



SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE Roman Catholic Church

*Whoever eats my
flesh and drinks my
blood remains in me
and I in him.*

JOHN 6:56



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | AUGUST 18, 2024

www.saintjamesparish.org

YOU ARE Welcome Here

45 South Springfield Ave,
Springfield, NJ 07081
(973) 376-3044

Summer Office Hours:

(Closed 12-1PM for Lunch)

Mon-Tue 8:30AM-3PM

Wed 8:30AM-7PM

Thu 8:30AM-3PM

Fri CLOSED

Church Visiting Hours:

Mon-Fri: 8AM-2:30PM

Sat: 9AM-1PM

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, August 24:

5:00PM - Fr. Dennehy

Sunday, August 25:

8:00AM - Fr. Santos

10:00AM - Fr. Paladino

12:00PM - Fr. Dennehy

DAILY MASS:

Mon-Fri: 7:30AM

Saturday: 8:30AM

U.S. Holidays: 8:30AM

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday at 4:00PM

or by Appointment;

Please call the Office.

DEVOTIONS:

Rosary & Novena:

Mondays at 6:30PM

in the Church and on
Facebook Live

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesday Holy Hour
at 7PM

Second Saturdays at 3PM

PASTOR'S COLUMN



NEWS AND UPDATES

In the seminary, I had a language immersion experience in Italian. My Italian teacher began the first lesson by pointing to various things in the classroom and repeating words in Italian over and over again.

La finestra (the window)

La porta (the door)

Il libro (the book)

La tavola (the table)...etc.

When asked early on why he would repeat the same words and phrases over and over again, he responded:

"La ripetizione è la madre dell'apprendimento"

"Repetition is the mother of learning."

The language instructor held fast to the value that the ancients found in repetition.

Today's gospel begins with the same verse that formed the conclusion of last week's gospel:

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

In case we didn't get it last week, these are important words worthy of repetition. Not only does Jesus repeat Himself this week and once again claim that He is the *true bread come down from heaven*, but He also *ups-the-ante* and goes even further. His opponents at once questioned Jesus' meaning about his flesh being true food. In reply Jesus does not apologize for a possible misunderstanding. He does not say that his image was only a metaphor, not meant to be taken literally. Instead, he adds the term "blood" and continues with His preaching to mean that unless someone consumes His flesh *and blood* there is no life in that person. And so, with this qualification there is no room for misunderstanding; Jesus claims his flesh is true food and his blood true drink.

Jesus employs the ancient technique to teaching through repetition. He wants to make sure that his disciples learn this important lesson - for this is truly a lesson worth repeating - for *"repetition is the mother of learning."*

Jesus calls himself the "bread of life." And in calling himself "bread," He is saying that He is the source of true life. In claiming that **unless we satiate our hunger for love and meaning and peace and joy in Him, everything else to which we turn for sustenance will not last, but only leave us hungry again.** What Jesus is saying is that He is, in simple terms, the *meat* and *potatoes* of what truly matters!

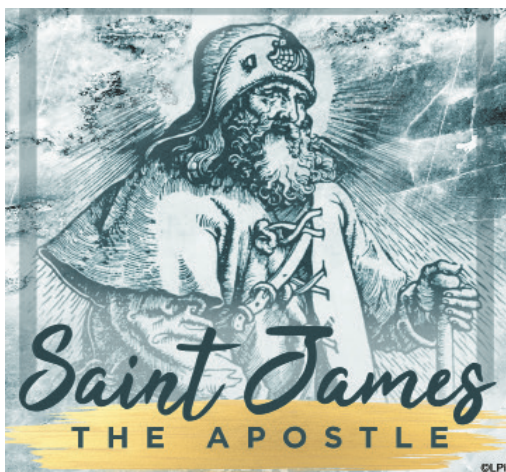


Fr. David C. Santos, Pastor

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Jesus has made himself the Bread of Life. Night and day, he is there.

—Saint Teresa of Calcutta



SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING

Proverbs 9:1-6

"Let whoever is simple turn in here; To the one who lacks understanding, she says, Come, eat of my food, and drink of the wine I have mixed! Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 34

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:15-20

Therefore, do not continue in ignorance, but try to understand what is the will of the Lord. And do not get drunk on wine, in which lies debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and playing to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father.

GOSPEL

John 6:51-58

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever."

Full Mass readings can be accessed at uscbb.org

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Interested in being a PEER LEADER for the 2024-2025 Confirmation classes?

If you are in high school and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. James or will be receiving it this coming October, you should have received an email with the information to apply to be a peer leader for this year's Confirmation preparation sessions.

If you received the Sacrament at another parish but are now a parishioner at St. James and are interested in being a peer leader, please apply using the QR code.



*Before applying, if selected, you **must** be able to commit to:

- A training session on August 29.
- Attending all 7 sessions or 14 (if you choose to volunteer for both groups) plus the parent and candidate meeting in September.
- Attend the Confirmation retreat and the Confirmation Mass in the Fall of 2025 (unless you will be away in college)

Once we receive your application, you will be called for an interview.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ana.

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Family Faith 2024-2025 Registration was due July 31

Please use the QR code below to access the Registration form and fee payment.

Please know a \$50 late fee will be applied.

New families to the program, please contact Ana before registering.

(The form is to register 1st to 8th graders – One form per family)

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the Family Faith Formation Office.

We look forward to walking with you in this faith journey!

Below, please find the dates for this year's sessions:

Family Faith Formation ~ 2024-2025 Calendar

8:00am – 10:00am – 12:00pm Mass

Family Faith sessions begin in the School Gym immediately following each Mass!

(Location is subject to change when the building is not ours)

New Family Orientation: Monday, September 16 @ 7:00pm – Church

First Holy Eucharist parents meeting: Monday, September 16 at 8:00pm – Church

Family Session Calendar

September 22, 2024 @ 3:00PM or 4:30PM in church (choose one) – Parents only

October 27, 2024

November 17, 2024

**December 6, 2024 (optional)

December 8, 2024

*January 6, 2025

February 23, 2025

March 23, 2025

April 27, 2025

**Friday, December 6 – 6:00pm Feast of Saint Nicholas Prayer Service

*Monday, January 6 – 6:00pm in the Church

7th GRADE SCHEDULE (Confirmation Year 1)

Tuesdays - 7:00-8:30PM at the Church

September 9 (Parent and child meeting)

October 8

**Sunday, November 17

December 3

December 10

January 14

February 4

March 4

April 8

**Sunday, November 17 at 4PM to 6:30PM

Retreat at St. Bartholomew

Retreat in the Fall 2025 (Date TBA)

Last session in the Fall 2025 (Date TBA)

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Ana Serra-Prescott | Family Faith Formation Office
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ST. JAMES PRAYER-LINE MINISTRY

Members of this ministry pray for people who are ill, in the hospital, undergoing surgery, or have been in an accident, are grieving the loss of a loved one, or any "Special Intention", (Restored Health).

If you know someone in need of prayers, or if you would like to become a member of this ministry, please contact Maureen Bernor by e-mail: PrayerLineMinistry@saintjamesparish.org.

FOOD COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND!



NON-PERISHABLE FOOD COLLECTION

In the month of August, we are having a non-perishable food collection. This initiative is a great way to help those in need.

There is a need for non-perishable items including cereals, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, mayonnaise, condiments, soups, pasta and pasta sauce, canned vegetables, canned fruit, and anything else you wish to donate.

Shoprite gift cards are always needed and greatly appreciated.

COLLECTION DATES:
Saturday August 17th
Sunday August 18th

*We will collect items before each mass.
There will be a bin in the Narthex area.
If you have any questions, please contact the Rector.*

 **Family Promise**

JOIN THE ST. JAMES CHOIR!

You are invited to join the music ministry at St. James the Apostle as we begin a new season in September under the direction of Mr. Philip La Gala.

Our choir provides music at the 5:00pm (monthly), 10:00am (twice month), and 12:00pm noon (monthly) Masses, from September through June. We also enhance liturgies during holy days and special masses.

Rehearsals take place every Thursday in the Church, beginning promptly at 7:00pm and typically last about an hour.

All interested members (high school age and older) are welcome to join our community of song and no prior singing experience is necessary.

Please contact Philip La Gala with any questions at musicdirector@saintjamesparish.org, or feel free to speak with him after mass.

Our first rehearsal will take place on Thursday, September 12th at 7:00pm in the Church.



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, September 21st
9:00am

We are inviting men of the Parish to gather for hospitality and discussion of the Sunday gospel readings. This is a great opportunity for men to grow in their faith, meet new folks, and share their experiences of their faith journey.

All gentlemen of the Parish are welcome!

These meetings will take place in the upstairs conference room in the Rectory (after the 8:30am Mass). You are encouraged to attend the Mass, but it is not required.

Please email John Prescott at MensMinistry@saintjamesparish.org to register if you are interested. There is no cost for attendance.



PARISH HOMECOMING WEEKEND



Sunday, September 8
1:00 PM (after the noon mass) to 4:00 PM

We will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, mustard, ketchup, and a sweet treat (ice cream).

Please bring your own side dishes, desserts, tents, tables, and chairs.

There will be music and games for the kids!

There will also be a Butterfly Release in memorial and honor of our loved ones.



*Rain Date: September 22

Visit our website or scan the QR code to RSVP.



Saint James the Apostle Church Memorial and Honor Butterfly Release

A butterfly release will be held as part of our Homecoming Weekend Parish Picnic (Sept. 8). You can purchase a butterfly in memorial or honor of a loved one.



Submit this form to Joan Bratsch or Chris DeCicco after Masses or drop it off with payment at the rectory.

Cost: \$25 per butterfly or \$100 for five

Name

In Memory of:

In Honor of:

Total Amount. \$



SAVE THE DATE
OCTOBER 15-19



FESTIVAL



GAMES * RIDES
FOOD * BEER TENT
TIN CAN BASKET
AUCTION AND MUCH MORE FUN!

ST. JAMES TIN CAN AUCTION NEEDS YOUR CONTRIBUTION!

One of the major highlights of the annual Saint James the Apostle Parish Festival is the Tin Can Auction—and 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 through the Rectory office at **973-376-3044** or you can email tincanauction@saintjamesparish.org.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Catholic Women's SILENT Retreat

Come join the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal
for a time of spiritual renewal as they talk and explain about

LORD, TO WHOM SHALL WE GO



It will be held on August 30 thru September 1, 2024
at the Loyola Jesuit Center - 16 James Street
Morristown, NJ 07960

COST: \$300 Single Room
(only single rooms with shared bathrooms)

Fee covers: Room - Linens - Dinner on Friday
3 meals on Saturday, 2 meals on Sunday

Bring a snack for the share table
or any special drinks you prefer
and a coffee mug if you like.

Mass every day
Adoration through the night
Confession will be available.

*****THIS WILL BE OUR 12th YEAR OF RETREATS*****

Please call the Rectory 973.376.3044 for registration information



Rachel's VINEYARD

Healing the pain of abortion - one weekend at a time



RESPECT LIFE
Office of the Archdiocese of Newark

2024 Retreat Dates



September 20-22, 2024



For more details, please call Cheryl Riley,
Director of the Respect Life Office at
973.497.4350 or via email at
cheryl.riley@rcan.org

Hope... Healing... Forgiveness

pray. wait. *trust.*

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Holy Year Pilgrimage to Italy

September 30 – October 10, 2025

Join Bishop Elias Lorenzo, O.S.B., on a special pilgrimage to Italy
during the Holy Year sponsored by our
regional bishop for Union County.



Secure your spot by registering before
September 23, 2024.

Scan the QR codes for a special message from the Bishop, important
details about this journey, and to reserve your seat!



Message from
the Bishop



Important details



Secure your seat



ST. BARTHOLOMEW ACADEMY 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR OPEN POSITIONS

P/T Middle School Math Teacher

NJ certified math teacher needed to teach
3 math (6,7,8th grade) classes.

Part-time, flexible hours.

Must possess or be working towards NJ teaching
certification and have or be willing to obtain
NJDOE fingerprinting and background check.
Will need to take the Protecting God's Children
course through RCAN.

After Care Workers

Must have experience and enjoy working
with children.

Part-time hours after school 2:45-6:00 pm.
3-5 days a week. Flexible schedule.

Must have or be willing to obtain NJDOE
fingerprinting and background check.

Will need to take the Protecting God's Children
course through RCAN.

**Please send resume and interest letter
to Kimberly Harrigan, principal at:
sbapincipal@stbacademy.org**

OAK KNOLL SCHOOL OF THE HOLY CHILD

We will host Lower School Information Tours
beginning on **Monday, October 7.**

Hear directly from the Director of Lower School
Admission, gain insights into our admission
process, and tour our beautiful campus.

Visit our website at www.oakknoll.org or call
the Admission Office at **908-522-8109.**

A Time to Relax



Summertime is a time to relax. During this
leisure time, would you be willing to go
through your closets to get rid of all those
unwanted heavy winter clothes which served
you so well during the winter season? We
also need small appliances, shoes, linens,
sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels,
knickknacks, tools, toys, and children's books.
Please donate them to the Catholic Charities
Donation Bin(s) located on the Church
grounds. Thank you for helping Catholic
Charities continue its mission.

SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM

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

RECONCILIATION

4:00PM on Saturdays or by appointment.

VOCATIONS

Thinking about the priesthood? Are you being called?

Reach out to Father Patrick Seo and the Office of
Priestly Vocations for the Archdiocese of Newark!

Visit www.NewarkPriest.com,
email NewarkPriest@rcan.org, follow @NewarkPriest
on social media, or call (973) 313-6190.

Do you know someone who...

**Was never baptized, or was baptized in another
Christian denomination, and has expressed interest
in becoming Catholic? Was baptized Catholic as
a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of
Confirmation and Eucharist? Has a child over the age
of seven who has not been baptized?**

Saint James the Apostle Church offers an opportunity to
come together in a small group to learn more about our
faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience
of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the
Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist
during the Easter season. There are separate sessions
for adults and for children/youth. You are welcome to
participate in the process with your questions, your
insights and your faith story in a warm, accepting setting.

***For more information, please call
(973) 376-2061***

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.

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

5:00pm **Frank Impellizzeri**
r/b Michael and Theresa Quick
Mary Jane Isola
r/b Roethlin Family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am **Jim Genco**
r/b Pat Sullivan
Thomas Botte
r/b Consales Family
10:00am **Maria and Silvio Lombardi**
r/b Rita Lombardi and
Angela & Pasquale Mazzacuva
Ronnie Fusco
r/b Carmela Fusco
12:00pm **Gene Melleno**
r/b Robin, Wife
Gloria Rivano
r/b Marion Rivano

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

7:30am **Mary Glynn**
r/b Corbett Family

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

Saint Bernard
7:30am **Deceased Friends and Relatives
of the Bodeur Family**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

Saint Pius X
7:30am **Angela Raimondo**
r/b Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser and
Marianne Van Volkenburgh

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30am **Joseph Graziano**
r/b Danielle DiLeo and
Anthony Menza

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

7:30am **Edward Drummond**
r/b Corbett Family

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

Saint Bartholomew
8:30am **Cesar and Edward Rivano**
r/b Marion Rivano
5:00pm **Daniel Raimondo**
r/b Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser and
Marianne Van Volkenburgh
Silvio David
r/b Patricia David

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am **Jim Genco**
r/b Marylou Morano Kjelle
Thomas Botte
r/b Botte Family
10:00am **Antony Lofredo**
r/b JoAnn Lofredo
Pasquale and Giovanna Circelli
r/b Anthony and Carmelina Reino
12:00pm **Grace Clementi**
r/b Hyman Family
Ronnie Whitlow
r/b Kathy Rosenberger and Family



SANCTUARY LAMP:
The People of Saint James

BREAD & WINE:
John Mannarino
r/b The Mannarino Family

*To memorialize the Sanctuary Lamp by the Tabernacle
or the Bread and Wine, please call the Rectory Office.*

A TIME TO BAPTIZE

Lucas Alexander Araya,
Gianna Sophia Cirelli, Emilia Regina Frias

A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Anelli, Jackie Belitti, Anita C. Bentz, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Deacon Jerome Bongiovanni, Victoria Burns, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Thara Chandran, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, James Curry, Diane Deitz, Jean DePasquale, Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., Marguerite Duchantier, Victoria Egner, Luca Favia, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Ann Graziano, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Laura Hughes, Eddie Jenna, Dana Kelley, Dexter Kennedy, Art Kistler, Irene Kurpieski, Camille LaTouche, Dina Ledogar, Maureen Le Goff, Lucille Lerner, Andy Lindgren, Angelina Lipski, Chenoa Lipski, Richie Lipski, Menotti Joseph Lombardi, Jr., Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Erica Luther, Toni Ann Marabello, Maria Martino Fender, John Mannarino, Angie Mazzarisi, Thomas McGarvey, 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., Erin Pado, John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Ray Slater, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall

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

Peter Battaglia, Sister Mary Kuiken,
John Montana, Jr., Dorothy Wright,

A TIME OF WAR AND PEACE

Tim Arentz, Lance Corporal Kevin Bernor, Brian Braine, Sean Curran, Maj. Sean P. Eadie, Stacy Enyeart, David Fenton, Shane Fenton, Luis Fonseca, LCPL Christopher P. Garrigan, 2LT Christopher W. Impellizzeri, Capt. Brian Jacobs, LCPL Kyle Thomas Lynaugh, Stephen Patricco, Aric Patten, Phillip Patten, Aaron Pluto, 1LT John Rogacki, Capt. Stacia Rogacki, Capt. Stephen Rogacki, 2LT Raymond Williamson

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

DO YOU LIVE IN UNION COUNTY AND NEED HELP WITH:

Housing Insecurity?
Rental Assistance?
Legal Representation?
Credit Counseling and more?

Please contact JOE CORREA immediately:
jcorrea@thewaterfrontproject.org



flocknote

As part of our effort to communicate more effectively with you, we have launched an e-newsletter through a platform called Flocknote. The newsletter will contain parish news, event updates, and much more. Here's how you can sign up: Text **NEWSLETTER** to **84576** OR Sign up on the website: saintjamestheapostle.flocknote.com

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals

Weekend of August 10 & 11

Regular Collection:	\$	5,271.00
Online Giving:	\$	4,325.00
Total:	\$	9,596.00

We accept online credit card donations. Parishioners wishing to mail-in or drop off their weekly contribution in the Rectory mail slot are welcome to do so.



ONLINE GIVING

To sign up for Online Giving, please visit saintjamesparish.org or scan the QR code with your smartphone.

Thank you for your generosity!

FRAUD ALERT: Please be aware that 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.



FINANCE

Parish Finance Council

FINANCE COUNCIL CORNER

Did you know?...

The Parish has a **Building Maintenance Fund**. Donations to this fund support the parish's ability to address maintenance needs around the campus. You can make donations anytime to the Building Maintenance Fund but look for the second collection the weekend of August 24/25.

Remember...

Give, and it will be given to you.
Luke 6:38

ST. JAMES BOUTIQUE

Be sure to visit the online boutique for Saint James the Apostle Parish commemorative apparel and items. We have hoodies, quarter-zips, polos, and more!

Scan the QR code to check out all of our merchandise!



RSVP TODAY!

Msgr. Francis X. Coyle
Council 5560 Columbiettes



**CASINO
BUS TRIP**

**\$50
PP.**

Includes \$25 Play Money

Sunday, October 20th

Join the Columbiettes to enjoy a fun day at
Wind Creek Casino in Bethlehem PA.

Bus departs Knights of Columbus parking lot
at 9:30 am sharp and leaves PA at 4:00 pm

60 Harvard St. Summit (GPS)

Profits will benefit Francis X. Coyle Columbiettes Charities

RSVP: Diane @201-787-2737 or kostibosd@gmail.com

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