



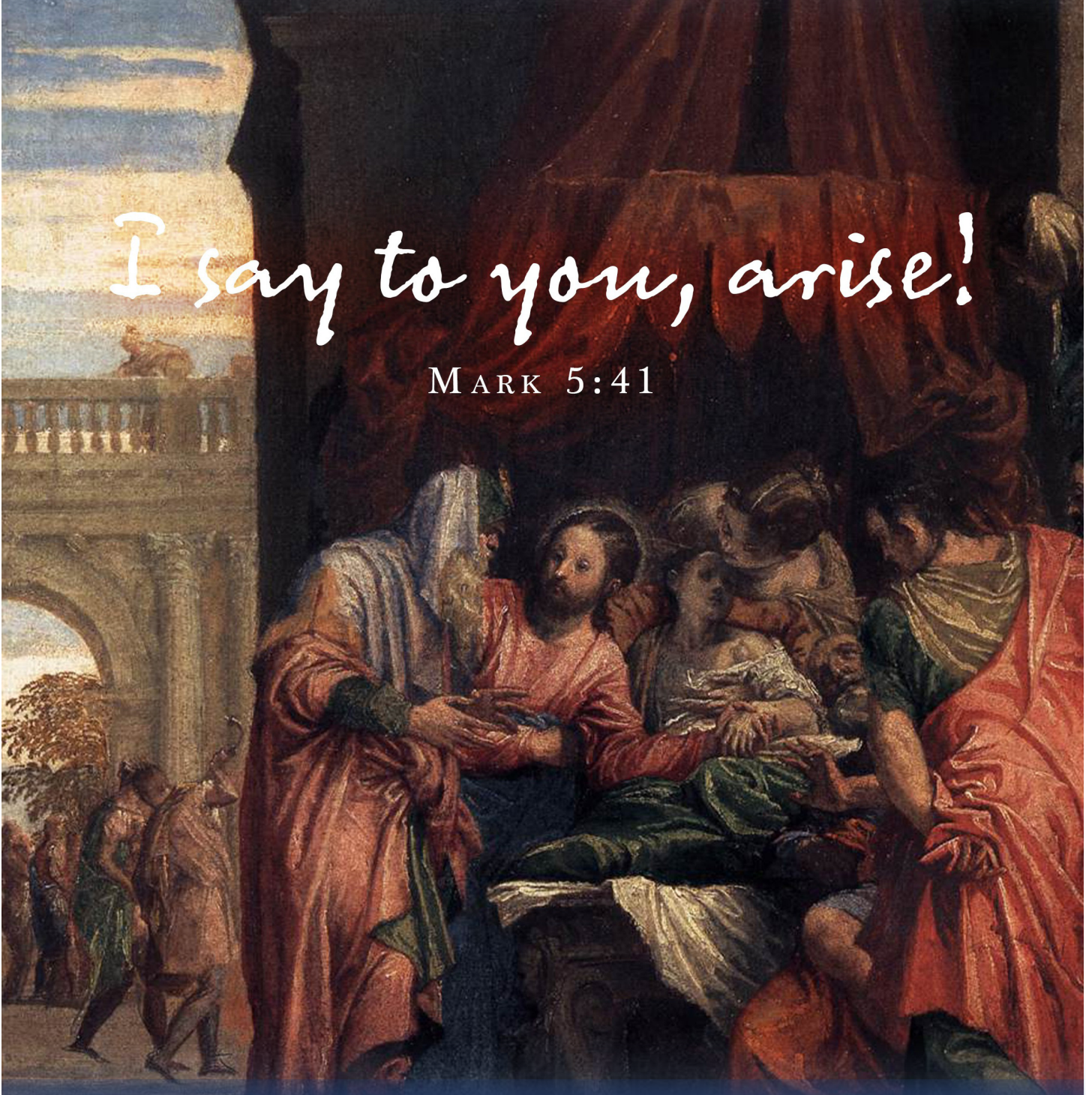
# SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

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## Roman Catholic Church

*I say to you, arise!*

MARK 5:41



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JUNE 30, 2024

[www.saintjamesparish.org](http://www.saintjamesparish.org)

## YOU ARE Welcome Here

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

### Holiday Week Office Hours:

(Closed 12-1PM for Lunch)

Mon-Tue 8:30AM-3PM

Wed 8:30AM-12PM

Thu-Fri CLOSED

### Church Visiting Hours:

Mon-Fri: 8AM-2:30PM

Sat: 9AM-1PM

### MASS SCHEDULE:

#### Saturday, July 6:

5:00PM - Fr. Santos

#### Sunday, July 7:

8:00AM - Fr. Dennehy

10:00AM - Fr. Santos

12:00PM - Fr. Paladino

### 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



### REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Loyalty is a quality we value highly. We want our friends to be loyal. We expect our families to be. We hope for some modicum of reliability from bosses or employees. In fact, every meaningful relationship involves loyalty to be viable.

This week we celebrate Independence Day, a festival of flag-waving and fireworks through which we declare our pride in the nation that provides us so many liberties. As Americans, we are deeply grateful that we do. We know that many around the world would be just as eager to belong to this story because of all the freedoms and opportunities it provides, even if our story isn't a fairy tale.

How our nation grows that belonging *sensibly, safely, and justly* remains a problem to be solved and worth pondering as we approach the celebration of Independence Day. This is a tension that is on display for the whole world these days.

With that being said: **what is the foundation of your many loyalties?**

It's quite frightening these days to see fellow Americans rabidly tearing at each other's throats. I can't help but ask over and over again in my heart: Where are we to go? What are we to do as a nation, as a people?

Friends, my intention with this reflection isn't to preach with political rhetoric, since I believe that is outside the scope of a religious reflection. My intention as a priest is to bring to bear the Gospel - that we all believe and value as Christians - into a time that's marked by tumult, ideologies, disparaging narratives, fear and the **lack of a willingness to listen to each other.**

In short, I believe the Gospel is where our **loyalties** should stand firm, particularly when (for better or for worse) so much around us seems to be crumbling or changing (depending on which perspective you hold).

**Friends, our loyalty needs to be anchored in the Gospel for the simple reason that the Gospel can guide us towards the realization of God's will in the here and now.**

We can see this dynamic in many of the most successful protests of the Civil Rights era which were predicated on Christian ideas of nonviolence, and a Scriptural understanding of the human person. Remaining loyal to the Gospel helps us to come face-to-face with important principles of Catholic social teaching, principles on display for us in our readings today:

- ***the dignity of the human person.***
- ***the value of solidarity, "we're all in this together."***
- ***a preferential option for the poor.***

These principles need to be present in any Catholic's response to injustice. If it's not grounded in these principles, then it inevitably ends up being about power— that I need to assert my power, in situations where I feel powerless. It becomes a struggle over power, rather than a transformational relationship into how God wants us to live as brothers and sisters.

## PASTOR'S COLUMN CONTINUED

Friends, today's message is clear: **we must keep our eyes on Christ**...not our television set or social media accounts. Jesus must be our premier social commentator and influencer. Because if not, we will make the fatal mistake of thinking our own ideas are the solutions to society's problems. Only with Christ can we develop authentic reforms and programs which ensure true justice and freedom for all.

May God continue to bless the United States of America!



Fr. David C. Santos, Pastor

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

We have received from God the great gift that is freedom. If it is not used well, freedom can lead us away from God, can make us lose the dignity with which He has clothed us.

— *Pope Francis*

## RECTORY HOLIDAY & SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

**Wednesday, July 3rd: 8:30am - 12pm**

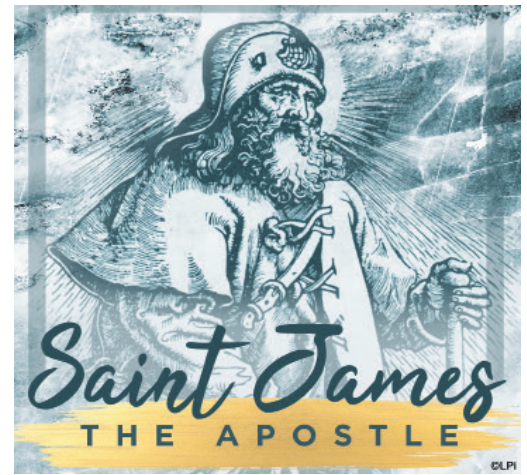
**Thursday, July 4th: CLOSED**  
Daily Morning Mass will be held at 8:30 am

**Friday, July 5th: CLOSED**  
The Rectory will be closed every Friday for the summer.  
We will be back in the office on Fridays  
starting September 6th.

### **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](mailto:PrayerLineMinistry@saintjamesparish.org).



## SUNDAY READINGS

### **FIRST READING**

**Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24**

God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living. For he fashioned all things that they might have being; and the creatures of the world are wholesome, and there is not a destructive drug among them nor any domain of the netherworld on earth, for justice is undying.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Psalm 30**

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

### **SECOND READING**

**2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15**

Brothers and sisters:

As you excel in every respect, in faith, discourse, knowledge, all earnestness, and in the love we have for you, may you excel in this gracious act also. For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

### **GOSPEL**

**Mark 5:21-43**

He took along the child's father and mother and those who were with him and entered the room where the child was. He took the child by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha kum,*" which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. At that they were utterly astounded. He gave strict orders that no one should know this and said that she should be given something to eat.

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

# FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

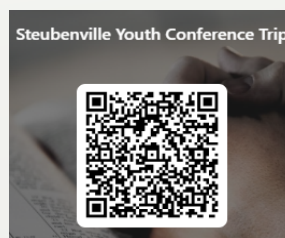
## WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR FAMILY FAITH FORMATION THIS COMING SCHOOL YEAR

We are looking for volunteers to join our Family Faith Formation Program to volunteer as Catechists, classroom Aids, 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 or any of the catechists speaking at the Masses this weekend.

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

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On July 12-14, twelve members of the St. James Parish will be travelling to the Youth Conference in Steubenville, Ohio (3 chaperones and 9 teenagers).

We ask that you please keep us in your prayers as we prepare to embark on this exciting faith journey.

Know that you, our parish family, will be on the trip with us, as you will be in our thoughts and prayers throughout the trip. If there are any intentions you would like us to pray for, please use the QR code above to submit your intentions and we will make sure to pray for them throughout our trip.

If you prefer to not use the QR code, feel free to email me or drop off a note with your intentions at the rectory. Make sure that you write "Steubenville Trip Prayer Intentions" on the subject of the email or on the envelope to make sure it goes to the right office.

We ask that you please submit them by no later than July 11th at 3PM (the day before we leave).

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### 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](mailto:aprescott@saintjamesparish.org)

SHOP FOR A CAUSE!



## St. James the Apostle Church Outdoor Pop-Up SALE

***July 13, 2024***

***9:00am – 3:00pm***

***Church Parking Lot; 45 South Springfield  
Avenue, Springfield, NJ***

***All Brand New, Stylish Clothing, Gift Items &  
Household Goods at low-low prices***

**Cash & Carry**

½ the proceeds benefit St. James the Apostle Church & ½ benefit the Grace Lutheran Church, Bayonne, NJ

Back by popular demand!

# HOME VISITATION OF OUR LADY OF Fatima

## Family Promise

FROZEN MEATLOAF & NON-PERISHABLE FOOD COLLECTION

*Thank you!*

We collected 14 pounds of meatloaves this past weekend and 78 sandwiches which were delivered to Family Promise.

**RESERVE YOUR SPACE OR BECOME A SPONSOR TODAY!**



SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH  
SPRINGFIELD, NEW JERSEY

# GOLF OUTING

Sign up today to secure your spot!

**JULY 8, 2024**  
**MAPLEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB**  
28 Baker Street, Maplewood, NJ

### Visits Available in July

Scan the QR Code to make a reservation



Join us for our golf outing or through our sponsorship packages. Proceeds to benefit Saint James the Apostle Church.

#### **HOLE SPONSOR**

**\$200** Sign with Company/Family Name on a tee box during the outing.

#### **GOLF**

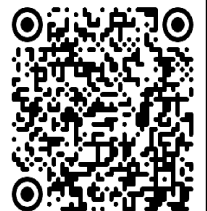
**\$350 PER GOLFER:** Includes player gift bag, brunch, cocktail hour, buffet dinner with open bar

#### **DINNER ONLY**

**\$125 PER PERSON:** Includes cocktail hour and buffet dinner with open bar.

9:30AM-11:00AM.....Registration/Brunch  
11:00AM.....Shotgun Start  
4:00PM .....Cocktail Hour  
5:00PM..... Buffet Dinner  
**Contests, prizes and more!**

To register, scan QR code or visit: <https://saintjamestheapostle.org/golf-outing-2024/>



For questions or more information email [GolfOuting@saintjamesparish.org](mailto:GolfOuting@saintjamesparish.org)

# PARISH HOMECOMING WEEKEND



## 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. \$



## Saint James the Apostle Church HOMECOMING WEEKEND PARISH PICNIC

# 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



## CAN YOU LEND A HAND?

St. James adopted a plot of land called Dr. Eckel's Island, just down the street from our parish. We are responsible for the upkeep. 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 one or more weekends, please scan the QR code below. Thank you and God bless.



## 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.



Please contact Mike Peter at 908-357-5673 or [dd18kofcmwp@gmail.com](mailto:dd18kofcmwp@gmail.com) for tickets or more information



## 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](http://www.NewarkPriest.com), email [NewarkPriest@rcan.org](mailto: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, JUNE 29

Saint Peter and Saint Paul

5:00pm **Ronnie Fusco**  
r/b Carmela Fusco  
**Andrew Foscato**  
r/b Michael and Theresa Quick

## SUNDAY, JUNE 30

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am **Virginia Carollo**  
r/b Family  
**Barbara Graziano**  
r/b Danielle DiLeo  
10:00am **Paul Brenner**  
r/b Carmela Fusco  
**Barbara Siino**  
r/b Carmela Fusco  
12:00pm **Catherine Salardino**  
r/b Lauren Cacioppo  
**Pat Morris**  
r/b Carmen Lombardi

## MONDAY, JULY 1

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

## TUESDAY, JULY 2

7:30am **Barbara and Luciano Vitti**  
r/b Raffaella Conetta

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

Saint Thomas

7:30am **John Montana**  
r/b Janice Montana, Sister

## THURSDAY, JULY 4

Independence Day

8:30am **Mary and Vincent McNany**  
r/b McNany Family

## FRIDAY, JULY 5

7:30am **Judith and John Natale**  
r/b The People of Saint James

## SATURDAY, JULY 6

8:30am **Angelina and Carmelo Rivano**  
r/b Marion Rivano

5:00pm **John Montana**  
r/b Janice Montana, Daughter  
**Paul and Betty Macciachera**  
r/b Family

## SUNDAY, JULY 7

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am **Amelia Montana**  
r/b Janice Montana  
**Al Blasi**  
r/b Family  
10:00am **Paul Brenner**  
r/b Circelli Family  
**Barbara Siino**  
r/b Giovanna Circelli  
12:00pm **Jessica Smolenski**  
r/b Pat Sullivan  
**Anna Base**  
r/b Elvira and Marvin Oakerson



### SANCTUARY LAMP:

The People of Saint James

### 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 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, 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 Muguera, 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 TO DIE

Antonio Campos, Mary Elizabeth Fitzgerald,  
Regina Helen Schreiber

## 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

*Lord, Hear Our Prayer*

## 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)



**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](http://saintjamestheapostle.flocknote.com)** 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.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

### Collection Totals

#### Weekend of June 22 & 23

Regular Collection:	\$	5,300.00
Online Giving:	\$	4,210.00
Total:	\$	9,510.00

*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](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?... Online giving is a convenient and efficient option for parishioners to give to the church. It also helps the parish administratively by cutting down on some of the administrative processing.

As you plan your summer vacations, don't let your giving to the church take a vacation too. Plan your giving to the church this summer and beyond by signing up for recurring giving online. Go to the parish website today or scan the QR code in the bulletin to get started. If you have any questions, contact the rectory office and they will connect you with a member of the Finance Council.

Remember...

Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops. - *Proverbs 3:9*



## 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!



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