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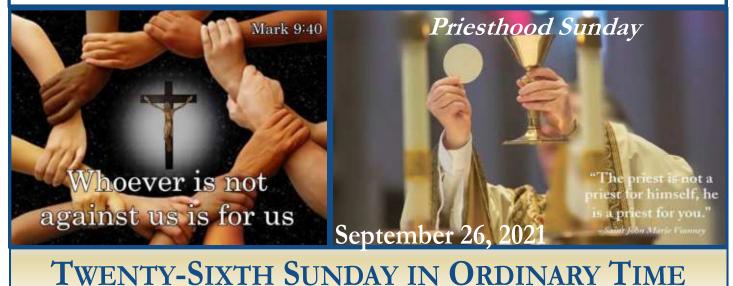
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www. SaintJamesTheApostle.org



#### MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID SANTOS

#### **NEWS AND UPDATES**

A huge heartfelt thank you to all who participated in our in-person Forward in Faith Listening Sessions this past Wednesday and Thursday. Thank you for your honesty, your courage to share, and, above all, your willingness to trust. Please know that I, along with your parish lay leadership, have heard you. In addition to what was shared in the in-person sessions, we will also compile the information from the digital and paper survey and provide a report of the Forward in Faith Listening Sessions in due time. These are exciting times here at Saint James!

I think having our **parish choir** back in action has certainly contributed to the positive energy. Last Sunday the choir sang for the first time at a Sunday Mass in quite some time. Music is an almost indispensable part of our worship of God. It ought to assist us in lifting our spirits as we give praise and glory to our God. We are blessed to have such a talented and faithful Director of Music Ministry here at Saint James in the person of Dan Palko. A big thanks to Dan and all the members of our **wonderful parish choir** who give so generously of their time and talent!

This weekend I begin 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 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!

#### SAINT JAMES SCHOOL LEASE

We are happy to welcome the students, staff, and teachers from the Edward V. Walton Primary School here at Saint James. Due to flood damage sustained by the Walton School building in the recent tropical storm, the Springfield Board of Education and Saint James Church have entered into a short-term lease agreement for the school building until their school is back up and running.

It truly is a blessing to see young students fill the halls of our beloved school building. Best of luck to the students, staff, and teachers from the Walton Primary School!

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS WORKSHOP

On Monday, October 4th, at 7:00PM 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.

#### **QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

There are those who seem outside the sheepfold yet are inside it, and others who seem inside but our actually outside.

—Saint Augustine of Hippo

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.

**SEPTEMBER 26, 2021** 

#### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$8,906.00
\$6,687.00 Mass Collection
\$2,219.00 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.



#### 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?

Speak to one of our priests or call the Vocations Office 973-497-4365.

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

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

The Confirmandi attended their final Confirmation Prep class and continue on with their interviews with Fr. Santos and their retreat. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday October 23. Please continue to pray for our teens.

This week classes begin for Grades 1 through 6 and 8th grade. 7th Graders begin on October 5th. We are excited to be able to welcome everyone back to class and appreciate the adults who volunteered to teach and our high school students who will be monitoring the virtual classrooms.

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.

#### **MUSIC MINISTRY**



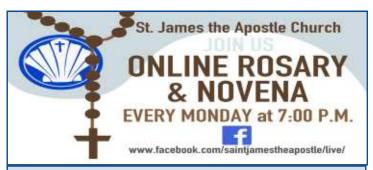
#### SAINT JAMES YOUTH CHOIR

The Saint James Youth Choir is open to students in grades 3 through 8. Choristers experience participating in the parish Sunday Liturgies once a month in addition to Christmas, Easter and other celebrations. Youth Choir equips singers with a foundation in basic vocal technique and gives them individual opportunities to lead the congregation in sung prayer. Rehearsals will begin in October on Wednesday afternoons from 4:00 – 5:00PM in the church. Please contact Dan Palko with any questions: dpalko@saintjamesparish.org or 973-376-3044.

# EUCHARISTIC 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





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!



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 <u>rean.org/sharing</u> 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



#### 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 Afghanis 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 (<a href="https://a.co/01y6qMG">https://a.co/01y6qMG</a>) 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<br>29 N. Washington Avenue<br>Bergenfield, NJ 07621<br>Rosemarie Flood: 201-384-3601<br>www.sirc.org | 3:00 PM<br>Nov 7, Dec 5, Jan 2, Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3,<br>May 1, June 5   | 315 Prospect Street Midland Park, NJ 07432 201-444-6362 office@nativityni.org      | Oct<br>Mar        |
|--|--|---|--|-------------------|
|  | San Agustin<br>3900 New York Avenue<br>Union City, NJ 07087<br>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<br>120 Monroe Avenue<br>Cresskill, NJ 07626<br>201-567-2528 | Sep<br>20,<br>*Pa |



Prayer

Shawl Ministry

Parish Finance Council



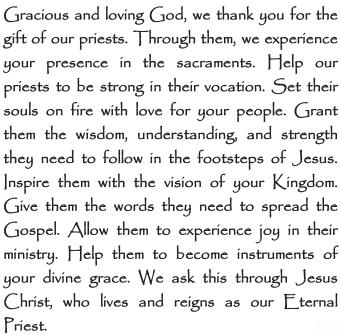




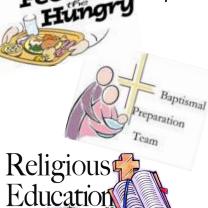


God bless the Priests of Saint James Church!

## A Prayer for Priesthood Sunday



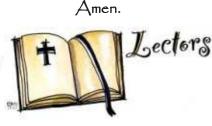




RCIA

Rite of Christian

Initiation of Adults













Thank you from the Staff, Parishioners and Ministries of our parish!

Happy Priesthood Sunday!!!

#### Feasts and Saints of the Week...

#### Saint Vincent de Paul. Memorial September 27.

St. Vincent de Paul spent the early years of his priesthood ministering among the wealthy in the French countryside near Paris. In 1609 he became tutor to the children of the Gondi family, an involvement that taught him a principle for his work: evangelize the rich and direct them to serve the poor. At that time, Vincent observed that many poorly catechized peasants were not making good confessions. He also noticed that inadequately trained priests did not know how to administer the sacrament of Penance. Encouraged by Madame Gondi, in 1617, Vincent preached a parish mission that pointed to his future. He stirred so many people to repentance that Jesuits from a nearby town had to help hear confessions.

Source: https://www.loyolapress.com

#### Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels. September 29.

The liturgy celebrates the feast of these three archangels who are venerated in the tradition of the Church. Michael (Who is like God?) was the archangel who fought against Satan and all his evil angels, defending all the friends of God. He is the protector of all humanity from the snares of the devil. Gabriel (Strength of God) announced to Zachariah the forthcoming birth of John the Baptist, and to Mary, the birth of Jesus. His greeting to the Virgin, "Hail, full of grace," is one of the most familiar and frequent prayers of the Christian people. Raphael (Medicine of God) is the archangel who took care of Tobias on his journey. Source: https://www.catholicculture.org

#### Memorial of Saint Jerome. Memorial September 30.

Jerome was a man of extremes. He lived to age 91 even though he undertook extreme penances. Jerome had a fierce temper but an equally intense love of Christ. This brilliant saint was born in Eastern Europe around 345. His Christian family sent him to Rome at age 12 for a good education. Although Jerome wished to study rather than to be a priest, he was ordained. Jerome moved to Constantinople. He studied Scripture under the Greek theologian Gregory Nazianzen. Pope Damasus summoned him to Rome and had him translate the Bible into Latin, a 30-year task. His translation, called the Vulgate, became the official text of the Catholic Church.

#### Memorial of St. Thèrèse of the Child Jesus. Memorial October 1.

From obscurity as a young, idealistic Carmelite, Thérèse of Lisieux has emerged as one of the best-loved saints. Her simplicity attracts us because she puts holiness within our reach. Thérèse was the daughter of Louis and Zélie Martin. When she was four years old, her pleasant childhood was interrupted by Zélie's untimely death. From childhood Thérèse aspired to become a missionary and a martyr. It soon became clear to her, however, that neither option was open to a cloistered nun. So she sought the Holy Spirit and searched the Scripture for another way to excel.

In 1897, Thérèse thought her dream of becoming a missionary was about to come true. The Carmelites at Hanoi in Indochina, now Vietnam, had invited her to join them. But on the early morning of Good Friday she began to hemorrhage from the mouth. She had contracted tuberculosis, which tortured her for several months before it took her life on September 30, 1897.

#### Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels. Memorial October 2.

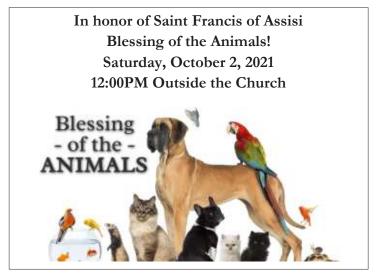
Here is a riddle for you: I am always with you, but you never see me. I am not God, but I was created by God. I protect and guide you. Who am I? God gave us guardian angels to protect and guide us. Saint Jerome wrote that the human soul is so valuable in heaven that every human person has a guardian angel from the moment the person comes into being. Angels are messengers from God. The word angel comes from the Greek word for "messenger." In a very real way, these powerful spirits point out to us the ways of God. Guardian angels assist us in work or study. In times of temptation, these spiritual beings direct us to do good. Thomas Aquinas said that angels are the most excellent of creatures because they have the greatest intelligence next to God.

Source: https://www.loyolapress.com

Union Catholic is Back to School! Please pray for your Saint James Parishioners as they begin their school year at Union Catholic.



Isaiah Irons
Emmanelle Jules
Joseph Kilgannon
Julia Landicho
Dominick Nuzzo
Nicklaus Nuzzo
Marcella Oliviero
Maxwell Rodriguez
Daveigh Wolf





## **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**

Pasquarelli Family ~ Family



#### **BREAD**

For the People of Saint James

#### A TIME TO BAPTIZE

Felix Soriano, Gabriel Soriano, Mackenzie Lynne Spies

### A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, Ginnie Attanasio, Joyce Bauman, Concetta Bellott, 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, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, Robert Hunrath, 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, Filomena Vairo, 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

Rev. Neil J. Collins, Joseph Dorneo, Sister Barbara Garland, Carmen Hernandez 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



SUNDAY, September 26

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in OT

5:00PM (SATURDAY)

Judy Policastro ~ Annette & Ray Alberti

7:30AM

Anna Gallagher ~ Son, James

9:00AM

Neil Kjelle ~ Marylou & Children

10:30AM

Ernest Reedy ~ Eugenia Reedy

12:00PM

For the People of Saint James

MONDAY, September 27 Saint Vincent de Paul

7:30AM

Enrique Gamboa ~ Family

TUESDAY, September 28

7:30AM

Fidelina Bituin~ Gene & Nevis Salle

WEDNESDAY, September 29

Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

7:30AM

Ricardo Sanchez ~ Maria Gallegos

THURSDAY, September 30 Saint Jerome 7:30AM

Dean Bruno ~ Maria Bruno

FRIDAY, October 1 Saint Thèrèse of the Child Jesus

7:30AM

Paul McGrath ~ Deborah Mezzo & Family

SATURDAY, October 2 Holy Guardian Angels

8:00AM

Joseph Pinkava ~ Michael & Valerie Ahrens

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

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

Amen.

#### **TODAY'S READINGS:**

September 26, 2021 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

FIRST READING: Book of Numbers: 11:25-29 ~ SECOND READING: James 5:1-6 GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Beware of growing rich while neglecting the rights and needs of others.

## 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.