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November 14, 2021

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID SANTOS

New 'APOSTLE IN ACTION' Charity Fund

In an effort to provide support to families and individual parishioners in need, we are initiating a new charity fund, *Apostle in Action Charity Fund*. This parish-based fund will provide parishioners and members of our local community with some financial assistance. Whether it be rent, utility bills, unforeseen medical expenses, or mental health expenses, I feel it is important that our parish support those who are in need. 100% of the funds donated to the *Apostle in Action Charity Fund* will be used to help those in need right in our own neighborhood.

This Thanksgiving, as you thank God for your many blessings, please consider donating to this special fund.

While anyone can donate to this fund at any time, we will take up a special collection every Thanksgiving Day at Mass and every Holy Thursday at Mass. In the future, the envelope company that we use will provide a special envelope for this special collection for every Thanksgiving Day and Holy Thursday. Thank you in advance for whatever you can do to help those in need.

*Anytime a donation is made via personal check, be sure to write "Apostle in Action Charity Fund" in the memo section.

*When a donation is made via our online giving service, Parish Soft Giving, be sure to look for the *Apostle in Action Charity Fund*.

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

I think it's pretty obvious to see that the theme for this Sunday's readings focus on the *end-times*. Reflecting on the end-times is not a morbid preoccupation. The Church encourages us to do so every year at this time, so we don't forget the lesson of the fig tree, among others. We should remain wide awake, as Jesus says, to the truth that this temporal reality is passing away, and our fragile bodies along with it. Maybe Susan's story can help us to understand an important lesson Jesus is trying to share.

It wasn't hard for Susan to make a lot of money. She had the education and the skills to get a top-paying job anywhere. She liked the money and the things the money could buy, like a nice apartment, a really cool car, and fun vacations. Still, she just wasn't happy doing the things she needed to do and dealing with the people she needed to deal with in order to make the big bucks.

So she bounced from job to job, always figuring the next one would be better. She'd start out optimistically. But soon she'd tire of the grind and the hassle of swimming with the sharks. That's when her mother asked her, "So, what do you really want to do?" That's funny, she thought. No one's ever asked me that before. She pondered the question for a long while. Then she replied, "Do you remember when I used to teach English as a second language to kids coming into the school system when we lived down in South Texas? I really loved that job. Didn't make a whole lot of money, but it was such a pleasure working with the kids, and at the end of the day I really felt like I'd accomplished something worthwhile."

It wasn't long before Susan was living in a small apartment, driving an older car, vacationing closer to home, and having the time of her life teaching kids to speak English as a second language. We're all sort of hard-wired to love and serve God and each other, and sometimes nothing else will do.

Friends, everything we attach ourselves to so dearly in this world is moving in the natural direction of its mortal limits. If we believe there's more to life than this, then we need to give attention to that World beyond this world.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Do not accept anything as truth that lacks love, and do not accept anything as love that lacks truth. One without the other is a destructive lie. —Edith Stein, Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

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

Today our Family Faith families gather for the second time. Our catechesis will focus on preparing our homes and children to welcome the birth of Christ in our lives. We will also share the blessings that we have received and share cultural Thanksgiving traditions with each other. Our Corporal Works of Mercy this session will be to assemble Thanksgiving baskets for Family Promise.

Now that we've turned the clock ahead an hour it will begin to get darker earlier. Please take caution when picking up your child(ren) from class.

No classes for 1st through 8th grades Tuesday, November 23rd



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection totals from October 30/31 \$9,670.00

\$7,416.00 Mass Collection \$2,254.00 Online Collection

\$1,119.00 All Saints: 2nd Collection

Collection totals from November 6/7 \$10,603.00

\$7,776.00 Mass Collection \$2,827.00 Online Collection

WE ALSO ACCEPT ONLINE CREDIT CARD DONATIONS

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

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 one-time 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)



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Rectory to schedule your child'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.



Join us in the Gathering Area of the Church or log on to the Saint James the Apostle Parishioner Facebook Page to join us on YouTube.

All are welcome!



St. James is conducting a Toy Drive to benefit the children of Mercy House.

New unwrapped toys will be collected the weekends of November 6/7, 13/14, 20/21 and 27/28.

Suggested items from Mercy House include:

Newborn Toys
Melissa & Doug Wooden Toys
Lego's for girls and boys
Anything with Paw Patrol
Play Doh Kits
Nerf Guns

Ethnic Dolls (Barbie and larger similar to American Girl)

Basketballs

Craft Kits for Girls

Tee Turtle Reversible Plushies

Dimple Pops (Fidgets and Boards)

Toy Cars

Little Tykes T-Ball Set for Girls and Boys New Nova Flying Spinner

Gift Cards for teens- Amazon, Walmart, Target, ITunes

Please place your unwrapped gifts in the 'Toy Box' in the Gathering Space.



If you have any questions, please contact Jill Vecchione at jettajill@verizon.net.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.





The men of the parish are invited to participate in Mass, breakfast and reflections by

Colonel Michael Manning and Master Sergeant Michael Cutone

Servant Leadership

"Who among us will answer the call?

Who among us will pick up and labor under the weight, the ridicule, the hardship and the glory of carrying your cross towards Christ Crucified?"

Using the principles learned while serving our country, such as planning, competency, humility and courage, Col. Manning and Msg. Cutone will talk about what leading from the front looks like with respect to continued faith formation, leadership and service to the Church and one another.



Col. Michael Manning



- Prof. of Practice Leadership at the Gordon Institute of Engineering Leadership, Northeastern University
- Director of Planning for the Rhode Island National Guard
- Command Assignments include: Commander 173rd Infantry Detachment (long Range Surveillance); 42rd Infantry Division and Commander, Recruiting and Retention Division, Rhode Island National Guard.
 Second in both Iran and
- Served in both Iraq and Afghanistan

Msg. Michael Cutone



- 33 year veteran of the United States Army Special Forces (Green Berets)
- Served in both Irag and Afghanistan
- Served 21 years as a Massachusetts State Trooper
- Founder and Principle of the Trinity Project (C₃ Policing)

Saturday, December 11, 2021

The program kickoffs off at 8:30 am Mass at St. Bartholomew the Apostle and will run to approximately 12:00 including breakfast

Please RSVP to Keithguarnuccio@vahoo.com (908-447-0168)

There is no cost to attend but a free-will offering will be accepted

Sponsored by the Parishes of St. Bartholomew the Apostle & St. James the Apostle

BULLETIN INFORMATION

<u>Prior to scheduling all parish events</u>, the date(s) must be cleared through the rectory by *Michelle Sblendorio* before being sent to the bulletin for submission.

Email: msblendorio@saintjamesparish.org or call: 973-376-3044

Information for the weekly bulletin needs to be emailed to bulletin@saintjamesparish.org by

NOON ON MONDAYS

Holiday Submission Dates:

November 28th bulletin deadline: Thursday, November 18th December 5th bulletin deadline: Wednesday, November 24th



NOVEMBER 2021

"A vocation flows from the heart of God and blossoms in the good soil of faithful people, in the experience of fraternal love." (Pope Francis)

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priest-hood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one.

During this week, please encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.



We invite you to watch this informational video about the 2021 Annual Appeal of the Archdiocese 2021 Annual Appeal

The Annual Appeal serves the needs of all in the diocese. Each parish in the diocese is given a monetary goal to contribute. Saint James has not yet reached our goal. Please consider helping your parish by making a donation. You can do so online at rean.org/

sharing or by check, payable to Saint James Church (please write "Annual Appeal" in the memo section).

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Fr. Santos



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

Eutiche Philantrope ~ Micheline Philantrope



BREAD

Eutiche Philantrope ~ Micheline Philantrope

A TIME TO BAPTIZE

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A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, Dolores Battiato, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, 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, Sergio Evanglista, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, Eddie Jenna, Mary Keegan, Dana Kelley, Dexter Kennedy, Art Kistler, Irene Kurpieski, Dina Ledogar, Maureen Le Goff, Lucille Lerner, Andy Lindgren, Angelina Lipski, Chenoa Lipski, Richie Lipski, Carmen Lombardi, 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, John Rendeiro, John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Rose Sinopoli, Ray Slater, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Peggy Wysock

Please Note: For privacy reasons and HIPAA regulations, names may only be added by members of the immediate family after they have received permission of the one who is sick. In the event of serious illness or hospitalization, the rectory should be notified. Visits to the sick and homebound are made by the priests, deacons and ministers of the Eucharist. It is not necessary for someone to be "gravely ill" to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

A TIME TO DIE

Kristen Williams, Heather Suarez

For 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



SUNDAY, November 14 Thirty-Third Sunday in OT

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Carol House~ Bob House

7:30AM

Lydia Gaston ~ *Gaston Family*

9:00AM

For the People of Saint James

10:30AM

Lisa Agrillo ~ Mom & Dad

12:00PM

Bob Carajales ~ Linda Mancini

MONDAY, November 15

7:30AM

Mary Hayes~ Gianna & Brian Hayes

TUESDAY, November 16

7:30AM

Francesco Ruggiero ~ Maria Bruno

WEDNESDAY, November 17

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

7:30AM

Gloria Rego ~ Deacon Hugh & Maggie Keffer

THURSDAY, November 18

7:30AM

Diosdado Soriano Castro ~ Garcia Family

FRIDAY, November 19

7:30AM

Albert Van Havere ~ Robin Melleno

SATURDAY, November 20

8:00AM

Michael Delle Donne ~ Bill Rillo

SUNDAY, November 21 Christ the King

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Tony Bagnato, Ann Ann Petrignani and

Carmella Frio ~ Ann & Family

7:30AM

Angela Raimondo

~ Evelyn Raimondo Kaiser & Marianne Van Volkenburgh

9:00AM

Mary & Vincent Inneo ~ Inneo Family

10:30AM

Francesco Ruggiero ~ Santarella Family

12:00PM

Karen Rose ~ Rose Anne Turiano



2nd Collection this weekend! November 13/14

Christmas Flowers



TODAY'S READINGS:

November 14, 2021 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Visit: http://www.usccb.org/ for Scripture Readings (click the link to access the readings)

FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1-3 ~ SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

GOSPEL: Mark 13:24-32

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.