

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE Roman Catholic Church

O GOD, LET ALL THE NATIONS PRAISE YOU!

PSALM 67

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | AUGUST 20, 2023 www.saintjamesparish.org



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

Summer Office Hours: Mon-Thur 8:30AM-3PM Closed Fridays through September 1st) (Closed 12-1PM for Lunch)

Church Visiting Hours: Mon-Fri: 8AM-2:30PM Sat: 9AM-1PM

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, August 26: 5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, August 27: 8:00AM - Fr. Paladino 10:00AM - Fr. Dennehy 12:00PM - Fr. Santos

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 7:00PM in the Church and on Facebook Live

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday Holy Hour at 7PM

Second Saturdays at 3PM

PASTOR'S COLUMN



Reflection on the Readings

Necessity may be the mother of invention, but it is often mothers in need who are driven to be inventive for the sake of their children. Such was the story of Sephali Begum, a 26-year-old single mother from Bangladesh who, in concern for the future of her daughter, took the desperate step of offering to sell one of her own eyes. She intended to use the proceeds to buy land that would provide for her daughter after her own death. She was willing to sacrifice

her very self to protect her daughter from a horrible future beset by the demons of shame, poverty, and abuse. Her courage in desperate straits attracted the world's attention, and individuals and groups responded to her and her daughter's plight, providing for the daughter's future with generosity.

The Canaanite woman in today's gospel was likewise in desperate straits because her daughter was beset by a demon. She took the inventive step of approaching someone, a man nonetheless, of another ethnic group because she believed he could help her. And she showed fierce-mother-love when Jesus was about to dismiss her as unworthy of receiving the message he came to proclaim. The ferocity of her faith made Jesus reconsider his response to her. She taught him (and us) that a mother's love knows no bounds—and neither should God's.

-Fr. David Santos, Pastor



Quote of the Week

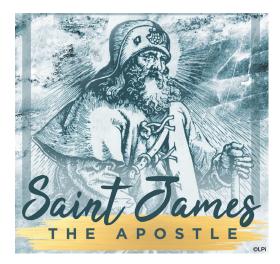
"That is our vocation: to convert . . . the enemy into a guest and to create the free and fearless space where brotherhood and sisterhood can be formed and fully experienced." -Henri J.M. Nouwen

REGISTER FOR FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Seeking to grow in faith as a family? Family Faith Formation at Saint James is the place for you!

There is still time to register for Family Faith Formation! St. James the Apostle Families with children in 1st – 6th grade are invited to attend one session a month. At least one parent is required to attend with their children, but both are highly encouraged. Sessions will run for two hours, beginning with Mass, and followed by a welcome and introduction to the theme for the month. Then, children will gather into age-appropriate groups for a deeper dive into that theme. During that time, we will offer a parent session that helps support your families practically in how to best develop the faith at home. Each session concludes with a family activity/ experience that ties into the monthly theme and a resource to continue the conversation at home.

If you'd like to register or learn more, please reach out to our Director of Family Faith Formation, Ana Serra-Prescott at (973) 376-2061 or by email at aprescott@saintjamesparish.org. We look forward to walking with you!



SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING Isaian 56:1, 6-7

Thus says the LORD: Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 67

O God, let all the nations praise you!

SECOND READING Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Matthew 4:23

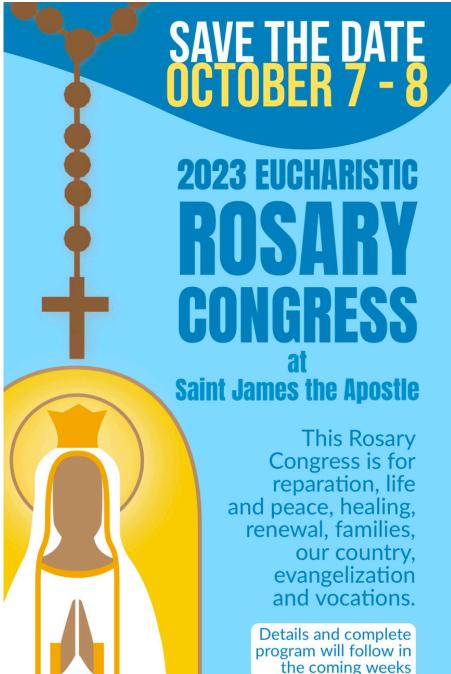
Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom and cured every disease among the people.

GOSPEL Matthew 15:21-28

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.

Full Mass readings can be accessed at usccb.org

UPCOMING EVENTS



AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Divorce Support Gatherings at Little Flower Church in Berkeley Heights

You are not alone. Beginning in October, the Church of the Little Flower will be offering Surviving Divorce, a support group for those who are contemplating divorce, are currently in the process of divorce, or have completed the process either recently or years ago. The group will meet on Wednesday evenings for 10 weeks beginning October 18. Open to all denominations; \$25 fee covers all materials. Registration is required: please RSVP via email to divorceministry.lf@gmail.com. Find comfort, hope, and healing before, during and after divorce.





You're Invited To The

ALUMNI GRAND REUNION

September 8, 2023 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Springfield - Hillside Elks
80 Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ

\$35 per person • Cash Bar • Light Fare RSVP: SchoolAlumni@saintjamesparish.org



Scan the QR code for online payments or write a check payable to "Saint James Parish" and mailed to the rectory office: 45 South Springfield Ave, Springfield NJ 07081. Reference "Alumni Reunion". For questions please call the rectory Office at 973-376-3044 or the email provided on this flyer.



SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

Celebrating 100 Years!

The Centennial Committee looks forward to this special weekend to gather as a parish family!

Centennial Mass with His Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Tobin

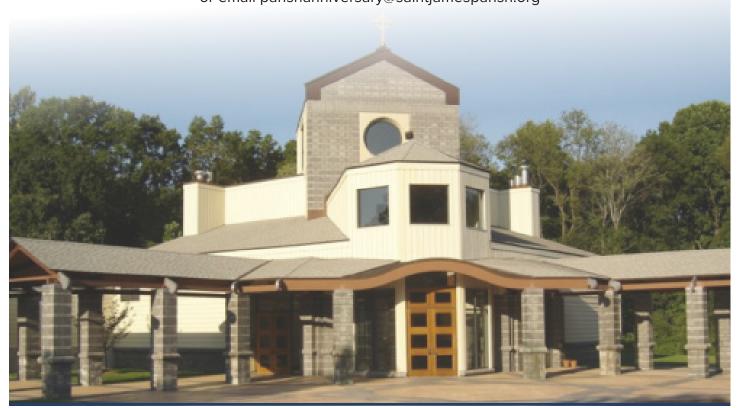
Saturday, September 9th at 5:00PM Mass with Light Reception to Follow

Parish Family Picnic

Sunday, September 10th at 1:00PM Barbecue food, soft drinks provided

45 S. Springfield Ave, Springfield, NJ 07081

RSVP is required by August 28, 2023 Call (973) 376-3044 or email parishanniversary@saintjamesparish.org



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

Centennial Prayer:

Heavenly Father, with grateful hearts and a steadfast spirit, we jubilantly commemorate one hundred years as a community of faith, under the patronage of Saint James the Apostle. Remembering the past, we honor the dedication and faithfulness of our forebearers, those who have built our community on the solid rock of faith in Jesus Christ. We will never forget the sacrificial love on which they built this church. In gratitude, we celebrate your ever faithful presence among us. In Word, in Sacrament, and in each other, you continue to fill us with many graces and blessings. Finally, through intercession of Saint James the Apostle, who was first called to follow your son, Jesus Christ, before being sent to lend others to Him, we beg for the grace, courage, and wisdom needed to lead the next generation of faith. Good and Gracious God, may your goodness and love, which has guided us those one hundred years, continue to sustain us in the present and lead us into the future. Amen.

Celebrate the Centennial in Style!

Check out our Centennial Boutique (online store) for Saint James the Apostle Parish commemorative apparel and items. We have hoodies, quarter-zips, polos and more! Scan the QR code below or visit the webpage to check out all our merchandise.

saintjamestheapostle.org/centennial



Total Amount: \$ ____

Saint James the Apostle Church Memorial and Honor Butterfly Release

September 10th, 2023 at the Centennial Parish Family Picnic

A butterfly release will be held as part of our centennial celebration. You can purchase a butterfly in memorial or honor of a loved one.

Cost: \$25 per butterfly or \$100 for 5

Will be available after Masses or at the rectory.

Saint James Memorial & Honor Butterfly Release Name: ______ In Memory of: ______ In Honor of: ______

MORE NEWS AROUND THE PARISH



Help us form the next generation of young Catholics!

We are looking for volunteers to help out at this year's Family Faith Formation Sessions (for 1st through 6th grade) as Catechists, classroom Aides, and Hall monitors.

What will volunteers be doing?

- Catechists facilitate the small group discussion for one particular age group about our faith formation theme and explain and lead a small group activity.
- Classroom Aides help with classroom management, bathroom breaks, and passing out resources/materials.
- Hall monitors will help catechists and aids when they need more materials or have questions and will
 also be present to guide and direct children to their classrooms and bathroom when needed.

Will I need to prepare anything?

We will provide each catechist and aide with a guide that will help direct the 30 – 35 min session. We will send the small group guides ahead of time so you can review it, but the questions and activities will be prepared for you.

What is the time commitment?

It is a one-hour time commitment one Sunday a month (Sept. 17, Oct. 22, Nov. 19, Jan. 7, Mar. 17, and Apr. 28). The sessions take place after the 8AM, 10AM, and 12 noon masses of those Sundays. We ask volunteers to commit to a specific time session and volunteer at the same time session for each of the six Family Faith Formation sessions.

What experience is needed?

Although experience teaching can be helpful, it is not expected or required. You don't even need to be an expert in Catholic theology or have all the answers. All you need is openness to being a witness of Christ for our children and their families.

Who do I contact for more info?

Ana Serra-Prescott either via email aprescott@saintjamesparish.org, phone (973) 376-2061, or in person.

Thank you so much for considering sharing your faith and giving of your time and talent to make a difference on our children and families!

Family Faith Formation Registration is Still Open!

As noted on the first page of this bulletin, there is still time to join Family Faith Formation! Please reach out to Ana Serra-Prescott either via email aprescott@saintjamesparish.org or (973) 376-2061 if interested.



Going Deeper with the Synod Next Steps for our Archdiocese



All are Welcome!

Back by popular demand, the Going Deeper with the Synod on Synodality: The Lord's Call workshops will return in the fall with four gatherings for parishes that were unable to attend last spring or would like to send more participants. The workshops will provide time for prayer and sharing. It will also explore next steps for our Archdiocese and practical ways parishes and others can respond to the first priority from our report -- Welcome, Hospitality, and Outreach.

Choose one in-person session:

Thursday, September 21 at 6:30-9PM JPII Youth Center, Kearny Saturday, September 23 at 9:30AM-12PM Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, Newark Thursday, September 28, 6:30-9PM St. Andrew Parish, Westwood Saturday, October 7, 9:30AM-12PM Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, Newark

Register at the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/2kvprfxt



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 Priesthood? Are you being called? Visit the Archdiocese of Newark Office of Priestly Vocations. Call: 973-313-6190. Email: info@newarkpriest.com. Social media: @NewarkPriest. Web: newarkpriest.com

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 contact the Faith Formation Office at (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 19

5:00pm Frank Impellizzeri

r/b Theresa & Michael Quick

Lawrence Kaufherr

r/b Angela & Albert Circelli

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 Twentieth Sunday in OT

8:00am Amelia Montana

> r/b Janice Montana Stephen Colligan r/b Olga Vieira

10:00am **Ronnis Fusco**

> r/b Fusco Family **Thomas Giaimo** r/b Giaimo Family

12:00pm Joseph McDonald, Jr., M.D.

r/b Schmidt Family

Angelina & Carmelo Rivano

r/b Marion Rivano

MONDAY, AUGUST 14

St. Pius X

7:30am Salvatore Zotti

r/b Wife & Children

TUESDAY. AUGUST 22

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30am lacobelli Family

r/b Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23 7:30am Helen Fittin

r/b Chris & Clare Jorda

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

Saint Bartholomew

7:30am Joan A. Kelly

r/b Mary Ellen & Gary Capron

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

5:00pm

7:30am **Antony Lofredo**

r/b Mary Ellen & Gary Capron SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

8:30am Arcangela & Gaetano D'Agostini

r/b Children John Montana

r/b Janice Montana

Emanuel C. Sobretodo

r/b Resplandor C. Sobretodo & Family **SUNDAY, AUGUST 27**

Twenty-First Sunday in OT

8:00am Amelia Montana

r/b Janice Montana Serge Andre

r/b Myrna & Marie Andre

10:00am Fred DeCaro

r/b Bernstein Family

Joan Kelly

r/b Ria Zazzarino

Michael Patuto 12:00pm

r/b Wife

Ernest Reedy & Alfonso Cacciatore

r/b Eugenia & Family

Lord, Hear Our Prayer.



SANCTUARY LAMP:

Joseph A. Ficchi, Jr. r/b Rob & Sue Hagenbush

BREAD & WINE:

In Celebration of Paul & Maria Martinez

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

A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, 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, Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., Marguerite Duchantier, Victoria Egner, 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, 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., Erin Pado, John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Ray Slater, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Carol Wade, 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 BE BAPTIZED

Avery Louise Briggs Chloe Grace O'Reilly Sean Michael Chertoff Christian James Becker Alexander Joseph Wolford Emma Rose Önyrscuk Leah Elizabeth Onyrscuk

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, 2LT Christopher W. Impellizzeri, 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, 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

www.thewaterfrontproject.org

A nonprofit organization dedicated to assisting economically disadvantaged people – the working poor, seniors, veterans, and those living with disabilities – to address their civil legal issues and concerns.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals

Weekend of August 12 & 13

Regular Collection: \$ 5,055.00 Online Giving: \$ 3,628.00 Total: \$ 8,683.00

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 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 26/27.

Remember... The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor. Proverbs 22:9

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