



# SAINT JAMES

the APOSTLE CHURCH



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## *Saint James is served by:*

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**Rev. Antonio Kuizon, Parochial Vicar**

**Rev. John D. Dennehy, Weekend Associate**

**Mr. Jerome Bongiovanni, Permanent Deacon**

**Mr. Daniel O'Neill, Permanent Deacon**

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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

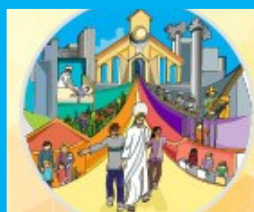
Evening Novena: Mondays at 6:30PM

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 11:00AM

## RECTORY HOURS

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



**CATECHECTICAL SUNDAY  
STAY WITH US**



**LUKE  
15:1-32  
PARABLES OF  
- LOST SHEEP  
- LOST COIN  
- AND THE  
LOST SON**

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

**September 15, 2019**

**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Today is "**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**" in the Catholic Church in the United States. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops designates the Third Sunday of September as Catechetical Sunday. This is to emphasize the teaching ministry of the church to students attending both Catholic and public schools. The word *catechetics* means to resound the Gospel. Each of us is called to allow the Gospel to be reflected in who we are and how we live. There are individuals in our parish, as well as other parishes, who formally teach the Good News to our children, youth and adults. We are in need of individuals willing to serve in this ministry. Please speak to either Nancy Caputo or myself.

In the Gospel of the road to Emmaus, the Risen Lord appears to two disciples who are walking along the road. As he enters into dialogue they are prevented from recognizing him because his body is in a glorified state. As they travel together, the two disciples are coming to the end of their destination, while Jesus pretends to be traveling further. They invite him to stay with them, as the story continues.

The theme for this year's Catechetical Sunday is **STAY WITH US!** Like the disciples in the Gospel, we invite Jesus to stay with us as we continue our faith journey. We invite him to stay with us as we resound and proclaim the Word to all we meet. We invite him to stay with us in the ordinary events of our everyday life, especially the times that are difficult. Since we are willing to invite him to stay with us, then we must also be willing to be ambassadors of his Good News. We need to let others know why it is important for us to follow Jesus, and the best way is to let the Word permeate our being so that we can resound it in our lives, in the way we speak and behave with each other.

Today, at the 12:00 Mass, we will commission the catechists in our parish, as the teaching ministry of the Word begins. The ceremony shows the importance of this teaching ministry, and the responsibility our parishioners have accepted as catechists in our Parish Religious Education Program.

We all stand under the Word of God, which is the roadmap in following Jesus. He shows us the way; the Word is what we need to be a faithful follower of the Lord, who always invites all of us to "come and see, come and listen, come and experience his generous love for us in Word and Eucharist."

**HAPPY CATECHETICAL SUNDAY!!!**

~ FR. JOE

**Today's Gospel Meditation.....** "Lord Jesus, may your light dispel the darkness of sin, deception, and ignorance, so that all who are lost or confused may find their way to the Father's home and be united with him in a bond of peace and friendship. Transform my heart with your merciful love that I may point many others to the good news of pardon, peace, and new life which you offer to all who trust in you, the Good Shepherd and Savior of the world."

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

**\$9,866.00**

**\$8,021.00 Collection**

**\$1,845.00 Online**

**\$1,256.00 ~ 2nd Collection:  
Catholic University**

**To sign up for Online Giving go to:  
[www.saintjamestheapostle.org](http://www.saintjamestheapostle.org)**

**WE ALSO ACCEPT**

**ONLINE CREDIT CARD DONATIONS**

**Thank you for your continued generosity!**



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

*Mrs. Nancy Caputo, Director*

***If you are interested in sharing your faith with a small group of 4th, 5th or 6th graders, please call the Religious Education Office: 973-376-2061 or email: [ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org](mailto:ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org)***

Welcome back!!! This week kicks off classes for grades K through 7. We are looking forward to welcoming all of the new and returning students for a great year of sharing. The Confirmandi are also getting ready for their retreat day, penance service and on Saturday, November 2, they will be sealed with the Holy Spirit by the bishop. Please continue to keep all of our students in your prayers.

Please take note of our direct phone number: 973-376-2061. Should you need to reach us, this is the phone number to call.

### 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLASS NEWS

*Ms. Karen Cocco, Coordinator*

#### **Reminder:**

#### **7th Graders now meet on Tuesday Evenings!**

7th grade classes begin Tuesday, September 17th at **7:00PM in the School Gym**. 7th graders will enter through door #6 (gym door). Parents need to come into the gym at 8:30PM to pick up their child.

### HOME STUDY NEWS

*Ms. Karen Cocco, Coordinator*

#### **HOME STUDY PARENT / CHILD MEETING:**

**GRADES 3 ~ 6**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2019 AT 7:00PM**

**IN HATCHER HALL**

### **FAMILY ~ FAITH ~ FUN**

Families are invited to join us for one or all of these amazing opportunities to share in faith-filled fun activities throughout the liturgical year. These gatherings are open to all families with children and / or grandchildren! Come, join us for these special gatherings where we will focus on family-faith through fun activities and crafts that you can bring home. More information to follow!

### CONFIRMATION NEWS

*Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo, Coordinator*

#### **November 2, 2019 Confirmation Candidates**

#### **Reminder!**

Confirmation Retreat:  
Saturday, September 28 beginning at 10:00AM

### 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLASS NEWS

*Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo, Coordinator*

8th Grade Classes begin:

**Tuesday, October 8, 2019**

**7:00PM ~ 8:30PM**

# PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

*Mrs. Caroline Ponterio, Principal*



## SAINT JAMES STUDENTS ARE BACK TO SCHOOL

The entire Saint James school community remembered the anniversary of September 11 in many ways last week. The school flag was lowered to half-staff. Students gathered in Hatcher Hall at 8:30AM for a prayer service led by the 8<sup>th</sup> graders. At 8:46AM, four 8<sup>th</sup> graders entered Hatcher Hall, each ringing a bell for each of the locations where planes were downed. The service concluded with a moment of silence. Teachers took the opportunity to have appropriate class discussion about the events of 9/11. May we never forget.

The faculty, staff and students celebrated the Opening of School Mass on Tuesday at 1:15PM in the church. The responsibility for planning and carrying out important details of the Mass were handled by our eighth graders, the Class of 2020. Under Mrs. Tupper's direction, they served as greeters, lectors, altar servers and gift bearers. At the end of Mass, Bibles were blessed by Father Joe and distributed to our 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. This is a wonderful tradition at Saint James and its meaning is significant for the students. They continue to learn how to use the Bible to delve into Scripture as part of their faith formation, but now with their own copy to treasure. We are always grateful for Father Joe's support of our parish school and for leading this liturgy of welcome and encouragement for students, faculty, staff and parents. Throughout the school year, students gather for Mass in the church. Grades 3-8 take on the responsibility of leading the school community by serving in the various roles.

The faculty and staff met with parents on Back-to-School Night on Thursday evening to begin the official kick-off to the school year. It was great to see our school families in Hatcher Hall and to introduce them to new faculty and staff members, and share all the improvements in our academic program and work that took place over the summer.

After-school activities have already begun meeting during or after school this week, including Girls Varsity Volleyball, Student Council, Forensics and Science Enrichment. Starting next week, the Mayon School of Performing Arts will begin rehearsals for Disney's Frozen, Jr. Some other upcoming dates to remember:

9/24 – High School Night at Holy Trinity @7:30 PM

9/29 – Family Bowling Day @1:30 PM

## FAMILIES OF 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS PLANNING TO ATTEND CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN FALL OF 2020!

The High School Placement Test (HSPT), administered as part of the Cooperative Admissions Exam Program for Catholic High Schools, will be given on **Friday, November 8, 2019**. Registration for the HSPT exam is available online at [www.njcoopexam.org](http://www.njcoopexam.org) beginning September 3, 2019. For more information about the Cooperative Admissions Program, go to [www.catholicschoolsnj.org](http://www.catholicschoolsnj.org).

Additionally, the Catholic High Schools are holding their annual HS Expo Night. Parents and students are invited to meet with representatives from many Archdiocesan High Schools from 7:00-8:30PM on the following dates and locations:

Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at St. John the Apostle School, 571 Valley Road, Clark

Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at Visitation Academy, 222 Farview Avenue, Paramus

Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Avenue, Newark

Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at Primary Prep at St. Aedan, 41 Tuers Avenue, Jersey City

**For directions and more information, visit [www.catholicschoolsnj.org](http://www.catholicschoolsnj.org) or call 973-497-4260.**



## MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

*Mr. Matthew Wilson, Director*

Do you find joy in music and want to minister to God with sung prayer? The choirs at Saint James are welcoming new members to join our music ministry and serve God and our parish with the gift of music. Sharing the gift of music through ministry facilitates a genuine engagement with the liturgy, promotes us to work collectively to produce something gratifying, and heightens the worship within the parish community that is Saint James. Music is extraordinarily powerful, and our goal is to use music as a vehicle to stimulate our vulnerability to God. We share our service of faith with you, and now we call on you to join our ministry of service.

Our adult and high school choirs rehearse weekly on Wednesday evenings from 7:30PM to about 8:45PM. They sing weekly at the 10:30AM Mass and occasionally at the 5:00PM, in addition to high feast days. **The first rehearsal will take place on Wednesday, September 18th.** Our children's choir rehearses on Thursdays from 3:00-4:00PM and sings once a month at the 12:00 noon Mass, in addition to Christmas and Easter. The children's choir is open to anyone in grades 3-8, and welcomes students from all schools. **The children's choir's first rehearsal will take place on Thursday, September 19th.** For both groups, detailed schedules will be provided at the first rehearsal. Our choirs have no auditions and the ability to read music is not necessary. The only requirement we have of you is to come with an open heart and a goal of sharing your service with the parish community and God. All you have to do is show up; once you're here, we'll take care of everything you need. I look forward to seeing some new faces in our ministry, and I wish you the best as summer comes to a close and we activate our fall routines.

## HELPING THE HUNGRY OUTREACH MINISTRY SEPTEMBER 21/22, 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.

Some of the non-perishable items requested by these organizations include:

- \* Canned tuna or chick
- \* Shelf stable milk (quart/liter size)
- \* Creamy peanut butter
- \* Canned fruit (in juice, not syrup)
- \* Low sugar cereal
- \* Cans of hearty soup/chili/stew
- \* Granola and cereal bars

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.

Your donations will be shared with the graduate families of Family Promise of Union County and the Elizabeth Food Bank.

Hunger doesn't take a vacation. Please remember those less fortunate.

God bless your generosity.

# PARISH INFORMATION

*Keeping in Touch With One Another*



## PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN TRAINING

### SAINT JAMES CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 ~ 7:00PM

### HATCHER HALL

Please register online: [www.viirtus.org](http://www.viirtus.org)

If you are recertifying and do not remember your log-in or password, please contact the Archdiocese Safe Environment Office:

Larry Boland: [Lawrence.Boland@rcan.org](mailto:Lawrence.Boland@rcan.org)

Karen Clark: [Karen.Clark@rcan.org](mailto:Karen.Clark@rcan.org) Or call: 973-497-4254

### DO NOT CREATE A NEW LOG-IN

**All attendees must register online, no walk-ins.**

(recertification required if your last training was 2014 or prior)

Questions or concerns please contact:

Nancy Caputo, St. James Local Safe Environment Coordinator

[ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org](mailto:ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org) or call: 973-376-2061

***Want to keep up with events at Saint James?***  
*Know a friend or neighbor who might like to hear about what's going on in our vibrant parish?*

***Send an email to:***  
***[publicity@saintjamesparish.org](mailto:publicity@saintjamesparish.org)***

*to be added to our email list and be notified of parish events. The Publicity Committee also has a mail slot in the rectory for your convenience.*

***Like us on Facebook:***  
***Saint James the Apostle Church***

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:bulletin@saintjamesparish.org) and**  
**[ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org](mailto:ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org)**



## PARISH CALENDAR

*All calendar items must be confirmed through the rectory before being advertised in the bulletin.*

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>September 15</b>
10:00AM	Religious Ed (Grades K-6) - <i>School</i>
12:00PM	Catechist Commissioning - <i>Church</i>
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>September 16</b>
5:30PM	Boy Scout Registration - <i>Gym</i>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>September 17</b>
3:45PM	Religious Ed (Grades 1-6) - <i>School</i>
7:00PM	7th Grade Religious Ed— <i>Gym</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>September 18</b>
7:30PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal— <i>Church</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>September 19</b>
3:00PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal - <i>Church</i>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>September 20</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>September 21</b>
ALL MASSES	Food Collection— <i>Church</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>September 22</b>
10:00AM	Religious Ed (Grades K-6) - <i>School</i>

**The Church of the Little Flower  
Bernauer Parish Center  
290 Plainfield Avenue  
Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922**

**Saturday, September 28, 2019  
9:00AM to 11:00AM**

**YOU ARE NOT ALONE  
ESTRANGEMENT SUPPORT FOR PARENTS**

The Bereavement Ministry is hosting a one day seminar for parents who are estranged from their child(ren). Please join us as we come together to heal from feelings of hurt, rejection, and estrangement.

RSVP Required:

bereavement.lf@gmail.com or by phone:  
Margaret Manning 908-464-1585 x 133.



**SURVIVING DIVORCE:  
A 3-DAY RETREAT**

The Archdiocese of Newark is sponsoring a three-day retreat for the separated / divorced. Each day features DVD sessions that cover topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness and much more. The itinerary includes video presentations and small group discussions.

Whether you got divorced ten days ago or ten years ago, this program offers valuable insight & support.

Sessions run Saturday mornings on Sept. 28, Oct. 26 & Nov.16 from 9:00AM to 1:00PM. Each session will cover different topics and discussions. Cost to attend is \$20 including study guide and food. To register online:

<https://conta.cc/31gcKqr> or call Lauren Tamara at 973-497-4327.

**Registration**

**Saint James the Apostle School Gym  
September 30th and October 2nd  
7:00pm-8:30pm**

\*forms can be dropped off at School Office or Rectory – ATTN: CYO Basketball\*



**Saint James CYO Basketball Registration Form 2019-2020**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Additional email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade as of Sept. 2019: \_\_\_\_\_ Attend Saint James the Apostle School: \_\_\_\_\_ Attend Saint James the Apostle Religious Ed: \_\_\_\_\_

If not, what Parish attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Registering for (circle one): Girls PW 3rd/4thGrade

Girls JV 5th/6th Grade

Girls Varsity 7th/8th Grade

Boys PW 3rd/4thGrade

Boys JV 5th/6th Grade

Boys Varsity 7th/8th Grade

Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Fees: 3rd-8th Grade \$170.00. Each additional child \$150.00

Cash/Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Checks payable to St. James CYO Basketball

\* any questions email [dave.wightman@alliedbuilding.com](mailto:dave.wightman@alliedbuilding.com) \*

**LAST DAY TO REGISTER IS OCTOBER 16TH!**

*\*We do our best to field teams at each age level, however, due to registration numbers, we may have to combine teams with a neighboring school.\**



## 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.

### 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.

### PRAYER-LINE MINISTRY

Members of this ministry pray for the people who are ill, in the hospital, undergoing surgery, or who have been 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.

### 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, September 16, 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

Thomas Faix ~ *Family*



### SANCTUARY LAMP

Pasquale Vartulli ~ *Wife, Rosa*



## A TIME TO BE BAPTIZED

Nathaniel Ferrante

## A TIME TO WED



## A TIME TO DIE

Joseph McDermott

## A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Anelli, Don Attanasio, 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, Simone Lanza, Wendy Lanza, Maryann Leach, Dina Ledogar, Maureen Le Goff, Angelina Lipski, Richie Lipski, Ronnie Livares, 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, Jack Silbert, Debbie Staib, Tom Stanick, Christopher Tiu, Stephanie Toth, Kathleen Voldish, Anne Wallis, 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, September 15**

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in OT**

**5:00PM (SATURDAY)**

Maida & Ronald Sobretudo

~ Resty Sobretudo & Vickie Jorda

**7:30AM**

Louis Bertero ~ Angela Ragonese

**9:00AM**

Ronnie Fusco ~ Mr. & Mrs. Darren Biglaw

**10:30AM**

William Schmidt ~ Clark Family

**12:00PM**

Angela & Daniel Raimondo

~ Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser & Marianne VanVolkenburgh

**MONDAY, September 16**

**Saints Cornelius & Cyprian**

**7:30AM**

Marguerite Cavallo ~ Husband, Anthony

**TUESDAY, September 17**

**7:30AM**

Anne Marie Bentivegna ~ Debbie & Stephanie

**WEDNESDAY, September 18**

**7:30AM**

José & Alicia Aguinaldo ~ Aguinaldo Family

**THURSDAY, September 19**

**7:30AM**

For the People of Saint James

**FRIDAY, September 20**

**Saints Andrew Kim Taegŏn & Paul Chŏng Ha-sang**

**7:30AM**

Terri Stapleton ~ Ellen & John Kearns

**SATURDAY, September 21**

**8:00AM**

Matthew Klein ~ Mom

**SUNDAY, September 22**

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in OT**

**5:00PM (SATURDAY)**

Ronald Italiano

~ Doreen, Frank, Marissa & Ariana DeMartino

**7:30AM**

Paul Centamore ~ Wife & Children

**9:00AM**

Alicia Aquinaldo ~ Gertrude & Family

**10:30AM**

Maria Lombardi ~ Rita Lombardi

**12:00PM**

Angelina Bell ~ Josephine Lotito



## SACRAMENT INFORMATION

*Fr. Antonio Kuizon*

### BAPTISM

Communal Baptisms are held on various Sundays during the year at 1:30PM in the Church. Please see the dates listed below.

### RECONCILIATION

Individual Confessions are heard every Saturday at 11:00AM in the Church, or anytime by appointment.

### EUCCHARIST

Communion can be brought to the sick and homebound either at home or in a facility.

### CONFIRMATION

Adults who have celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism and would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation are encouraged to call the Parish Office and speak to one of the priests.

### MARRIAGE

Couples planning to marry are asked to call the Parish Office at least one year prior to their desired date so that arrangements can be made.

### 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. Please continue to pray for an increase in vocations.

### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

This Sacrament can be administered anytime. We make visits to area hospitals and nursing homes.

### 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 INFORMATION

The catechesis class begins by attending the 12:00PM Mass with instruction about the rite and its meaning following Mass. Godparents are encouraged to attend. Baptism Ceremonies are held at 1:30PM and we ask that everyone arrive by 1:15PM. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a Baptism or catechesis please call the Parish Office at 973-376-3044.

**CATECHESIS**  
Nov. 3

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
Sept. 22, Oct. 27, Nov. 24

## PARISH STAFF INFORMATION

*Fr. Joseph F. Barbone*



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**Mrs. Janet Petino and Mr. John Pflug**

### PARISH COUNCIL

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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**.