

JANUARY 23, 2022 | THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, Jan. 29th: 5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, Jan. 30th: 7:30AM - Fr. Dennehy 9:00AM - Fr. Kuizon 10:30AM - Fr. Santos 12:00PM - Fr. Kuizon

DAILY MASS:

Mon-Fri: 7:30AM Saturday: 8:00AM U.S. Holidays: 8:30AM

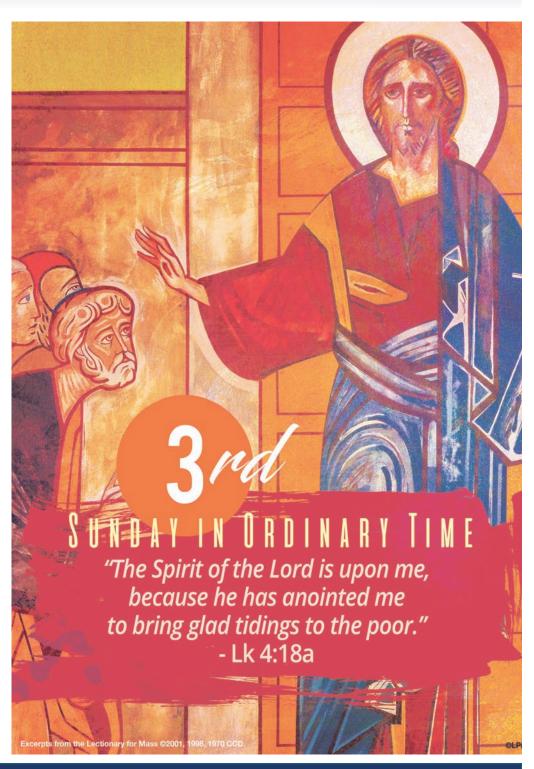
RECONCILIATION:

Saturday at 4:00PM or by Appointment; Please call the Office.

DEVOTIONS:

Rosary & Novena: Mondays at 7:00PM in the Church and on Facebook Live

Eucharistic Adoration: Second Saturday of the Month at 3:00PM



A MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID



NEWS AND UPDATES

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2022

This weekend, Cardinal Tobin invites all Catholics in Bergen, Union, Hudson, and Essex counties to make their yearly commitment to the Annual Appeal.

I want to thank everyone who has given generously to the Appeal in the past. Your gifts continue to support our vital programs and ministries. I hope that you will join me in supporting this crucial program of the Archdiocese of Newark!

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

What's in your wallet?

In one of the many versions of the Capital One "what's in your wallet?" commercials, a man asks a woman to promise that she'll wait for him as he takes care of business with his credit card. She promises, and the next scene shows the man returning, exclaiming off camera, "You waited!" The woman viewed from the back, still wearing the same dress, turns and with a wizened, extremely aged face asks the viewers, "What's in your wallet?

How many of us have felt the same interminable wait for a simple prayer to be answered much less the promises of salvation to be fulfilled? Surely the people of Nazareth, upon hearing Jesus' announcement in the temple that He was the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecies of the coming of a Messiah, must have thought: Sorry, Bud, it's too little, too late. But what they—and most of us—fail to realize is that we will never have to wait again. Salvation doesn't work like a revolving credit card where the balance between debt and credit constantly fluctuates. With the coming of Jesus, we have a continuous supply of blessings just sitting in our back pockets. We are never without spiritual capital or access to grace.

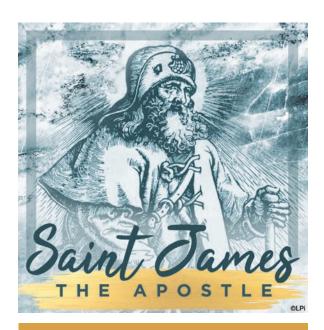
What's in our wallets? An everlasting abundance of love. Go ahead, feel free to activate it.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Know that joy is rarer, more difficult, and more beautiful than sadness. Once you make this all-important discovery, you must embrace joy as a moral obligation. —André Gide

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read.

Responsorial Psalm 19 Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life.

Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:12-30
For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

The Lord Jesus speaks this same word to each of us today - he comes to bring us healing and restoration, pardon and freedom from the oppression of sin, despair, hopelessness, and destruction.

Visit www.usccb.org to access Mass readings online.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS



St. James is preparing to launch a Saturday morning Men's Group. The group will be meeting monthly on Saturday morning to share in fellowship and discuss the Gospel passage for that weekend. The informal gatherings will provide any adult male an opportunity to connect with other guys while at the same time connecting with his faith through Scripture. If you are interested in participating or want more info, please reach out to John Prescott via email (prescottjw11@gmail.com).

NEW BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted. Mt 5:4

Wherever you are on your journey of grief, you don't have to travel alone. We invite you to take part in our grief support program.

Grief is unique to each person, and journeying through it can be painful, lonely, and confusing, but it can be comforting to share this journey with others. Our group will meet at 8:00PM every other week. The sessions include learning about grief and understanding the grieving process, the changes, challenges and choices that occur, coping with holidays and anniversaries, and dealing with feelings of loneliness and being disconnected spiritually.

The meetings will be held at 8:00PM on: January 26, February 9 & 23, March 9 & 23, April 6 & 20

For more information, contact Jo Ann Andrasko jahocswim@gmail.com or call 973-768-6222

Because of Covid concerns, all meetings will be held via Zoom until further notice. Please email Jo Ann directly for the Zoom link.

PARISH EVENTS & MINISTRIES



New Health & Wellness information sheets have been placed in the Wellness Ministry brochure holder on the table in the gathering area. This quarter topics that are discussed are the following:

- Bereavement Services: provided is a list of area parishes that offer Bereavement Groups, included are schedules of meetings and contact information. In addition are details on programs the Archdiocese offers for parents who are grieving the loss of their child.
- Healthy Recipes: Three Immune System Boosting Soup recipes plus two other healthy soups. One is a beet Soup and the other is a Garlic and Spinach Soup. All five recipes are a great way to get vegetables into the family's diet.
- Best Ways to Combat Seasonal Affective Disorder: During the winter months, especially here in the northern areas of our country, the shorter days of sunlight can affect a person's mood or give them a sense of lethargy. On average about 4% to 6% of the American population suffer from this disorder, with more people experiencing a milder form. About three out of every four cases belong to women. The handout will give you additional information on symptoms and approaches researchers have found to be beneficial.

If you have any thoughts on subject matters you would like to see featured in the future, or if you would like to write an article to be included as a handout or would like to be part of the ministry, please contact the ministry at nancy.mahoney.rajs@gmail.com



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January 14, 2022

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

A blessed New Year to you and your loved ones.

I recently celebrated the fifth anniversary of my installation as the Archbishop of Newark. During my homily, I shared the following words, which Paul wrote to his beloved friends in Philippi:

"Rejoice in the Lord always, I say it again, rejoice! ... Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God."

God is always present to listen to our prayers and requests. This is evident in the faith and generosity of people like you who help fund the mission and the necessary programs and ministries of our Archdiocese. Thanks to the support of more than 25,000 families, last year we raised more than \$9 Million to support our programs and ministries. I am also excited to announce that \$1.2 Million was given back directly to the parishes that exceeded their Appeal goal to help them meet the immediate needs of their parish.

Your sacrificial support makes it possible for us to carry out the important work that we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus. Please accept my heartfelt thanks for your generosity and my assurance that we are exercising good stewardship of your gifts.

I have made my own gift to this year's Annual Appeal and I invite you to prayerfully consider a gift as well. The gifts we receive are used exclusively to serve the mission of the Church and nothing more. Despite the continued difficult climate, I am grateful to the people of this Archdiocese for their faith, generosity, and commitment.

Once again, thank you for your faithfulness. May Mary, Mother of our Redeemer and our Mother, protect you and lead you ever closer to her Son. You are in my prayers, and I ask you to remember me in yours as well.

Sincerely in Christ the Redeemer,

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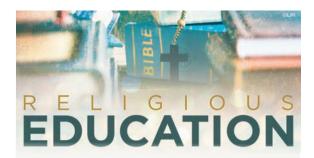
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While we do not have classes for Grades 1 through 6 this Tuesday, Jan. 25th, the 8th Graders will have class at 7:00PM; families will receive an email as to where we are meeting.



Q. What is spiritual communion, and do you need to be in a state of grace to receive it?

A. The practice of making a "spiritual communion" dates back several centuries and St. Thomas Aguinas described it as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him." Traditionally, a prayer of spiritual communion has been used by those who are unable to receive sacramental communion because of health, inability to attend Mass, or who cannot receive communion because of grave sin. This practice has been encouraged by many saints and spiritual writers and most recently Pope Francis encouraged the practice when the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic prevented so many Catholics from taking part in the Mass or receiving sacramental communion.

Although the graces offered in spiritual communion are not the same as those offered in the sacramental communion of the Mass, this practice is still a powerful opportunity to express our desire for union with the Lord and to be united with Christ and the Church, even in an imperfect way.

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SACRAMENTS AT SAINT JAMES



BAPTISM

Please call the Rectory to schedule your child's Baptism: (973) 376-3044

RECONCILIATION

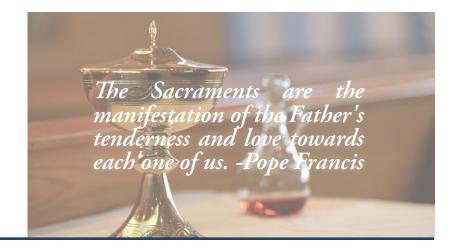
4:00PM on Saturdays or by appointment.

ADULT SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION & RCIA

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.

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.



MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

5PM Vigil: Joe Driscoll

r/b Diane Listowski

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

7:30AM: Frank Oberlies

r/b Sister

9:00AM: Bernard Cunningham

r/b Marcy & Dominic Lege & Family

10:30AM: Patricia Filipowicz

r/b the Kotulich Family

12:00PM: Filomena Palermo

r/b Patty & John Carney

MONDAY, JANUARY 24

7:30AM: Carl Quick

r/b Patty & John Carney

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25

7:30AM: Natalie Vital

r/b Maria Martinez

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

7:30AM: Joseph Camaligan Dorneo

r/b Vincenta Ilagan

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

7:30AM: Westley Kain

r/b Nancy Mahoney Rajs

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

7:30AM: Carl Quick

r/b Francine Foscato

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29

8:00AM

Carl Quick

reg. by Ed & Ann Fanning

5PM Vigil: Ernie Reedy & Donald Ralph Reedy

r/b the Reedy Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

7:30AM: Carl Quick

r/b the Keffer Family

9:00AM: Irene Villanova

r/b Daughter, Carol

10:30AM: John Clark

r/b the Clark & DiLeo Families

12:00PM: Barbara Germinder

r/b Cerreto Family

Lord, Hear Our Prayer.



SANCTUARY LAMP:

For the People of Saint James

To dedicate the Sanctuary Lamp, Bread & Wine, or Flowers by the Tabernacle to the memory of a loved one, please call the Rectory Office.

A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, Dolores Battiato, Jackie Belitti, 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, Ann Graziano, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, 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, Carmen Lombardi, 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, John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Rose Sinopoli, Ray Slater, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Christopher Waryn, 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 BAPTIZE

A TIME TO DIE

Patricia Ann Dowling, Patricia Henn, Joanne Insuato, John Schaedel, All who have died from Covid-19.

A TIME OF WAR AND 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

Jesus in the Gynagogue





Ask an adult or older sibling to help you look up Isaiah chapter 61 and read it with your family. Then read Luke 4:14-21. Can you see how Jesus kept all of those promises?

Gospel

The prophet Isaiah wrote about Jesus a long time before he was even born. When Jesus read Isaiah's words, they described Jesus perfectly. Jesus did come to free peopl from sin, to help those in pain, and even to help blind people see.



Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to help us!



Draw a picture of Isaiah, the prophet, writing about Jesus.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals for January 15 & 16

Church Collection: \$4,747.00
Online Collection: \$2,692.00
TOTAL: \$7,439.00

Second Collection:

Archdiocese Collection \$967.00

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January 23rd, 2022

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." (Nehemiah 8:10)

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.



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The weekend of January 22/23 begins the 2022 Annual Appeal solicitation. As you discern your pledge amount, please remember that the funds you give assist the mission of our parish as well as the Archdiocese of Newark.

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