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the APOSTLE CHURCH



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From Your Church Family



A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH.
COME EXPERIENCE CHRIST WITH US!

June 27, 2021

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

There is a saying that goes: "All good things must come to an end." As my tenure as your pastor comes to an end this week, this is the last column I will write for you.

When a priest, especially a pastor, comes to a parish, he is expected to teach the congregation about Jesus and all that the Catholic Church teaches and believes. While this may be true, it is only one side of the picture. The other side is what the congregation teaches the priest.

As much as I may have enriched your lives, you have enriched my life incredibly more. Your faith, your dedication to the parish, and your sharing of your families with me have touched me very deeply. I am a better person and a better priest because of all of you, and I am deeply grateful to you. Life is about growth, and I hope that we have all grown from the encounters we have had with one another. I know I have.

I view retirement as another adventure in my life. We've all had them. Some adventures are happy, and some are sad. As I look ahead to the life of a retired pastor, I am sad because I am leaving you and this parish. You have all been an important part of my life these last 5 ½ years. I am grateful to Jesus for sending me to Saint James the Apostle parish, which I believe was for my own growth as well as yours.

I leave this parish with a renewed hope in God's people and the church, but especially in all of you at Saint James the Apostle parish. You will forever be in my thoughts and prayers as I begin a new chapter in my life.

THANK YOU, ALL, for who you are, how you have enriched my life, and what you have allowed me to accomplish as your pastor. **GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!!**

~ *Fr. Joe*

Peter's Pence ~ 2nd Collection June 26/27

The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$7,183.00

\$5,449.00 Mass Collection

\$1,734.00 Online Total

\$859.50 ~ Assessment 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>

**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

Please call the rectory to schedule your infant's baptism.



ADULT SACRAMENTAL 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.

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. 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Main Office 973-376-2061 :: Facsimile 973-376-4079

We will begin accepting registration for the 2021-2022 school year in a few weeks. With the guidelines changing everyday, we want to be sure to give you the most up-to-date information. We also need to be sure we have enough teachers to teach in person. If you are interested and able to teach please give us a call!

Detailed information and the online link to register will be emailed to all families who were registered for the 2020-2021 school year. Registration is required yearly, giving families the opportunity to update email and home addresses.

If you have a child entering 1st grade in public school who wasn't baptized at Saint James, please contact the Religious Ed Office to join our email list.



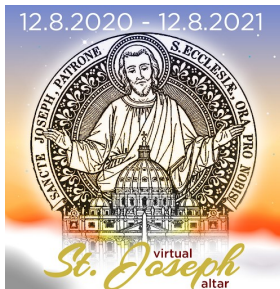
Has your child been baptized but not catechized or received their sacraments?

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.

Pope Francis has dedicated this year, 2021, to St. Joseph. As we think about St. Joseph's role in the lives of Jesus and Mary we find events that required great hope:



- * Joseph was a dreamer. He had to hope that following the directives he received in his dreams were indeed God's will for the Holy Family.
- * He had to hope that he would be successful in doing so.
- * How shocked and confused he must have been when Mary told him she was pregnant. Should he have her stoned to death according to the law? No, rather he followed the angel's advice to take her as his wife. Again, he hoped that he was doing the right thing.
- * As a husband and father he faced severe trials: No room in the inn; Jesus lost for three days; confusion upon hearing Simeon's and Ann's prophecies in the temple.

Mary is sure hope (*Lumen Gentium*). Joseph is creative hope; that is, he listened to the messages of his dreams and he acted with faith and hope. Both Mary and Joseph were hope-filled because of their love for Jesus who is hope. As we live in this world with its challenges let us embrace Jesus and follow Mary and Joseph who in moments of difficulty and crises were able to look ahead and live daily lives with hope in the future.

You are the future generation who can respond to the present culture with prayer, faith and action. Dream your dreams for the future, and pray for the grace to know what is God's will for you to act as inspired by the Holy Spirit. In you we have hope.

Sister Marie Lorraine Bruno, I.H.M., is professor emerita in the Department of Art, Languages and Literature at Immaculata University.

Source: <https://catholicphilly.com/2021/01/commentaries/st-joseph-sign-of-hope-amid-the-pandemic>

PARISH NEWS!

WE NEED YOU!!!!

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION
ON WAYS TO VOLUNTEER AT OUR PARISH FESTIVAL!
VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR A VARIETY OF JOBS!**



The Saint James Parish Annual Festival

"SAVE THE DATE"

October 12th ~ October 16th

Mark your calendar!

Stay tuned for ways to volunteer!



**For your generous support of the
Family Promise Frozen Food
Collection!!**



VIRTUAL Hosting Weeks!

**Monday, July 5
through
Saturday, July 17, 2021**

Once again 4 families from Family Promise of Union County will be counting on Saint James Parishioners for support! Due to Covid-19, the families are living in temporary housing but still need our help! We need volunteers to cook dinners or shop for pre-made meals and drivers to deliver the food twice a week (from Saint James). For delivery information or questions, please contact: Nancy Caputo 973-376-2061, ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org or Pat Sullivan 862-216-6861, patricia.sullivan@hmn.org

Please think about how you can get involved!

Community Service hours are available for all students entering 7th and 8th Grades!

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.

Matthew 25: 35

Click the link for available dates and individual family information!

[Family Promise Dinners!](https://familypromise.org/volunteerjobs/)

<https://familypromise.org/volunteerjobs/>

RESPECT LIFE

Ms. Pat Sullivan

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent Pro Life project, "Equal Rights for Babies in the Womb".

Because of your generosity, \$350 was donated to LIFENET, a non-profit educational organization reaching NJ communities with the facts about the humanity of the unborn child, abortion and other bio-ethical issues.

For you created my inmost being;

you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful,

I know that full well.

Psalm 139:13-14



THIS IS A FETAL HEARTBEAT

(a) Fetal ECG signal

University of Oxford has concluded that the human heart beats as early as 16 days post-conception.

Clumps of tissue don't have heartbeats

BABIES DO

  **LIFENET**

TODAY'S READINGS ~ JUNE 27, 2021
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Visit: <http://www.usccb.org/> for Scripture Readings

(click the links to access the readings)

FIRST READING: [Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24](#) ~ **SECOND READING:** [2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15](#)

GOSPEL: [Mk 5:21-43](#)

HYMN OF GATHERING

Amazing Grace



1. A - maz grace - ing that grace! how sweet the
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to
sound, That saved a wretch like me!
fear, And grace my fears re - lieved;
I once was lost, but now am ap -
How pre - cious did that grace ap -
found; Was blind, but now I see,
pear The hour I first be - lieved!

Text: St. 1-4, John Newton, 1725-1807; st. 5, att. to John Rous, fl. 1839
Tune: NEW BRITAIN, CM, Virginia Harmony, 1831; harm. by Edwin O. Excell, 1851-1921

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

R. I will praise you Lord, you have rescued me.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION

Christ, Be Our Light!

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the dark - ness. Christ, be our light!
Shine in your Church gath-ered to - day.

Text: Bernadette Farrell, b.1957
Tune: Bernadette Farrell, b.1957
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HYMN OF SENDING FORTH

How Great Thou Art



1. O Lord my God, when I in awe-some
2. When through the woods and for - est glades I
won - der Con - sid - er all the works thy hands have
wan - der And hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the
made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing
trees, When I look down from loft - y moun-tain
Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee: How great thou
art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to
thee: How great thou art, how great thou art!

Text: Stuart K. Hine, 1899-1989
Tune: HOW GREAT THOU ART, 11 10 11 10 with refrain; Stuart K. Hine, 1899-1989
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A TIME TO BAPTIZE

Xavier Oriol Louis Jean-Pierre

A TIME TO WED



A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Anelli, Ginnie Attanasio, Monina Avella, Joyce Bauman, Concetta Bellott, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Arlene Boja, Victoria Burns, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Thara Chandran, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, James Curry, Maureen D., Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., Victoria Egner, Rick Ellmer, Deacon Stan Fedson, Alfredo Fernandes, Shaun Findley, Berta Franco, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, Robert Hunrath, Eddie Jenna, Mary Keegan, Dana Kelley, Art Kistler, Irene Kurpieski, 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, Maria Martino Fender, 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., Berit Phair, Richard Quagliato, John Rendeiro, John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Justin Sequeira, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Rose Sinopoli, Debbie Staib, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Filomena Vairo, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Kay Winski, Peggy Wysock

A TIME TO DIE

Gary LaQuaglia,
all who have died from Covid-19

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Tim Arentz, Lance Corporal Kevin Bernor, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, Capt. Sean P. Eadie, Stacy Enyeart, David Fenton, Shane Fenton, Luis Fonseca, LCPL Christopher P. Garrigan, Cpt. Brian Jacobs, 2LT Andrew Kerwin, LCPL Kyle Thomas Lynaugh, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten, Phillip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 2nd Lt. John Rogacki, Capt. Stacia Rogacki, Cpt. Steven Rogacki, Lt. Raymond Williamson



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



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, June 27

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Andrew Foscatto ~ *Theresa & Michael Quick*

7:30AM

Ronnie Fusco ~ *Carmela Fusco*

9:00AM

For the People of Saint James

10:30AM

Matthew Swajkowski ~ *Barbara Dlugosz*

12:00PM

Ernest Reedy ~ *Eugenia Reedy*

MONDAY, June 28

7:30AM

Barbara Ann Disko ~ *Linda & Bob Donnelly*

TUESDAY, June 29 Saints Peter & Paul

7:30AM

Joan Nisch ~ *Mezzo Family*

WEDNESDAY, June 30

7:30AM

Barbara Ann Disko ~ *Phillips Family*

THURSDAY, July 1

7:30AM

Dolores Hennessy ~ *Family*

FRIDAY, July 2

7:30AM

Elsie Malgabo ~ *Evageline & Ted Garcia*

SATURDAY, July 3

8:00AM

Al Blasi, Sr. ~ *Family*

SUNDAY, July 4

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INDEPENDENCE DAY

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Amelia Montana ~ *Family*

7:30AM

Allen Alejandro ~ *Gene & Nieves Salle*

9:00AM

Marie Policapio ~ *Hagenbush Family*

10:30AM

Mark Weber ~ *Family*

12:00PM

Neil Kjelle ~ *Nancy Caputo*

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.

St. James the Apostle Church

JOIN US

**ONLINE ROSARY
& NOVENA**

EVERY MONDAY at 7:00 P.M.



www.facebook.com/saintjamestheapostle/live/



Join us outside in the Rosary Garden (weather permitting) or Gathering Area of the Church (if raining) or log on to the Saint James the Apostle Parishioner Face Book Page to join us on YouTube!

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.**