



SAINT JAMES

the APOSTLE CHURCH



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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)



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

September 22, 2019

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

Images courtesy of Google.com

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Accountability. We all have to answer to someone. Spouses have to answer to each other, children to parents, priests to bishops, etc. This presumes there is a relationship between the two parties. This really is an expression of an ongoing relationship that is meant to be supportive and life-giving. Only sometimes we don't see it that way. Depending on the relationship, we may see it as a means of control and not of support or encouragement. As a result, there are problems that are created, some of which exist for years.

Our relationships are meant to be life-giving and supportive. They are supposed to reflect a touchstone between individuals, which is meant to be encouraging and sometime challenging. Our relationships with each other are meant to help us grow as individuals, as families, and hopefully, as responsible members of society. Jesus modeled this for us in his relationship with Joseph and Mary, and with his apostles. He offered them his care, concern and support, hoping that they would be able to do the same to one another. This was especially true with the apostles, whom he sent to bring the Good News to the people in the places where they would visit.

The same challenge is given to each of us in our relationships with one another, whether they be family, friends, neighbors or even strangers. This is how we begin to build the kingdom of God on earth by engaging one another in dialogue that recognizes the fact that each of us is equal and equal to the task. Sometimes, we would rather not accept the challenge of Jesus, but if we want to be faithful to his call as his people, what choice do we have?

In today's Gospel, the rich man has a relationship with a particular steward, who may view the master as greedy or overbearing. Yet, when confronted by the master for squandering his property, the steward turns the whole affair around to his advantage. He all of a sudden becomes responsible, and that makes the master happy. We may not have a similar opportunity, but we do have the possibility of celebrating our relationship with each other on various levels, or of helping the relationships in our lives experience what makes each relationship unique. This all takes time and a willingness to allow the relationship to grow and develop by investing ourselves so that our relationships are truly life-giving. And then they reflect the relationship that Jesus has with us, because we are a sign of that relationship for each other.

HAPPY AUTUMN!!

~ FR. JOE



**ONE WHO IS
FAITHFUL**
IN A VERY LITTLE IS ALSO FAITHFUL IN MUCH,
**AND ONE WHO IS
DISHONEST**
IN A VERY LITTLE IS ALSO DISHONEST IN MUCH.

LUKE 16:10



SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Fr. Antonio 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.

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 child's Godparents are also encouraged to attend this class.

The Sacrament of Baptism is held at 1:30PM and we ask that everyone arrive by 1:15PM. If you have any questions please call the Parish Office and someone from the Baptismal Team will return your call.

CATECHESIS
Nov. 3

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Oct. 27, Nov. 24

2020 dates will be published in December.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$9,268.50

**\$8,053.50 Collection
\$1,215.00 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 16:1-13

"What controls or rules your life?"

Jesus concludes his parable with a lesson on what controls or rules our lives. Who is the *master* (or ruler) in charge of your life? Our "master" is that which governs our thought life, shapes our ideals, and controls the desires of the heart and the values we choose to live by. We can be ruled by many different things - the love of money or possessions, the power of position, the glamor of wealth and prestige, the driving force of unruly passions and addictions. Ultimately, the choice boils down to two: God and "mammon." What is mammon? "Mammon" stands for "material wealth or possessions" or whatever tends to "control our appetites and desires."

Our money, time, and possessions are precious resources and gifts from God. We can guard them jealously for ourselves alone or allow the love of the Lord to guide us in making good use of them for the benefit of others, especially those in need and those working for the Lord to advance his kingdom. Ask the Lord to fill your heart with a spirit of generosity and joy in sharing what you have with others.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Mrs. Nancy Caputo, Director

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

Parents are encouraged to bookmark the Religious Education Announcement page on our parish website to keep up-to-date with class news and sacramental information.

Has your child been baptized but not catechized or received their sacraments? Are they of school age and not yet baptized? Do you have a special needs child needing catechesis? Please give us a call!

Home Study News ~ Ms. Karen Cocco

7th Graders now meet on Tuesday Evenings!

7th grade classes meet on Tuesday evenings 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.

7th Grade ~ Ms. Karen Cocco

If you missed the family Home Study meeting last week, please contact Karen Cocco to arrange to get your materials.

8th Grade ~ Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo

Classes begin Tuesday, October 8, 2019 from 7:00PM ~ 8:30PM in Hatcher Hall

I am looking forward to beginning a new year of faith formation and the first steps on our journey to Confirmation! Please feel free to contact me with any questions at all!!

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 Retreat

Saturday September 28th – 10:00AM to 5:00PM

(Families and Sponsors are encouraged to join us for Mass at 5:00PM)

Confirmation Interviews

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

Reconciliation Prayer Service

Saturday, October 19th at 10:00AM OR Monday, October 21 at 7:45PM (in the Church)

Please contact me at any time with any questions at all!



PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Caroline Ponterio, Principal

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

Safety & Security @ Saint James

Starting in the 2015-2016 school year, Saint James the Apostle School began to receive funds under the Nonpublic School Security Program. The New Jersey Nonpublic Security Program is authorized by the Secure Schools for All Children Act (P.L. 2016, c.49) and was signed into law on September 6, 2016.

The law establishes a State aid program for the provision of security services, equipment, or technology to help ensure a safe and secure environment for students attending nonpublic schools.

Over the last four years, the amount per pupil given to nonpublic schools has increased.

With these funds, we have been able to make Saint James the Apostle School more safe and secure with the following improvements:

- new exterior doors
- new interior security door at Main entrance with security camera
- security camera surveillance system upgrade
- exterior security cameras directed on campus
- interior and exterior paging horns
- LED lighting in gym/cafeteria
- AED devices for all three floors
- speed limit signs for Saint James campus (to be installed)
- stair treads for lower stairwells
- floor mats for high traffic areas throughout school
- classroom door window shades
- stair and door signage for identification purposes

Safety and security funding is not guaranteed every year; however, we are pleased to have updated Saint James the Apostle School the last four years to make improvements. We are in the process of auditing the facility now to identify needs for the 2019-2020 funding.

Safety is one of the main reasons why parents choose Saint James the Apostle School. Our doors are locked throughout the school day. There is one entrance for the students to enter the building in our Safety Zone and school personnel are outside every day in the morning to greet the children. All hands are on deck at dismissal as our parents and guardians drive to the Safety Zone to pick up their children when the school day is over.

FAMILIES OF 8TH 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 beginning September 3, 2019. For more information about the Cooperative Admissions Program, go to 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 24th at Visitation Academy, 222 Farview Avenue, Paramus

Wednesday, September 25th at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Avenue, Newark

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

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

YOUTH GROUP NEWS



Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo

Youth Group will kick off its 2019-2020 year with a **Murder Mystery Night on Sunday, October 27th**! We meet in the gym from 7:00-9:00PM. All 8th Graders through High School Students are welcome. A calendar of meetings and Youth Group Events will be emailed!

Hope to see you!

Please contact me with any questions!!

FAMILY FAITH IN-ACTION!

Families are invited to join us for these opportunities to share in faith-filled family activities throughout the liturgical year. These gatherings are open to all families with children and / or grandchildren! Come, join us for these special gatherings. Our first event, Living Rosary, will take place on Sunday, October 20th at 1:15PM in the Church. More information coming! Children who participate in these gatherings are exempt from Religious Education Class the following week!



PARISH CALENDAR

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

SUNDAY	September 22
ALL MASSES	Food Collection— <i>Church</i>
10:00AM	Religious Ed (Grades K-6) - <i>School</i>
1:30PM	Sacrament of Baptism- <i>Church</i>
MONDAY	September 23
TUESDAY	September 24
3:45PM	Religious Ed (Grades 1-6) - <i>School</i>
7:00PM	7th Grade Religious Ed— <i>Gym</i>
WEDNESDAY	September 25
7:30PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal— <i>Church</i>
THURSDAY	September 26
3:00PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal - <i>Church</i>
FRIDAY	September 27
SATURDAY	September 28
10:00AM	Confirmation Retreat- <i>School</i>
SUNDAY	September 29
10:00AM	Religious Ed (Grades K-6) - <i>School</i>



OUTDOOR MINISTRY

The Outdoor Ministry Group is heading out for a bike ride! Join us on a casual, autumn ride on the D & R Canal on **Saturday, October 5th at 1:00PM**. We will gather in front of St. Mattheais Catholic Church in Somerset at 168 John F. Kennedy Blvd.

From there we will ride down to the trail.

We hope to see you there!

If you plan on attending
please text Darin at 908-447-4082.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Sharing information with each other

**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.



290 Broad Street, Summit

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

**A new support group for people age 60
and older who have lost a spouse in the last
year.**

This support group will be led by Kathy Larkin, Licensed Clinical Social Worker and SAGE's Info-Care Manager.

Thursdays:

Sept.: 26

Oct.: 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 & Nov. 7

2:00 - 3:30PM

Pre-registration is required for this group.

To register or for more information, please call Kathy Larkin: 908.598.5509 or email: klarkin@sageeldercare.org

NEWARK – New Jersey Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) is accepting claims related to the sexual abuse of minors by diocesan priests or deacons of the Roman Catholic dioceses of Newark, Paterson, Metuchen, Camden, and Trenton.

"This program is a sign of our commitment to the continued healing of victims who were sexually abused as a minor by a member of our Archdiocesan clergy," said Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark. "It is a genuine expression of our remorse and our desire to make amends for past transgressions, and I sincerely hope it will meaningfully assist victims and bring them a measure of peace."

Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the claims process and review the program protocol and **Frequently Asked Questions** by going to: **www.NJdiocesesIVCP.com**. **The IVCP will conclude on December 31, 2019.** All individual claims must be submitted by that date.

Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer , 1651 US Highway 22, Watchung, NJ 07069
908-753-2091 :: www.msmhope.org :: msmhope@msmhope.org :: FACEBOOK

WELCOMING THE STRANGER: THE NEXT STEPS (REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED)

Cardinal Tobin's presentation in April set the tone for how Christ invites all of us who are his disciples to open our hearts to those in need of refuge. This program will be an evening dedicated to discovering concrete ways of responding to the needs of our recent immigrants. A panel of four leaders will describe how they are helping and how you can assist them in their efforts during this humanitarian crisis.

Wed., September 25, 7 - 9PM (\$20-\$30 as you are able) Facilitator: Rev. Anthony Randazzo

Panelists: Debbie Marulanda (Catholic Charities), Eileen P. Smith, RSM (Sisters of Mercy), Silvia Hernandez (El Centro Hispano-Americano) and Victor Salama (First Friends).

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. The Publicity Committee also has a mail slot in the rectory for your convenience.

Like us on Facebook:
Saint James the Apostle Church



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
2019-20 season



Union County CYO Basketball League

panthers basketball



The program is open to girls & boys in grades 3-8 who attend Saint James the Apostle School or Religious Education.

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 *

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 23, 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

Matthew Klein ~ Mom



SANCTUARY LAMP

Matthew Klein ~ Mom

A TIME TO BE BAPTIZED

Leo Edward Hebert

A TIME TO WED



A TIME TO DIE

Ludo Nolfo, Mario Mignone

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 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

MONDAY, September 23

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina

7:30AM

Raymond Alberti ~ Mom & Dad

TUESDAY, September 24

7:30AM

Mercedes Agatep ~ Aguinaldo Family

WEDNESDAY, September 25

7:30AM

Florence Impellizzeri ~ Linda & Bob Donnelly

THURSDAY, September 26

7:30AM

Terri Stapleton ~ Linda & Bob Donnelly

FRIDAY, September 27

Saint Vincent de Paul

7:30AM

Matteo Apicella ~ Wife, Angelina

SATURDAY, September 28

8:00AM

Frank McCourt ~ Family

SUNDAY, September 29

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in OT

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Mary Costa ~ Ramundo Family

7:30AM

Anna Maria Villanova ~ Family

9:00AM

Ronnie Fusco ~ Maria D'Iorio

10:30AM

Marge Furner ~ Sam & Family

12:00PM

Bernard Speckhart ~ Bernstein 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**.