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SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Mass ~ Saturday 5:00PM 7:30AM ~ 9:00AM ~ 10:30AM ~ 12:00PM

**DAILY MASS** 

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

Evening Novena: Mondays ~ 6:30PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday ~ 11:00AM

> RECTORY HOURS Monday-Friday: 8:00AM~4:00PM (closed daily 12:00-1:00PM)



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

## November 3, 2019

**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** 

## **MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED YOUNG PEOPLE!!!** They celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation yesterday with Bishop Cruz. Now they have a responsibility to us all to give the gift of Jesus to us, guided by the Holy Spirit!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO HUGH KEFFER!!!** Tonight, at the parish of Notre Dame, North Caldwell, Hugh will be formally enrolled as a deacon candidate as he continues to ordination. He will be ordained a deacon on Sunday, May 17, 2020.

We continue this Month of Remembrance of our departed relatives, friends and parishioners. The church sets aside this month to honor all those who have touched and affected us with their care, concern, love, affection and faith. On **TUESDAY**, **NOVEMBER 5**, **AT 7:30PM**, we will celebrate Evening Prayer of the Dead for all those from our parish and families who died this past year. The names of all those from our parish who died this year are posted in the Book of the Dead, which is placed near the Baptismal Font, for they now share eternal life with the Father and Son.

In today's Gospel, Jesus meets Zacchaeus, who was anxious to meet Jesus. Zacchaeus was a tax collector, which means he worked for the Romans who occupied the land on which he lived and worked. Tax collectors like Zacchaeus were despised, not just because they collected taxes, but also because they collected bribes over and above the taxes. Yet, Jesus meets and talks with him, offering him the opportunity for new life.

Jesus offers us the same opportunity for new life every time we are open and receptive to his new life. It is an encounter with the Lord that transforms us and renews us in his image. But it also challenges us to be a vibrant sign of his new life to all we meet. Most of our conversions are not as dramatic as Zacchaeus's was, because they usually reinforce what we believe and how we live. Our conversions may mean a change of heart, attitude, or the way we speak and behave toward each other. But they are just as serious and important as what happened to Zacchaeus.

Jesus always calls us to new life, to holiness and conversion, so that we may live according to his way and not our own.

#### HAPPY NOVEMBER!!!

#### ~ FR. JOE

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED!

Micaella Elizabeth Araujo, Zakai Zachariah Brown, Casey Maria Burke, Michael Anthony Cangiano, Julia Mary Ann Carroll, John Leobinus Chacon, Luca Gabriele Chirichiello, Josh Lorenzo Concejo, Adam Francis Cordeiro, Donald Joseph Davison, Alfred Peter Duallo, Andrea Scholastica Falar, Alexander Vincent Fernandez, Vincent Sebastian Gatto, John Thomas Geitner, Jr., Gabrielle Cecilia Gutierrez, Julia Clare Guz, Ryan Anthony Iglesias, Samantha Bridget Janker, Caroline Catherine Lewis, Thomas Joseph Madden, Madison Victoria McLaughlin, Raina-Lynn Maria Mendoza, Sophia Eileen Mirto, Naomi Catherine Murphy, Emily Erin Myers, Jason Gregory Novoa, Michael Andrew O'Donnell Emma Rosalia Pallitta, Joseph Anthony Parente, Katheware Helena Pascuite, Julian Sebastian Penetra Brielle Rose Pierre Philippe, Lance Michael Robes, Angelina Josephine Robledo, Andrew Andrew Rodriguez Annie Sarah Saguil, Samantha Catherine Salazar, Eric John Serio, Jr., William Dominic Sherman Tyler Hubert Smith, Rosanna Marie Tilelli, Georgiana Joan Tillinghast Jack Sebastian Tornatore, Dylan Aidan Turner, Sierra Beatrice Vendas, Emer Pia Vesey, Samantha Teresa Wolf, Wester Luckeline Zuzarth



#### SACRAMENT INFORMATION Fr. Antonio N. Kuizon

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.

#### Today's Gospel Meditation......

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

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\$5,981.00 Collection \$1,470.00 Online

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Luke 19:1-10

What would you do if Jesus knocked on your door and said, "I must stay at your home today"? Would you be excited or embarrassed? Jesus often "dropped-in" at unexpected times and he often visited the "uninvited" the poor, the lame, and even public sinners like Zacchaeus, the tax collector! Tax collectors were despised and treated as outcasts, no doubt because they over-charged people and accumulated great wealth at the expense of others.

Why would Jesus single him out for the honor of staying at his home? Zacchaeus needed God's merciful love and forgiveness. In his encounter with Jesus he found more than he imagined possible. He shows the depth of his repentance by deciding to give half of his goods to the poor and to use the other half for making restitution for fraud. Zacchaeus' testimony included more than words. His change of heart resulted in a change of life, a change that the whole community could experience as genuine.

"Lord Jesus, come and stay with me. Fill my life with your peace, my home with your presence, and my heart with your praise. Help me to show kindness, mercy, and goodness to all, even to those who cause me ill-will or harm."

#### **BAPTISM INFORMATION**

Please call the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism prior to attending the catechesis class.

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.

CATECHESIS Nov. 3 SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Nov. 24

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## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

*Ms. Nancy Caputo, Director* ~ *Mrs. Colleen Tyra, Administrative. Assistant* 41 South Springfield Ave, Springfield, NJ 07081 ~ Main Office **973-376-2061** :: Facsimile **973-376-4079** 

Our youngest children preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist in 2020 were given their "God's Gift: Reconciliation" workbook. We ask that parents, grandparents and /or godparents spend time helping them understand the joy in forgiveness as they prepare to receive this sacrament for the very first time!

The parent meeting (only) for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist will take place Monday, November 18th at 7:00PM in the Church. Please check your email for more information!

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 give us a call!

#### **Reminder: No Classes**

#### Tuesday, November 5th and Sunday, November 10

#### 8th Grade ~ Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo

We are having a very good time on Tuesday nights getting to know each other and grow in faith! An amazing team of 22 Peer Leaders and a very dedicated and hardworking class of 35 students produce spiritually creative ideas and thoughts on moving forward as disciples of Christ!

#### \*Reminder - there is no class on Tuesday November 5th!!

#### Confirmation ~ Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo

Congratulations and Blessings to the Confirmation Class of 2019!! Bishop Cruz confirmed 49 very ready candidates this weekend in a beautiful ceremony!

\*There will be a Confirmation parent/candidate meeting on Monday, November 11th at 7:30PM in the church for the class of 2020. At least one parent must attend with the confirmation candidate.



## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

#### Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo

Thanks to our Core team members, our Murder Mystery and first meeting of the season was a lot of fun!! We were so excited to see some new faces as well as reconnect with returning members. Join us tonight Sunday, November 3rd at 7:00PM in the school gym for our next meeting. We will be opening the Discussion Topic, "Setting the Bar on Self-Expectation". All 8th grade through 12th grade students are welcome!

\*Beginning this weekend and ongoing throughout the year, the Saint James Youth Group will be collecting **new** white socks and **new** sneakers of all sizes for the homeless. Keeping feet dry and warm in wet rainy conditions can be a challenge for our struggling members of society, so any help you can give us is greatly appreciated. You will see a box designated for the items in the Gathering Space. Thank you for your help. Please contact Ann Marie with any questions or for more information.

## PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

*Mrs. Caroline Ponterio, Principal* ~ *Mrs. Marilyn DePrimio, Administrative Assistant* 41 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081 ~ Main Office 973-376-5194 :: Facsimile 973-376-**5228** 

#### Writer's Workshop in Grade 2 and Grade 3

This month in Writer's Workshop Ms. Martino's 2<sup>nd</sup> graders have been focusing on using transitional words in their "How-to" writing. This was connected to their reading unit based on sequence of events in a story.

Ms. Martino's students explored a variety of topics of "how to" such as how to wash hands, how to draw a panda and how to brush teeth.

One hands-on mini-lesson involved carving a pumpkin. As a class, students discussed the steps needed to carve a pumpkin. The steps were written on the board and the students were able to follow them using a large pumpkin brought in by their teacher. As they followed the step by step directions, they discovered some steps needed to be revised or put in the correct sequence. When they were done carving the pumpkin, the class reflected on the experience and wrote their own "How to Carve a Pumpkin" piece.

Mrs. Graca's 3<sup>rd</sup> graders have been learning about descriptive and persuasive writing. Inspired by the season, the piece was written to convince potential buyers to purchase a haunted house! After drafting, editing, revising and publishing, the students applied their artistic talent to seal the deal. Using paint and a gradual shading process, each student created an eerie night scene and added a paper haunted house to complement their written selection.

In honor of All Saints Day, classroom doors will feature a notable saint throughout the month of November. There are 15 saints in all. Featured are patron saints of academic subject areas, children, animals, friendship and of course, our school. Come and see our Saints on Parade.



How to Carve a Pumpkin



House for Sale - Buyer Beware

## MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

Mr. Matthew Wilson, Director

## THE MUSIC MINISTRY'S DINNER FUNDRAISER WILL BE AT STAGE HOUSE TAVERN IN MOUNTAINSIDE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH.

Tickets for this season's dinner will include: Garden salad, dinner rolls Chicken Terriaki Penne Vodka with roasted red peppers and green peas Roast pork loin with wine Demi, Rosemary roasted potatoes, Seasonal vegetables All soft drinks, coffee, and hot tea, one alcoholic drink (excluding shots)

Main courses will be served from 6:30-8:00PM and we have the room from 6:00-10:00PM. Regular tickets are \$35 and children 10 and under eat free! Tickets will be on sale next week. Please see Matt Wilson to secure your place!

#### SAINT JAMES HONORS AREA VETERANS

#### Sunday, November 10, 2019 at the 12:00PM Mass

All area veterans and their families are invited to this patriotic mass followed by a luncheon in their honor. There is no charge for the luncheon, but please call the Parish Rectory by November 4, 2019, to let us know you'll be attending. All area veterans are invited, including those who are not members of the parish.

CALLING ALL AREA VETERANS...... Saint James Parish will once again honor all parish and area Veterans with a display of their photos in uniform. Please mail or drop off your photo to the parish offices. Please be sure to write your name on the back of the photo, as well as provide an email address or phone number so that we can reach you when it's time to return your photo. Veterans do not have to be members of the parish to be included in the display.

For more information, email the Parish Publicity Committee at: publicity@saintjamesparish.org.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!



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#### **EVENING PRAYER OF THE DEAD**

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5 ~ 7:00PM

Saint James the Apostle Church will celebrate Evening Prayer for all the people from our parish and families who died this past year. The names of all those from our parish who died this year are posted in the Book of the Dead, which is placed near the Baptismal Font, for they now share eternal life with the Father and Son.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them





## **PARISH CALENDAR**

Ms. Michelle Sblendorio

SUNDAY	November 3
10:00am	Religious Ed (K-6) -School
Monday	November 4
6:30pm	HSA Meeting-Hatcher Hall
6:30рм	Cub Scout Meeting-Gym
7:00pm	Pastoral Council-Rectory
TUESDAY	November 5
12:00рм	Altar Training (Parish School)-Church
WEDNESDAY	November 6
3:30pm	Altar Training (Public School)-Church
7:30рм	Adult Choir Rehearsal-Church
THURSDAY	November 7
3:00рм	Children's Choir Rehearsal-Church
FRIDAY	November 8
SATURDAY	November 9
SUNDAY	November 10



# Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

"Through this holy anointing may the Lord in His love and mercy help you, with the grace of the Holy Spirit."



### On Saturday, November 16, during a special 11:00AM Mass, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

All are invited to attend this Mass. Those who are elderly, ill and/or facing impending surgery or hospitalization are invited to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Those receiving the Sacrament should also be baptized Catholics who have reached the age of reason. Please join us.

Members of the Prayer Shawl Ministry have handmade blessed shawls that will be distributed to those being anointed.

Among the seven sacraments there is one especially intended to strengthen those who are being tried by illness and to provide them with the strongest means of support. This sacrament is called the Anointing of the Sick. This sacrament, as with all the sacraments, is performed to convey God's grace to the recipient, through the power of the Holy Spirit. The anointing of the sick conveys several graces and imparts gifts of strengthening in the Holy Spirit against anxiety, discouragement, and temptation, and conveys peace and fortitude. Thus the sick person is able to bear suffering bravely.



**WELLNESS** *Mrs. Nancy Mahoney-Rajs, Coordinator* 

How many volunteers does it take to make a difference? Just one—you! Volunteers are needed to make a weekly call to home-bound senior members of our Saint James family. This will help them feel connected to their spiritual community and family.

If you do not have time for a weekly call you can team up with a partner and take turns calling. If interested contact Nancy Mahoney-Rajs at 973-376-6235 or nancy.mahoney.rajs@gmail.com.

Any home bound parishioner who would like to receive a call, or if you are aware of someone you feel would benefit from this service please contact the parish office, or Nancy Mahoney-Rajs.

## HELPING THE HUNGRY OUTREACH MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND: NOVEMBER 9 / 10, 2019

Please donate non-perishable items to support the Morristown Community Soup Kitchen and Our Lady of Sorrows food pantry, and other community food pantries. Collection bins will be in the Gathering Area.

Please consider donating these items, or any non-perishable items that can help those in need.

Collections of your homemade, individually wrapped (and labeled) sandwiches (plain, no condiments) and frozen meat loaves will take place in the Gathering Area of the Church before the 5:00PM Mass on Saturday and Sunday from 9:00AM to the beginning of the 12:00PM Mass. Coolers are in the Gathering Area for your convenience.

## **FAMILY FAITH FUN!**

Ms. Karen Cocco

#### SAVE THE DATE!!! SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23 SCHOOL GYM ~ 3:30 - 4:45PM FAMILY ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Celebrate the beginning of Advent with a fun family event, by making an Advent Wreath. Then, bring your wreath to the 5:00PM Mass where the wreaths will be blessed during the mass. A great opportunity to spend time with your family, promote your creativity, and share the meaning of Advent in a fun and interactive way. Bring your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews!

#### All are welcome!

Please complete the form below <u>by November 15th</u> to register and drop in the rectory mail slot, Parish School or Religious Ed Office or email the information to: kcocco@saintjamesparish.org (*Registration required*, we need to be sure we have enough wreaths and decorations for everyone!)

Family Name:	
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number of: adults	children	_(under	10)
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Phone Number: ( \_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_\_

children (ages 11+)

## 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.

#### **RECEIVING COMMUNION**

It is good to remind ourselves of the reverence needed when we receive the Body and Blood of Christ. When we approach the altar, if receiving on the hand, 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.

#### **HOSPITAL VISITATIONS**

If you or someone you know is in the hospital, please inform the hospital staff that you are Catholic and a member of Saint James the Apostle Church. Saint James will be notified and arrangements will be made for a priest or deacon to visit you. Please be sure to include the hospital information.

Contact the Rectory to have a name added to the prayer list at Mass and/or to the Prayer Line.

#### **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.

Please join us in prayer for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Miraculous Medal Novena, Rosary and Benediction on Monday evenings *(as scheduled)* in our Church. All are welcome! Join us: Monday, November 4, 2019 at 6:30PM



### **DEVOTIONS AND MEMORIALS** ~ Spiritual Offerings

To have a loved one remembered, please call the Rectory Office Sanctuary Lamp ~ Bread & Wine ~ Flowers By the Tabernacle



#### **BREAD AND WINE**

Elaine Dashuta Michael, Theresa & Family



### SANCTUARY LAMP

For the People of Saint James

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## A TIME TO BE BAPTIZED

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## A TIME TO WED

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## A TIME TO DIE

Dottie De Gaetano, Frank Inzitari, Anna Mitsch, Margaret Petruzzelli, Maria Radakova, Lucille Trotta, Philip Valentino, Mary Weinberg

## A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, Anthony B., Paul Barbato, Concetta Bellott, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, John Carney, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Van Corteza, James Curry, Joe Cuthbert, Maureen D., Rick Ellmer, Berta Franco, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Laura Hughes, Robert Hunrath, William Jackowski, Eddie Jenna, Maryann Leach, Dina Ledogar, Maureen Le Goff, Angelina Lipski, Richie Lipski, Carmen Lombardi, Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Reggie Malabanan, Angie Mazzarisi, Nicholas Melillo, Richard Miele, Bob Mifsud, Aman Mo, Timothy Morgan, Christian Murphy, Rafaelina Oliviero, Tom Olivo, Anna P., Joseph Papierz, Janet Payson, Elizabeth Piedl, John Reiss, Epifania Rivera, Ken Rossi, Gary Ruzich, Anthony S., Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib, Tom Stanick, Stephanie Toth, Anne Wallis, Tom Walsh, Mary Yobbi

### **A TIME OF WAR & PEACE**

Tim Arentz, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, PFC Paul Devine, Capt. Sean P. Eadie, Stacy Enyeart, David Fenton, Shane Fenton, Luis Fonseca, LCPL Christopher P. Garrigan, 2LT Andrew Kerwin, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten, Phillip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 1Lt. Stacia Rogacki, 1Lt. Steven Rogacki, LCPL Nick Wheeler



## **MASS INTENTIONS**

SUNDAY, November 3 **Thirty-First Sunday in OT** 5:00PM (SATURDAY) Amelia Montana ~ Family 7:30AM Lucille Barone ~ *Hamilton Family* 9:00AM Romualdo Fusco ~ Karen Strasko 10:30AM Antonio Guzman ~ Daughter 12:00PM Joseph E. McDonald ~ Schmidt Family **MONDAY, November 4** Saint Charles Borromeo 7:30AM John K. Butler ~ *Bernstein Family* **TUESDAY, November 5** 7:30AM For the People of Saint James WEDNESDAY, November 6 7:30AM Isabelo Barcenas, Sr. ~ Falar Family **THURSDAY**, November 7 7:30AM Mark Weber ~ Chris Boris FRIDAY. November 8 7:30AM Pat Catallo ~ John & Cocoa **SATURDAY, November 9** The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 8:00AM Florence Impellizzeri ~ Rose Uliano **SUNDAY.** November 10 **Thirty-Second Sunday in OT** 5:00PM (SATURDAY) Joseph "Joe" DeFino ~ Dan, Anna Smith & Family 7:30AM Lucille Barone ~ Stephen & Michele DePiro 9:00AM For the People of Saint James 10:30AM Deceased Members of the Lombardi & Mazzacuva Families ~ Rita, Angela & Pasquale

#### 12:00рм

Angelo "Gene" DelMauro ~ Family

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## **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

Under the Guidance of the Holy Spirit as a Welcoming and Diverse Community, We, the Parish of Saint James the Apostle Invite All to Worship as We Celebrate the Eucharist, Proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and Serve the Needs of One Another, as We Help Build the Kingdom of God on Earth.