

SAINT JAMES

the APOSTLE CHURCH

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Celebrating Our 95th Parish Anniversary 1923 ~ 2018

Celebrating Our 65th School Anniversary 1953 ~ 2018



Saint James is served by:

Rev. Joseph F. Barbone, *M.A., Pastor*

Rev. Jeong Gyeong Kim, *Parochial Vicar*

Rev. John D. Dennehy, *Weekend Associate*

Mr. Jerome Bongiovanni, *Permanent Deacon*

Mr. Daniel O'Neill, *Permanent Deacon*

Mass Schedule

SUNDAY MASSES

Anticipated 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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 11:00AM

RECTORY HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:00AM~4:00PM
(through Friday, September 7, 2018)
(closed daily 12:00-1:00PM)

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

September 2, 2018

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM THE PASTOR

Labor Day is here! It usually means the unofficial end of summer and the beginning of the school year. But there are still three more weeks of summer ahead. Hopefully, these weeks will be a little better than the weird summer we have had. Hopefully, all those traveling this weekend will do so in safety.

Fr. Everest will be with us beginning Tuesday, September 4, and will be here until the 17th. While he is here, he will celebrate some of the Masses during the week and on Sunday.

WELCOME BACK, EVEREST!!!

During his trip to Ireland, Pope Francis stated that the church will have to end the abuse of children and young people by bishops, priests and religious. Since this is such a serious issue in the church, bishops across the country and the world have begun to look at cases of predator priests and bishops, and the victims of this despicable and immoral situation. Our mission is always to protect the most vulnerable, especially the children, the elderly, those with disabilities and every other member of the church. This scandal has struck at the root of the life of the church, and this would never have been tolerated by Jesus. For too many years bishops protected pedophile priests, and they were allowed to function as priests. Hopefully, under Francis, this will end for both priests and bishops. There is a notice in today's bulletin about a service at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, as Cardinal Tobin calls for a day of penance and abstinence to recognize the seriousness of this whole experience in the life of the church.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is reminding the Pharisees that what comes out of our hearts, minds and mouths is what affects us positively or negatively. Have you noticed how much rancor and hostility is expressed in our society? It's happening on television, the newspapers and on social media. It seems we can't wait to say something negative and destructive about people. It's happening in politics, in business, in our everyday interactions with each other, and in the life of the church. We need to be reminded what our core values are which formed and guide us. They were expressed by Jesus, and if we want to be his faithful followers, these values have to be a part of who we are as God's people, what we believe and how we interact with one another. It begins with love and respect of oneself, and extends to others, and ultimately to God. We can't love God if we don't love others, and we can't love others if we don't love ourselves as a valuable creature of God, which all of us are (Bernard of Clairvaux said that in his writings).

We may criticize the church for the way that it handled the sexual abuse of children, and we have a right to do so as members of the church. But we also have to look at ourselves to see whether attitudes, behavior, words and actions reflect those of Jesus. If not, then before we criticize anyone, we first have to criticize ourselves for failure to respect one another. We don't have to like everyone, but we do have to love and respect them because Jesus has shown us the way.

Reminder: Since school opens this week, please be careful when you are driving. The children on the sidewalks may not pay attention to you, but we have to pay attention to them and we need to keep them safe year!

HAPPY LABOR DAY!

~ FR. JOE



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Mrs. Nancy Caputo, Director

Our parish Religious Education Program is a partnership between our parish and our parents to support the families in the spiritual development of their children. All children are welcome at Saint James and I look forward to the opportunity of welcoming you to our parish program.

This partnership works best when we work together, each doing our part to ensure the children are receiving the foundation they need to develop a life-long relationship with Jesus Christ. Together, we are one family, one Body of Christ and a true sign of His presence in our world.

It is our goal to greet each child with an open heart and eagerness to share our love of God with them. We offer the traditional classroom setting (Sunday mornings or Tuesday afternoons), home study (grades 3-7), and our 8th graders meet consecutively for two groups of 10 weeks. We also offer individual instruction for children with special needs.

Registration for the upcoming school year is still being accepted. Returning families are reminded, if you haven't already done so, please mail or drop off your registration form as soon as possible. If you are new to our parish or have a child entering 1st grade in September, please call for information about registering as a parishioner and / or registering your child(ren) for classes. Baptism Certificates are needed at the time of registration. Kindergarten Classes, while optional, are offered only on Sunday mornings.

Ann Marie Gesualdo, the 8th Grade Program / Confirmation Coordinator will be emailing the parents of registered incoming 8th graders with details about the 8th grade program for the Fall. She will also communicate with the parish school 8th grade families before classes begin in September.

If your child is preparing to receive any of the sacraments and he /she attends Saint James the Apostle School and you are Catholic, but not registered parishioners, please call / email me.

Do you have a child who was baptized but has not received the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation? Please give us a call 973-376-2061 or ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org.

If you are interested in becoming a catechist, class aide, hallway or office helper, please call the Religious Education Office. All adult volunteers working with children are required to attend a Protecting God's Children Training session.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$7,698.00

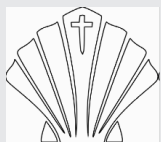
\$6,340.00 Collection

\$1,358.00 Online

To sign up for Online Giving go to:

www.saintjamestheapostle.org

WE ALSO ACCEPT ONLINE CREDIT CARD DONATIONS



PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Caroline Ponterio, Principal



**85 PERCENT OF WHO YOU ARE – YOUR INTELLECT, YOUR PERSONALITY, YOUR SOCIAL SKILLS
– IS DEVELOPED BY AGE 5.**

MA Early Education for All

Early education programs in Catholic schools set the foundation for life-long learning. This is demonstrated by the fact that an overwhelming number of our high school seniors graduate and a significant portion of those grads – close to 98% – go on to further education.

At three and four years old, a child's natural curiosity is easily molded into learning opportunities with the loving guidance of our early childhood educators. We help your child to succeed not only academically through intellectual growth, but emotionally and socially by developing the critical thinking and cognitive skills needed throughout their school years and beyond. Character development, with an emphasis on kindness and caring, is woven into every lesson. We recognize and appreciate each child's unique abilities, needs, personalities and potential. Children can work at their own pace to reach important milestones and are regularly praised for personal accomplishments.

The knowledge that children learn best by doing, rather than just listening, guides all our programming. A variety of hands-on activities and materials, and the ability to make their own choices throughout the day, keep children engaged and interested. Our Pre-K programs provide a solid foundation for children to build on as they progress into elementary school and beyond. Because we know how essential it is to continue that momentum, we make every effort to give our Pre-K students priority placement in our Kindergarten program.

Saint James the Apostle School offers the following:

- ◆ PreK-3: half day or full day options as well as 3-days and 5-days.
- ◆ PreK-4: full days for a full week

Our tuition is competitive and affordable compared with other early childhood programs in the area. The cost per day is only \$40 (based on full-day/week program). **Invest where it makes the most difference.**

Contact the School Office for a tour at (973) 376-5194. Ask for Mrs. Ponterio or Mrs. DePrimio.

2018 HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST (HSPT) AND EXPO NIGHTS

Attention families of 8th grade students planning to attend Catholic high school in the Fall of 2019! The High School Placement Test (HSPT®) administered as part of the Cooperative Admissions Program for Catholic high schools will be given on **Friday, November 9, 2018**. Registration for this exam is online at: www.njcoopexam.org beginning September 4th. For more information about the Cooperative Admissions Program go to: www.catholicschoolsnj.org. Additionally, the Catholic high schools are holding their annual HS Expo admissions fairs. Parents and students can meet with representatives from Catholic high schools from 7:00-8:30pm on the following dates at these locations:

Tues. Sept. 18 at St. John the Apostle School, 571 Valley Road, Clark

Tues. Sept. 25 at Visitation Academy, 222 Farview Ave., Paramus

Wed. Sept 26 at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Ave, Newark

Thurs. Sept. 27 at Primary Prep at St. Aedan, 41 Tuers Ave., Jersey City

For directions and more information, visit www.catholicschoolsnj.org or call 973-497-4260.

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

Keeping in Touch With One Another



Evening of Penance and Prayer
Friday, September 14, 2018 at 7:30PM
THE FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
At
The Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart
Newark, New Jersey

In reparation for the healing of all those impacted by the abuse crisis, particularly the victims, and all of us that make up the Body of Christ.

It is encouraged that all make this a day of fast and abstinence.

MESSAGE FROM THE BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF ELIZABETH, NJ

Open House on Sunday, October 7, 2018, from 2:00-5:00PM
and concludes with Vespers at 4:30pm.
St. Walburga Monastery, 851 North Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ.

Our community served at St. James Parish from 1951 to 1979. You are an important part of our history, and we have been blessed by you. As we celebrate our 150th anniversary as a community, we invite you and all those who have been a part of our history to an afternoon that includes tours and light refreshments. If you plan to attend, please contact Sr. Ursula at 908-352-4278 ext. 614.

We hope you can join us as we express our gratitude to God for His blessings over the past 150 years!

THE ELIZABETH COALITION, 118 DIVISION ST., ELIZABETH, NJ 07201 (CHURCH BUILDING)

Become a Volunteer for Bernice's Place Afterschool Program
September 24th through May 31st 2019

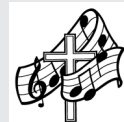
We are in search of volunteers to work with children who are homeless/ at risk of being homeless, and provide homework help. After homework is completed, you will have opportunities to lead science and recreational activities:

On Mondays- Fridays. Flexible schedule Program time: 3:45pm-6:00pm

Contact Carina Grajales for more information:
(908) 355-2060 Ext 203 or email: cgrajales@theelizabethcoalition.org

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

Mr. Matthew Wilson, Director of Music Ministry



MUSIC MINISTRY FUNDRAISER!

We hope the music you hear at Mass each week enhances your spiritual devotion. Whether you sing along or listen with a prayerful heart, you are invited to a relaxing family-friendly dinner.

***Stage House Tavern ~ Route 22 East, Mountainside, NJ
Tuesday, September 18th, 6:00-10:00pm***

The Buffet Dinner includes:

a garden salad, penne vodka, chicken piccata, and sausage and peppers

Each dinner also includes a drink choice of soda, coffee, wine, beer, or a mixed drink.
(Full menu and cash bar is available to purchase additional food and drinks)

The price of \$30.00 per person includes gratuity!

Buffet for children 10 and younger is free!

Please RSVP to Matt Wilson **before Sept. 5th**: mwilson@saintjamesparish.org.

Please see Matt after the conclusion of all Masses this weekend to secure your family's tickets. All funds raised will go toward the replacement of exhausted music equipment.

Thank you for your anticipated support, we look forward to seeing you at dinner!

MARIAN DEVOTION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Miraculous Medal Novena, Rosary and Benediction takes place on Monday evenings (*as scheduled*) at 6:30pm in our Church, please feel free to join us.

Monday, September 10, 2018

2ND COLLECTIONS

September 1/2, 2018: Eastern Europe Collection

This weekend, there is a collection for the Church in Eastern Europe. This collection supports Catholic organizations that provide affordable shelter and training for seminarians in a region that still struggles from the effects of Soviet rule. By providing pastoral care, catechesis, and funding for building renovations, your donations help **re-store the Church and build the future** in the region.

September 8/9, 2018: Catholic University of America

The Collection for the Catholic University of America, located in Washington, D.C., underwrites scholarships to assist financially deserving students in completing their education at CUA in over 50 disciplines.

Bible Study

Sponsored by Saint James the Apostle Church



Please join us as we continue to journey through
The Bible with Jeff Cavins' video series and reveal the
remarkable story of our Faith.

**We will study the New Testament for six weeks on Wednesday evening
from 7:00-9:00pm**

**beginning September 19th and ending on October 24th in the
Saint James the Apostle School Gym**

A one-time fee of \$5 is suggested to cover light refreshments.

To register or if you have questions please email Darin Cerreto at: daring2350@verizon.net

As part of the yearlong celebration of the 95th anniversary of our parish, we have been researching the vocations from the parish. Since 1923, seven men from Saint James Church have become priests. We reached out to the diocesan archivist at Seton Hall University for ordination dates. Those we were able to find are listed here.

Rev. John Weibel

Rev. William Lynch (ordination date: June 15, 1935)

Rev. Duan Coan, ST (ordination date: June 4, 1963)

Rev. Kenneth St. Amand (ordination date: May 31, 1969)

Rev. William Halbing (ordination date: October 30, 1982)

Rev. William Drobach (ordination date: May 28, 1988)

Rev. Joseph Furnaguera (ordination date: May 26, 2018)



We were notified that a woman from the parish did become a nun:

Sister Mary Daniel - a Cloistered Dominican Sister for 70 years!

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

to be added to our email list and be notified of parish events.

Like us on Facebook: Saint James the Apostle Church





THE PRAYER CORNER

"To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose..."



A TIME TO BAPTIZE

Luke Acosta, Anthony Nieto, Noah San Diego

A TIME TO WED



A TIME TO HEAL

Irene Baranski, Paul Barbato, Lisa Bellott,
Joe Brisick, Joselyn Carreon, Mary Ann Casale,
Helen Chelis, Phyllis Colosimo, James Curry,
Dave Darby, Marie Del Mauro,
Matthew Friedman, Martin Gignac,
Monica Gomes, Ana Harper, Steven Hensle,
Jake Kessler, Maryann Leach, Christina Leone,
Richie Lipski, Marian Lordi, Barbara Ludolph,
Simone Miller, Rafaelina Oliviero,
Elizabeth Piedl, Richard Quagliato,
Steve Randolph, Ginny Sampson, Jack Silbert,
Raymond Schwartz, Louis Stiglitz,
Amanda Tuten, Scott Walling, Anne Wallis

A TIME TO DIE

Sr. Romilda Chiga, Helen Harmon,
Deacon Ramon Villeda-Ramos

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

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

O Jesus,

Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary,
I offer you my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day in union
with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world.



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

Elwood & Helen Genninger
~ Anne Marie Genninger



SANCTUARY LAMP

Elwood & Helen Genninger
~ Anne Marie Genninger



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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



SUNDAY September 2 Twenty-Second Sunday in OT	THURSDAY, September 6
5:00 PM (SATURDAY) Amelia Montana ~ <i>Family</i>	7:30AM Michael Bongiovanni, Jr ~ <i>Bongiovanni Family</i>
7:30AM Stefani Larsen ~ <i>Casey Family</i>	FRIDAY, September 7
9:00AM Giovanna & Antonio Circelli ~ <i>Carmela Fusco</i>	7:30AM Mary Casternovia ~ <i>Mary Kate Corbett</i>
10:30AM Joyce Garry ~ <i>Dan & Anna Smith</i>	SATURDAY, September 8
12:00PM Gerard Kielty ~ <i>Marilyn DePrimio</i>	8:00AM Giuseppe Cocuzza ~ <i>Cocuzza Family</i>
MONDAY, September 3 Labor Day	SUNDAY, September 9 Twenty-Third Sunday in OT
8:30AM Michele McNany ~ <i>McNany Family</i>	5:00 PM (SATURDAY) Maida & Ronald Sobretudo ~ <i>Resty Sobretudo & Vickie Jorda</i>
TUESDAY, September 4	7:30AM Joan & Irene Mahoney ~ <i>Family</i>
7:30AM For the People of Saint James	9:00AM Giovanni & Giovanna Bruno ~ <i>Family</i>
WEDNESDAY, September 5	10:30AM For the People of Saint James
7:30AM Helen Fackleman ~ <i>Linda & Bob Donnelly</i>	12:00PM Ronald Nolan ~ <i>Kim, John Mailley & Family</i>

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 our sick parishioners for three weeks when we receive notice from the family or the individual asking for prayers. After three weeks, the name will continue to be listed in the bulletin, until we receive notice otherwise. If the condition worsens, please call the Rectory so that the name can be mentioned during Mass again.

THE CHURCH OF THE LITTLE FLOWER, 310 PLAINFIELD AVENUE, BERKELEY HEIGHTS

"Healing the Grieving Heart: The Journey After the Death of a Loved One," is a free-of-charge 7-week support group held in the evening from 7-8:30 PM on Mondays, starting September 24, 2018. The first two sessions will be held in the Little Church Sacristy, 310 Plainfield Avenue, Berkeley Heights. The following sessions will be held in the "New" Parish Center (next to the Little Church), 290 Plainfield Avenue, Berkeley Heights. A licensed professional counselor will facilitate the course. All are welcome to attend regardless of religious affiliation. Registration is required. You may email Mariana or Maria at bereavement.lf@gmail.com or call the parish office at 908-464-1585.



SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Fr. Jeong Gyeong Kim

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

Sept. 9, Nov. 18

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Sept. 23, Oct. 28, Nov. 25

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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.**