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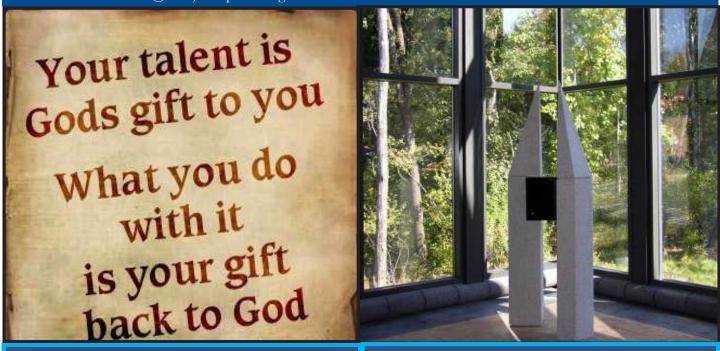
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# RECTORY HOURS Monday-Friday: 8:00AM~3:00PM



A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH.

**COME EXPERIENCE CHRIST WITH US!** 

November 15, 2020

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

We have a new President and Vice-President, Joe Biden and Kamala Harris. May they work together with the new Congress to move our country forward so that the United States continues to be a sign of hope, strength, and freedom for all Americans and all nations around the world. Congratulations to them and to all the newly elected and re-elected officials who were chosen to lead our communities, our states, and our nation.

As we continue through this pandemic, there is a real possibility that Governor Murphy will impose further restrictions on New Jersey, if he hasn't already done so, because the number of cases in our state continues to increase. These restrictions would impact all of our lives, and what happens in our churches, especially as we get closer to the holidays. Please be vigilant about wearing masks, social distancing and washing hands. These are the ways we can keep safe and prevent the virus from spreading. This is especially true now more than ever because many of our activities are moving inside as the weather becomes colder.

Each of us is a gift from God and as such, has been given certain gifts and talents to use for our good and the good of others. Since each person is a unique individual, our talents may be different from those of others. This does not mean they are better, just different. This is one of the characteristics of the church which draws us all together, as varied and different as we are, and joins us together as one Body of Christ who lives with us and among us. Jesus invites us to use these gifts to help build the kingdom of God on earth. This mission requires the participation of all of us, not just a few. Jesus showed us the way, and invites us to follow his example.

The man in today's Gospel entrusted his workers with money, each according to his ability. Two of them invested what he was given and made more money, while one hid it. We invest our talents in the way we respond to the needs of one another and the life of the church. If we hide our gifts, then our life and the lives of those we touch are diminished and we fail to accept the invitation of the Lord to build the kingdom. Sometimes this may seem difficult, but the Lord's invitation is always given to us so that others may come to believe and experience what we believe and experience: Jesus is Messiah and Lord who has redeemed us by his blood and restored us to right relationship with the Father by his resurrection. This new life is always worth celebrating, as each of us adds something new and unique to it.

#### HAPPY NOVEMBER!!

~ Fr. Joe



Community Food Bank, Hillside, NJ

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2020

Saint James Parking Lot 9:00AM~ 1:00PM

Frozen turkeys, hams, non-perishable food items for Thanksgiving Dinners for those in need.

# STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$7,767.00

\$5,475.00 Church Collection \$2,292.00 Online 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:

<a href="https://charity.gofundme.com/donate/event/">https://charity.gofundme.com/donate/event/</a>

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)

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

DAILY MASS

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Monday Evenings ~ 7:00PM
Facebook / Zoom only

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
By Appointment



# 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.



# **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Fr. Antonio N. Kuizon

The catechesis class begins by attending the 12:00PM Mass. Following the Mass, the Baptismal Team meets with the parents about the rite and its meaning. The Godparents are also encouraged to attend this class.

The Sacrament of Baptism is held at 1:30PM and we ask that everyone arrive by 1:15PM. If you have any questions please call the Parish Office and someone from the Baptismal Team will return your call.

The suspension has been lifted for the preparation classes and Sacrament of Baptism Services

# 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. Please don't forget to call the parish office or email me (jbarbone@msn.com) by noon on Saturdays to let us know which Mass you plan to attend. 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 giving 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. When it is your turn to receive Communion, approach the priest or deacon, receive the Host in your hand, raise or lower your mask, and place the Host on your tongue. Immediately replace your mask over your mouth.
- 12. 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.
- 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!

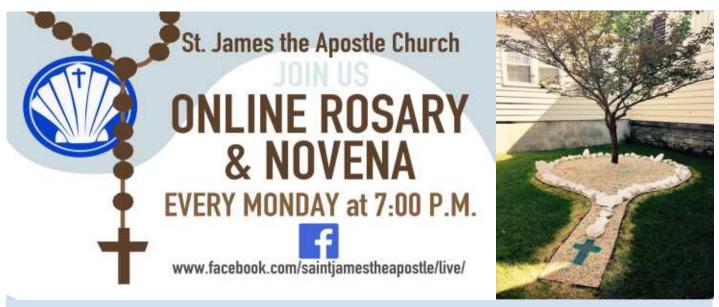
# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

Ms. Nancy Caputo, Director ~ Mrs. Colleen Tyra, Administrative Assistant
45 South Springfield Ave, Springfield, NJ 07081 ~ Main Office 973-376-2061 :: Facsimile 973-376-4079

Last week we began our Zoom sessions with the 7th graders. Next week we will begin our 8th grade sessions. I am grateful to the team of high school peer leaders who have volunteered to facilitate these sessions. They truly are the face of God!

Next Sunday, November 22 will be our first Zoom with the Family Faith Program. Our discussion topic is Advent, which begins the following Sunday, November 29th. Families participating in this program will receive more details and the link for the call in an email.





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!

# ST.JAMES CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT

## Comparative Years 2019 and 2020

		This Year	last Year
INCOME: Sunday Collections		\$412,518	\$419,259
Christmas collection		49,836	\$45,240
Easter collection		32,953	32,147
Fund raising income		0	95,211
Religious Education Progran	n	45,380	46,355
Restricted Donations		31,592	17,747
<b>Unrestricted Donations</b>		50	1,141
Society activity		5,510	10,207
Candles		3,495	4,417
Christmas & Easter Flowers		6,774	7,777
Christmas Wreaths and Cred	0	3,580	
Interest income		1,873	5,044
Assessment collection		3,616	4,093
All other income		<u>\$3,770</u>	\$1,370
	TOTAL	\$597,367	\$693,588
EXPENSES: Salary Clergy and Lay Staff		\$249,942	\$275,074
SBA Funds Expended		\$45,326	0
Benefits Clergy and Lay Staf	f	132,260	102,523
Contracted Services		51,239	50,819
Plant Repairs & Archdiocesan Insurances		30,294	28024
Utilities		32,775	29,858
Supplies & Equipment	Music Ministry	17,598	39,613
	Flowers & Palms	1,106	3,821
	Liturgical Expense	7,434	11,726
	Equipment	1,332	3,138
	All Other	28,667	37,052
Religious Education Progran	n	12,609	19,488
Society activity		5,295	10,672
Fund raising		1,420	64,316
Rectory Operations		7,272	10,503
Archdiocesan Assessements	<b>3</b>	83,630	91,785
Assistance to Others		3,537	7,378
All other expense		<u>2,718</u>	\$3,739
	TOTAL	<u>\$714,454</u>	<u>\$789,529</u>
Net Ordinary Deficit		(\$117,087)	(\$95,941)
W.A.L.S. Campaign Income		\$2,958	\$9,445
Capital Project Donations		\$81,750	\$0
Capital Project Expenses	(\$119,083)	(\$42,450)	
Net Deficit	(\$151,462)	(\$128,946)	

#### COMMENTS ON FINANCIAL REPORT

- \* The average Sunday collection was \$8,089 this year vs. \$8,221 last year.
- \* Because of the COVID virus, there was no Feast this year.
- \* Society Activity was down from last year due to the COVID virus.
- \* The increase in Lay Salaries was due to an addition to the Religious Ed. Program.
- \* Benefits were more than last year due to accelerated payments of bills.
- \* Music Ministry was down from last year because a down payment was made on new equipment last year.
- \* Since the Feast was not held this year, the corresponding expenses were lower.
- \* All other expenses were less than last year due to the COVID virus.
- \* The Capital Expenses of \$119,083 related to Church Repairs were partially offset by Donations of \$81,750.

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. Saint James The Apost le. org

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



# SUNDAY READINGS ~ November 15, 2020

Visit: http://www.usccb.org/ to receive daily Scripture Readings

FIRST READING: Book of Proverbs: 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

When one finds a worthy wife,

her value is far beyond pearls.

Her husband, entrusting his heart to her,

has an unfailing prize.

She brings him good, and not evil,

all the days of her life.

She obtains wool and flax

and works with loving hands.

She puts her hands to the distaff,

and her fingers ply the spindle.

She reaches out her hands to the poor,

and extends her arms to the needy.

Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting;

the woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.

Give her a reward for her labors,

and let her works praise her at the city gates.

Dichoso el hombre que encuentra una mujer hacendosa:

Muy superior a las perlas es su valor.

Su marido confía en ella

y, con su ayuda, él se enriquecerá;

todos los días de su vida

le procurará bienes y no males.

Adquiere lana y lino

y los trabaja con sus hábiles manos.

Sabe manejar la rueca y con sus dedos mueve el

huso

abre sus manos al pobre y las tiende al desvalido. Son engañosos los encantos y vana la hermosura;

merece alabanza la mujer que teme al Señor.

Es digna de gozar del fruto de sus trabajos

y de ser alabada por todos.

The word of the Lord......

R. Thanks be to God!

La Palabra del Señor.....

R. ¡Gracias a Dios!

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 128:1-2, 3,4-5

- R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.
- R. Dichoso el que teme al Señor.



#### **SECOND READING:** Thessalonians 5:1-6

Concerning times and seasons, brothers and sisters, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come

like a thief at night.

When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day.

We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober. Hermanos:

Por lo que se refiere al tiempo y a las circunstancias de la venida del Señor, no necesitan que les escribamos nada, puesto que ustedes saben perfectamente que el día del Señor llegará como un ladrón en la noche. Cuando la gente esté diciendo: "¡Qué paz y qué seguridad tenemos!", de repente vendrá sobre ellos la catástrofe, como de repente le vienen a la mujer encinta los dolores del parto, y no podrán escapar. Pero a ustedes, hermanos, ese día no los tomará por sorpresa, como un ladrón, porque ustedes no viven en tinieblas, sino que son hijos de la luz y del día, no de la noche y las tinieblas.

Por lo tanto, no vivamos dormidos, como los malos; antes bien, mantengámonos despiertos y vivamos sobriamente.

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#### Gospel Acclamation....

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me bears much fruit.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Permanezcan en mí y yo en ustedes, dice el Señor; el que permanece en mí da fruto abundante.

R. Aleluva.

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 Matthew....

R. Glory to you O Lord ....

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

R. Gloria a ti, oh Señor ...

Jesus told his disciples this parable:

"A man going on a journey

called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them.

To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one-

to each according to his ability.

Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them,

and made another five.

Likewise, the one who received two made another two.

But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money.

"After a long time

the master of those servants came back

and settled accounts with them.

The one who had received five talents came forward

bringing the additional five.

He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents.

See, I have made five more.'

His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant.

Since you were faithful in small matters,

I will give you great responsibilities.

Come, share your master's joy.'

Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said,

'Master, you gave me two talents.

See, I have made two more.'

His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant.

Since you were faithful in small matters,

I will give you great responsibilities.

Come, share your master's joy.'

Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said,

'Master, I knew you were a demanding person,

harvesting where you did not plant

and gathering where you did not scatter;

so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground.

Here it is back.'

His master said to him in reply, "You wicked, lazy servant!

So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant

and gather where I did not scatter?

Should you not then have put my money in the bank

so that I could have got it back with interest on my return?

Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten.

For to everyone who has,

more will be given and he will grow rich;

but from the one who has not,

even what he has will be taken away.

And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth."

Priest / Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord........... R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

#### **EVANGELIO: Mateo 25:14-30**

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos esta parábola:

"El Reino de los cielos se parece también a un hombre que iba a salir de viaje a tierras lejanas; llamó a sus servidores de confianza y les encargó sus bienes.

A uno le dio cinco talentos; a otro, dos; y a un tercero, uno, según la capacidad de cada uno, y luego se fue. El que recibió cinco talentos fue enseguida a negociar con ellos y ganó otros cinco.

El que recibió dos hizo lo mismo y ganó otros dos.

En cambio, el que recibió un talento hizo un hoyo en la tierra y allí escondió el dinero de su señor.

Después de mucho tiempo regresó aquel hombre y llamó a cuentas a sus servidores.

Se acercó el que había recibido cinco talentos y le presentó otros cinco, diciendo:

'Señor, cinco talentos me dejaste; aquí tienes otros cinco, que con ellos he Ganado.'

Su señor le dijo: 'Te felicito, siervo bueno y fiel.

Puesto que has sido fiel en cosas de poco valor, te confiaré cosas de mucho valor.

Entra a tomar parte en la alegría de tu señor.'

Se acercó luego el que había recibido dos talentos y le dijo:

'Señor, dos talentos me dejaste; aquí tienes otros dos, que con ellos he Ganado.'

Su señor le dijo:

'Te felicito, siervo bueno y fiel. Puesto que has sido fiel en cosas de poco valor, te confiaré cosas de mucho valor. Entra a tomar parte en la alegría de tu señor.'

Finalmente, se acercó el que había recibido un talento y le dijo:

'Señor, yo sabía que eres un hombre duro, que quieres cosechar lo que no has plantado y recoger lo que no has sembrado. Por eso tuve miedo y fui a esconder tu talento bajo tierra. Aquí tienes lo tuyo.'

El señor le respondió: '

Siervo malo y perezoso. Sabías que cosecho lo que no he plantado y recojo lo que no he sembrado. ¿Por qué, entonces, no pusiste mi dinero en el banco, para que a mi regreso lo recibiera yo con intereses? Quítenle el talento y dénselo al que tiene diez.

Pues al que tiene se le dará y le sobrará; pero al que tiene poco, se le quitará aun eso poco que tiene. Y a este hombre inútil, échenlo fuera, a las tinieblas. Allí será el llanto y la desesperación."

El Evangelio del Señor ........ R. ¡La Palabra del Señor Jesucristo!

## Gospel Reflection:

Matthew 25: 14-30

What can economics and productivity teach us about the kingdom of heaven? Jesus' story about a businessman who leaves town and entrusts his money with his workers made perfect sense to his audience. Wealthy merchants and businessmen often had to travel abroad and leave the business to others to handle while they were gone.

There is an important lesson here for us. No one can stand still for long in the Christian life. We either get more or we lose what we have. We either advance towards God or we slip back. Do you seek to serve God with the gifts, talents, and graces he has given to you?

Lord Jesus, be the ruler of my heart and thoughts, be the king of my home and relationships, and be the master of my work and service. Help me to make good use of the gifts, talents, time, and resources you give me for your glory and your kingdom.

# **HYMN OF GATHERING**

#### Come, Christians, Join to Sing 1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! 2. Come. your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! lift the Lord a - gain: Praise Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! yet Loud praise to Christ our King, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es fill A - men! Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Let all, with heart and voice, Be - fore his throne re-joice; He our guide and friend; Our needs he will at-tend; On heav-en's bliss-ful shore His good-ness we'll a - dore, Praise gra-cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! men! His love shall nev - er Al - le - lu - ia! end. - men! Sing ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Text: Christian H. Bateman, 1813-1889

Tune: MADRID, 6 6 6 6 6 6; Spanish melody; arr. by Benjamin Carr, 1768-1831; harm. by David Evans, 1874-1948

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# HYMN DURING COMMUNION PROCESSION



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# SCRIPTURE READINGS: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2020 SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 ~ SECOND READING: Corinthians 15:20-26, 28 GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

#### **HYMNS**

Gathering Hymn: To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King Communion Procession: The King of Love My Shepherd Is Hymn of Sending Forth: Instrumental



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.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 AND THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2020 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

LIVE VIRTUAL COURSE VIA ZOOM

(Participation in BOTH evening sessions required)

#### CHURCH ALIVE: AS THE CHURCH PRAYS

This course looks at the experience of the Church alive and in communion with God through the witness of the Sacred Scriptures and the teaching of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Part 4, on prayer.

We will have the opportunity to be that praying Church as a part of this course.

#### PRESENTER: FR. JOHN GORDON

Fr. John is a popular conference speaker, retreat director, and maintains an active ministry of spiritual direction. After serving in a variety of assignments in both school and parish, he is currently the Acting Vicar for Pastoral Life and Coordinator of the Office for Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Newark.

Registration Fee: \$35 per person

For online registration and additional details, CLICK HERE.

Please contact Sarah at Sarah.Gordon@rcan.org for more information. Catechetical Office - Archdiocese of Newark

#### Saints of the Week.....

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary. Feast Day: November 17. Patron Saint of bakers, countesses, death of children, falsely accused, the homeless, nursing services, tertiaries, widows, and young brides. These are appropriate because she herself was a countess, falsely accused, homeless, a tertiary, a widow, and a young bride.

Elizabeth was born in 1207. Her father was Alexander II, the king of Hungary. Her marriage was arranged when she was just a child, and at age four, she was sent to Thuringia for education and eventual marriage. When she was 14, she married Louis of Thuringia. They loved each other deeply.

According to legend, Elizabeth went out with loaves of bread to feed those who were poor. Her husband saw her and took hold of her cape to see what she was carrying. What he saw was roses rather than bread! Because of this, she is also known as the patroness of bakers. Louis supported her in all she did to relieve the sufferings of those who were poor or sick. But Louis's mother, Sophia, his brother, and other members of court resented Elizabeth's generosity. She was taunted and mocked by the royal family, but deeply loved by the common people. Louis loved her and defended her. They had three children.

In 1227, after six years of marriage, Louis went to fight in the Crusades. He died on the way. Elizabeth was grief stricken. Her in-laws accused her of mismanaging the finances of the kingdom, forcing her and her children out of the palace. For a while, they found refuge only in barns. Finally, they were taken in by her uncle, the bishop of Bamberg. When her husband's friends returned from the Crusades, they helped restore her to her rightful place in the palace. Elizabeth increased her service to others. She was 24 when she died. She was canonized only four years later. Elizabeth is symbolized by a triple crown—for roles as a member of royalty, as a mother, and as a saint, crowned in heaven. She is the patroness of the Franciscan Third Order and of all Catholic Charities.

## Sunday, November 22: Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

This is the last Sunday in Ordinary Time, next Sunday, November 29th is the First Sunday of Advent.

#### Background on the Gospel Reading

Today as a Church, we conclude our liturgical year and celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel we proclaim shows the great mystery of our faith: In the moment of his crucifixion, Jesus is shown to be King and Savior of all.

The Gospel has been loaded with surprises: the poor are rich, sinners find salvation, the Kingdom of God is found in our midst. Here we see the greatest surprise of all. We are confronted with the crucified Jesus, whom faith tells us is King and Savior of all. The irony is that the inscription placed on the cross, perhaps in mockery, contains the profoundest of truth. As the leaders jeer, the thief crucified by his side recognizes Jesus as Messiah and King, and finds salvation.

Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we might have imagined or expected. His kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries, but those who had the eyes of faith were able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we, too, struggle at times to recognize Jesus as King. Today's Gospel invites us to make our own judgment. With eyes of faith, we, too, recognize that Jesus, the crucified One, is indeed King and Savior of all.





"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.

# A TIME TO BAPTIZE

Mia Nieto

# A TIME TO WED

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# A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, Monina Avella, Joyce Bauman, Concetta Bellott, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion,
Arlene Boja, Leo Brady, Victoria Burns, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Helen Chelis,
Lena Chromowski, Lucia Cocuzza, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, James Curry, Maureen D.,
Richard Delany, Carmela DeSarno, Victoria Egner, Rick Ellmer, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco,
Martin Gignac, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Laura Hughes, Robert Hunrath, Robert Jackowski,
William Jackowski, Eddie Jenna, Irene Kurpieski, Dana Kelley, Art Kistler, Maryann Leach, Dina Ledogar,
Maureen Le Goff, Andy Lindgren, Angelina Lipski, Chenoa Lipski, Richie Lipski, Carmen Lombardi,
Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Erica Luther, Dana Majewski, Angie Mazzarisi,
Leonard McGinley, Stan Mickham, Richard Miele, Julie Mohnehunn, Andres Montero, Timothy Morgan,
Ive Mureny, Christian Murphy, Carol Muzacs, Michael Neer, Rafaelina Oliviero, Anna P., Berit Phair,
Ophelia Pitchford, John Reiss, Gary Ruzich, Anthony S., Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib, Davis Stewart,
Richard Tegnander, Stephanie Toth, Filomena Vairo, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Kay Winski,
Robin Wise, Mary Yobbi

# A TIME TO DIE

Minda Beranda, Deacon Charles Bocher, II, Rita Bove, Grace Calcaterra, Robert Carvajales, Antonio Pineiro, Domenico Sorbara, 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, November 15 Thirty-Third Sunday in OT 5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Lisa Agrillo ~ Family

7:30AM

Mary Hayes ~ Brian & Gianna Hayes

9:00AM

Mary & Vincent Inneo ~ Inneo Family

10:30AM

Corrado Lombardi ~ Angela & Aurelio Mazzacuva

12:00PM

Lydia Gaston ~ *Gaston Family* 

MONDAY, November 16

7:30AM

Douglas Feder ~ Yannazzone Family

TUESDAY, November 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungry

7:30AM

David Craig ~ Bernstein Family

WEDNESDAY, November 18

7:30AM

Marilyn Leibowitz ~ Ellmer Family

THURSDAY, November 19

7:30AM

Angela & Daniel Raimondo

~ Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser & Marianne Van Volkenburgh

FRIDAY, November 20

7:30AM

William Keane

~ Carol & Howard Balfour & Thomas & Carol Brzozowski

SATURDAY, November 21

8:00AM

Theresa Blasi ~ Family

SUNDAY, November 22

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Tony Bagnato, Ann & Carmella ~ Ann & Family

7:30AM

Joanne Chlupsa ~ Boris & Tobia Families

9:00AM

Nicholas Circelli ~ Anthony & Carmelina Reino

10:30AM

Carol House ~ Bob House

12:00PM

Elizabeth Holland ~ Betty Cewinski

May They Rest in the Peace of Christ



# 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

Mildred Genco ~ Grandchildren



#### **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.