiving a paycheck. Hopefully, this situation will be resolved soon so that the workers will be able to maintain their lives. This situation becomes one of justice for the government workers as well as for our country itself.

Today's Gospel is about the wedding feast at Cana. Like many of us, Jesus was invited to a wedding. Unfortunately, the wine ran out. So Jesus, at the insistence of his mother, Mary, changed water into wine so that the celebration could continue. This was the first miracle Jesus performed during his public ministry. This Gospel is from John, whose Gospel is called the Book of Signs. The reason is that there are signs that reveal the glory of Jesus, who is the sign of the Father for us.

Sometimes, we look for signs that reveal the presence of Jesus in our lives. When they don't appear the way or when we want them to, then we become angry because we think Jesus has failed us. Yet, there are signs everyday of Christ's presence. We need to be attentive to recognizing those signs. Sometimes they are in nature, or in the things that happens to us each day. But most of the time the signs are in people, especially the children the Lord sends into our lives to remind us of his abiding presence and love. Of course, there is always the Word or the Breaking of the Bread that reveal the presence of Christ in our life.

As Jesus is the sign of the Father for us, we are the sign of Jesus for each other. Our words and actions reveal to others not just our faith in the Lord, but also our willingness to reflect the intimate connection with Him. Miracles occur each day when we encounter each other and celebrate our friendship as well as the presence of Christ within and among us. If we are astute enough, we will recognize them. If not, then we will miss another opportunity to experience the wonder of Jesus made real for us.

It is always good for us to reflect on what we experienced during the Christmas Season and how we can continue this during this time of year. The wonder of the Incarnation is that Jesus is reborn in our hearts and lives every time we allow him to be reflected in all we are and do as his people. And that's a miracle in itself!

HAPPY ORDINARY TIME!!!

~ FR. JOE

#### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$8,754.00

\$6,784.00 Collection \$1.970.00 Online

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

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ONLINE CREDIT CARD DONATIONS



#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Mrs. Nancy Caputo, Director

A special thank you to all of the children who remembered to bring in a picture of their Bapitsm to share on our "Baptism of the Lord" poster board! If you are in the school building, stop by and take a look to see if you recognize anyone!

#### No Classes on Sunday, January 20 or Tuesday, January 22& 29

Has your child been Baptized and not catechized or received their sacraments? Are they of school age and not yet baptized?

Please contact the Religious Education Office: 973-376-2061 or email: ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org

#### 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLASS NEWS

Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo, Coordinator

#### Reminder!

The Spring Session of the 8th Grade Religious Education classes begin on Tuesday, February 5th. We meet in Hatcher Hall from 7-8:30pm. Please contact Ann Marie Gesualdo with any questions at 201-709-5280 or email:

amgesualdo@saintjamesparish.org

#### **CONFIRMATION CORNER**

Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo, Coordinator

All Registration forms and fees are due by Tuesday, February 5th.

Please contact Ann Marie Gesualdo or the Religious Education Office with any questions.



#### **YOUTH GROUP NEWS**

Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo, Coordinator

**TONIGHT: Sunday, January 20th** - It's Movie Night!!

Grab a blanket and wear your comfiest pjs or sweats and settle in for "Frozen" - Icy Treats will be served along with Hot Chocolate!! Hope to see you -7-9pm in the gym.

Sunday, January 27th - Discussion Topic: "It's All About Friendships"

#### **Core Team Planning Meeting**

**Sunday, January 20th - 5:00pm** (before the Youth Group Meeting) pizza and planning our Youth Group meetings for February - April.

Saint James will be holding its first Antioch Retreat!!
The weekend of February 15-17. All 8th -12th grade students are welcome.
Parent Information Meeting: Tuesday, January 22 at 7:30pm in the Church.

Please contact Ann Marie Gesualdo with any questions at 201-709-5280 or email: amgesualdo@saintjamesparish.org

#### PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Caroline Ponterio, Principal



"Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed." encompasses the core products and values that can be found in Saint James the Apostle School and Catholic schools across the country. Not only are we teaching students to become future servant leaders, faith-filled disciples and enriched citizens in our communities, we, as educators, are growing with them. At Saint James the Apostle School, we are all learners, servants and leaders. These shared qualities are what make our Catholic school work. They are what make our Catholic school succeed.

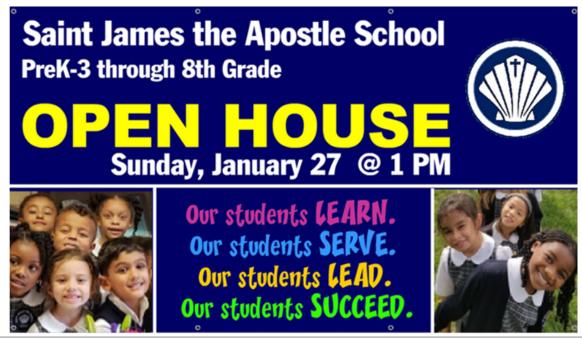
#### Saint James students LEAD.

Saint James the Apostle School offers many opportunities for its students to lead. First and foremost are our 8<sup>th</sup> graders; they are the leaders of the school and role models for our younger students. Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders lead the school community in prayer every morning, before lunch and at the day's end. Students in Grades 5-8 have the opportunity to participate in Student Council which develops a variety of service and fundraising projects that aid the school, parish and local community. On a monthly basis each grade from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> will lead school Mass. For the last three years, our students have led fundraising missions and raised over \$10,000 for three different causes. This year's mission is to have the school become permanent members of **The Spring** for charity: water.

#### Saint James students SUCCEED.

Saint James the Apostle students succeed, whether it is academically, socially, physically or spiritually. You see success in the Kindergartener who is learning to read, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grader who has mastered math facts for the number "7", or in the 6<sup>th</sup> grader who ran the mile in gym in under 8 minutes. Students in Grades 4-8 who succeed academically have the potential to earn Honor Roll. In the last three years, Saint James the Apostle School has graduated 59 students who have earned over \$1.75 million in scholarships to continue their Catholic education. We are grateful to welcome back our alumni attending high school, college and beyond to hear about their continued success.

Come visit us at our Open House next Sunday to learn more.



#### **PARISH NEWS**

Keeping in Touch With One Another

# Saint James Parishioner On-Line Giving Important UPDATE information!

Recently our parish upgraded to a newer version of our online giving program. Anyone who currently contributes through our parish online giving is asked to go to our website to create a new portal and cancel their old account. Please go to: https://www.saintjamestheapostle.org, click on the icon to create a new portal.

Then <u>cancel</u> your old portal by clicking on the box under the icon (above).

**Old Online Giving Portal** 

#### Thank you for your continued generosity!

If you are not already giving online, why not consider using online giving for your contributions to the church? It's easy, and you set up how much and when you want to give to the church. You can contribute weekly, monthly, yearly or any other time suitable for you. It can be done by credit card or by having money deducted from your checking account.

Go to our website: **https://www.saintjamestheapostle.org** click on the Online Giving icon (shown above) and follow the directions. Once your account is set up, it takes care of itself until you make changes. It's safe, easy and convenient. And it is done on a regular basis.

If you have any questions about updating your online information or joining online giving, please contact Michelle Sblendorio, 973-376-3044 or msblendorio@saintjamesparish.org

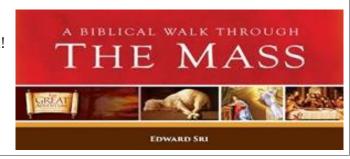
Join your fellow parishioners and friends as we journey through a Biblical Walk through the Mass and then continue onto the Gospel of John with the Turning Point series.

Wednesday, January 30th through March 27th

Come for one or all of the sessions, and bring a friend!

Don't miss this opportunity to fully

understand the Mass and the Gospel of John.





#### **MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS**

Mr. Matthew Wilson, Director

#### SAVE THE DATE!

Mardi Gras ~ Shrove Tuesday ~ "Fat Tuesday"

Whatever you want to call it...... come join us!

#### Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Saint James Music Ministry's is hosting the second dinner fundraiser!

Expect good food and fellowship at this familystyle event to begin your Lenten journey!

Details on location and time to come soon.

All will be welcome!



#### **RESPECT LIFE**

Ms. Patricia Sullivan, Coordinator

# Protect Viable Babies Postcard Campaign to Launch Next Weekend!

Next weekend parishioners will be asked to sign three postcards to our 3 Representatives (our one NJ State Senator and two Assembly Members) to ask them to support legislation which would ban abortion past 20-weeks (5 months). Babies at this stage can survive outside the womb and can thrive if given the proper medical care. If you would like to bring 3 return address labels with your name/address on them to Mass next weekend, it will save you some time. If you are able to volunteer next weekend to help with the campaign, please send an email to Pat Sullivan at:

patricia.sulllivan@hackensackmeridian.org

# Martin Luther King Day Vigil For Peace and Understanding Monday, January 21 from 12:00—1:00PM ~ Chamber (2nd Fl) of Town Hall ALL ARE WELCOME

Shared words of prayer & reflection
Shared songs of joy and hope
Township of Springfield Proclamation
Sponsored by the Springfield Interfaith Clergy Association

Oratory Prep will be running a Used Winter Apparel Drive of men's, women's and children's clothing to benefit Catholic Charities **January 19th and 20th**. Any type of gently used winter clothing is acceptable. There will be a collection bin in the Gathering Area of our Church for your donations. Any questions can be directed to Luke Bernstein: luke.bernstein.student@oratoryprep.org.

Thank you in advance for your generous support.

# Benedictine Center of St. Walburga Monastery, Elizabeth, NJ

#### **Praying with Thomas Merton**

Join us for a retreat presented by Sister Marlene Milasus, OSB and an Oblate team. As Thomas Merton's relationship with God deepened, so did his prayer. We are invited to the same growth. Spend a day or a weekend with this companion in prayer as we reflect on his life and work.

**February 2, 9AM-3:30 PM.**, \$35 for the day, lunch included. **February 1-3**. Weekend \$135.

For information and registration contact: Sr Marita, 908-353-3028 Or Email: maritaosb@aol

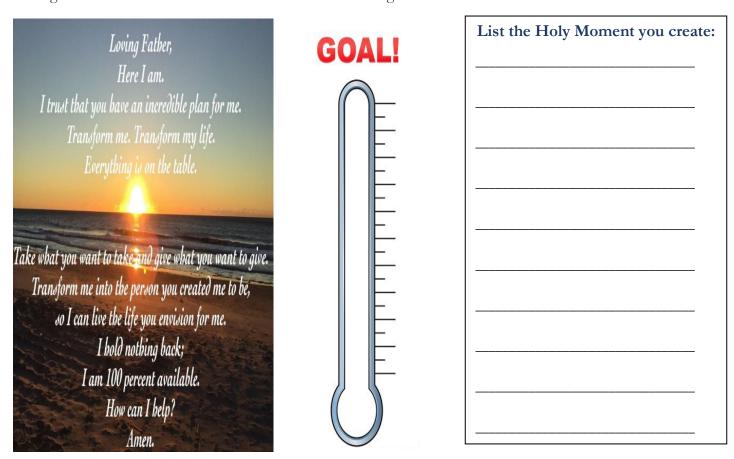
# Challenge to All Saint James Parishioners

We are challenging you to go out and create "Holy Moments"

#### Have you read the "Biggest Lie in Christianity"?

A Holy Moment is a moment when you are being the person God created you to be and you are doing what you believe God is calling you to do in that moment. It is an instance where you set aside self-interest, personal desire, and what you feel like doing or would rather be doing and embrace what you believe will bring the most good to the most people in that moment.

Can you go out today, collaborate with God in this way to create one Holy Moment? If you can do one, then you can repeat it. Doing for someone else is gratifying. The potential is endless. Oh, one more challenge. Pick 3 people to become disciples too. That means tell just 3 people what you are doing and convince them to do the same. Make it a competition, who can create more holy moments and watch as you change, your families change and wouldn't it be wonderful to see our world change.



We are going to count & keep track of your Holy Moments from now until Easter

\*Basket in the Gathering Area \*Button on saintjamestheapostle.org \*Thermometer at church

\*Post your intentions on your Facebook & the St. James Facebook pages, spread the word to your friends

A Holy Moment can be as simple as smiling to uplift someone, a word of encouragement to a stranger or friend, holding open a door or elevator when you are in a rush, sending or sharing a meal to someone who needs help, praying for someone who needs it or praying for someone's soul. Visiting a nursing home, help deliver Meals on Wheels. Shoveling an elderly or injured person's sidewalk or mowing a neighbor's lawn. Start out as an act of kindness or charity and let it grow from there.

Please share this everywhere & start creating your Holy Moments today!

#### THE PRAYER CORNER



"To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose..."



#### A TIME TO HEAL

Glenn Albright, Anthony B., Ann Marie B., Paul Barbato, Concetta Bellott, Joe Brisick, Enid Cabot, Maria Casalinuova, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, James Curry, Gerry Dehoynes, Marie Del Mauro, Donna & John, Berta Franco, Ana Harper, Steven Hensle, Joann Jennings, Jake Kesler, Maryann Leach, Dina Ledogar, Christina Leone, Angelina Lipski, Richie Lipski, Carmen Lombardi, Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Angie Mazzarisi, Nicholas Melillo, Julie Mornhinweg, Michael Nargi, Rafaelina Oliviero, Elizabeth Piedl, Richard Quagliato, Cecilia Quintero, Ginny Sampson, Raymond Schwartz, Jack Silbert, Anne Wallis, Frank Wendolowski, Jr.

#### A TIME TO BE BAPTIZED

Abigail Rose Navarro, Gionni Nico Urena

#### A TIME TO DIE

Frances Cupo, John Di Cesare, Pino La Giglia, Barbara Pluta, Marie Signoretta

#### A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Tim Arentz, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, Capt. Sean P. Eadie, Stacy Enyeart, David Fenton, Shane Fenton, Luis Fonseca, 2LT Andrew Kerwin, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten, Phillip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 1Lt. Stacia Rogacki, 1Lt. Steven Rogacki



#### **DEVOTIONS AND MEMORIALS** ~ Spiritual Offerings

To have a loved one remembered, please call the Rectory Office
Sanctuary Lamp ~ Bread & Wine ~ Flowers By the Tabernacle



#### **BREAD AND WINE**

Jim McElroy ~ McElroy Family



#### SANCTUARY LAMP

Jim McElroy ~ McElroy 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.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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



#### SUNDAY, January 20 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time THURSDAY, January 24 St. Francis de Sales 5:00 PM (SATURDAY)

Dorothy Ruhrort ~ *Michael & Theresa Quick* 7:30AM

Eugene Melleno~ *Anita Schmidt* 

9:00AM

For the People of Saint James

10:30AM

Richard Colandrea ~ Rob & Sue Hagenbush

12:00рм

Rudy Pedicini ~ *Pedicini Family* 

MONDAY, January 21 St. Agnes Martin Luther King, Jr.

7:30AM

Tillie Vetro ~ *Daughter, Linda & Family* 

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

7:30AM

Marion Orlando ~ Barbara, Debbie & Stephanie

WEDNESDAY, January 23

7:30AM

Noralyn Lumbre ~ Fernandez Family

7:30AM

Vincent Nardone ~ *Linda & Bob Donnelly* FRIDAY, January 25 Conversion of St. Paul 7:30AM

Margaret Jane Bruno ~ Claire Bernstein SATURDAY, January 26 8:00am

Marie Nardone ~ Roseanne Pedicini SUNDAY, January 27 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 PM (SATURDAY)

Angela Raimundo

~ Evelyn Raimundo-Kaiser & Marianne Van Volkenburgh

7:30AM

David & Viviene Ebel~ Boyong & Minda Baranda 9:00AM

Eleanor McCusker ~ *Bernstein Family* 

10:30AM

Brian Smith ~ *Dad, Mom, Sisters & Brothers* 12:00PM

James Carney ~ John Carney & Patty LoMacchio

# Monday, January 21, 2019 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day **No Evening Novena**

#### **HOSPITAL VISITATIONS**

If you or someone you know is in the hospital please inform the hospital staff that you are Catholic and a member of Saint James the Apostle Church. The priests and deacons will be able to find you so a visit can be arranged.

Contact the Rectory to have a name added to the prayer list at Mass and/or to the Prayer Line.

Please be sure to include hospital information.

#### **RECEIVING COMMUNION**

It is good to remind ourselves of the reverence needed when we receive the Body and Blood of Christ. When we approach the altar, if receiving on the hand, 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.



# SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Fr. Jeong Gyeong Kim

#### **BAPTISM**

Communal Baptisms are held on various Sundays during the year at 1:30pm in the Church. Please see the dates listed below.

#### RECONCILIATION

Individual Confessions are heard every Saturday at 11:00am in the Church, or anytime by appointment.

#### **EUCHARIST**

Communion can be brought to the sick and homebound either at home or in a facility.

#### CONFIRMATION

Adults who have celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism and would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation are encouraged to call the Parish Office and speak to one of the priests.

#### **MARRIAGE**

Couples planning to marry are asked to call the Parish Office at least one year prior to their desired date so that arrangements can be made.

#### **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. Please continue to pray for an increase in vocations.

#### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

This Sacrament can be administered anytime. We make visits to area hospitals and nursing homes.

#### 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 INFORMATION**

The catechesis class begins by attending the 12:00pm Mass with instruction about the rite and its meaning following Mass. Godparents are encouraged to attend. Baptism Ceremonies are held at 1:30pm and we ask that everyone arrive by 1:15pm. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a Baptism or catechesis please call the Parish Office at 973-376-3044.

**CATECHESIS**Mar. 3

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** Feb. 10, Mar. 3

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Fr. Joseph F. Barbone



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#### **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.