

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE  
Roman Catholic Church



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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JULY 9, 2023

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## YOU ARE Welcome Here

45 South Springfield Ave,  
Springfield, NJ 07081  
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### 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, July 15:**  
5:00PM - Fr. Thiago Santos

**Sunday, July 16:**  
8:00AM - Fr. D. Santos  
10:00AM - Fr. T. Santos  
12:00PM - Fr. D. 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

## CONGRATULATIONS FR. THIAGO!



### Fr. Thiago's Mass of Thanksgiving Weekend of July 15/16

Please join us here at Saint James the weekend of July 16th as we celebrate Fr. Thiago and his recent Ordination to the Priesthood. ***He will be celebrating Mass with us here at 5PM on Saturday, July 15th, and at the 10AM Mass Sunday, July 16th.*** A light reception will follow both Masses.

We are grateful for Fr. Thiago's service to our parish during his time with us as a transitional deacon. We wish him abundant blessings as he begins his ministry as a priest of Jesus Christ for the Diocese of Fall River, MA.

## REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

We all sometimes feel like giving up in life because of issues we face that are beyond our control. These issues range from sickness, financial difficulties, death of a loved one, workplace challenges etc.

Have you ever reached a point in life where you try to get help from your family, friends and neighbours but the problem never gets a solution? Have you ever tried to get a solution for an emotional problem using money but your emotional situation remains the same?

Here is the Good News: the answer or solution to your problem is Jesus Christ. He knows all our weaknesses and also that sometimes the little strength we have can fail us. He invites us to offload all our problems on Him, and in return, He will give us His yoke, which is good to bear and light. The yoke that Jesus is giving us, is that of humility and meekness. Jesus is saying that we always feel burdened and troubled because we lack humility and meekness. He tells us to be humble and meek, just like Him and we will find rest.

Therefore, when you fall sick, when you are financially constrained, when you are down emotionally, when your friends, family and neighbours desert you, when you are fired by your boss at work, when you are angry, etc, find rest at the feet of Jesus. Go on your knees, with a humble and contrite heart, and tell Jesus all your problems.

Jesus Christ will never let us down when we seek his help. He says that whatever we ask of our Heavenly Father in His name, we will get it. Therefore with humble hearts let's take our burdens unto Jesus and we will find rest.

## NEWS & UPDATES

### Welcome Deacon Mike!

We are happy to welcome Deacon Michael DeRoberts back to St. James as our newest Permanent Deacon, beginning July 1, 2023. Read more about him in his bio here:

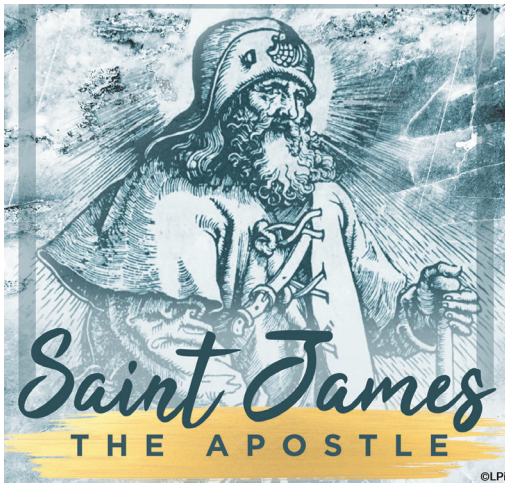


*Deacon Mike grew up in East Summit, NJ and currently resides in Mountainside. He joined our St. James family as a parishioner in 1975. Deacon Mike met the love of his life, Anna, here in Springfield. They were married at Saint James on April 30, 1977 by Fr. Stephen Lynch, who also led them through their Pre-Cana experience. They raised 2 beautiful daughters, Danielle and Lauren, and have gained 2 wonderful sons-in-law, Anthony and Tommy. They are now blessed with 5 amazing grandsons. For the past 45 years, Deacon Mike has been a self-employed tax accountant.*

*Deacon Mike started his formation in 1997 and was ordained June 1, 2002, at the Cathedral Basilica by Bishop Myers. His classmate was our long time permanent Deacon, Deacon Daniel O'Neill. Interestingly enough, the first Mass Deacon Mike served here at St. James was the first Mass celebrated in our new church.*

*One of his proudest accomplishments was being heavily involved in prison ministry for 24 years where he helped give hope and direction to people who had none. He is heavily involved with social justice, enjoys the game of golf, where he affectionately developed the nickname, "Tiger in the Woods", and appreciates a good cigar.*

*Deacon Mike left Saint James in 2007, served a short period at The Church of Saint Anne in Garwood, and spent the last 15 years at Our Lady of Lourdes in Mountainside. Now he is back here at Saint James where he hopes to serve with love, compassion, and peace in anyway he can. When asked how it felt to be back here at Saint James, he replied, "It feels so good to be home!"*



## SUNDAY READINGS

### FIRST READING Zechariah 9:9-10

Rejoice heartily, O daughter Zion, shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem! See, your king shall come to you; a just savior is he...

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 145

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

### SECOND READING Romans 8:9, 11-13

Brothers and sisters: You are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Matthew 11:25

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

### GOSPEL Matthew 11:25-30

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

Full Mass readings can be accessed at [uscgb.org](http://uscgb.org)



## CENTENNIAL YEAR EVENTS

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH



GOD'S  
WORK  
OUR  
HANDS  
AND FEET

NOTHING IS  
SIGNIFICANT  
UNLESS YOU  
SERVE GOD

SERVING TOGETHER • SERVING OTHERS

# PARISH DAY OF SERVICE

St. James the Apostle Parish is going into  
our Community to be of service to others.

## SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2023

Starting with 8:30 am Mass, light breakfast, then  
off to your service project!!!

Morning & Afternoon Sessions Available

Clean up Projects around Campus • Food Drive  
for the Hungry • Visit the Sick • Car Wash • Make  
Rosaries • Pray Rosary • Knit Prayer Shawls for  
Elderly or Sick • Cannonball House Fence Project  
Sign-ups and More Info to Follow

## FROM CARDINAL TOBIN REGARDING "ETHICSPPOINT"

*"The Archdiocese of Newark and its parishes, schools and other ministries are committed to proclaiming the Gospel, forming missionary disciples, and faithfully serving all of God's people, especially the poor. To fulfill the mission of our Church, we must always conduct our work in an ethical manner."*

For this purpose, the Archdiocese of Newark has launched EthicsPoint, an independent reporting service that allows employees, parishioners, volunteers, clergy, religious, vendors, or other individuals to submit concerns about suspected unethical behavior, misuse of resources or financial misconduct within our Archdiocese anytime. EthicsPoint is live as of July 1, 2023 and can be accessed here, via this shortened link: [tinyurl.com/2p8k5428](https://tinyurl.com/2p8k5428) or by calling (844) 675-7687.

The reporting system is **NOT** intended to receive information about misconduct or sexual abuse allegations. Abuse allegations should be reported immediately and directly to local law enforcement and to the Office of the Protection of the Faithful by calling 973-497-4254.

*"I hope the implementation of this new platform reminds us of our obligation to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us and continue to move our archdiocese forward in our commitment through accountability and transparency in the many ways in which we serve the people of this local Church. Let us continue to work together in the vineyard to become always better stewards in the Lord."* -Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark

## SUMMER IS HERE!

### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The rectory and offices will be closed on Fridays beginning July 3rd through September 4th. Office hours remain the same Monday through Thursday: 8:30AM-3:00PM.

### FIND A CATHOLIC CHURCH ANYWHERE!

There really is a app for everything... It's that time of year - Summer vacations are upon us! As we make time to rest and relax, let's remember to continue to make time for God! It can be difficult to coordinate when and where to go to Sunday Mass while you're out of town and travelling, but MassTimes makes it easy! Simply visit **WWW.MASSTIMES.ORG**, type in the zip code of the area that you are searching, and MassTimes will give you the locations of all Catholic Churches nearby and when Mass is celebrated. Or check out the Mass Times app!

### SUPPORT SAINT JAMES THROUGH ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is a safe, simple, and easy option to contribute to the church. This is an easy way to continue your contributions over the summer. Scan the QR code below with your smartphone camera, or follow the instructions below:

1. Scan the QR code or visit our website:  
**[saintjamestheapostle.org](https://saintjamestheapostle.org)**
2. Scroll across to the "Give" tab at the top of the page and click it
3. Then, scroll down and click the blue tab that reads, "Online Giving Portal"
4. Follow the prompts from there to either set up a one-time donation or a recurring gift.

**Scan the QR code  
here with your mobile  
device to access our  
Online Giving Portal:**





# COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Matthew 11:25-30



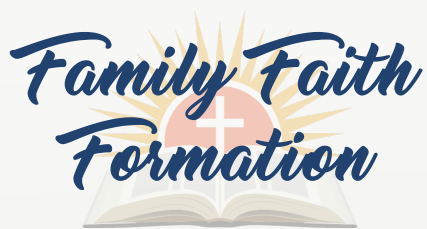
## **GOSPEL**

Jesus knows that you can get tired. Doing your best in school is hard work. You also may feel tired, sad, or left out on the playground. Whenever you start to feel tired, remember that Jesus is with you. Learn from Jesus. Follow his example. Be honest. Be kind. Help others do the right thing. Jesus will help you.

## **PRAYER**

Jesus, I thank you for helping me when I'm tired.





OFFICE PHONE: (973) 376-2061

### Our New Director of Family Faith Formation



We are happy to welcome Ana Serra-Prescott to our St. James staff as our new Director of Family Faith Formation, as of July 1st. Read more about her in her bio here:

*Ana Serra-Prescott is a native of Figueres, Spain. She came to the United States to attend Caldwell College, where she obtained her Bachelors in Business Administration. She went on to earn her Masters in Adult Education and Human Resource Development from Fordham University. While a student at Caldwell College, Ana met her husband John. They have been married for 26 years and live in Springfield with their two sons.*

*Ana has been a parishioner of St. James the Apostle Parish for the past 25 years where she serves as a Eucharistic Minister, a Catechist, and along with her husband, is a member of the mentors group that helps engaged couples prepare for the sacrament of marriage.*

*Ana has worked in the education field as a teacher, professor, and an administrator for the past 29 years. In her free time, Ana enjoys walking and being outdoors, especially when it is sunny, traveling, listening to music, crocheting, and spending time with family and friends. Ana considers the St. James the Apostle community her second family and is looking forward to working with our families in bringing their children up in the practice of the Faith and developing a close relationship with Jesus.*

## 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](mailto:info@newarkpriest.com). Social media: @NewarkPriest. Web: [newarkpriest.com](http://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, JULY 8

**5:00pm** **Cacciatore Family**  
r/b Assunta Cacciatore  
**Janet Skinner**  
r/b Bernstein Family

## SUNDAY, JULY 9

### Fourteenth Sunday in OT

**8:00am** **Salvatore & Cosma DeNichilo**  
r/b Inneo Family  
**In Thanksgiving**  
r/b Jean DePasquale

**10:00am** **Carmine Palumbo**  
r/b Keffer Family  
**Silvio Lombardi**  
r/b Rita, Angela & Pasquale

**12:00pm** **Dominico & Dominica D'Agostini**  
r/b Grandchildren

## MONDAY, JULY 3

**7:30am** **Donato Reino**  
r/b Anthony & Carmelina Reino

## TUESDAY, JULY 11

**St. Benedict**  
**7:30am** **Pio & Dolores Salle**  
r/b Gene & Nieves Salle

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

**7:30am** **Mary Deeney Gervel**  
r/b Yannazzone Family

## THURSDAY, JULY 13

**7:30am** **Rosemarie Brodeur**  
r/b Family & Friends

## FRIDAY, JULY 14

**St. Kateri Tekakwitha**  
**7:30am** **Roseann Ilaria**  
r/b Family

## SATURDAY, JULY 15

**St. Bonaventure**  
**8:30am** **Angelina & Carmelo Rivano**  
r/b Marian Rivano

**5:00pm** **John Montana**  
r/b Janice Montana  
**Antonina (Nina) Plaia**  
r/b Jeff, Carrie & Ben Colandrea

## SUNDAY, JULY 16

### Fifteenth Sunday in OT

**8:00am** **Letizia Salonga**  
r/b Rob & Sue Hagenbush  
**Antoinette Palma**  
r/b Giaimo Family

**10:00am** **Ronnie Fusco**  
r/b Carmela & Robert Fusco  
**Maria G. Circelli**  
r/b Anthony & Carmelina Reino

**12:00pm** **Alice & Joseph Swakowski**  
r/b Cynthia Swakowski  
**Matthew Swakowski**  
r/b Cynthia Swakowski

*Lord, Hear Our Prayer.*



**SANCTUARY LAMP:**  
For the People of Saint James

**BREAD & WINE:**  
For 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 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, 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 home-bound 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

Rose Ann Waryn

## 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](mailto:jcorrea@thewaterfrontproject.org)

**[www.thewaterfrontproject.org](http://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 July 1/2**

*Collection numbers not available at time of printing - please check back next week!*

*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](http://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 second collection the weekend of July 15/16 is for the Archdiocese Assessment... 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



## OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY:

### **PASTOR**

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*Please call the rectory to reach Dcn. Jerry*

### **PERMANENT DEACON**

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### **PERMANENT DEACON**

Deacon Michael DeRoberts  
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