

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

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## THE GOSPEL

## MARK

9:38-43, 45, 47-48



TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

September 30, 2018

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## FROM THE PASTOR

It is impossible to say something nice about an individual and something not so nice. We are either friends with each other or not. This is pretty much how human relationships work. When we talk about each other in a positive way, it shows that there is some sort of relationship with each other, either as an acquaintance or a friend. When we talk about others in a negative way, then it shows that there is no relationship there, maybe just animosity.

Jesus always showed us how to treat others with dignity and respect. It is the way to help them experience the care and concern of God for them. If we want to be called his faithful followers, then we have to follow the example he has set for us. As his Body, we are invited and challenged to help make the kingdom of God a reality for all those we meet. The kingdom recognizes that each of us is equal in the eyes of God, and we must treat each other in the same way.

A millstone is a large round, heavy stone. If it were placed around one's neck, it would cause the person to walk bent over until the individual eventually fell to the ground. It is a reminder that our lives have to reflect the values that Jesus gave us rather than the values of the world. Jesus is telling us that the example we give to others will either help them or hinder them from experiencing God in their lives. If we want to be credible witnesses of the Lord, then our lives should radiate what the message of the Gospels are about. The Gospels, and all the letters in the New Testament, talk about conversion to the way of the Lord and the new life he offers us all.

With all the negativity in the world and in the church, we have to stand for something different. By our example we have to show the world that the way of the Lord is the only way for us as Catholics and Christians to live. With all that has happened in our church, it is even more important that we stand for something different that reflects the dignity and respect that God has given to all of us. Or else, what can happen is that we fall into the pit of despair and hopelessness, willing to give up because the problems seem too vast and extensive.

Only good can overcome evil. And if we are faithful to the Lord, then our lives will radiate his presence, love and goodness to all we meet. This doesn't mean it will always be easy, but what other choice do we have if we want to be his disciples? Even Jesus had difficulty with the Pharisees and scribes, but their hard heartedness didn't prevent him from bringing them to the love of the Father. They didn't make it easy for him, but he never wavered from that intimate relationship he had with the Father to offer them something different and better.

As we move from September to October, we know the time of daylight is getting shorter while the nights are getting longer. As we pay attention to the changing of the season, we should also pay attention to the serious issues of helping others discover the wonder that Jesus is for all of us.

**HAPPY AUTUMN!!!**

**~ FR. JOE**

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

**\$6,846.00**

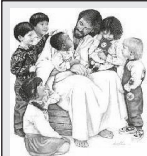
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\$623.00 Online

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**[www.saintjamestheapostle.org](http://www.saintjamestheapostle.org)**

**WE ALSO ACCEPT  
ONLINE CREDIT CARD DONATIONS**



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

*Mrs. Nancy Caputo, Director*

Thank you to all the adults and high school students who have answered the call to share the Good News of Jesus with the youth of our parish!

Next Tuesday evening, Oct. 2nd, we welcome the 8th graders back to class under the leadership of Ann Marie Gesualdo who will guide them through Confirmation and hopefully their high school years if they remain in the Youth Group, which we hope they do!

As a reminder, the only doors accessible for Religious Education classes or meetings with us is through the double glass doors #8 located in the front of the school building.

Has your child been Baptized and not catechized or received their sacraments? Are they of school age and not yet baptized?

Please contact the Religious Education Office: 973-376-2061 or [ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org](mailto:ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org)

**Reminder:** No Sunday classes today  
we look forward to welcoming you back on October 7th.

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

*Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo, Coordinator*

The first night of 8th Grade Religious Education classes is just round the corner.....

**Tuesday October 2nd at 7:00pm** we kick off a new year of Faith Formation. The Peer Team has been assembled and trained to help open new faith doors for our young disciples! Please contact Ann Marie Gesualdo at 201-709-5280 or [amgesualdo@saintjamesparish.org](mailto:amgesualdo@saintjamesparish.org) with any questions or for more information!!

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon!

## CONFIRMATION CORNER!

*Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo, Leader*

Sacrament of Confirmation 2018  
Saturday, October 20, 2018

**Rehearsal:** Friday October 19th at **6:00 pm OR 7:00pm** in the Church.  
Candidate and Sponsors must attend one of the rehearsals.

Detailed information will be emailed to parents.



## PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

*Mrs. Caroline Ponterio, Principal*



### Major Improvements in School Bathrooms

When I became the school Principal in 2015, I created a wish list of things I wanted to accomplish in the school from academics to school grounds and facilities and more. Much has been accomplished but this column is about one recent improvement. THE BATHROOMS!

Over and over again, I heard the question, *"When are you going to do something about the bathrooms?"* It was easy to see why. Counters were detached from the walls. Faucets were increasingly difficult to turn on to wash hands, spraying water in many directions or very little water at all. The lighting was poor. Soap dispensers were leaking onto the floor wreaking havoc on the mops of our night-time cleaning crew. In short, our bathrooms did not make a very good impression.

Beginning in 2014, Mrs. Dolansky and a group of parent volunteers painted the 1<sup>st</sup> floor bathrooms. Then, in 2015, teenagers from the Archdiocesan Summer Service Work Camp painted the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor bathrooms. Light fixtures donated by the Farris Family were installed in 2016.

At Back-to-School Night in 2017, I made a plea for help with bathroom counters and sinks. Robert Robledo, a school parent, met with me, took measurements and developed a punch list of needed supplies and estimated costs.

In May 2018, on Parish Stewardship Day, Kim Mailley introduced me to John Clark, a parishioner and retiree, looking for a way to use his time and talent to do something good for the church. When he heard of our bathroom dilemma, he immediately got to work. Over the course of this summer, John worked with our custodian, Raul Furnaguera, and Stafford Plumbing to remove old countertops, sinks, faucets and pipes and replace them with new countertops and fixtures. Liquid soap dispensers were replaced with foam soap dispensers. The team was mindful of our parish's hosting weeks for Family Promise and our summer camp program, moving floor by floor to accomplish the job. When school opened, all bathrooms were ready for use. Final touches included polishing existing pipes. *(Not only did John help tackle the bathrooms, he is also responsible for the major rehab of the convent door).*

The Saint James the Apostle School community is very grateful to John, Raul, Stafford Plumbing and everyone mentioned in the years leading up to this summer for their contribution to these bathroom improvements.

Thank you to Father Joe for his support in making the improvements possible, which not only benefit our school children, but Religious Ed students and the entire Saint James Parish community who utilize the school building for parish events and activities.

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2018

Our Lady of Mercy Church, Park Ridge, New Jersey

Hugh Keffer, a long-time parishioner of Saint James will be installed as an Acolyte on his journey to becoming a Deacon at this special prayer service.

We ask all parishioners to keep Hugh and his family in your prayers and ask that the Holy Spirit continues to guide him through his formation.

***Congratulations Hugh!***





## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

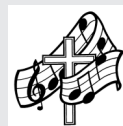
*Ms. Ann Marie Gesualdo, Coordinator*

Our first Youth Group Meeting will be Sunday, October 28th from 7-9pm in the gym! All 8th to 12th graders are invited to attend, and friends are welcome! The Core team and I are working on the calendar for the year so watch for more information!!

All high school students are invited to join the **Core Team**. Core Team members plan meeting themes, discussion topics, community service projects, parties and field trips. For more information please call 201-709-5280 or amgesualdo@saintjamesparish.org

## MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

*Mr. Matthew Wilson, Director of Music Ministry*



Thank you to everyone who joined us at the Stage House on September 18; it was a great evening of community building and sharing! The music ministry fundraiser successfully raised \$2,160. During the next few months we will be moving forward with replacing the church's piano and donating the current piano to the school for their use at various events. We're planning our next dinner fundraiser for January, and we will begin planning a concert series when the new piano is installed.

Anyone interested in joining our adult choir or children's choir, please contact me for details; and to receive a schedule. Adult choir is open to anyone in high school or older, and children's choir is open to anyone in grades 3-8.

Once again, thank you for your commitment to our parish's Music Ministry!



## PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

*Update: Ministry Fairs*

Over the next 4 months, parishioners will have the opportunity to learn more about our parish ministries at monthly fairs held in the gathering space.

Each ministry falls into 1 of 4 groups -Word, Worship, Service, and Community Building. We will highlight one group and the ministries within it on the first weekend of each month after all of the masses. Representatives of the ministries will be available to answer questions and you will have the opportunity to sign up. The following Service ministries will be featured this weekend: **Angel Tree, Blood Bank, Evangelization, Family Promise, Helping the Hungry, Finance, H2O, St. Zita, St. Joseph, Prayer Line, Pro Life, Rosary Making, Wellness, and Hospitality.**

These weekends will coincide with "Coffee and.... with the Council".

It only takes a few minutes to stop and discover the wonderful ways you can bring the gospel of Jesus to His people. WE ARE THE SHEPHERDS!



## RESPECT LIFE CORNER

*Ms. Pat Sullivan, Coordinator*



As a way of saying "Happy Birthday" to our spiritually adopted babies, there will be a drive in October to support Mercy House in Newark. **Collection dates are October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> and October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>** (donations can be left in the Gathering Area)

### **Mercy House Wish List**

Infant and toddler clothing

Diapers – All Sizes

Baby Wipes

Crib Sheets

Seasonal outer garments – hats, coats, sweaters

Children's shoes, sneakers, boots

Strollers

Car seats

Personal care items for the moms – lotion, soap, etc.

All clothing items should be new or **very gently** used. Please do not donate anything that is stained.

## **ROSARY RALLY ON OCT. 13**

Date: Saturday, Oct. 13, 2018 ~ Time: 12:00PM ~ Place: Briant Park in Summit  
(along Morris Ave and Briant Pkwy)

Let us rally and pray the rosary in reparation for the sins of abortion, euthanasia, same-sex marriage, clergy abuse, drug addiction, suicide, and Satan Worship.

We urge you, your family and friends to join this *America Needs Fatima* nationwide Rosary Crusade for the urgent conversion of America. For more info, please contact: Vinny Candela (908) 463-1026 .

### ***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*



### **MOUNT ST. MARY HOUSE OF PRAYER**

**1651 US HIGHWAY 22 EAST, WATCHUNG, NJ 07069-6587  
(908) 753-2091 \* msmhope@msmhope.org**

### **Registration is Required**

**Sat., Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.**

**(\$45- \$55 as you are able)**

### **WOMEN'S FALL SPIRITUAL SPA DAY**

Are you looking for more balance and peace in your everyday life? Come and receive refreshment of spirit, mind and body as you surrender yourself to our loving, gentle God! The day includes prayer and a variety of ways in which participants can learn how to achieve greater serenity in their ordinary lives.

Facilitators: Team

# FEEDING THE HUNGRY

*Claire Bernstein & Joanne Roethlin*

## **THE BREAKFAST BAG ASSEMBLY MORNING! SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2018 ~ SCHOOL GYM**

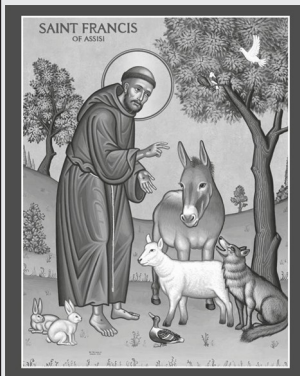
We are asking you to donate breakfast bag items and/or volunteer to help assemble the bags .

### **Suggested Items:**

Granola Bars (6-8 count boxes)  
Individual Serving Cereal Boxes  
Individual Serving Fruit Cups  
Individual Milk Boxes (non refrigerated)  
Boxes of Gallon Size Ziplock Bags

There are 3 ways to sign up:

- 1) go to: [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com)—click on search icon; creator's email : [clairebbernstein@gmail.com](mailto:clairebbernstein@gmail.com); select Breakfast Bag Morning and proceed to signup for the activity of your choice.
- 2) email Chris Gaston at [cresalex@verizon.net](mailto:cresalex@verizon.net)
- 3) sign up in person at the ministry fair in the Gathering Area this weekend.



## **Blessing of the Animals**

**Saturday, October 6, 2018**

**12:00PM**

**in the front of the rectory by the Statue of St. Francis**

## **A RETREAT FOR THOSE LIVING WITH SERIOUS ILLNESS**

**GENNESARET RETREAT ~ OCTOBER 19, 20, 21, 2018**

Have you ever wanted to make a retreat but have been unable because of illness or disability? Consider attending the Gennesaret Retreat at the Archdiocesan Retreat Center in Kearny, NJ. There is no cost to you for this retreat.

For further information contact Hilare Reinold 732-566-7237 or Pat Morris 908-370-9965.



## THE PRAYER CORNER

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



### A TIME TO BAPTIZE

Karlie Soto, Logan Soto,  
Kate Veronica Misiaszek, Mariano Santangelo

### 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, Dina Ledogar,  
Christina Leone, Richie Lipski, Marian Lordi,  
Barbara Ludolph, Simone Miller, John Montana,  
Rafaelina Oliviero, Elizabeth Piedl,  
Richard Quagliato, Ginny Sampson, Jack Silbert,  
Raymond Schwartz, Louis Stiglitz,  
Amanda Tuten, Kathleen Voldish,  
Scott Walling, Anne Wallis

### A TIME TO WED



### A TIME TO DIE

Anna Alfaro, James Bilotta, Lee Ann Galioto,  
Laurie McCabe, John MacGregor, Peter Scocca, Sr.,  
John Seymour, Jim Sisk, Bernard Speckhart,  
Lou Squitieri

### 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

For the People of Saint James



#### SANCTUARY LAMP

For the People of Saint James



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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



**SUNDAY, September 30** Twenty-Sixth Sunday in OT

**5:00 PM (SATURDAY)**

Lisa Agrillo ~ *Parents*

**7:30AM**

Kathryn Janowski ~ *Janowski Family*

**9:00AM**

Patrick Kennedy ~ *Dombroski Family*

**10:30AM**

Marge Furner ~ *Sam*

**12:00PM**

Raffaele Battaglia ~ *Battaglia Family*

**MONDAY, October 1** St. Therese

**7:30AM**

Vincent Policarpio ~ *Ray & Annette Alberti*

**TUESDAY, October 2** The Holy Gardian Angels

**7:30AM**

Gene Mellino ~ *AnneMarie Genninger*

**WEDNESDAY, October 3**

**7:30AM**

Gaetano D'Agostini ~ *Children*

**THURSDAY, October 4** St. Francis of Assisi

**7:30AM**

Richard Fanning ~ *Rob & Sue Hagenbush*

**9:00AM (SCHOOL COMMUNITY MASS)**

Palma Pirozzi ~ *Sisters*

**7:00PM (ITALIAN MASS)**

Jacqueline Antonioni ~ *Tom & Ann Madaras*

**FRIDAY, October 5**

**7:30AM**

Jerry & Helen Bongiovanni

~ *Jerry & Janice Bongiovanni*

**SATURDAY, October 6**

**8:00AM**

Tim Schultz ~ *McNany Family*

**SUNDAY, October 7** Twenty-Seventh Sunday in OT

**5:00 PM (SATURDAY)**

Amelia Montana ~ *Family*

**7:30AM**

John Petito ~ *Angela Ragonese*

**9:00AM**

Patricia Serio ~ *Roethlin Family*

**10:30AM**

Natalie Albright ~ *Susan Grimm*

**12:00PM**

Andrew Gate ~ *Marco & Lisa Ramundo*

***May They Rest in the Peace of Christ***

***As part of the yearlong celebration of the 95<sup>th</sup> 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!





## 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**  
Nov. 18

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
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.**