



SAINT JAMES

the APOSTLE CHURCH



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Mr. Daniel O'Neill, *Permanent Deacon*

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SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil 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)

**THE PARISH RECTORY AND OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAYS
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 6TH**



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

July 28, 2019

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM THE PASTOR

The recent hot spell we had made all of us uncomfortable. We haven't had such heat and humidity in a few years. The weather affected a great of the country, including Alaska, where it was 90 degrees in Anchorage. It was the hottest ever there, where the average temperature at this time of year is normally 65 degrees. This may be a glimpse of global warming, as the summers get hotter and the winters colder. Those who deny global warming only have to look at the icebergs that are melting at a faster rate than normal, with the expectation that the seas will rise an average of six feet. The result is that cities along the coasts will be inundated with water, causing all sorts of devastation.

Last Saturday, July 20, we commemorated the 50th anniversary of the landing of Apollo 11 on the moon, and Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin's walking on the moon. No one could have imagined this, even though President Kennedy had expressed this in his inauguration speech. It was an incredible sight to see.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is teaching his apostles the importance of prayer in their lives. Prayer was the way that Jesus kept in touch with his Father, as they shared a very personal and intimate relationship. But Jesus took this to a higher level. It wasn't enough to pray to God; the apostles had to express that prayer in the way they responded to the needs of others. This is how the apostles were to show that they took the message of Jesus seriously enough to help others experience his gentle presence and love. The apostles took this very seriously because they went forward to help others experience Jesus through their care and concern for the people they met.

While prayer is important to maintain our relationship with God, we must be able to express what prayer means in the way we respond to the needs of others. If we fail to do this, then the meaning of our prayer is diminished because it becomes nothing more than empty words. Jesus invites us, and challenges us, to help build the kingdom of God on earth. It is difficult to accomplish this invitation if all we want to do is sit and pray. How, then, do the care and concern of others, the compassion and mercy of our God, become real for others if we fail to help make them a part of the way we live as followers of Jesus? We are called to be active participants in helping others experience the love of Jesus, especially in the way we respond to their needs. The Rule of St. Benedict, which most religious orders still follow, states "Ora and Labora," "Pray and Work." The idea is to keep it in balance, so that there is time to pray and time to build the kingdom.

HAPPY SUMMER!!!

~ FR. JOE

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$6,897.00

\$5,547.00 Collection

\$1,350.00 Online

\$1,525.00

Archdiocese Assessment Collection

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

WE ALSO ACCEPT

ONLINE CREDIT CARD DONATIONS

Thank you for your continued generosity!

No Monday Evening Novena during

July and August



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Mrs. Nancy Caputo, Director

Are you new to Springfield or have a child entering 1st grade (Kindergarten is optional) in September? Please give us a call to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet and talk about your child's faith formation. We offer traditional classroom learning (Sunday mornings and Tuesdays after school) and Home Study (grades 3-6). Our 7th and 8th graders meet on selected Tuesday evenings. This year we will also offer families opportunities throughout the year to come together to share in faith-based activities. All families are invited. More information is coming!

If your child(ren) attended classes here this past school year, you are encouraged to register before leaving on vacation. ***All returning family registrations received after Thursday, August 22nd will be placed on hold until after classes begin to assess class / teacher ratio and space.*** Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

It does take a village to teach our children; it also takes many volunteers, and we are hoping that you are hearing the call! If you are interested in teaching, co-teaching, aiding, or being an office volunteer, (day or evening) please contact the Religious Ed Office –let's talk!

We currently are in need of Catechists on Tuesday afternoons. Talk to your Catholic friends about team-teaching and/or aiding. Do you have a high school child in need of community service? This is a great service initiative, resume-building experience and wonderful way to spend an hour and a half a week with your teen!

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 contact the Religious Education Office:
973-376-2061

ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org

Have a great Summer!!

PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Caroline Ponterio, Principal



85 percent of who you are – your intellect, your personality, your social skills – is developed by age 5. (MA Early Education for All)

Early education programs in Catholic schools set the foundation for life-long learning. This is demonstrated by the fact that an overwhelming number of our high school seniors graduate and a significant portion of those grads – close to 98% – go on to further education.

At three and four years of age, a child's natural curiosity is easily molded into learning opportunities with the loving guidance of our early childhood educators. We help your child to succeed not only academically through intellectual growth, but emotionally and socially by developing the critical thinking and cognitive skills needed throughout their school years and beyond. Character development, with an emphasis on kindness and caring, is woven into every lesson. We recognize and appreciate each child's unique abilities, needs, personality and potential. Children can work at their own pace to reach important milestones and are regularly praised for personal accomplishments. Saint James the Apostle School offers the following:

PreK-3: half day or full day options as well as 3-day or 5-day options

PreK-4: full days for a full week

What a great gift... giving your child a faith-based education at this very young age!

Our teachers are generous and constant in their love and dedication to our youngest learners, understanding this is where their journey begins. At Saint James, children experience a vivid sense of God.

Our small school environment is safe and nurturing. Our smaller class sizes allow our students and teachers to get to know each other on a personal level, which improves participation and learning. Saint James the Apostle School is a close-knit and welcoming community.

Our tuition is competitive and affordable compared with other early childhood programs in the area. We also offer our parents a convenient and structured morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up routine where there is no need to park and walk. **Invest where it makes the most difference.** Contact the School Office for a tour 973-376-5194.

Ask for Mrs. Ponterio or Mrs. DePrimio.

COMMUNITY NEWS

IS IT EVER OKAY TO APPLAUD AT MASS?????

The person cited most often on this subject is **Pope Benedict XVI**. Before he became pope, back when he was known as Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, he said, "Wherever applause breaks out in the liturgy because of some human achievement, it is a sure sign that the essence of liturgy has totally disappeared and been replaced by a kind of religious entertainment."

"IS IT APPROPRIATE TO APPLAUD FOR THE CHOIR AFTER MASS? IS THIS AN APPROVED PRACTICE?"

Pope Saint John XXIII also said as people waited for him to arrive to a church outside of Rome, "I am very glad to have come here. But if I must express a wish, it is that in church you not shout out, that you not clap your hands, and that you not greet even the Pope, because 'templum Dei, templum Dei.'" ("The temple of God is the temple of God.")

In a very powerful quote, **Pope Saint Pius X** said, "It is not fitting that the servant should be applauded in his Master's house."

Pope Francis, not known for his interest in a more traditional perspective on liturgy also called the faithful to silence both before and after Mass, when he said,

"When we go to Mass, maybe we arrive five minutes before, and we start to chitchat with those in front of us," the Pope said. However, "it is not a moment for chitchat."

"It is a moment of silence for preparing ourselves for dialogue, a time for the heart to collect itself in order to prepare for the encounter with Jesus," he said, adding that "silence is so important."

The bottom line, there is no good reason for applause and chitchat. We spend very little time in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and we should use that time to turn our hearts and minds completely to God. We have plenty of time outside of Mass for fellowship and community engagement and applause has its place but it is not within the Mass.

Source: *Apostoli_Viae*, November 18, 2018

We are beginning our final week of hosting the families from Family Promise of Union County! Our guest will leave our site **Sunday, August 4th**.

We still need volunteers both on site and behind the scenes, overnight hosts, and kitchen help, as well as assistance in breaking down the rooms and storing the supplies once the families have departed as well as laundering the bed linens.

The online link to sign up to volunteer is here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/findasignup>

Click on the magnifying glass

"Search for a signup by creator's signup email" and enter:

StJamesFamilyPromise@gmail.com

Click the "I am not a robot" box and choose your day and time to volunteer!

Please contact Pat Sullivan or Nancy Caputo for more information or if you have any questions.

Pat Sullivan: patsullivan1303@verizon.net / Nancy Caputo: ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org or call 973-376-2061.



NEWARK – New Jersey Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) is accepting claims related to the sexual abuse of minors by diocesan priests or deacons of the Roman Catholic dioceses of Newark, Paterson, Metuchen, Camden, and Trenton.

"This program is a sign of our commitment to the continued healing of victims who were sexually abused as a minor by a member of our Archdiocesan clergy," said Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark. *"It is a genuine expression of our remorse and our desire to make amends for past transgressions, and I sincerely hope it will meaningfully assist victims and bring them a measure of peace."*

Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the claims process and review the program protocol and **Frequently Asked Questions** by going to: **www.NJdiocesesIVCP.com**. **The IVCP will conclude on December 31, 2019.** All individual claims must be submitted by that date.

A TIME TO BE BAPTIZED



A TIME TO DIE

William Charles Harvie, Jeremy Maraj,
John Paul Stevens

A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Anelli, Anthony B., Paul Barbato,
Concetta Bellott, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo,
John Carney, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski,
Phyllis Colosimo, Van Corteza, James Curry,
Joe Cuthbert, Maureen D., Rick Ellmer,
Berta Franco, Arnold Giordano, Carole Griner,
Steven Hensle, Laura Hughes, William Jackowski,
Eddie Jenna, Simone Lanza, Wendy Lanza,
Anthony LaSalle, Maryann Leach, Dina Ledogar,
Maureen Le Goff, Angelina Lipski, Richie Lipski,
Ronnie Livares, Carmen Lombardi, Marian Lordi,
Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Maureen D.,
Angie Mazzarisi, Nicholas Melillo, Richard Miele,
Bob Mifsud, Timothy Morgan, Michael Nargi,
Carolyn Nelson, Rafaelina Oliviero, Tom Olivo,
Anna P., Berit Phair, Elizabeth Piedl,
Angelina Piscorini, Richard Quagliato,
Cecilia Quintero, Anthony S., Ginny Sampson,
Pat Scanlon, Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib,
Tom Stanick, Richard Tegnander, Christopher Tiu,
Stephanie Toth, Anne Wallis, Kazia Winski,
Mary Yobbi

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Tim Arentz, 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, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten,
Phillip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 1Lt. Stacia Rogacki,
1Lt. Steven Rogacki, LCPL Nick Wheeler



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, July 28 Seventeenth Sunday in OT
5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Ronnie Fusco ~ *Mother*

7:30AM

For the People of Saint James

9:00AM

Ronnie Fusco ~ *Bambina Minicozzi*

10:30AM

Domenico Mazzacuva

~ *Angela & Pasquale Mazzacuva*

12:00PM

Angela & Daniel Raimondo

~ *Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser &
Marianne Vanvolkenburgh*

MONDAY, July 29 St. Martha

7:30AM

Maria Ferro Rea ~ *Olga Family*

TUESDAY, July 30

7:30AM

Migros Guzman ~ *Sister*

WEDNESDAY, July 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola

7:30AM

Maria DelMauro ~ *Pedicini Family*

THURSDAY, August 1 St. Alphonsus Liguori

7:30AM

Catherine Thornton O'Brien ~ *Nancy Mahoney-Rajs*

FRIDAY, August 2

7:30AM

Dawn Kahn ~ *Mall Friends*

SATURDAY, August 3

8:00AM

Michael Petrilli ~ *Olga & Denise*

SUNDAY, August 4 Eighteenth Sunday in OT

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Amelia Montana ~ *Family*

7:30AM

Alfonse & Adelaide Soriente ~ *Angela Ragonese*

9:00AM

Ronnie Fusco ~ *Michelina Ramano*

10:30AM

Freda Kaelblein ~ *Dan, Anna Smith & Family*

12:00PM

Olga Turisco ~ *Joe Cangiano & Family*



BREAD AND WINE

Anthony & Elizabeth Pacilio
~ *Annette Dundas*



SANCTUARY LAMP

Domenico Mazzacuva
~ *Angela & Pasquale Mazzacuva*



SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Fr. Antonio Kuizon

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.

EUCCHARIST

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

Sept. 8, Nov. 3

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

July 28, Aug. 25, Sept. 22

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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**.