



SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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October 3, 2021



**FORWARD
IN FAITH**
LISTENING SESSIONS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6 AT 7:00 PM

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID SANTOS

NEWS AND UPDATES

Please know that we rescheduled this past Thursday's *Forward in Faith* Listening Session due to inclement weather. Our **new date** is **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6th @ 7:00PM** in the church. If you were unable to make either of the previously scheduled times, please consider joining us next week. No need to RSVP. We hope you will join us!

In addition to what was shared in the in-person sessions, we will also compile the information from the digital and paper surveys and provide a report of the *Forward in Faith Listening Sessions* in due time. **These are exciting times here at St. James!**

This weekend I continue my interviews with each of our parish's Confirmandi. These young people have worked hard in their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. I look forward to meeting each of them individually and hearing from them not only about what they've learned, but, more importantly, which Gift of the Holy Spirit they hope to receive at Confirmation. Please remember to pray for our Confirmandi! 🙏

LITURGICAL MINISTERS WORKSHOP

On **Monday, October 4th, at 7pm** in the church we will be welcoming our **CURRENT** Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of Hospitality for a Liturgical Ministers Workshop.

The focus of the workshop will be to regroup as our liturgical ministries continue to ramp up. We hope that this event will be for our liturgical ministers a time to refocus on the importance of liturgical ministry.

If you are currently a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, or a Minister of Hospitality here at St. James, please be sure to RSVP to your ministry's coordinator ASAP.

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

In our readings this weekend, there is an underlying theme: **Marriage**.

As a sacrament of the Catholic Church which affect one's state in life - not to mention somewhat of a hot-button issue in today's American Catholic Church - it is worth making some important clarifications on the Sacrament of Marriage.

Matrimony is a sacrament of the church: a call to fidelity, a vocation to family life, a consecrated union for the betterment of the partners. **The church is primarily concerned with the sacramental character of that bond and whether it is properly understood and lived out.** Where a valid sacrament exists, nothing can diminish or deny it, just as consecrated bread and wine remains the Body and Blood of Christ, and the baptized remain baptized.

Strictly speaking, divorce, when it occurs, is not a sin. Marriages end for a lot of reasons that may include occasions and habits of sin, but the civil action of divorce does not negate a Catholic's standing with the church. (The Council of Baltimore in 1843 did call for excommunicating the divorced, but that censure was removed by the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore in 1884.) Anyone convicted by a sense of moral wrongdoing, including individuals whose marriages have ended, should feel welcome to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Many believe they are automatically excommunicated if they remarry after divorce. The American bishops lifted that excommunication in 1977.

Many fear that, should they pursue an annulment, it will "erase" their marriage and make their children illegitimate in the eyes of the church. Annulment is concerned with the validity of the sacrament and makes no claims about the reality of the civil marriage. **The church concerns itself only with the sacramental bond.**

Friends, understanding that many families experience the pain of broken marriages, as a church our focus should not be on *judgement* and *condemnation*, but rather **reconciliation** and **healing**. Please know that my door is always open to anyone who is in need of support and prayer, especially when it comes to marriage.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

If you judge people, you have no time to love them.

- Mother Teresa of Calcutta



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$8,072.00

\$6,023.00 Mass Collection

\$2,049.00 Online Collection

WE ALSO ACCEPT ONLINE CREDIT CARD DONATIONS

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

*Parishioners wishing to mail-in or drop off their
weekly contribution in the Rectory mail slot are
welcome to do so.*

FRAUD ALERT: Emails are being sent out by scammers claiming to be members of the Saint James parish community, including Fr. David Santos. **Please disregard any emails from anyone claiming to be associated with Saint James, including Fr. David Santos, with solicitation to purchase gift cards or offer any other cash donations.** In any event, please feel free to call the parish rectory to confirm any and all solicitation before contributing. We have contacted the local authorities to make them aware.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Rectory to schedule your child's baptism.



ADULT SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING

THE RCIA PROCESS

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process where individuals who seek to receive the Sacraments of Initiation or who have never been baptized enter into full communion with the faith.

BAPTISM ~ CONFIRMATION ~ MARRIAGE ~ SACRAMENT OF THE SICK ~ VOCATIONS

Is God calling you to the priesthood or Religious Life?

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

3:00~ 4:00PM on the 2nd Saturday
of the month for Eucharistic Adoration

Next Adoration is October 9th
Confession every Saturday at 4:00PM



St. James the Apostle Church

JOIN US

**ONLINE ROSARY
& NOVENA**

EVERY MONDAY at 7:00 P.M.



www.facebook.com/saintjamestheapostle/live/

Join us outside in the Rosary Garden (weather permitting) or Gathering Area of the Church (if raining) or log on to the Saint James the Apostle Parishioner Facebook Page to join us on YouTube.

All are welcome!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

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

It was a great start for our First through Sixth Graders despite a few glitches with Google Classroom!

The 8th graders started classes this week too. I think they enjoyed the small group discussions. It was interesting having students on Zoom and in-person at the same time!

Our Confirmandi are completing their Confirmation Interviews with Fr. Santos and looking forward to their retreat day on Saturday, October 9th. Please continue to pray for our teens.

If your child is of school age and never baptized, baptized in a different faith, or has special learning needs, please email or call me. All children are welcome in our Faith Formation Program.

Today we welcome our Family Faith families to the 10:30AM Mass. We will meet in the school gym after mass for fellowship, catechesis and to work on a social justice project.



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6 AT 7:00 PM
IN THE CHURCH



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

[2021 Annual Appeal](#)

The Annual Appeal serves the needs of all in the diocese. Each parish in the diocese is given a monetary goal to contribute. **Saint James has not reached our goal.** Please consider helping your parish by making a donation. You can do so online at rcan.org/sharing or by check, payable to Saint James Church (please write "Annual Appeal" in the memo section).

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Fr. Santos



Parish Festival!

**Tuesday, October 12th through
Saturday, October 16th
Be a part of the fun!**



SAINT JAMES TIN CAN AUCTION NEEDS YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS!

One of the major highlights of the annual Saint James the Apostle Parish Festival is the Tin Can Auction. Your help is needed to make this year's event even more successful than in the past.

The Tin Can Auction is a tricky-tray-type event during which festival goers purchase raffle tickets for prizes donated by area residents and merchants.

Saint James needs contributions of prizes—goods, services, event tickets and other items to make its Tin Can Auction a success.

**So, if you own a business or wish to donate goods, services, event tickets or other items,
please contact:
Antoinette Miller: 201-306-0520**

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE PARISH FESTIVAL

The Super 50/50 has always been a big part of the Festival and we will be having it again this year with some slight changes.

This year, no raffle tickets will be mailed directly to your home.

Here is how you can get your Super 50/50 tickets:

- ♦ Raffle Tickets will be sold before and after each Mass
- ♦ Sheets of tickets will be available in the Rectory
- ♦ Contact Janet Dellasala at 973-912-0392

There will be three cash prizes awarded and the winning numbers will be drawn on the last night of the Festival, October 16 at 9:30PM. Once again, your anticipated support to make the Super 50/50 a great success is very much appreciated.

Stop by the table in the Gathering Area before or after Mass to purchase your tickets!

WE NEED YOU!!!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND CLICK ON THE LINK TO SIGN UP!

Saint James Festival Sign-up!!

Or:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a45a4ab22a1f94-saint>

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR A VARIETY OF JOBS!

Monday & Tuesday morning: help is needed for a few hours to assist with the food tent set-up

Kitchen: cutting & cooking peppers, onions, sausage, washing dishes

Tent: cooks, taking food orders, serving food

Having trouble signing up?

Call or email Nancy Caputo: ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org or 973-376-2061

Have a festival question?

Contact: John O'Reilly jxoreill@aol.com or Bob Wright: robertwright1@yahoo.com



Exposing the beauty of the Eucharist and building community in the Lord.

**Join us for this Special Eucharistic Prayer Service
as each Auxiliary Bishop celebrates in his county**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

Bergen: 6:00pm, St. Luke Church, Ho Ho Kus
Essex: 4:30pm, Our Lady of the Valley Church, Orange
Hudson: 3:00pm, St. Joseph Church, Jersey City
Union: 4:00pm, St. Helen Church, Westfield



Bishop Manuel Cruz



Bishop Elias Lorenzo



Bishop Michael Saporito



Bishop Gregory Stoderus

2nd Collection: October 2 –3

**Cardinal Tobin has authorized a special voluntary collection to be taken up at all parishes for the
New Jersey Afghan families**

We have all witnessed the massive undertaking of evacuating Afghan families from Afghanistan after the Taliban takeover. It is fortunate that the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops approached Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark, along with its counterparts throughout the state, to help Afghan families at Fort Dix, a US Army Base in New Jersey. Staff have been traveling to the base to work with the Afghan people by providing legal assistance, psychological first aid, and general wellness and recreational activities. There are over 4,000 Afghans at Fort Dix, with several thousands more expected in the coming weeks.

The turmoil has been challenging, as the government and non-profits are working together to establish systems to address the situation. Throughout it all, we are mindful of the trauma these families are going through, as they have left their home country during a time of crisis. Their journeys have been dangerous, but they are grateful to be here.

Alternatively, you may visit the Amazon Wish list via the following link (<https://a.co/01y6qMG>) and order items to be sent directly to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Trenton, who will then deliver the items to Fort Dix.

Any monetary donations received will be used to directly support the Afghan families at Fort Dix.

As always, thank you for your generosity at this critical moment and for your continued service to the Church and her people.



Inclusive Family Masses ~ Archdiocese of Newark



Everyone is welcome in the liturgies of the Archdiocese of Newark. However, some individuals and families living with intellectual, developmental and/or other disabilities do not feel comfortable attending their local parish mass. Please know that you **DO BELONG** and **ARE WELCOME**. But because we know that some people are still not attending their parish liturgy due to this, the Archdiocese of Newark also has Inclusive Family Masses that are particularly adapted for individuals with disabilities, their families and friends. They are shorter, some have no music, and at all of these liturgies you don't need to worry about any extra noises or moving around. We just gather together to celebrate God in our lives and to draw strength from this. People from the larger community are also welcome to attend the Inclusive Family Masses. For questions and directions and particular locations, please call the number listed for each parish.

Schedule for September 2021 ~ June 2022

St. John the Evangelist 29 N. Washington Avenue Bergenfield, NJ 07621 Rosemarie Flood: 201-384-3601 www.sjrc.org	3:00 PM Nov 7, Dec 5, Jan 2, Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3, May 1, June 5	Church of the Nativity 315 Prospect Street Midland Park, NJ 07432 201-444-6362 office@nativitynj.org	9:00 AM Oct 10, Nov 14, Dec 24,* Jan 9, Feb 13, Mar 13, Apr 3, May 8 * Christmas Eve Mass at 5:30 pm.
San Agustin 3900 New York Avenue Union City, NJ 07087 Oficina: 201-863-0233	a las 5:00 PM en Español Octubre 9, Noviembre 13, Diciembre 11, Enero 8, Febrero 12, Marzo 12, Abril 9, Mayo 14	St. Therese of Lisieux 120 Monroe Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626 201-567-2528	1:30 PM Sep 19, Oct 17, Nov 21, Dec 19, Jan 16, Feb 20, Mar 20, Apr 9*, May 15 *Palm Sunday Vigil: 5:00 PM

COMMUNITY NEWS

Saint Michael School TRICKY TRAY

Saturday, October 23, 2021

Saint Michael School - 100 Aiden Street Cranford, NJ 07016

FREE ADMISSION

Winner Need NOT be Present or on Facebook LIVE Event to Win

Doors Open: 11:00AM – 5:00PM For Ticket Purchases & Drops <small>(Place Coverings Required Inside the School)</small>	Facebook LIVE Drawing Broadcast at 7:00PM 	Featuring: 3 Levels of Prize Baskets \$1,000 Grand Prize Raffle 50/50 Raffle Calendar Raffle
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100's of AMAZING Prizes Including:
Designer Handbags, Gift Certificates for Local Dining & Events & More

Prize Pick-Up on Sunday, October 24th

From 10:00AM – 4:00PM

At Saint Michael School

*** Please Present Winning Ticket to Claim Your Prize ***

For additional information please e-mail: saint.michael@verizon.net or call 908-276-9425

Follow Us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/stmichaelschooldesignerhandbags>

Follow Us on Instagram at: <https://www.instagram.com/stmichaelschooldesignerhandbags>

Proceeds to benefit Saint Michael School Cranford

Rosary Rally



Please join the 2021 Public Square Rosary Crusade. Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

Please join us in praying for our nation on **Saturday, October 16 at (noon) 12:00PM.** The local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place at **Veterans Park in Springfield.**

Please text your questions or RSVP to Geri at 908-370-2318



144 Grand Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302

Fall Open House

Sunday, October 17, from 1:00 – 4:00PM

at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City.

Faculty and staff as well as coaches, students and parents, will be present to answer questions about the school, and tours of the campus will be provided. Founded in 1872, Saint Peter's Prep is an independent, college preparatory school for boys and it remains New Jersey's only Jesuit high school.

For more information, please call 201-547-6389 or visit www.spprep.org.



1600 Martine Ave, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076

www.unioncatholic.org 908-889-1600

Fall Open Houses

Wednesday, October 6th at 7:00PM and

Saturday, October 16th at 2:00PM

Freshman Foundations Program Information Session

Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 7:00PM

General Information Session

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 7:00PM

For additional information, or to reserve your spot, visit our website at www.unioncatholic.org or call 908-889-1600, ext. 302

Saint Francis of Assisi. Feast Day October 4.

The popular image of St. Francis of Assisi is warped with romantic notions. Many see him as a sweet simpleton who picked flowers and talked with animals. Francis was gentle and loved God's creation, but he was not naive. Just the opposite. As a youth he went to war eagerly, patiently endured imprisonment and illnesses, embraced Lady Poverty as his bride, and gave up everything to follow Christ. The real St. Francis of Assisi was a courageous spiritual warrior.

In his early twenties Francis decided to become like the poor he met in Assisi's back streets and took "Lady Poverty" as his bride.

Francis began his itinerant ministry in central Italy, attracting young followers as he went. Once in 1209 at Mass he heard the gospel about Jesus sending his disciples to preach, to heal, and to do spiritual warfare. He took it literally as a life pattern for him and his band of men. In 1210, Francis got formal approval for his community of Friars Minor from Pope Innocent III, and by 1221 he had hundreds of brothers and had established friaries all over Europe. In 1224 at his retreat on Mount Alvernia, Francis had a vision of a seraph, a great angel, nailed to a cross. As he watched, Francis himself received the stigmata. Replicas of the Savior's wounds appeared in his hands and side, acknowledging the saint's intimacy with Christ. The movement Francis launched has reverberated through the centuries, touching millions of souls. He died in 1226.



Our Lady of the Rosary. Feast Day October 7.

The story of the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is an interesting one. In the 16th century Pope Pius V was having trouble with the Ottoman Turks, who were a real danger to Christianity. After months of disagreements and bickering, he was able to unite Spain, Venice, and the States of the Church in a naval expedition to fight the Turks.

The two navies met in the Gulf of Lepanto in Greece on October 7, 1571. On the same day, the Rosary Confraternity of Rome was meeting at the Dominican headquarters there. The group recited the Rosary for the special intention of the Christians at battle. The Christians defeated the Turks in a spectacular victory and believed it was the intercessory power of the Blessed Virgin that won the victory. Pope Pius V dedicated the day as one of thanksgiving to Our Lady of Victory. Pope Gregory XIII later changed the name to the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The story of the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary focuses on the intercessory power of Mary. It shows that when Christians are in danger, they can go to Mary. When an individual is in pain, discouraged, or having trouble accepting God's will, he or she can also go to Mary. She will pray to her Son for anyone who calls on her. Anyone who prays to Mary no longer feels alone because she prays with them and for them. Mary encouraged praying the Rosary in her apparitions.



Source: <https://www.loyolapress.com>



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

For the People of Saint James



BREAD

For the People of Saint James

A TIME TO BAPTIZE



A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Anelli, Joyce Bauman, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Victoria Burns, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Thara Chandran, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, James Curry, Maureen D., Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., Victoria Egner, Sergio Evangelista, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, Robert Hunrath, Lisa Jackowski, Eddie Jenna, Mary Keegan, Dana Kelley, Dexter Kennedy, Art Kistler, Irene Kurpieski, Dina Ledogar, Maureen Le Goff, Lucille Lerner, Andy Lindgren, Angelina Lipski, Chenoa Lipski, Richie Lipski, Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Erica Luther, Toni Ann Marabello, Maria Martino Fender, Angie Mazzarisi, Leonard McGinley, Stan Mickham, Richard Miele, Andres Montero, Timothy Morgan, Martin Muguerza, Ive Mureny, Christian Murphy, Cassidy Musson, Carol Muzacs, Michael Neer, Mary O'Connor, Rafaelina Oliviero, Anna P., Berit Phair, Richard Quagliato, John Rendeiro, John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Rose Sinopoli, Ray Slater, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Kay Winski, Peggy Wysock

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

A TIME TO DIE

Florencia Bazo, Carl Quick, Rev. Charles Theobald,
and
for all who have died from Covid-19

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Tim Arentz, Lance Corporal Kevin Bernor, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, Capt. Sean P. Eadie, Stacy Enyeart, David Fenton, Shane Fenton, Luis Fonseca, LCPL Christopher P. Garrigan, Cpt. Brian Jacobs, 2LT Andrew Kerwin, LCPL Kyle Thomas Lynaugh, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten, Phillip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 2nd Lt. John Rogacki, Capt. Stacia Rogacki, Cpt. Steven Rogacki, Lt. Raymond Williamson



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, October 3

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in OT

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Amelia Montana ~ *Family*

7:30AM

Richard Heckel ~ *Maryann & Den Anderson*

9:00AM

Gaetano D'Agostini ~ *Family*

10:30AM

George Schmidt ~ *Wife & Family*

12:00PM

Gloria May Molnar ~ *Ciolko Family*

MONDAY, October 4 Saint Francis of Assisi

7:30AM

For the People of Saint James

TUESDAY, October 5

7:30AM

Alejandro Pe ~ *Gene & Nevis Salle*

WEDNESDAY, October 6

7:30AM

Bill Shea ~ *Nancy Caputo*

THURSDAY, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

7:30AM

Mary Ann Casale ~ *Linda & Bob Donnelly*

FRIDAY, October 8

7:30AM

Andrew Foscatto ~ *Theresa & Michael Quick*

SATURDAY, October 9

8:00AM

James Gallagher ~ *Son, James*

SUNDAY, October 10

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in OT

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Carol House ~ *Bob House*

7:30AM

Angela Raimondo ~

Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser & Marianne VanVolkenburgh

9:00AM

Geraldine McManus ~ *Robin Mellen*

10:30AM

Glen Albright ~ *Brian & Sue Grimm*

12:00PM

Conetta & Vitti Families ~ *Raffaella Conetta*

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

TODAY'S READINGS:

October 3, 2021

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

FIRST READING: Genesis: 2:18-24 ~ SECOND READING: Hebrews 2:9-11

GOSPEL: Mark 10:2-16

Through baptism into Christ,
we join with Him in having one and the same Father.

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**.