### JUNE 19, 2022 | FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

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#### **Office Hours:**

Mon-Fri 8AM-3PM Closed 12-1PM for Lunch

#### **Church Visiting Hours:**

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

#### **MASS SCHEDULE:**

## Saturday, June 25th:

5:00PM - Fr. Santos

#### Sunday, June 26th:

- 8:00AM Fr. Santos
- 10:00AM Fr. Dennehy
  Livestream Available Online
- 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.

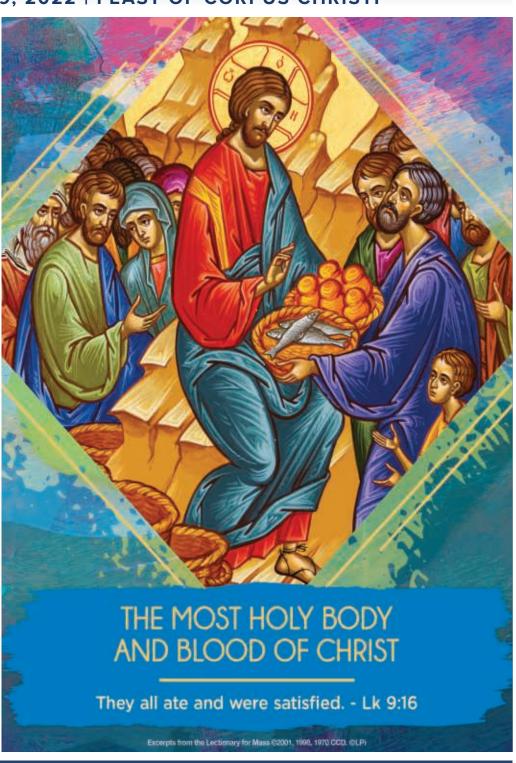
#### **DEVOTIONS:**

# Rosary & Novena: Mondays at 7:00PM in

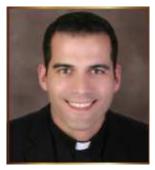
Mondays at 7:00PM in the Church & Facebook Live

#### **Eucharistic Adoration:**

Wednesdays 7-8PM (Beginning June 22) Second Saturdays at 3PM



# A MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID



#### WEEKLY HOLY HOUR WITH EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

We are so excited to announce that beginning Wednesday, June 22nd, St. James will offer a weekly Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday evening from 7PM to 8PM in the church.

Holy hours are the Roman Catholic devotional tradition of spending an hour in Eucharistic Adoration in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. The restlessness and stress of daily life too often keep us from experiencing the peace that the Lord offers us. This peace can be found through an intimate relationship with Jesus in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.

We are fortunate to have this opportunity here at St. James in the church where the Blessed Sacrament is exposed **every Wednesday (beginning June 22nd) from 7PM to 8PM**, and the second Saturday of the month from 3PM to 4PM.

#### **REFLECTION ON THE READINGS**

Have you ever had the experience of getting either to work or home and not remembering the drive? I'm sure that this has happened to you. You stroll over to your car, start the engine, and then you realize you've made it to your destination without any memory of the commute.

We can easily experience this when we consider our lives as a whole as well... except instead of a 60-minute commute, it's a sixty-year lifetime! We get so used to the drive, being on the same street and seeing the same things that we can easily miss what is happening around us.

There is a story involving Yogi Berra, the well-known catcher for the New York Yankees, and Hank Aaron, who at that time was the chief power hitter for the Milwaukee Braves. The teams were playing in the World Series, and as usual Yogi was keeping up his ceaseless chatter, intended to distract the Milwaukee batters. As Aaron came to the plate, Yogi tried to distract him by saying, "Henry, you're holding the bat upside-down. You're supposed to hold it so you can read the trademark." Aaron didn't say anything, but when the next pitch came, he hit it into the left-field bleachers — a home run! After rounding the bases, Aaron looked at Yogi Berra and said, "I didn't come up here to read."

Unlike Hank Aaron, I think too often we are easily distracted by life, even by the ordinary humdrum of the day-to-day. We lose focus of God and so we become less attentive to His presence in our lives. The result of this is that it's easy for us to be dismissive and to discount the small miracles in our lives. And what do we do when we encounter a potential miracle or God-moment?... We shrug it off as mere coincidence with smug skepticism. But there is a part of us that knows that somehow God has worked.

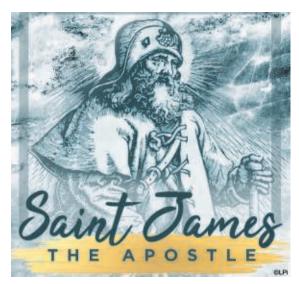
Friends, our participation at Mass and reception of the Eucharist every Sunday is no different. Our relationship with others and with God, the Mass, our spiritual life - all these things can easily become like a car ride that we go on, where, after a while, we no longer notice where we are or what we are doing and where we are going.

But you see, God has given us the ability to see Him working in our lives. We have been given this power. We can choose to gaze at the shadow of God and spot His presence or we can turn a blind eye and excuse what we see and what we experience away. We can choose to see the intricate and beautiful marks of creation - His simple yet mysterious presence in the Bread and Wine - and identify them as God's fingerprints—or not.

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

If we but paused for a moment to consider attentively what takes place in this sacrament, I am sure that the thought of Christ's love for us would transform the coldness of our hearts into a fire of love and gratitude. -St. Angela of Foligno



# **SUNDAY READINGS**

#### First Reading: Genesis 14:18-20

In those days, Melchizedek, king of Salem, brought out bread and wine.

#### **Responsorial Psalm 110**

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

### Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

#### Gospel Acclamation: John 6:51

I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever.

#### Gospel:

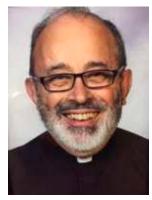
Luke 9:11-17

Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied.

Visit www.usccb.org to access Mass readings online.

# A MESSAGE FROM FR. JOE

When a priest celebrates an anniversary, it is more than just about him. It is also about God and his people. Having celebrated 50 years as a priest, I am grateful to God, and to all of you, and all of the people in the parishes I served for letting me touch you with my faith, my care and concern, and for allowing me to enter into your lives, sometimes at moments which are personal for you.

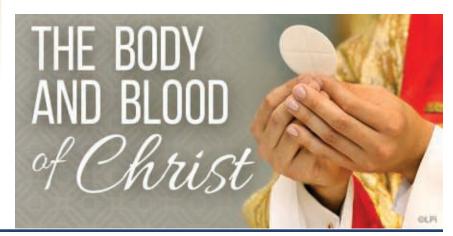


In that Spirit, I want to say THANK YOU

to: Fr. Santos for allowing me to celebrate my 50th Anniversary at Saint James and for organizing the liturgy; to Michelle Sblendorio, for keeping me focused and for cantoring the mass; Nancy Caputo, for organizing the events of the day, creating the worship aids, and making sure everything went well, including the slide presentation; Marylou Kjelle for creating the slide presentation of my 50 years as a priest; Phil La Gala, Music Director, and the Parish Choir, for the music that helped the liturgy be so special; the deacons, Jerry Bongiovanni. Hugh Keffer, and John Wedemyer, from St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold, where I now serve; John Nolan, Chris Capodice, and Darin Cerreto, the lectors at the Mass; Madison & Christopher Capodice and Dominic Cerreto, the altar servers at the Mass; Kenn Fernandez, for livestreaming the Mass, which my family and friends who could not be present appreciated; Ernie Dellasala, who photographed the mass; Carolin Pittenger, Mike Farris, Ed & Bob Grassman, Gene Harmon, and Lisa Jackowski, the ushers who made everyone feel welcome; the Parish Life Committee, for an abundance of refreshments for all of us, making sure we all had plenty to eat; and ALL OF YOU, who were present for the Mass or watched it on livestream, for your generous gifts and warm expressions of friendship and love, and for sharing memories of these past years.

It is a day I will never forget, one that I will cherish forever, as I will never forget all of you at Saint James. You will always be in my heart and in my prayers. THANK YOU! GRAZIE! GRACIAS! OBLIGADO!

-Fr. Joe



# **GRADUATES FROM THE SAINT JAMES COMMUNITY**

#### **ELEMENTARY**

Camila Mahnken Josefina Martinez

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL

Alicia Martinez Gabriella Siuta Dominic Cerreto

#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Grace Roethlin Rvan Tvra Briant Egeonu Michael Foley Thomas Lucas Marcella Oliviero Valentina Turano Nicole Raimundo Sofia Salcfas Megan Vesey James Walter Henry Michael Alban Henry Ethan Veloso Charleze Fernandez Gina Alexandra Kahn Elizabeth Sorvino Mancini

#### Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School Saint Michael School, Cranford

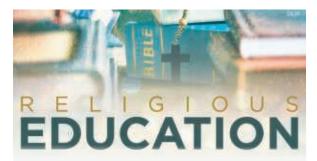
2nd Grade: Edward Walton Elementary School 2nd Grade: Edward Walton Elementary School

Academy of St. Elizabeth
David Brearley High School
Jonathan Dayton High School
Lake Shore High School
Lake Shore High School
St. Peter's Prep High School
Union High School

#### COLLEGE

William Thomas Hodic Nathan Starzynski Matthew Jurczak Nicholas McNamee Madalyn McEvoy Pauline Elizabeth Drummond Centenary University Kean University Montclair State University (Hoboken) Seton Hall University Union County Tech University of Delaware





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There is still time to register for the parish Vacation Bible Camp! Please call or email ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org for more information.

If your child has not received catechesis in preparation of their sacraments, please call the Religious Education Office. If you have recently moved to Springfield, welcome! Please give us a call to register your family in our parish.

Reminder: The Religious Education Office is now located in the Rectory Building. Our phone number remains the same.



Have you signed up for our Flocknote yet? 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 To Join:

#### Text NEWSLETTER to 84576

> Connect online:

saintjamestheapostle.flocknote.com

> Fill out a Card at the info center in the church narthex

In addition to the email newsletter and email notifications, you can also opt-in for mobile phone text notifications for special events, Holy Day reminders, and other important communications from the parish.

#### A PRAYER FOR FATHER'S DAY



God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.

We pray for new fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and care.

We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great-grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.

Amen.

## AROUND THE COMMUNITY

St. Rose Summer Book Club Monday Evenings 7:00-8:30PM June 13th - July 18th

Jump in any time! We are reading A Friendship Like No Other: Experiencing God's Amazing Embrace, by William Barry, SJ. Meetings will be In the Dougherty Center for Life, Peace and Justice. Led by Spiritual Director, Regina Furlan.

Please email rfurlan19@gmail.com to sign up.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Knights of Columbus are generously offering school scholarships for Saint James parishioners and family members, as well as for family members of Knights in council 5560. More than one member per family can apply.



The due date for the scholarship application and backup documents is June 30, 2022.

Scan the QR code for more information and to access the online application.

## **SACRAMENTS AT SAINT JAMES**



#### **BAPTISM**

Please call the Rectory to schedule your child's Baptism: (973) 376-3044

#### RECONCILIATION

4:00PM on Saturdays or by appointment.

#### CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS

Do you have a child that was baptized but never received their sacraments? Please call or email the Religious Education Office - we are happy to help! (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.

#### **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.



# CORPUS CHRISTI

# THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS

On feasts such as this, we recall miracles like the wedding feast at Cana or the multiplication of the loaves. Perhaps we remember the road to Emmaus, when Jesus was made known "in the breaking of the bread." In these stories, God satisfies our hunger in a supernatural way. But the cry of the human heart goes much deeper. "Man cannot live on bread alone," after all.

In the Eucharist, God's supernatural presence takes the form of physical food. In the absence of physical nourishment, the body slowly begins to break down. Without an intentional pursuit of spiritual nourishment, our souls will similarly suffer. Our inner lives need rest and rejuvenation. We need daily connection with our Creator. We need to receive from the One who feeds us. The radical reality of the Eucharist speaks to our deeper aches, to the God who alone satisfies.

# **MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 18** 

5:00PM Father's Day

**SUNDAY, JUNE 19** 

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

8:00AM Father's Day

10:00AM Father's Day

12:00PM Father's Day

**MONDAY, JUNE 20** 

7:30AM Matthew Kuruppanattu

r/b Daughter

**TUESDAY, JUNE 21** 

7:30AM For the People of Saint James

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22** 

7:30AM John Montana, Jr.

r/b Janice Montana

**THURSDAY, JUNE 23** 

Nativity of St. John the Baptist 7:30AM Romulo Kuizon

r/b Michael & Theresa Quick

FRIDAY, JUNE 24

Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:30AM Verna May Palko

r/b Dan

**SATURDAY, JUNE 25** 

**Immaculate Heart of Mary** 

8:30AM Alfred Weismantel

r/b Mary Ellen & Gary Capron

5:00PM Andrew Foscato

r/b Michael & Theresa Quick

**SUNDAY, JUNE 26** 

8:00AM For the People of Saint James

**Ronnie Fusco** 

r/b Carmela

10:00AM Nathlie Monahan

r/b Ann & Chris Burd

**Kevin Morris** 

r/b Diane & Larry Boyle

12:00PM Ernie Reedy

r/b Wife

Lord, Hear Our Prayer.



#### **SANCTUARY LAMP:**

In Memory of Carmella Zara r/b Olga LaPore

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

In Memory of Ray Alberti r/b Kathy Miklenicic

To dedicate the Sanctuary Lamp, Bread & Wine, or Flowers by the Tabernacle to the memory of a loved one, please call the Rectory Office.

#### A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, Dolores Battiato, Jackie Belitti, Anita C. Bentz, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Victoria Burns, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Thara Chandran, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, Michael Cunningham, James Curry, Maureen D., Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., Victoria Egner, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Ann Graziano, Carole Griner, Steven Hensle, Joan Hobson, Laura Hughes, Eddie Jenna, Dana Kelley, Dexter Kennedy, Art Kistler, Irene Kurpieski, Dina Ledogar, Maureen Le Goff, Lucille Lerner, Andy Lindgren, Angelina Lipski, Chenoa Lipski, Richie Lipski, 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., Berit Phair, John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Ray Slater, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Anne Wallis, Elisa Warshall, Christopher Waryn, Peggy Wysock

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 BAPTIZE

Luana Barrantes, Charles Baskinger, Giannina DiProfio, Alessia Marie Filippone, Alanna Victoria Grisales, Ethan Rey Punsal, Lukas Alexander Rosario

#### 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

#### A TIME TO DIE

Concetta (Connie) Bellot, Adelino Silva, Raymond Williamson

# God Always Provides for Us!





Jesus told His friends to give a whole crowd of people something to eat. All they had was a little fish and bread. How could they possibly feed all those people with so little food? God gave them what they needed to help other people. When you want to help other people, trust God to give you what you need.

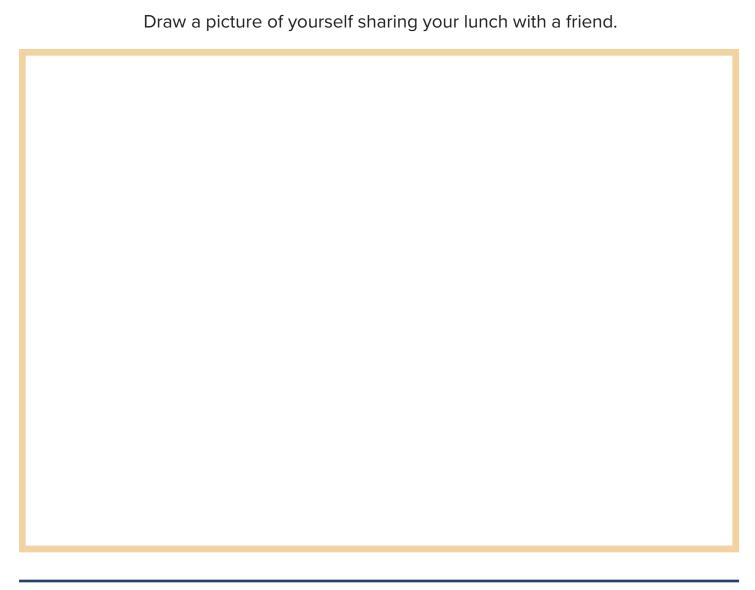


Dear God, with your power I can really help other people.



If your family is blessed with plenty of food to eat, make sure to give to those who are in need!





# STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

#### Collection Totals for June 4 & 5

Regular Collection: \$5,931.00 Online Giving: \$2,765.00 Total: \$8,696.00

We also 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 saintjamestheapostle.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.

# Everyday Stewardship

Have you ever paid attention to the purification of the sacred vessels after Holy Communion? If you haven't, I highly recommend doing so this Sunday. See the care with which the priest handles the chalice and the paten, pouring water into them to cleanse any loose particles of the Body and Blood of Christ. Observe the loving reverence he uses in wiping them dry with a special purificator. It's a ritual unto itself, and a powerful moment for reflection.

These vessels begin as earthly objects. They are made by human hands. There is nothing special about them — not until they go about the work for which they have been created. Until they contain the Body and Blood of Christ, they are only ordinary objects. But after they have carried within them the Eucharist, they are never the same. They will always be special and deserving of special care.

That's why partaking of the Eucharist is, for us, an evangelical undertaking. It is both a transformation and a declaration. When we accept this tremendous gift, we are proclaiming what we believe, and we are accepting the grace to follow through on that commitment. When we are receiving the Eucharist, it is not possible for us to be passive. We become the vessel. We carry Christ into the world with us.

But do we act like it? Do we treat ourselves — our bodies, our souls — with the same respect as the priest cleansing the chalice? Do we treat one another with the reverence we would reserve for a sacred object? When we look at another person with anger or irritation or envy, do we acknowledge the change that we have willingly undergone by receiving Christ's Body and Blood into ourselves?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



# FINANCE COUNCIL CORNER

Did you know?... The second collection the weekend of June 18/19 is for the Archdiocese Assessment. Every parish is asked to provide financial support towards the mission of the Archdiocese of Newark. The funds go towards managing the Archdiocese offices and its educational, charitable and social services. Will you help us cover this expense?

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

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