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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!

October 13, 2019

WENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Leprosy is not only a contagious disease, it also deforms the leper. It is not a disease that one gets and is cured with medication. It's a lifelong disease. Damien of Molokai is the most famous Catholic Saint who was sent to minister to the lepers on Molokai. During his ministry, he contracted the disease and eventually died on Molokai. He is a reminder of the church's mission to reach out to all in order to bring them the Good News of Jesus.

Part of the church's ministry is that of healing. It is an expression of the gentle touch of the Lord who brings his healing to all of us. Some of us need a reminder that Jesus is the one who heals us and make us whole. Others need something more that expresses the church's healing ministry. The church provides the Sacrament of the Sick for those who are physically, mentally, or emotionally sick. The oil used is blessed by Cardinal Tobin every Holy Week at the Chrism Mass and distributed to all the churches for their use. Sometimes anointing of the sick takes place at a Mass of Healing. Most of the time, it happens when individuals are hospitalized and anointed because they are sick or prior to an operation. It may also occur in a person's home when the priest visits the homebound and anoints the individual because of the seriousness of the illness that keeps them home. Whatever the circumstance, it reminds us that Jesus is the Healer, and he is the one who can make us whole. He may not be able to cure one's physical, emotional or mental condition, but he does reassure us of his healing presence in our lives.

The healing ministry of the church is never to be taken lightly or dismissed because it doesn't always cure people. The Sacrament of the Sick is one of the seven sacraments of the church meant to express the love and care of God's people. The sacraments are not magic. One doesn't wave a hand and all is made well. They are experiences and encounters with the Lord Jesus who offers us the loving presence of the Father for us all. It is this presence which can heal us, make us whole and remind us that we can also be agents of healing. This happens when we touch each other with the presence of the Lord, who always calls us to holiness and goodness.

On Thursday, October 3, we celebrated the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi with a Mass in Italian. In celebration of the feast **\$40** was collected and given to the church. **GRAZIE**, **TUTTI!!!**

On Saturday, October 5, at 12:00 Noon, we celebrated St. Francis with the blessing of animals. While most of the animals were dogs, there also were two cats and a rabbit. Francis taught us to care for the earth and all its inhabitants, including the animals. He was the first ecologist!

Tomorrow is Columbus Day, which is always celebrated on the second Monday in October. It was Columbus who brought the Catholic faith to the Americas. Some towns have changed the name of the day to the Indigenous Peoples Day. While Columbus may have created some problems when he arrived, he still brought his heritage, Genoese, his Catholic faith, and his cultural traditions to the new world. There may be some who want to look for problems that all explorers created when they arrived on our shores and the shores of other countries. But the explorers had a vision, and that is what led them to accomplish their goals. Let us celebrate them and not denigrate them.

HAPPY COLUMBUS DAY!!!

~ FR. JOE



Columbus Day ~ Monday, October 14th The Rectory Offices & School will be closed Reminder: Morning Mass will be celebrated at 8:30AM



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.

2ND COLLECTION ~ OCTOBER 19/20

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY joins all Catholics of the world into one community of faith. At Mass that Sunday, we recommit ourselves to our common vocation, through Baptism, to be missionaries, through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and by giving generously to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

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	SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Nov. 3	Oct. 27, Nov. 24

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$9,204.00

\$6,724.00 Collection \$2,480.00 Online

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

WE ALSO ACCEPT Online Credit Card Donations

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Today's Gospel Meditation......

Luke 17:11-19

Why did only one leper out of ten return to show gratitude? Gratefulness, another word which expresses gratitude of heart and a thankful disposition, is related to grace - which means the release of loveliness. Gratitude is the homage of the heart which responds with graciousness in expressing an act of thanksgiving. The Samaritan approached Jesus reverently and gave praise to God.

If we do not recognize and appreciate the mercy and help shown to us we will be ungrateful and unkind towards others. Ingratitude is forgetfulness or a poor return for kindness received. Ingratitude easily leads to lack of charity and intolerance towards others, as well as to other vices, such as complaining, grumbling, discontentment, pride, and presumption. How often have we been ungrateful to our parents, pastors, teachers, and neighbors? Do you express gratitude to God for his abundant help and mercy towards you and are you gracious, kind, and merciful towards your neighbor in their time of need and support?

"Lord Jesus, may I never fail to recognize your loving kindness and mercy towards me. Fill my heart with compassion and thanksgiving, and free me from ingratitude and discontentment. Help me to count my blessings with a grateful heart and to give thanks in all circumstances."

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Mrs. Nancy Caputo, Director

41 South Springfield Ave, Springfield, NJ 07081 ~ Main Office 973-376-2061 :: Facsimile 973-376-4079

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!

No Classes: Sunday, October 13th—Happy Columbus Day!!!

7th Grade ~ Ms. Karen Cocco

The next 7th Grade class is Tuesday, October 15. Students are reminded to enter and exit through door #6 in the back of the school building.

8th Grade ~ Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo

Our 8th graders had a great first-night of class! Special thankyou to the peer leaders for leading their groups in heartfelt discussions and sharing. I am looking forward to a wonderful year with this great group! Next class: Tuesday, October 15th. Parents, please remember you must come into the building to pick up your child.

Confirmation ~ Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo

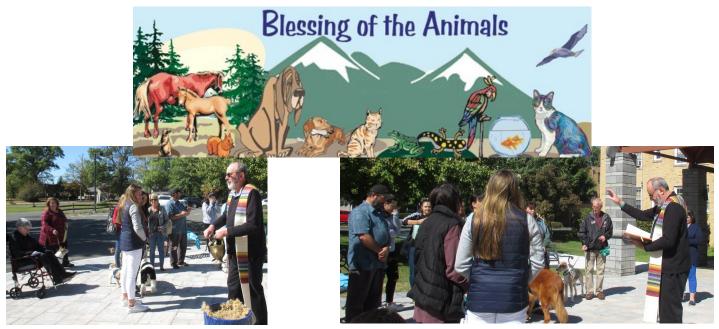
The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday, November 2, at 10:00AM and 1:00PM. We have a few preparatory events remaining:

Confirmation Interviews

Tuesday, October 15 through Friday, October 18 (a link to the Sign up Genius was emailed)

Reconciliation Prayer Service

Saturday, October 19th at 10:00AM <u>OR</u> Monday, October 21 at 7:45PM (in the Church) Please contact me at any time with any questions at all!



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PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Caroline Ponterio, Principal

41 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081 ~ Main Office 973-376-5194 :: Facsimile 973-376-5228

65 Years of Service to Our School.....

Saint James the Apostle School has been blessed to have three staff members dedicate a combined 65 years of service to our school.

Mrs. Marilyn DePrimio celebrated her 20th anniversary in June. She has worn many hats, from government grant facilitator, librarian and bookkeeper, to Administrative Assistant to three principals over the last 16 years. She is the first voice many speak to and the first face to greet new families. Mrs. DePrimio is the heart, eyes and ears of this school.

Mrs. Anna Marie Quagliato celebrated her 20th anniversary in June. She began in PreK as a paraprofessional and became lead teacher in PreK-3 and eventually PreK-4. She has also been a Summer Camp Director for the last 15 years. Looking through the yearbooks, Mrs. "Q" has touched the lives of some 340 children with her creativity, patience and love. Mrs. Q offers a vivid sense of God in a safe and nurturing environment.

Mrs. Catherine Tupper celebrated her 25th anniversary in June. Starting out as the Grade 3 teacher, then Grade 4 and Grade 5 she became the Grade 8 homeroom teacher where she taught Math to grades 4 and up. Eventually Mrs. Tupper's talent was focused on the middle school program. She has been there for our students at a critical time as they develop their competence, interest and motivation as math learners. In a meaningful and memorable way, Mrs. Tupper has supported over 300 of our alumni as they navigated the high school admissions and graduation process.

These three women are compassionate, dedicated, and generous in ways that are visible and invisible. They are committed to academic excellence, fostering faith and instilling integrity among the students of Saint James the Apostle School. They were celebrated in school last Wednesday at Mass and in the Archdiocese last Friday at Mass in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark.

Mrs. Tupper, Mrs. Q and Mrs. DePrimio have touched the lives of so many young people, parents and colleagues and continue to do so. Please join us in celebrating them with love, appreciation and gratitude for the years they have served in support Catholic education and to Saint James the Apostle School in fulfilling its mission. May God bless them in their work as they continue to serve as a valued part of our school.



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PARISH INFORMATION

Keeping in Touch With One Another

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.



MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

Mr. Matthew Wilson, Director

SAVE THE DATE!

The Music Ministry fundraiser will take place at Stage House Tavern in Mountainside on Tuesday, November 19th at 6:00PM. Come out for some good food and even better company! Further details will come next week.

Children's Choir rehearsal will be pushed back to 3:15PM-4:15PM on October 17th and 24th. Rehearsal will be cancelled on Halloween and resume at regular time (3:00PM) on November 7th.

RESPECT LIFE

Ms. Patricia Sullivan, Coordinator

What to Do When a Friend is Considering Abortion

Read the full version at respectlifeprogram.org/l-o-v-e.

When a woman is facing a difficult pregnancy, the reaction of the first person she tells tends to set the tone for her decision-making. How do we respond in a loving way that is life-affirming for both her and her baby? First, prioritize listening over speaking. Ask her about her feelings, thoughts, values, beliefs, and wants. When her story is fully shared, it is your turn to provide factual information in a loving and caring way. Encourage her.

Help her set goals that extend beyond her due date to help her see life beyond her pregnancy. Reassure her that she is not alone, and provide practical support. Pray with her, offering Christ's love at a crucial life-saving and life-defining moment.



It's October! We will be kicking off another season of Youth Group with a Murder Mystery!! Join us on Sunday, October 27th at 7:00PM in the School Gym!!

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Dates for using the parish buildings must be cleared 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 both email addresses by

NOON ON MONDAYS TO:

bulletin@saintjamesparish.org and ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org



PARISH CALENDAR

Ms. Michelle Sblendorio

SUNDAY	October 13
MONDAY	October 14 Columbus Day
TUESDAY	October 15
12:00рм	Altar Training (School)-Church
3:45pm	Religious Ed (Grades 1-6) -School
7:00pm	7th & 8th Grade Religious Ed-School
WEDNESDAY	October 16
3:30рм	Altar Training (Public School)-Church
7:30рм	Adult Choir Rehearsal—Church
THURSDAY	October 17
3:15pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal -Church
FRIDAY	October 18
SATURDAY	October 19
9:00am	Breakfast bag Assembly-Gym
10:00am	Confirmation Reconciliation-Church
SUNDAY	October 20
10:00am	Religious Ed (K-6) -School
1:00pm	Boy Scouts – <i>Gym</i>

CALLED TO SERVE: ALTAR SERVER

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER?

Saint James the Apostle Parish is looking for students in Grades 3-8 who have received their First Holy Communion and are interested in serving at the Altar during Mass.

What do Altar Servers do During Mass?

- Serve as the cross bearer, candle bearer and/or book bearer
- Assist deacon or priest with setting up the altar and receiving gifts
- Perform other duties such as carrying the incense, etc.

Altar Servers serve at the Saturday evening or Sunday weekly Masses and special Holy Days. Servers are scheduled approximately one weekend every 3 or 4 weeks, as needed. Altar Servers are usually scheduled to serve at their family's preferred weekly Mass to make serving easily fit into the family schedule. Saint James the Apostle students also serve at monthly school Masses. Altar serving is also a great way for 7th and 8th grade Confirmation Candidates to earn service hours!

If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server, please contact the Parish School or the Religious Education Office for the (parental) permission form

> Training Schedule: St. James School Students will train during lunch (12:00-1:00PM)* *please call the school office for more information!

Public School Students, please join us in the Church on Wednesdays, October 16 and 23 from 3:30 – 5:30PM

Parents with questions regarding Altar Server duties and / or for additional information, please contact Deacon Dan O'Neill

COMMUNITY NEWS

Sharing information with each other



Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark Saturday, Nov. 9, 2019 8:00 – 10:00PM

Union County Performing Arts Center, Rahway

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark will host its 2nd Annual Homeless benefit Concert featuring The Midtown Men. All proceeds from this evening of great music will provide critical operations and program support, food clothing, and much more for the urgent needs of Catholic Charities Homeless Shelters and Transitional Housing in Jersey City and Newark.

For tickets, visit UCPA C.org or call 732-499-8226.

ST. FRANCIS (FEAST DAY OCT. 4) PROVIDES US WITH GUIDELINES FOR THE JOURNEY WE CAN APPLY EVERYDAY

Lord, Make me an instrument of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we received; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen

CATHOLIC EDUCATION OPEN HOUSE DATES

Saint Peter's Preparatory School 144 Grand St, Jersey City, NJ 07302 Sunday, October 20th from 1:00PM – 4:00PM Please call: 201-547-6389

Seton Hall Prep, 120 Northfield Ave. West Orange, NJ 07052 Sunday, October 27th from 12:00PM-3:00PM

Please call: 973-325-6640



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Newark Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC

Saturday, October 26, 2019

Rev. Msgr. Richard F. Groncki, Coordinator Call the Rectory for more information

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.

PRAYER-LINE MINISTRY

Members of this ministry pray for the people who are ill, in the hospital, undergoing surgery, or who have been in involved in an accident, are grieving the loss of a loved one or any other special intention. If you know someone in need of prayers or if you would like to become a member of this ministry, please contact Maureen Bernor at:

> 973-376-5934 or email your request to: reenebowler@comcast.net.

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, October 21, 2019 at 6:30PM NO NOVENA MONDAY, OCTOBER 14TH (COLUMBUS DAY)



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

Carl Nicaretta ~ Mom



SANCTUARY LAMP

For the People of Saint James

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A TIME TO BE BAPTIZED

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A TIME TO DIE

Deacon Lou Acocella, Doris Carbone, Maria Casalinuovo, Antonio Della Serrra, Ron Lizares, Peter Stapleton, Rosalina Terrana

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, Joseph Papierz, Elizabeth Piedl, John Reiss, Anthony S., Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib, Tom Stanick, Stephanie Toth, Kathleen Voldish, 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, October 13 **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in OT** 5:00PM (SATURDAY) Andrew Foscato ~ *Michael & Theresa Ouick* 7:30AM Helen B. Bongiovanni ~ Deacon Jerry & Janice 9:00AM Ronnie Fusco ~ Lucia & Tony Romano 10:30AM Tony Graziano ~ Sam Furner 12:00PM Angela & Daniel Raimodo ~ Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser & Marianne VanVolkenburgh MONDAY, October 14 Columbus Day 8:30AM Anne Lofredo ~ *Capron Family* **TUESDAY, October 15 St. Teresa of Jesus** 7:30AM Frances Romano ~ Romano Family WEDNESDAY, October 16 7:30AM Veronica Leonard ~ Mary Jane Balak THURSDAY, October 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch 7:30AM Susie LoMacchio ~ Patty & John FRIDAY, October 18 St. Luke 7:30AM John D. Pflug, III ~ *Family* SATURDAY, October 19 8:00AM

In Thanksgiving ~ *Viola*

SUNDAY, October 20

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in OT

5:00pm (SATURDAY)

Albert Uliano ~ Clara Uliano & Family

7:30AM

Richard Ferreira ~ *Joe, Judy Policastro & Family* 9:00AM

Ronnie Fusco ~ *Mr. & Mrs. Michele Vespa* **10:30**AM

Collins Family ~ *Roethlin Family*

12:00рм

Silvana DePaul ~ *Mirella & 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**.