

# SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE Roman Catholic Church

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Mark 6:34

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JULY 21, 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, July 27: 5:00PM - Fr. Paladino

Sunday, July 28: 8:00AM - Fr. Santos 10:00AM - Fr. Paladino 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 6:30PM in the Church and on Facebook Live

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday Holy Hour at 7PM

Second Saturdays at 3PM

#### **PASTOR'S COLUMN**

#### Why do Catholics offer Mass for the dead?

When celebrating the Mass, priests can offer it for a particular deceased soul, praying that the soul will be purified and enter into the joys of Heaven.

The Mass is a mysteriously spiritual experience that not only unites us with the Church on earth, but also to all those **suffering souls in purgatory**. Souls of the deceased in purgatory are not cut off from the Body of Christ, but are still part of the Church, though they are not yet fully united to God in eternal splendor.

#### **Peace of Christ**

The Church has taught for many centuries that our prayers at Mass for the dead can help them complete their "time" in purgatory.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church summarizes this teaching in its section on the Eucharist:

The Eucharistic sacrifice is also offered for the faithful departed who "have died in Christ but are not yet wholly purified," so that they may be able to enter into the light and peace of Christ - CCC 1371

The *Catechism* then quotes the 4th-century bishop St. Cyril of Jerusalem to help affirm this teaching:

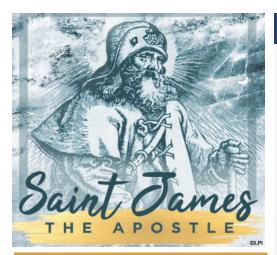
Then, we pray [in the anaphora] for the holy fathers and bishops who have fallen asleep, and in general for all who have fallen asleep before us, in the belief that it is a great benefit to the souls on whose behalf the supplication is offered, while the holy and tremendous Victim is present.... By offering to God our supplications for those who have fallen asleep, if they have sinned, we . . . offer Christ sacrificed for the sins of all, and so render favorable, for them and for us, the God who loves man. - CCC 1371

One miraculous example of the power of the Mass is found in a story about a grieving young girl who approached Benedictine Abbot Millán de Mirando at the monastery of Our Lady of Montserrat. She begged the abbot to say three Masses for her deceased father.

At **the third Mass** offered for the repose of her father's soul, she saw her father for the last time. During the Eucharistic celebration he was "dressed in a snow-white suit," but then something extraordinary happened at the conclusion of Mass. The little girl exclaimed, **"There is my father going away and rising into the sky!"** She no longer had to worry about the soul of her father as she knew with confidence that he had reached the gates of heaven.

Offering Mass for the dead is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church, one that connects us to the Church Suffering and helps speed them on to the gates of Heaven.

Author: Philip Kosloski - published on 07/10/24 https://aleteia.org/2024/07/10/why-do-catholics-offer-mass-for-the-dead



#### **SUNDAY READINGS**

## FIRST READING Jeremiah 23:1-6

Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David; as king he shall reign and govern wisely, he shall do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah shall be saved, Israel shall dwell in security. This is the name they give him: "The LORD our justice."

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

## SECOND READING Ephesians 2:13-18

For he is our peace, he who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity, through his flesh, abolishing the law with its commandments and legal claims, that he might create in himself one new person in place of the two, thus establishing peace, and might reconcile both with God, in one body, through the cross, putting that enmity to death by it. He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

#### GOSPEL Mark 6:30-34

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Full Mass readings can be accessed at usccb.org

#### **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**

## WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR FAMILY FAITH FORMATION THIS COMING SCHOOL YEAR

We are looking for volunteers to join our Family Faith Formation Program to volunteer as Catechists, Classroom Aides, and Hall Monitors. We are also looking to start a Pre-K and K craft room, so that parents with younger children can have that once a month hour session and the younger children could also have a fun arts and craft hour on the topic of the day.

If you have any questions, feel free to speak with Ana.

Also, if after prayerful consideration, if you are interested and feel called to volunteering in any of those capacities, please contact Ana at aprescott@saintjamesparish.org, call (973)376-2061, or stop by the rectory.





The group of teenagers who went to the Steubenville Youth Conference last weekend had a wonderful faith filled experience. They were able to learn more about their faith and develop a closer relationship with Christ through various talks, music, Mass, and adoration. It also gave them an opportunity to meet other teenagers from the United States and Canada for whom, just like them, faith is an important part of their lives.

We want to thank you all for your prayers!!
Darin, Jocelyn, Gabriel, Antoine, Dominic, Jerome, Ashley,
Patrick, Vanisha, Victoria, Penelope, and Ana

#### Family Faith 2024-2025 Registration is now open.

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

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

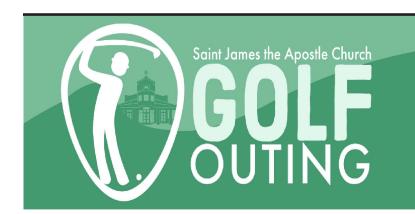
Registration and payment are due July 31.

Any registrations received after July 31 will incur a \$50 late fee.

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!

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



# THANK YOU

FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

50 / 50
WINNING TICKET:
No. 267

**PAYOUT: \$2,330** 

Drawing held: Monday - July 8, 2024

Maplewood Country Club

Proceeds benefit Saint James the Apostle Church

Thank you for your continued support.

# 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.



# FUOD COLLECTION TUESDAY, JULY 23

5:30-7:00 PM

DROP OFF AT THE CHURCH Requested Items:

All donations will support MERCY HOUSE CEREAL
Shelf Stable MILK
PASTA & RICE
PANCAKE MIX & SYRUP
CANNED TUNA & CHICKEN
CRACKERS
PROTEIN BARS
APPLESAUCE POUCHES

Mercy House is very low on food and have asked for our help!

#### **UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

## JOIN US FOR A MORNING OF SERVICE!

In honor of our Patron Saint, James the Apostle

Thursday, July 25, 2024

9:45am-11:45am

Community Foodbank in Hillside





18 Slots Available - All Parishioners 12 and older are welcome!

Please use the sign-up on Flocknote:

https://saintjamestheapostle.flocknote.com/signup/171535



# Saint James is Giving Back to Springfield.

#### Can you Lend a Helping Hand?

A few years ago, Saint James adopted a plot of land called Dr. Eckel's Island in Springfield, just down the street from our parish. The parish is responsible for the upkeep of the island. Together, we can make this a light task while giving back to the community.

If you have a lawnmower and are able to mow the grass on the island one weekend in August, September or October, please signup using the QR code.

You can mow any time you are available that weekend.

Thank you for your consideration and God bless.

For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building. - Corinthians 3:9

#### 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

**RSVP by August 16th!** Visit our website or scan the QR code





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. \$



#### **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

## 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**



#### **Knights of Columbus**

**Union County Federation** 

The Union County Federation Knights of Columbus is planning our second annual night at TD Bank Ballpark to watch the Somerset Patriots (Yankees) vs. the Binghamton Ponies (Mets).

"ALL ARE WELCOME"

Who: Knights of Columbus

What: Baseball Night fund raiser for our local charities

Where: TD Bank Ballpark – 1 Patriots Park Bridgewater, NJ 08807

GPS Address: 860E Main Street Bridgewater Township, NJ 08807

When: Saturday August 10, 2024

BBQ Time 5:30 PM – Game Time 7:05 PM Price Per Ticket: \$50/Adults, \$35/Children

The price includes an all you can eat BBQ before the game, free soft drinks until the 7<sup>th</sup> inning and Fireworks after the game. There will be a cash bar near our seats.

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Please contact Mike Peter at 908-357-5673 or dd18kofcmwp@gmail.com for tickets or more information



# 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.



#### **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, JULY 20** 

5:00pm Daniel Patrick Deeney

r/b Yannazzone Family **Guiseppa and Orazio Vitti** 

r/b Raffaela Conetta

**SUNDAY, JULY 21** 

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

8:00am Anita and Thomas V. Giaimo

r/b Dennis Giaimo **Rafik Abboud** 

r/b Michael and Mariann Condrat

10:00am Dante Ignacio

r/b Gene and Nieves Salle **Deceased members of the** 

Ragonese family r/b Angela Ragonese

12:00pm Robert Ruple

r/b Jackie and Jim D'Arcy

Nina Plaia r/b Lorraine

MONDAY, JULY 22 Saint Mary Magdalene

7:30am Frank Habenschaden r/b Yannazzone Family

TUESDAY, JULY 23
7:30am Al Ferri
r/b Family

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 24** 

7:30am Carmen and Dolores Lombardi

r/b Nick Lombardi

**THURSDAY, JULY 25** 

Saint James

7:30am For the People of Saint James

FRIDAY, JULY 26

Saint Joachim and Anne

7:30am Pasquale Bianchini

r/b Maria Bruno

**SATURDAY, JULY 27** 

8:30am Mildred Liscano

r/b Miberly Cardenas

5:00pm Bill Murphy

r/b Nancy and Nate Mahoney-Rajs

**SUNDAY, JULY 28** 

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am George Pittenger

r/b St. James Ushers
Thomas A. Giaimo
r/b Dennis Giaimo

10:00am Connie Helble

r/b Ruple Family

Clem Daly

r/b Andrew Maybo

12:00pm Viviana Canizales-Latkovich

r/b Wright Family

Diane DeQuinzo

r/b Patty and John Carney



#### **SANCTUARY LAMP:**

John Mannarino r/b The Mannarino Family

#### **BREAD & WINE:**

The People of Saint James

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

#### A TIME TO BAPTIZE

Saoirse O'Donnell, Eloise Rush

#### 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., Edward Drummond, 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 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

### **ACCOUNTABILITY** WITH HEARTFELT THANKS



Catholic Charities received \$1,045 as a result of your generosity to the Donation Bin(s) from December 1, 2023 to May 31, 2024. These funds, combined with monies from other parishes in the same program throughout the Archdiocese, enable us to provide light and hope through the darkness of poverty, sickness, and rejection. Our counseling services provided 11,850 hours of counseling to 3,736 families in crisis in the past year. Thank you for being our partner and enabling us to bring Christ's love to the most vulnerable in our society.



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 July 13 & 14

Regular Collection: 5,284.00 4,340.00 Online Giving: Total: 9,624.00

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 July 20/21 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

#### 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!

#### **OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY:**

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Deacon Jerry Bongiovanni
Please call the rectory to reach Dcn. Jerry

#### PERMANENT DEACON

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#### PERMANENT DEACON

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