

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE Roman Catholic Church

I am the bread of life

whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.

JOHN 6:35

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | AUGUST 4, 2024 www.saintjamesparish.org



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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 10: 5:00PM - Fr. Paladino

Sunday, August 11: 8:00AM - Fr. Dennehy 10:00AM - Fr. Paladino 12:00PM - Fr. Dennehy

DAILY MASS:

Mon-Fri:	7:30ам
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



Dear parishioners,

I pray that you and your loved ones are enjoying a restful summer. As I mentioned in a recent pastor's column, it is important for us to take time to rest and recharge, when possible, especially during this time of year. I am grateful to have the opportunity to do just that.

While I will be away from the parish for the next two weeks taking some much-anticipated vacation time, please know that you and your prayer intention will remain with me. I had originally planned on taking my vacation in Portugal with my family, but I will instead remain "in the area" spending time with my parents (and family) and hopefully chipping away at some dusty books that I've been meaning to read...let's see!

My hope is to return ready and recharged to serve and lead this incredible parish community that occupies such a large portion of my heart. The parish leadership and I have been gearing up for an exciting year to come. I can't wait to see you all soon!

Below is a prayer that I'd like to share with you. It has been on my mind, and I hope it speaks to you (even though it can be a challenge to pray (). Blessings to you and your loved ones. See you soon!

Peace,

Fr. David C. Santos, Pastor

Slow Me Down

Ease the pounding of my heart by the quieting of my mind.

Steady my hurried pace with a vision of the eternal reach of time.

Give me, amidst the confusion of my day, the calmness of the everlasting hills.

Break the tension of my nerves and muscles with the soothing music of the singing streams that live in my memory.

Help me to know the restorative power of sleep.

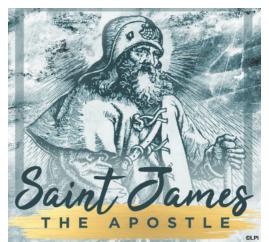
Teach me the art of taking minute vacations...of slowing down to look at a flower, to chat with a friend, to pet a dog, to read a few lines from a good book.

Remind me each day of the fable of the tortoise and the hare, that I may know that the race is not always to the swift and that there is more to life than increasing its speed.

Let me look upward into the branches of the towering trees and know that they're tall because they grow slowly and well.

Slow me down, Lord and inspire me to send my roots deep into the soil of Life's enduring values, that I may grow toward the stars of my greater destiny.

Amen.



SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

"I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them: In the evening twilight you shall eat flesh, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread, so that you may know that I, the LORD, am your God."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 78

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

SECOND READING Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

I declare and testify in the Lord that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds; that is not how you learned Christ, assuming that you have heard of him and were taught in him, as truth is in Jesus, that you should put away the old self of your former way of life, corrupted through deceitful desires, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth.

GOSPEL John 6:24-35

So Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Full Mass readings can be accessed at usccb.org

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

PEER LEADERS for Confirmation classes 2024-2025

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, use the QR code to apply.



*Before applying, know that 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.

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!

Ana Serra-Prescott | Family Faith Formation Office (973) 376-2061 | aprescott@saintjamesparish.org

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.**



PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN - ADULT TRAINING

Tuesday, August 13, 2024 - 6 PM - 9 PM

Saint James the Apostle Church - SCHOOL GYM

Participants MUST register using www.virtus.org

Contact: Nancy Caputo, ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org or 973-376-2061

PARISH HOMECOMING WEEKEND



Total Amount. \$

Saint James the Apostle Church

Butterfly Release

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



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

Diocese of Metuchen | Office of Religious and Consecrated Life



A Day of Discernment for Girls

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2024 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

High School Girls Ages 14-17

LOCATION: St. Bartholomew Roman Catholic Church 470 Ryders Lane, East Brunswick, NJ 08810 CONTACT: Sr. Anna Nguyen, SCC anguyen@diometuchen.org

470 Ryders Lane, East Brunswick, NJ 08816 INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION: www.diometuchen.org/fiatday



OPEN POSITIONS AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW ACADEMY 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

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: sbaprincipal@stbacademy.org

RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!

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

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

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

MSGR Francis X Coyle Council Columbiettes 5560 Annual Wine Tasting



Indulge in the finest wines, sample cheeses. Join us for an afternoon of the perfect wine pairings. Shop Vendors, 50/50 Raffles.

Any Questions E-Mail: skyeceltic42@gmail.com

Sunday, September 15 2pm - 5pm

\$25.00 One Ticket \$40.00 Two Tickets \$50.00 at Door

> 61 Harvard Street Summit NJ

Made will

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**.





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.

SACRAMENTS

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, A	UGUST 3
5:00pm	Ricky Lubischer
•	r/b Mary Ellen and Gary Capron
	Carlyn and Tom Ryan
	r/b Family
SUNDAY, AUG	
	nday in Ordinary Time
8:00am	Amelia Montana
	r/b Janice Montana
	Maria Circelli
	r/b Anthony and Carmelina Reino
10:00am	Paul Brenner
	r/b Angie Benson and Maryann
	Helen and Donald Reedy
	r/b Eugenia Reedy
12:00pm	Kevin Murphy
	r/b Therese Miller
	Brian Partick Moore
	r/b Marvin & Elvira Oakerson
MONDAY, AUG	
7:30am	Thomas Botte
	r/b Judy Sheats
TUESDAY, AU	
The Transfigu	ration of the Lord
7:30am	Frank Dowd
	r/b Mary Vesey
WEDNESDAY,	
7:30am	John Montana
7.50am	r/b Janice Montana, Sister
THURSDAY, A	UGUST 8
Saint Dominic	
7:30am	Deacon Bob Yannazzone
	r/b Yannazzone Family
FRIDAY, AUGL	JST 9
7:30am	Clarita Platon
	r/b Gene & Nene Salle
SATURDAY, A	
Saint Lawrenc	
8:30am	Aurora and Ceferino Gozo
F.00	r/b Ave Gozo
5:00pm	John Montana
	r/b Janice Montana, Daughter
	Albert Uliano
	r/b Clara Uliano and Family
SUNDAY, AUG	SUST 11
Nineteenth Su	Inday in Ordinary Time
8:00am	Andrew DeGregorio
	r/b Dennis Giaimo
	Rosemarie Blastick
	r/b Eleonora Zappulla and Family
10:00am	Daniel Sangregorio
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	Pasquale Mazzacuva
	Sister Marion McNally
12.00	r/b Roethlin Family
12:00pm	Patricia Lalevee
	r/b Barbara Dlugosz and Family
	Thomas Conte
	r/b Lil and Cliff Detjen



SANCTUARY LAMP:

Nancy Georgette r/b School 28 Staff and Faculty

BREAD & WINE: Nancy Georgette r/b School 28 Staff and Faculty

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, 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, 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

Edward Drummond, James Genco

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

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 July 27 & 28

Regular Collection:	\$ 5,486.00
Online Giving:	\$ 4,220.00
Total:	\$ 9,706.00

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 second collection the weekend of Aug 10/11 is for the *Archdiocese Assessment*. Every parish is required to provide financial support to the Archdiocese of Newark. This collection helps to offset our assessment expense.

But do you know how St. James benefits from the assessment *funding?* We benefit greatly by being part of a larger Archdiocesan faith structure from receiving administrative services provided at no cost to the parish such as pension plan administration, legal and human resources services, as well as a number of other operational costs such as property and health insurance expense items that if purchased directly by the parish would far exceed our assessment cost. Will you help us cover this assessment expense?

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



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