



# SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

## Roman Catholic Church

JUNE 26, 2022 | 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

45 South Springfield Ave,  
Springfield, NJ 07081  
(973) 376-3044

### 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, July 2nd:

- 5:00PM - Fr. Santos

#### Sunday, July 3rd:

- 8:00AM - Fr. Santos
  - 10:00AM - Fr. Santos
  - 12:00PM - Fr. Dennehy
- Livestream Available Online*

### 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.

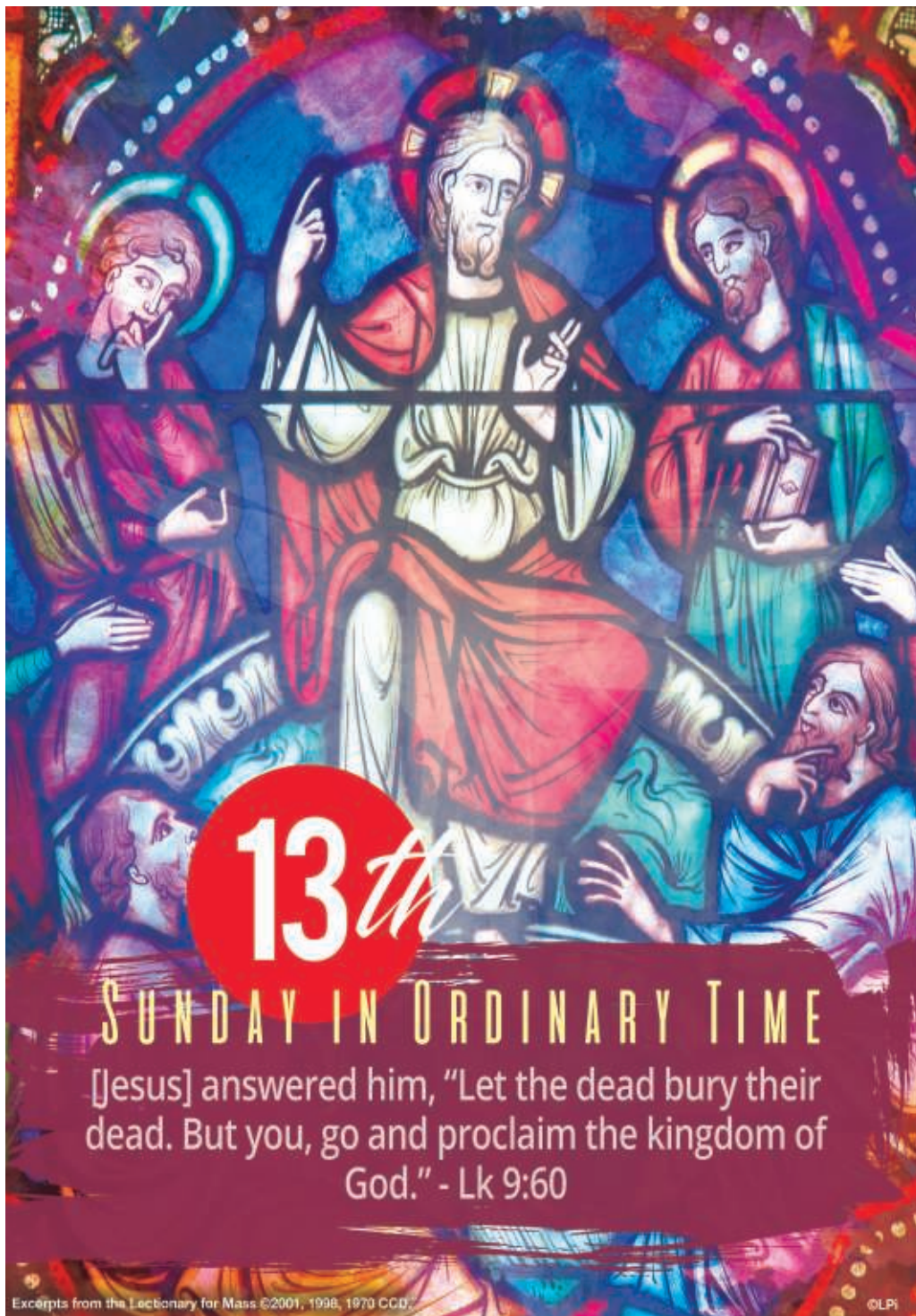
### DEVOTIONS:

#### Rosary & Novena:

Mondays at 7:00PM in the Church and on Facebook Live

#### Eucharistic Adoration:

Second Saturdays at 3PM  
Wednesdays at 7-8PM



## A MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID



### NEWS & UPDATES

Happy Summer!...now, what will you do with it?!

As we officially enter summer, the thought of carefree days on the beach, BBQs with friends and families, that long expected vacation, may be excitingly front and center in your life. While the summer season does, indeed, present us with a blessed opportunity to relax, unwind, and catch-up, please remember not to take a vacation from your relationship with God.

I recently read Gallup's 2021 poll and it alarmed me, yet I must say that I'm not surprised. The results of Gallup's 2021 poll on the religious values and practices in the United States show a decline in belief in God.

Gallup has been polling Americans on their religious preferences since the 1940s. According to their records, belief in God was most widespread between 1953 and 1967, at which time 98% of respondents said that they believed. In the following 50 years belief in God decreased to 81% (2021). The data shows a decrease since 2011, when 92% of respondents answered in the affirmative.

The findings of the latest poll reveal that fewer than half (49%) of respondents feel that religion is very important to their lives. This is markedly down from a high of 61%, recorded in 2003. Nearly mirroring this figure, 47% said they do not belong to a church or synagogue. Religious weekly service attendance has shown a steady decline since a high of 34% in 1994. Today this figure sits at a scant 22%.

Another point of interest in the Gallup poll is found in the section that inquired about belief in prayer. Only 51% of those who responded that they believed in God thought that God could both hear prayers and intervene on their behalf.

In their conclusion, Gallup wrote: "... while belief in God has declined in recent years, Gallup has documented steeper drops in church attendance, church membership and confidence in organized religion, suggesting that the practice of religious faith may be changing more than basic faith in God."

Friends, I often remark that I don't know how people make it through life without faith, to which people almost every time respond in agreement. Yet, why do so many choose to stay away? It makes sense to me that a precipitous decline in church attendance leads to a similar decline in belief in God.

The church – Mass – is the place where the community of faith gathers to not only celebrate our common faith, but, most importantly, to remember who God is and what God has done in Salvation History. The readings we hear, the prayers we say and the hymns we sing remind us of who God is. Absent this intentional, time-tested encounter, our understanding of God (and of ourselves) dissolves into something fragmented and extraneous, plain and simple. So, friends, keep coming to Mass to be strengthened by the Sacraments and to be enlightened by the Word.

### WEEKLY HOLY HOUR WITH EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

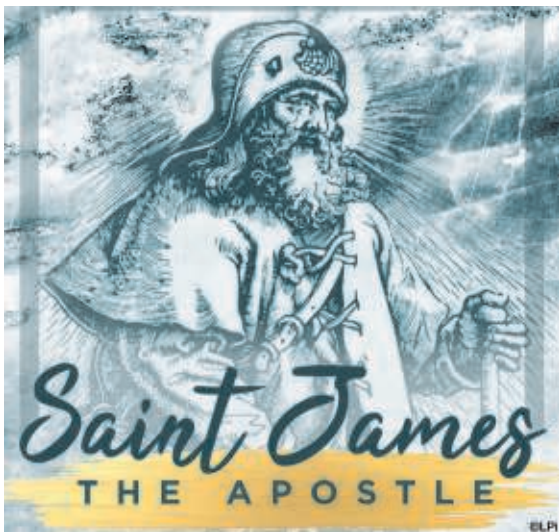
Every Wednesday evening St. James will offer a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration from 7pm to 8pm in the church. We are fortunate to have this opportunity here at St. James where the Blessed Sacrament is exposed every Wednesday from 7pm to 8pm, and the second Saturday of the month from 3pm to 4pm.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*Jesus took the command to love our neighbor as we love ourselves, and pushed the definition of who is our neighbor, out, out, and still further out, until it reached to the ends of the Earth and included all of humanity—all of God's children. -Alvin Alexsi Currier*

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## SUNDAY READINGS

### First Reading:

1 Kings 19:16, 19-21

*The LORD said to Elijah: "You shall anoint Elisha, son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah, as prophet to succeed you."*

### Responsorial: Psalm 16

*You are my inheritance, O Lord.*

### Second Reading:

Galatians 5:1, 13-18

*For you were called for freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather, serve one another through love.*

### Gospel Acclamation:

*Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.*

### Gospel:

Luke 9:51-62

*To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God."*

Visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) to access Mass readings online.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Family Promise®  
Building communities, strengthening lives.

Sunday, June 19 through Saturday, July 2

# VIRTUAL HOSTING WEEKS

Once again 4 families from Family Promise of Union County will be counting on Saint James Parishioners for support! Due to Covid-19, they continue to live in temporary housing but still need our help!

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me. - Matthew 25: 35

***We can only "host" these families through your support!***

We need volunteers to cook dinners, purchase pre-made meals or frozen meals and drivers to deliver the food twice a week from Saint James. Families also need girl size 3T pull-ups and diapers for boys size 4.

Can't cook? No problem! We also need:

- ShopRite gift cards (\$25)
- Uber Eats gift cards
- Grubhub gift cards

Scan the QR code here to sign up. For delivery information or questions, please contact:



Nancy Caputo at (973) 376-2061  
or [ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org](mailto:ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org)

*Community service hours are available for all students entering 7th and 8th grades! This is also an awesome family service activity!*

## 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

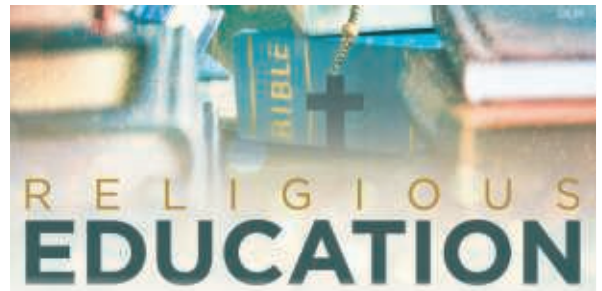
Do you have a child that was baptized but never received their sacraments? Please call or email the Religious Education Office - we are happy to help!  
(973) 376-2061

### 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.



**OFFICE: (973) 376-2061**  
**[ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org](mailto:ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org)**

A special thank you to all the high school graduates who joined us last Sunday. Your parish family is so proud of you!

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year will be available soon. All incoming 7th and 8th grade students are encouraged to work on their community service over the summer.

Please remember to log your service reflection online. One great service opportunity available this week is cooking / providing a meal or two for one of the 5 families in Family Promise.

Please check the flyer in this bulletin or call / email the Religious Ed Office for more information.

### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND: JUNE 25/26

#### Peter's Pence

The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease.



# MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

## SATURDAY, JUNE 25

5:00PM **Andrew Foscatto**  
*r/b Michael & Theresa Quick*

## SUNDAY, JUNE 26

8:00AM **For the People of Saint James**

10:00AM **Ronnie Fusco**  
*r/b Carmela*  
**Nathlie Monahan**  
*r/b Ann & Chris Burd*  
**Kevin Morris**  
*r/b Diane & Larry Boyle*  
12:00PM **Ernie Reedy**  
*r/b Wife*

## MONDAY, JUNE 27

7:30AM **Carl Quick**  
*r/b Francine Foscatto*

## TUESDAY, JUNE 28

7:30AM **Danny (Jujo) Tabao, Jr.**  
*r/b Pete & Fe Guilas*

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29

**Saints Peter and Paul**  
7:30AM **Richard Quagliato**  
*r/b Sandy Lyna*

## THURSDAY, JUNE 30

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

## FRIDAY, JULY 1

7:30AM **Mary Deeney**  
*r/b Yannazzone Family*

## SATURDAY, JULY 2

8:30AM **Al Blasi, Sr.**  
*r/b Family*  
5:00PM **Annabelle Zeitler**  
*r/b Nancy Mahoney Rajs*

## SUNDAY, JULY 3

8:00AM **Deceased Members of the McNany Family**  
*r/b Dennis McNany*  
**Ronnie Fusco**  
*r/b Joanna Masini*  
10:00AM **Mark Weber**  
*r/b Family*  
12:00PM **Altes Vigilante**  
*r/b Keffer Family*

*Lord, Hear Our Prayer.*

## SANCTUARY LAMP:

For the People of Saint James



## BREAD & WINE:

For the People of Saint James

*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 Anelli, Dolores Battiato, Jackie Belitti, Anita C. Bentz, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Marie Boin, Victoria Burns, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Thara Chandran, Helen Chelis, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, 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 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 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

Thomas Maruschak  
Deacon William H. Myers



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 **NEWSLETTER** to **84576**
- > Visit [saintjamestheapostle.flocknote.com](http://saintjamestheapostle.flocknote.com)
- > Fill out a card at the info center in the church narthex

If you signed up but haven't received emails or have found the newsletter in your spam folder, be sure to add [mail@flocknote.com](mailto:mail@flocknote.com) to your email contacts list and/or choose the option "Mark as Not Spam," or similar when you open the email.

**"It's the most wonderful time of the year...."**



These are the words of a very joyous and popular Christmas song. Some parents feel a similar joy at this time of year as students of all ages return to school. For some people who have difficulty finding a break in life, joy is most fleeting. Catholic Charities helps people in all circumstances find hope which leads to joy. Please help us to bring hope by contributing the following to the Donation Bin(s):  
used clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels, knickknacks, and children's books. Thank you.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

### Collection Totals for June 18/19

Regular Collection:	\$6,321.00
Online Giving:	\$3,165.00
Total:	\$9,486.00

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 [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 Parish has a Grants Committee that works on researching foundations to solicit for donations to the parish. If there is any parish member that is aware of a foundation or is associated with a foundation that could fund a parish need, please convey that information to the parish office. Thank you.

Remember... "But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you." Matthew 6:3-4

## OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY:

### **ADMINISTRATOR**

Father David C. Santos  
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### **WEEKEND ASSOCIATE**

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