



# SAINT JAMES

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A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH.

COME EXPERIENCE CHRIST WITH US!

November 22, 2020

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Today is the **FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING!** This feast celebrates that Jesus is the King of the Universe. But his kingship is very different from all other kings. He never wore regal robes, just the purple robe he wore to his execution. His crown was not one of gold and jewels, but of thorns. His throne was not a regal one associated with kings and queens; it was the cross where he saved us from our sins. Yet, his kingship endures forever and reminds us of his incredible love for us. Today's feast also ends the liturgical year, for next week we begin the Season of Advent.

Today's Gospel reflects the call of Jesus to serve one another. He showed by example how to care for others, and the Gospel challenges us to do the same. It is easy to say we believe in Jesus as Messiah and Lord, but sometimes it's difficult to care for others. One of our beliefs is to care for others and we do that here. The way we respond to Helping the Hungry, the Giving Tree (which will be different this year because of the pandemic), and all we do individually and as families for others show how seriously we take the message in today's Gospel.

In addition, this pandemic has taught us to watch out and care for one another, and most of us have done that reasonably well. The numbers of those infected with COVID-19 are increasing, so we have to be even more vigilant in following the protocols so that we can all be safe.

**Thursday is THANKSGIVING!** It will be a little different this year, but it is still a day of family, food, and football. In the name of our entire Parish Staff: **FR. TONY, DEACON JERRY, DEACON HUGH, NANCY CAPUTO, DAN PALKO, OUR SUPPORT STAFF & MYSELF**, I want to wish you and your family a **HAPPY & BLESSED THANKSGIVING**. May it be a day of gratitude for all we are as God's people, all we have achieved, and all we have. **GOD BLESS YOU!!!**

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!**

**FELICE GIORNO DI RINGRAZIAMENTO!!!**

**FELIZ DIA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS!!!**

*~ Fr. Joe*



## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

**\$5,443.00**

**\$3,876.00 Church Collection**

**\$1,567.00 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:*

[https://charity.gofundme.com/donate/event/  
archdiocese-of-newark?lang=en-us](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 only**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**By Appointment**



## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**Due to the ongoing need for social distancing, there are no group baptisms at this time.**

**The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated individually.**

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



## 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.**

## 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. 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!

Fr. Joe



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

*Ms. Nancy Caputo, Director ~ Mrs. Colleen Tyra, Administrative Assistant*

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

We began our 8th grade Zoom sessions last Tuesday. I am grateful to the team of peer leaders and Mr. Al Daly who have volunteered to help facilitate these sessions. They truly are the face of God!

While we miss our in-person classes we know that keeping everyone safe is what is most important. We are also discovering there are benefits to Zoom sessions as the weather gets colder! We don't have to worry about "snow days" or coming out in the cold!

Today is our first Zoom with the Family Faith Program. Our discussion topic is Advent, which begins next Sunday, November 29th.

A big "THANK YOU" to the parents who have emailed, called and texted their gratitude and support to us. Moving to a virtual platform was not easy and we appreciate knowing you care!

*Wishing you all a safe, healthy and happy Thanksgiving!*

*Nancy Caputo, Colleen Tyra  
and the volunteer catechists!*



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& NOVENA**  
EVERY MONDAY at 7:00 P.M.  
  
[www.facebook.com/saintjamestheapostle/live/](https://www.facebook.com/saintjamestheapostle/live/)



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!

## PARISH NEWS

Message from Fr. John Dennehy:

*Dear Rev. Joseph Barbone and the People of St. James Parish,*

*It is time I move on from St. James Parish. I thank all the parishioners for the years you have let me serve you. More importantly, I thank you for all you have taught me by your faithfulness to the Gospel.*

*Please pray for me that my spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ and his Church will always deepen.*

*Know of my prayers.*

*God bless and peace.*

*Fr. John Dennehy*

**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.SaintJamesTheApostle.org](http://www.SaintJamesTheApostle.org)**

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



### UPCOMING EVENTS

Nothing from Monday, September 14 to Saturday, September 19.

### LINKS

[Parish Bulletin](#)

[www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

[www.zenit.org](http://www.zenit.org)

[www.scan.org](http://www.scan.org)

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)



*Community Food Bank, Hillside, NJ*

**TODAY ONLY!!!**

**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.

## Giving Tree 2020

We will be participating in providing gifts for the needy during this Holiday season for St. Joseph Social Service Center in Elizabeth.

If you can purchase a gift of warm clothing, it would be greatly appreciated. This year we will have a virtual sign-up to replace the tags that are normally hung on a tree in the Gathering Area.

Please head to the Sign-Up Genius link below and sign up for your donations.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904044AACA629A5FD0-stjames>

or click here: [Giving Tree Sign-up!](#)

Please place the **UNWRAPPED** gift with tags attached in a large gift bag with tissue paper.

Return your gift to the Church **after Mass ONLY** starting **Saturday, November 28 or Sunday, November 29** but **no later** than **NOON on Sunday, December 13.**

There will be a drop off station outside of the doors of the Church.

If you have any large Christmas bags and/or tissue paper to donate, they are also needed at the Center.

***As always, THANK YOU for your generosity.***

If you or someone you know in the community cannot access the Sign-Up Genius link please contact Gianna Hayes at 908-209-1811 in order to select an item to donate.



Thank you in advance for your generosity!!!



**Monday, November 23, 2020 at 8:00PM**

Springfield Interfaith Clergy Association's  
**VIRTUAL Thanksgiving Service**

Join the Springfield Community on YouTube:  
[Springfield Presbyterian Church](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCN3n65duhcgjw2zbKBSM6TQ>





# SUNDAY READINGS ~ November 22, 2020

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

## FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17

Thus says the Lord GOD:  
I myself will look after and tend my sheep.  
As a shepherd tends his flock  
when he finds himself among his scattered sheep,  
so will I tend my sheep.  
I will rescue them from every place where they were  
scattered  
when it was cloudy and dark.  
I myself will pasture my sheep;  
I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD.  
The lost I will seek out,  
the strayed I will bring back,  
the injured I will bind up,  
the sick I will heal,  
but the sleek and the strong I will destroy,  
shepherding them rightly.  
As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD,  
I will judge between one sheep and another,  
between rams and goats.

Esto dice el Señor Dios:  
“Yo mismo iré a buscar a mis ovejas y velaré por  
ellas. Así como un pastor vela por su rebaño cuando  
las ovejas se encuentran dispersas, así velaré yo por  
mis ovejas e iré por ellas a todos los lugares por  
donde se dispersaron un día de niebla y oscuridad.  
Yo mismo apacentaré a mis ovejas, yo mismo las  
haré reposar, dice el Señor Dios.  
Buscaré a la oveja perdida y haré volver a la  
descarriada; curaré a la herida, robusteceré a la débil,  
y a la que está gorda y fuerte, la cuidaré.  
Yo las apacentaré con justicia.  
En cuanto a ti, rebaño mío, he aquí que yo voy a  
juzgar entre oveja y oveja, entre carneros y machos  
cabríos.”

The word of the Lord.....

**R. Thanks be to God!**

**R. ¡Gracias a Dios!**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 22: 1-2a, 2b-3, 5-6

**R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

**R. El Señor es mi pastor, nada me faltará.**



**SOLEMNITY OF  
CHRIST THE KING, A**  
LAST SUNDAY OF THE LITURGICAL YEAR  
**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**  
**The Lord is my  
shepherd; there is  
nothing I shall want.**  
*Psalm 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6*

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**SECOND READING: Corinthians 15:20-26, 28**

Brothers and sisters:

Christ has been raised from the dead,  
the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
For since death came through man,  
the resurrection of the dead came also through man.  
For just as in Adam all die,  
so too in Christ shall all be brought to life,  
but each one in proper order:  
Christ the firstfruits;  
then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ;  
then comes the end,  
when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father,  
when he has destroyed every sovereignty  
and every authority and power.  
For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under  
his feet.  
The last enemy to be destroyed is death.  
When everything is subjected to him,  
then the Son himself will also be subjected  
to the one who subjected everything to him,  
so that God may be all in all.

Hermanos:

Cristo resucitó, y resucitó como la primicia de todos  
los muertos.  
Porque si por un hombre vino la muerte, también  
por un hombre vendrá la resurrección de los  
muertos.  
En efecto, así como en Adán todos mueren,  
así en Cristo todos volverán a la vida; pero cada uno  
en su orden:  
primero Cristo, como primicia; después, a la hora de  
su advenimiento, los que son de Cristo.  
Enseguida será la consumación, cuando, después de  
haber aniquilado todos los poderes del mal, Cristo  
entregue el Reino a su Padre.  
Porque él tiene que reinar hasta que el Padre ponga  
bajo sus pies a todos sus enemigos.  
El último de los enemigos en ser aniquilado, será la  
muerte.  
Al final, cuando todo se le haya sometido, Cristo  
mismo se someterá al Padre, y así Dios será todo en  
todas las cosas

The word of the Lord .....

**R. Thanks be to God!**

La Palabra del Señor.....

**R. ¡Gracias a Dios!**

**Gospel Acclamation.....**

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to  
come!

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Aleluya, aleluya.**

¡Bendito el que viene en el nombre del Señor!  
¡Bendito el reino que llega, el reino de nuestro padre  
David!

**R. Aleluya.**

Priest / Deacon: The Lord be with you.....

**R. And with your Spirit...**

Priest / Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel  
according to Matthew....

**R. Glory to you O Lord ....**

Sacerdote / Diácono: El Señor esté contigo ...

**R. Y con tu Espíritu ...**

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

**R. Gloria a ti, oh Señor ...**

*with your thumb, make a little sign of the cross, first on your forehead; then on your lips; then on your heart)*

**GOSPEL: Matthew 25: 31-46**

Jesus said to his disciples:

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory,  
and all the angels with him,  
he will sit upon his glorious throne,  
and all the nations will be assembled before him.  
And he will separate them one from another,  
as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.  
He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Then the king will say to those on his right,  
'Come, you who are blessed by my Father.  
Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the  
foundation of the world.

For I was hungry and you gave me food,  
I was thirsty and you gave me drink,  
a stranger and you welcomed me,  
naked and you clothed me,  
ill and you cared for me,  
in prison and you visited me.'  
Then the righteous will answer him and say,  
'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you,  
or thirsty and give you drink?  
When did we see you a stranger and welcome you,  
or naked and clothe you?  
When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?'  
And the king will say to them in reply,  
'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did  
for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.'  
Then he will say to those on his left,  
'Depart from me, you accursed,  
into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his  
angels.

For I was hungry and you gave me no food,  
I was thirsty and you gave me no drink,  
a stranger and you gave me no welcome,  
naked and you gave me no clothing,  
ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.'  
Then they will answer and say,  
'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty  
or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison,  
and not minister to your needs?'  
He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you,  
what you did not do for one of these least ones,  
you did not do for me.'  
And these will go off to eternal punishment,  
but the righteous to eternal life."

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos:

"Cuando venga el Hijo del hombre, rodeado de su gloria, acompañado de todos sus ángeles, se sentará en su trono de gloria. Entonces serán congregadas ante él todas las naciones, y él apartará a los unos de los otros, como aparta el pastor a las ovejas de los cabritos, y pondrá a las ovejas a su derecha y a los cabritos a su izquierda.

Entonces dirá el rey a los de su derecha: 'Vengan, benditos de mi Padre; tomen posesión del Reino preparado para ustedes desde la creación del mundo; porque estuve hambriento y me dieron de comer, sediento y me dieron de beber, era forastero y me hospedaron, estuve desnudo y me vistieron, enfermo y me visitaron, encarcelado y fueron a verme.'

Los justos le contestarán entonces: 'Señor, ¿cuándo te vimos hambriento y te dimos de comer, sediento y te dimos de beber? ¿Cuándo te vimos de forastero y te hospedamos, o desnudo y te vestimos? ¿Cuándo te vimos enfermo o encarcelado y te fuimos a ver?'

Y el rey les dirá: 'Yo les aseguro que, cuando lo hicieron con el más insignificante de mis hermanos, conmigo lo hicieron'.

Entonces dirá también a los de su izquierda:

'Apártense de mí, malditos; vayan al fuego eterno, preparado para el diablo y sus ángeles; porque estuve hambriento y no me dieron de comer, sediento y no me dieron de beber, era forastero y no me hospedaron, estuve desnudo y no me vistieron, enfermo y encarcelado y no me visitaron.'

Entonces ellos le responderán:

'Señor, ¿cuándo te vimos hambriento o sediento, de forastero o desnudo, enfermo o encarcelado y no te asistimos?' Y él les replicará: 'Yo les aseguro que, cuando no lo hicieron con uno de aquellos más insignificantes, tampoco lo hicieron conmigo.'

Entonces irán éstos al castigo eterno y los justos a la vida eterna."

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

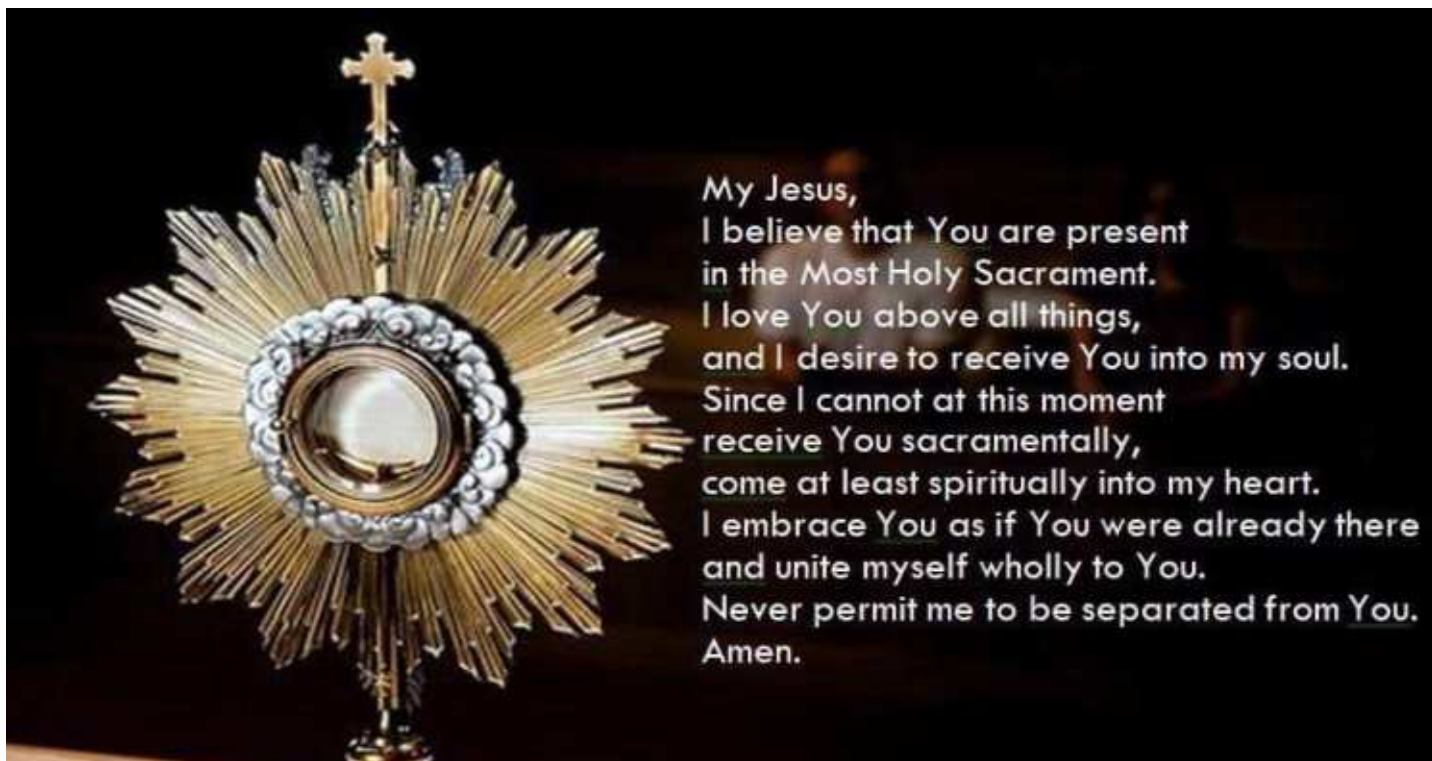
***Gospel Reflection:***

**Matthew 25: 31-46**

Do you allow the love of Christ, who is your Lord and King, to rule in your heart? Augustine of Hippo (354-430 A.D.) said, "Essentially, there are two kinds of people, because there are two kinds of love. One is holy, the other is selfish. One is subject to God; the other endeavors to equal Him." Jesus came not only to fulfill the law of righteousness (Leviticus 19), but to transform it through his unconditional love and mercy towards us.

The Lord Jesus proved his love for us by offering up his life on the cross as the atoning sacrifice for our sins. His death brings freedom and life for us - freedom from fear, selfishness, and greed - and new abundant life in the Holy Spirit who fills our hearts with the love of God (Romans 5:5). Do you allow God's love to purify your heart and transform your mind to think, act, and love others as the Lord Jesus has taught through word and example?

***Lord Jesus, be the Master and Ruler of my life. May your love rule in my heart that I may only think, act, and speak with charity and good will for all.***



**SCRIPTURE READINGS: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2020  
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7 ~ SECOND READING: Corinthians 1: 3-9  
GOSPEL: Mark 13: 33-37**

**HYMNS**

**Gathering Hymn: Advent Gathering Rite**

**Communion Procession: Christ Be Our Light**

**Hymn of Sending Forth: Instrumental**

# HYMN OF GATHERING

## To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King



1. To Je - sus Christ, our sov - 'reign King, Who  
2. Your reign ex - tend, O King be - nign, To  
3. To you and to your Church, great King, We



is the world's sal - va - tion, All praise and hom - age  
ev - 'ry land and na - tion; For in your king - dom,  
pledge our hearts' ob - la - tion Un - til be - fore your



do we bring And thanks and ad - o - ra - tion.  
Lord di - vine, A - lone we find sal - va - tion.  
throne we sing In end - less ju - bi - la - tion.



Christ Je - sus, Vic - tor! Christ Je - sus, Rul - er!



Christ Je - sus, Lord and Re - deem - er!

Text: Martin B. Hellriegel, 1890–1981, alt., © 1941, Irene C. Mueller  
Tune: ICH GLAUB AN GOTT, 8 7 8 7 with refrain; Mainz *Gesangbuch*, 1870; harm. by Richard Proulx, 1937–2010

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# HYMN DURING COMMUNION PROCESSION

## The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1. The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose  
 2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My  
 3. Con - fused and fool - ish oft I strayed, But  
 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill With  
 5. You spread a ta - ble in my sight, Your  
 6. And so, through all the length of days Your



good - ness fails me nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 ran - somed soul he's lead - ing, And, where the ver - dant  
 yet in love he sought me, And on his shoul - der  
 you, dear Lord, be - side me, Your rod and staff my  
 sav - ing grace be - stow - ing; And, oh, what trans - port  
 good - ness fails me nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I



I am his And he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - ing.  
 gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still, Your cross be - fore to guide me.  
 of de - light From your pure chal - ice flow - ing!  
 sing your praise With - in your house for - ev - er.

Text: Psalm 23; Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877, alt.

Tune: ST. COLUMBA, 8 7 8 7; Irish melody; harm. by A. Gregory Murray, OSB, 1905–1992

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## Saints of the Week.....

### Saint Andrew Dũng-Lac. Feast Day: November 2

Saint Andrew was a fisherman who lived in Galilee during the time of Jesus. He often followed John the Baptist and listened to his teachings. One day, John saw Jesus walking along the road. John said to his followers, "Behold the Lamb of God." He told his followers to go and talk to Jesus. He wanted them to know that Jesus was the One for whom they had been waiting. Andrew and another disciple followed Jesus and spent an afternoon with him. Early the next day Andrew found Simon Peter, his older brother, and told him, "We have found the Messiah."

Both men gave up their work as fishermen to become apostles of Jesus. Andrew was one of the first to be called. He seemed to take delight in bringing others to Jesus. Andrew was the one who told Jesus about the little boy who had the loaves of bread and the fish, the beginning of a meal that fed more than five thousand people. It was Andrew and Philip whom the Greeks approached when they wanted to see Jesus. These events indicate that Andrew was a man who was easy to approach, a man you could trust.

Like the other apostles, Andrew became a missionary. He preached about Jesus in the area around the Black Sea. Tradition tells us he preached in northern Greece, Turkey, and Scythia (now the southern part of Russia).

Andrew died as a martyr. Tradition says that in Patras in Greece he was tied to a cross shaped like the letter X. Ever since then, a cross in the shape of an X has been called St. Andrew's cross.

The name "Andrew" is a Greek name meaning "courageous" or "manly." St. Andrew lived up to his name.

*St. Andrew, pray that we live up to the name "Christian"!*

## ADVENT FAMILY PRAYER

During Advent, we not only prepare ourselves to celebrate the birth of Jesus, but we also check in to see if we are doing all the things that will keep us ready to receive Jesus when he comes again. Talk to your family about how you are doing in attending to your spiritual life as a family. Recommit yourselves to praying daily, reading Scripture, and staying faithful to God's commandments. Pray together that through this Advent season your family will be more prepared to receive Jesus when he comes again.

*God of Love,  
Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.  
He is a sign of your love.  
Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent,  
As we wait and prepare for his coming.  
We pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior.  
Amen.*



*Source: LoyolaPress.com*

## **Advent begins next Sunday, November 29th.**

Advent can come as a surprise to us sometimes, beginning right after the busy Thanksgiving holiday with family and friends. It's not unlike the surprise of Mary when she received news that she was pregnant with Jesus. Like her, we take the season of Advent as a time for pause, reflection, and preparation for the gift of God's love coming to us through the baby Jesus.

**History of Advent:** The historic origin of Advent is not for certain; no evidence exists around the feast of the Nativity of the Lord before the end of the fourth century.

Several homilies and synods made mention of a specific liturgical time before Christmas, but no rule existed until a note on the Mass parts appeared during the time of Pope St. Gregory VII from 1073-1085.

Much like a Lenten period of fasting and sacrifice, the early Church urged Christians to dedicate this time to reading themselves for Christ. Their practices remind us that we are also called to be attentive to the message of repentance and the end times. This may seem unexpected considering the extravagant ways we eat, shop, celebrate, and rejoice as Christmas approaches!

**Advent Traditions:** The four weeks of Advent are popularly considered to symbolize the four thousand years of darkness before the coming of Christ. We set up Nativity scenes, light Advent candles, and decorate wreaths in our homes to signify Christ's presence coming in the darkness of sin and suffering. Four candles adorn an Advent wreath, one for each week. A fifth candle is sometimes placed in the center for the beginning of the Christmas season.

Advent colors are worn by the priests and deacons and decorate the church. They are represented in the candles that surround the Advent wreath:

**Violet:** royalty, repentance, and fasting (First, Second, and Fourth Week of Advent)

**Rose:** abundant joy (Third Week of Advent, known as *Gaudete* Sunday, joy in Latin)

**White:** light and purity (Christ Candle, center candle completes the season and begins Christmas)

**Scripture and Prayers for Advent:** During Advent there are three prevalent themes we see as we wait patiently for the coming of Christ. We long for the Messiah, are urged to be alert for Jesus' Second Coming, and meditate on Christ's presence in our lives now. The Scripture readings for the four weeks of Advent and the Liturgy of the Hours revolve around the first two of these themes. They encourage proper preparation, point to the grace and humility of Mary, show us how to adore God in the Incarnation, and recognize the glory of Jesus and how he frees us from sin and ingratitude. We hear from the prophet Isaiah and are drawn to the compelling message of John the Baptist in the Gospels.

It is important to consider how we can grow in spiritual wholeness during such a busy commercial season. Take time for silence and reflection each day with Scripture, a devotional prayer, or with an Advent calendar. Dwell with the scene of the Nativity. What is it like to imagine the journey of Mary and Joseph and to be with them as the baby Jesus comes into the world? St. Ignatius of Loyola had a deep reverence for the Nativity scene, as we see in the Spiritual Exercises. Consider praying with saints like him, with the Liturgy of the Hours, or with the O Antiphons the last week before Christmas. A prayerful journey with the Holy Family and the Church throughout Advent will lead to gifts of gratitude and joy when we enter the Christmas Season.

## **Advent Links to Explore and Share:**

[Advent Waiting](#)

[Blessing an Advent Wreath](#)

[New Beginnings](#)

[Blessing the Family Christmas Tree](#)

[Adult Advent Calendar](#)

[Children's Advent Calendar](#)

[What are the O Antiphons](#)

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## THE PRAYER CORNER

*"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

Lillian Rose Fonti

## A TIME TO WED

Christina Dunn and Matthew Kjelle

## A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Anelli, 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 Mohnhunn, 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

Mona Benedetto, Umberto Castellacci, Tullio Fumento, Tom Heinsohm, Paul Hornung,  
Margaret Mary Laudato, Deacon Joseph Vrindten, Rev. William Wilson,  
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 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*

**MONDAY, November 23**

**7:30AM**

Peggy Petruzzelli ~ *Roseann, Todd & Linda Grabowski*

**TUESDAY, November 24 St. Andrew Dũng-Lac**

**7:30AM**

Ernest Reedy ~ *Eugenia & Children*

**WEDNESDAY, November 25**

**7:30AM**

José Videna ~ *Gene & Nieves Salle*

**THURSDAY, November 26 Thanksgiving**

**8:30AM**

In Thanksgiving for all the People of Saint James

**FRIDAY, November 27**

**8:00AM**

Arcangela D'Agostini ~ *Children*

**SATURDAY, November 28**

**8:00AM**

Frank DiMartino ~ *Mirella & Family*

**SUNDAY, November 29 First Sunday of Advent**

**5:00PM (SATURDAY)**

Gaspar Bellitti and Josephine Menefee

~ *Bellitti Family*

**7:30AM**

Cynthia & Daniel Marianino

~ *Children & Grandchildren*

**9:00AM**

For the People of Saint James

**10:30AM**

Theresa Carpenter ~ *Judy, Joe & Family*

**12:00PM**

Kieran Cantlon ~ *Schmidt Family*

***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

Joanne Chlupsa ~ *Korona Family*



### BREAD

Joanna Chlupsa ~ *Family*

## **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**.