

SAINT JAMES

the APOSTLE CHURCH

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SUNDAY MASSES

Anticipated Mass ~ Saturday 5:00PM
7:30AM ~ 9:00AM ~ 10:30AM ~ 12:00PM &
7:00PM (Except Memorial Day through Labor Day)

DAILY MASS

Weekday: Novena 7:10AM ~ Mass 7:30AM
Saturday: Novena 7:40AM ~ Mass 8:00AM
Evening Novena ~ Monday Evenings 6:45PM

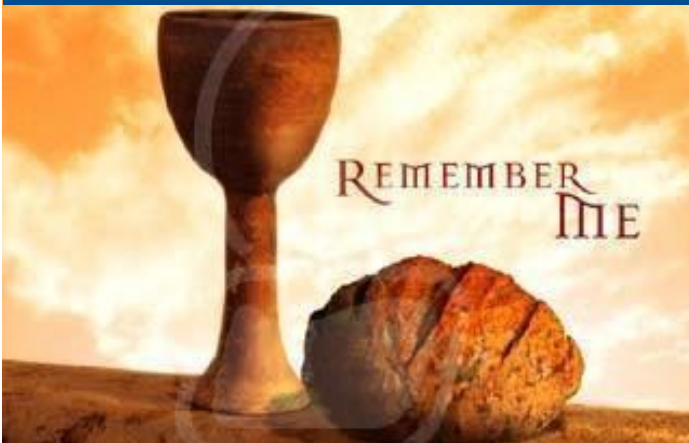
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 11:00AM

RECTORY HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:00AM~4:00PM
(closed daily 12:00-1:00PM)
Closed Fridays through Labor Day

www.saintjamestheapostle.org



Traveling this summer? Here's a helpful website to find a church near you:
<https://masstimes.org>

Type in the zip code or country where you will be. A list of churches with their locations, contact information and Mass times will appear. It's recommended to call the local church to confirm times. Safe travels!



*A Welcoming Community of Faith.
Come Experience Christ With Us.*

July 16, 2017

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM THE PASTOR

Parables are stories that teach a lesson. Jesus taught in parables because they were a way to think in pictures. Since they could not comprehend ideas the way we do, there had to be a way to teach them what was important about the kingdom and following Jesus. Sometimes, we become too rational and can easily confine the message of Jesus to that part of our brain where ideas are stored and used when needed. For Jesus, though, his message was not meant to be just intellectual but experiential. He wanted his people to not just understand his relationship with the Father but to experience it through him and his teachings. Like most humans, they could grasp the message to a point and were more intent on following and listening to him.

When the parables are read in the Gospel, like the one about the sower who went into the field to sow the seed for planting, they are meant to help us experience the relationship of God in Jesus in our life. The story about the sower is about the one who not just preaches the word but begins to live it. The Word is the presence of Christ who invites us to listen and respond to him and to others. We can't preach what we don't believe, and we can't believe unless we are willing to be open and receptive to the power of the Word. Then the Word can grab us, form us and allow us to preach it by the way we speak, act and behave. The message translates into action as we respond to the needs of one another.

Each of us will respond differently to the message of the Christ because each of us hears it, understands it and lives it differently. This does not mean that one is better than the other, just that each of us is different and we respond differently to God and his people, using the gifts we are and have. This is how the kingdom of God is proclaimed and built. What is interesting is that we do this all the time and never give it a second thought. We usually don't say to ourselves or to others, "I am building the kingdom of God." We just do it because this is what we believe. So, the next time we encounter another person, no matter where it may be, we are like the sower, going out to proclaim the Word that Jesus is Messiah and Lord without ever thinking that this is what our lives are all about.

As you may have read in last week's bulletin, the Senior Group of our parish has disbanded because there are not enough folks to do the work to keep it going. In the name of all of us, and myself, I want to say **THANK YOU** to all of our seniors who were so dedicated in keeping the group going, especially **ROSE ANN CITRO, THE FOUNDER, MARY YURINO, PRESIDENT, RICHARD BOSCIA, TREASURER, RAY WARYN, JIM GEOGHAN, MARGARET VEZZA & JOE MESSINA.** May you all bask in the satisfaction of all you have done for the seniors and all in our parish. **GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!**

We have the final figures on our Parish Festival. Even though we lost Friday due to the weather, our profit this year was **\$29,383**; which is **\$3,876** more than last year. This total is with all the bills paid. **THANKS TO ALL WHO WORKED IN ANY WAY DURING THE FESTIVAL** to make it a success. Hopefully, next year's festival will be even better.

HAPPY SUMMER!!!

~ FR. JOE

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

\$10,338.00 Total July 2/3, 2017

\$7,625.00 Collection ~ \$2,713.00 Online

\$7,483.00 Collection Total July 8/9, 2017

\$6,493.00 Collection ~ \$ 990.00 Online

Thank you for your continued generosity!

To sign up for Online Giving go to: www.saintjamestheapostle.org

WE ALSO ACCEPT ONLINE CREDIT CARD DONATIONS



DEVOTIONS AND MEMORIALS ~ *Spiritual Offerings*

To have a loved one remembered, please call the Rectory Office
 Sanctuary Lamp ~ Bread & Wine ~ Flowers By the Tabernacle

SANCTUARY LAMP

For the People of Saint James

BREAD AND WINE

Peter Listowski ~ *Joan Scelfo*

A TIME TO DIE

Msgr. Jim Bouffard, Msgr. Tom Burns, Patricia Cassidy,
 Elizabeth Florio, Ann Martin

A TIME TO BE BORN

Angie Alexandra Villalta

A TIME TO HEAL

Ronald Alaniz, Paul Barbato, Lisa Bellott, Rob Borberly, Lucy Boyer, Joe Brisick, Eva Brownfield,
 Helen Chelis, Phyllis Colosimo, Evelyn Constant, Mary Cuthbert, Dave Darby, Marie Del Mauro,
 Honorise DeSisto, Jay Devenicia, Richard Federocko, Miguel Antonio Garcia, Bea Giacobbe, Ana Harper,
 Steven Hensle, Kevin Keating, Angela Klopfer, Christina Leone, Marian Lordi, Tina Lynaugh,
 Riely McFarland, Charlotte McNJelis, osephine Massa, Brian Mather, Walter Mathias,
 Gene Melleno, Kyle Murray, Tom Muscella, Jean Nittie, Kyle Noonan, Antoinette Pacifico, John Pangiochi,
 Jay Petty, Robert Pruett, John Rendiero, Ginny Sampson, Janine Schubert, Jack Silbert, Rosemary Stoll,
 Susan Sullivan, Cathy Tlese, Sandra Turlowicz, Elvira Vairo, Adam Wuest, Jane Yaremko

A TIME TO SEEK

Peter Carey, Joseph Furnaguera, Diego Arce, Sebastian Valencia Obando, Dhanush Canisius, Harlan Acosta

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

For all those who protect our freedom!

A TIME TO LOVE

Raul Furnaguera and Angelica Cruz
 Travis Meyer and Alexandra Lofredo

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, July 16 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00PM (Saturday)
 Lillian Bandel ~ *Deacon Art & Nancy Bandel*

7:30AM
 Bob & Lucille Purcell ~ *Florence Impellizzeri*

9:00AM
 Rosa Giacobbe ~ *Daniela Voorbees*

10:30AM
 Rosario Alberto ~ *Tatiana & Aldo Pacifico*

12:00PM
 Louis Del Mauro ~ *Mother, Maria*

MONDAY, July 17

7:30AM
 For The People of Saint James

TUESDAY, July 18

7:30AM
 James McElroy ~ *Roethlin Family*

WEDNESDAY, July 19

7:30AM
 Cosma DeNichilo ~ *Inneo Family*

THURSDAY, July 20

7:30AM
 Theresa Weiss ~ *Linda & Bob Donnelly*

FRIDAY, July 21

7:30AM
 Bob & Lucille Purcell ~ *Deacon John*

SATURDAY, July 22

8:00AM
 Lisa Agrillo ~ *Salvatore Congllosi*

SUNDAY, July 23 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

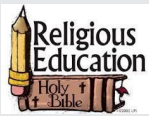
5:00PM (Saturday)
 Joseph & Marie Abate ~ *Nancy Mahoney-Rajs*

7:30AM
 Ralph Ragonese ~ *Angela Ragonese*

9:00AM
 Marianna Manserra ~ *Marie Mateucci*

10:30AM
 Angela Raimondo ~ *Evelyn Raimondo Kaiser & Marianne Van Volkenburgh*

12:00PM
 Louis Delmauro ~ *Mother & Family*



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Mrs. Nancy Caputo, Director

The Religious Education Office is open Monday through Thursday during the summer. If you need to register your child for classes, please call or email to arrange an appointment.

Incoming 7th and 8th graders are encouraged to begin their community service hours. Service opportunities and the 8th grade (only) form can be found on our website under the Religious Education tab, 7th graders will remain using the paper form. It takes many volunteers to help prepare our children to receive the Sacraments and connect our Catholic teachings to their everyday lives. Please consider volunteering! We always need teachers, substitutes, classroom aides and hallway help/monitors on each floor to assist students during class time. If you feel that tug in your heart.... That's the Holy Spirit calling you to this ministry ~ please give us a call or email us!

Sunday Classes take place from 10:00AM—11:30AM for Grades K thru 7 (please note, Kindergarten classes are only offered on Sunday mornings and are optional). Tuesday Classes take place from 3:45PM-5:15PM for Grades 1 thru 7.

Happy Summer!



FEED MY PEOPLE

Mrs. Lisa Gillo, Coordinator

The next collection of non-perishable food, frozen meatloaves and sandwiches will be the weekend of **July 29, 30 before the 5:00PM Mass on Saturday evening and between 10:00AM and 12:00PM Noon on Sunday, in the Gathering Area of the Church.** The next sandwich collection takes place from the school kitchen on **Monday, July 31** between **10:00AM and 11:00AM.** Please note: only non-perishable food can be accepted, fresh fruit and other items needing refrigeration should not be left in the gathering area. Please contact Lisa Gillo 908-232-5304 or: lgillo97@gmail.com with any questions.



PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Caroline Ponterio, Principal

Saint James the Apostle School is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, offering a diverse range of academic programs from PreK-3 through Grade 8. There is 1:1 technology in the middle school, a brand new science lab used by all grades and after school enrichment classes. The school provides full and half-day Pre-K and full day Kindergarten as well as Before and After Care Programs.

At Saint James, we encourage our students to become life-long learners. A goal of our academic program is to teach children the art of critical thinking, enabling them to absorb knowledge in a variety of ways. Working in cooperation with the families of our students, we teach by example and share in the development of the whole child. With one class per grade and limited class sizes, the faculty and administrative staff are able to interact with the entire school community in a nurturing manner.

Saint James the Apostle School has been serving the parishioners of Saint James the Apostle Church in Springfield and surrounding communities for over 60 years. Saint James the Apostle School offers all of its students a Roman Catholic faith-based education which acknowledges each child's individual ability to achieve their fullest potential academically, socially, and spiritually.

High academic standards, values-added education and a safe school environment... when you enroll at Saint James, you become part of something unique and special. There are limited openings in a few grades for the 2017-2018 school year. Contact us at (973) 376-5194 or sjschool@sjspringfield.org and visit our website at www.sjspringfield.org.

NO 7:00PM SUNDAY MASS UNTIL SEPTEMBER 10TH
Parish Offices Closed on Fridays Through
Labor Day

NO EVENING NOVENA ON MONDAY EVENINGS
DURING THE MONTHS OF JULY AND AUGUST

SAINT JAMES PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Want to keep up with events at St. 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. The Publicity Committee also has a mail slot in the rectory for your convenience.

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH

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.



ACCOUNTABILITY WITH HEARTFELT THANKS

Catholic Charities received a check for **\$668** as a result of your donations from December 1st, 2016 to May 31st, 2017. These funds combined with monies from other parishes in a similar program throughout the Archdiocese alleviated the sufferings of the needy who sought relief through the many operations of Catholic Charities. We value our older adults and were privileged to assist 1,999 older adults with a range of compelling needs through 12 Catholic Charities programs (FY 2016). Thank you for being our partner and enabling us to bring Christ's love to the most vulnerable in our society.

Family Promise ~ Thank you!

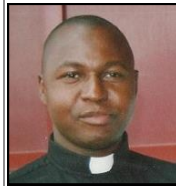
Special thanks to everyone who has given so generously of their time and talent over these past three weeks.

Please continue to pray for these families and watch the bulletin for events and ways you can help during the year. Sometimes there are situations where we are asked to provide meals to families living at other sites; if you would like to be included on the emergency cooking, sleepover email list, please email your name and contact information to:

SaintJamesFamilyPromise@gmail.com

"Faith without works is dead"

Saint James



THANK YOU TO YOU ALL!!

I wish to express my deepest heartfelt gratitude to you all. All I can say is WOW!!! You knocked me off my feet at my farewell Mass on Sunday, June 25th. I wish to use this opportunity again to thank Fr. Joseph Barbone, whose fatherly care makes me a "king". He shared in my challenges and ensured that I live better, safe and comfortable. GRAZIE! I also appreciate Fr. Silvano Kim for his friendship and brotherly love; to Fr. John Dennehy, "thank-you!" for your concern and reception. To the Parish Council I remain eternally grateful to you, to our amiable parish secretary, Michelle Sblendorio, your kindness and laughter really made a difference in my life.

I thank all the permanent Deacons, Arthur Bandel, Jerry Bongiovanni and Dan O'Neill; I am proud of your love. I extend my sincere thanks to Nancy Caputo, Director of Religious Education, Matthew Wilson the Music Director, the parish choir, Kim Mailley in charge of New Evangelization, Caroline Ponterio the school principal, and all the staff and students of Saint James the Apostle School, your love deeply touched my heart.

To all the parishioners of Saint James, you welcomed me with love, joy, laughter, smiles and most importantly made me your "OWN". Your THOUGHTFULNESS is a gift I will always treasure and appreciate.

Thank you for your friendship, thank you for your support, thank you for your prayers, thank you for your soul touching gifts. I am privileged to know you and I am proud of you all. May the Lord bless your kindness and generosity, you remain always in my prayers.

GRACIA, GRAZIE

FR. EVEREST PETER BANIYET NJEI

TUESDAY, JULY 25

THE FEAST OF SAINT JAMES THE GREATER!

JOIN US FOR THE BI-LINGUAL

MASS AT 7:00PM

AND TAILGATE PARTY & MUSIC IN THE

PARKING LOT

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MASS!



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. Please contact the Parish Office for scheduling information.

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. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

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. Please contact the Parish Office.

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. Contact the Parish Office for details.

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
Sept. 10

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
July 30, Aug. 27

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