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Office Hours:

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Mon-Tue 8:30AM-3PM Wed 8:30AM-7PM Thu-Fri 8:30AM-3PM

Church Visiting Hours: Mon-Fri: 8AM-2:30PM

Sat: 9AM-1PM

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, June 14: 5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, June 15: 8:00AM - Fr. Santos 10:00AM - Fr. Dennehy 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 (Third Wednesday of each month will have live music.)

Second Saturdays at 3PM

*The First Rosary and Wednesday Adoration of the month are for Priestly and Religious Vocations

PASTOR'S COLUMN



Reflection on the Readings

"If you love me, let me know" is the cry of each person in most forms of relationship. Lovers want to know that, as do parents and children, siblings, friends—even pastors and assemblies. We want to be assured that this relationship we're in is for real. The only way to know for

sure is to see it proven in signs of love.

While I'm not too familiar with the show, there's an episode of the children's show *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*, where a father and son have trouble communicating. The fisherman father can't express his love for his geeky inventor son and so resorts to a fishing metaphor in each fumbling encounter rather than saying what he means. Finally, the son grabs a device he's invented that operates as a universal translator and slaps it on his father's chest. Suddenly, the man is able to boom out all the tender feelings he has for his boy that he's been unable to share till now.

Some of our most important relationships might be saved if such a device were available! Happily, our primary relationship with our God is not imperiled in its absence. God is very good at declaring passion for us. God proves the divine love is real in signs everywhere we look. There's Creation itself, the beautiful, wonderful world in which humanity is set like a pearl encased in velvet. There's the story of salvation recorded in the Bible, a litany of extraordinary measures God takes to ensure our happiness and freedom. There's the Incarnate Word, Jesus, who moved among us teaching, healing, liberating, dying, and rising. And in every sacramental hour we receive another sign that God is with us, and divine love isn't going anywhere without us.

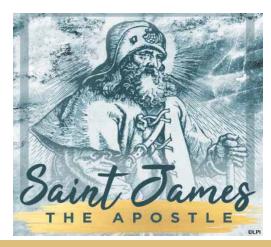
And then there's the Advocate, the Holy Spirit. This brings me to today's feast – Pentecost. Perhaps the most profound measure of devotion is faithful presence: the one who stays is in a relationship for the long haul. God's devotion to us is no one-night stand, no empty promise. God is no fair-weather friend or conditional lover. We don't have to do the right thing to merit God's love. But once we're convinced of that, there is something we can do (and are morally obliged to do!): We can demonstrate our love in return. Jesus tells us how. He says the sign God is looking for is our fidelity to the primary commandments: Love God, love one another.

Rev. David C. Santos, Pastor

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Every divine action begins from the Father, proceeds through the Son, and is completed in the Holy Spirit.

— Saint Basil



SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING Acts 2:1-11

Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 104

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

OR

Romans 8:8-17

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

OR

John 14:15-16, 23b-26

"I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you."

Full Mass readings can be accessed at usccb.org

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION 2024-2025

Confirmation 2025 Candidates:

A reminder that there is a parent and candidate meeting this Tuesday, June 10 at 7PM in the church. See you then!!

Family Faith 2025-2026 Registration is now open.

If you are seeking to grow in faith as a family, Family Faith Formation is the place for you. It's a partnership between our parish and parents of the children we teach. Our goal is to support each family in the spiritual development of their children.

This partnership works best when we work together, each doing our part to ensure the children are receiving the foundation they need to develop a life-long relationship with Jesus Christ. Together, we are one family, one body of Christ, and a true sign of His presence in the world.

All are welcome at St. James, and we look forward to the opportunity of welcoming you to our parish program!

Please use the QR code to access the Registration form and fee payment. (The form is to register 1st to 9th graders – One form per family)



Early Registration and payment received **on or before July 31** will have a \$50 discount.

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

SAINT 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

SAINT JAMES MEN'S MINISTRY

The next meeting will take place **Saturday, June 21 at 9am**.

If you are interested, please email John Prescott MensMinistry@saintjamesparish.org





JUBILEE 2025

Saint Helen's Church in Westfield has been chosen as a designated pilgrimage site for the Jubilee Year in Union County. Pilgrims are welcome to come here to pray, reflect, and deepen their relationship with God, preparing their hearts to celebrate this extraordinary Holy Year of grace and spiritual renewal. Please scan the QR code to visit the website and stay up-to-date on celebrations throughout the year. All are welcome!



SAINT JAMES CHOIR NEWS

This Sunday, June 8th, marks the conclusion of another choir season. St. James choir will take a much deserved hiatus for the summer.

They will start up again beginning with a rehearsal on Thursday, September 11th at 7pm.

More information regarding joining our music ministry will follow.

I would like to thank the choir for sharing their talents and enhancing our liturgies with such beautiful and inspirational music throughout the liturgical year. I am truly blessed to have the opportunity to serve as director to this wonderful and dedicated group of singers.

I would also like to thank Fr. David, the pastoral staff, and you, the congregation of St. James the Apostle Parish for the tremendous support shown to our music ministry program. Your compliments and kind words are greatly appreciated!

May God continue to bless us as we sing His praises.

Philip La Gala, Director of Music Ministry



Each year young people from our parish families graduate from grammar, high school and college. Since this is a significant event in their lives we would like to acknowledge it. If a member of your family is graduating this year, please call the rectory at 973-376-3044 by Monday, June 16. Please include their name, the school they are graduating from and grade or college degree, and we will include them on our graduation list in the bulletin.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT SAINT JAMES!



Saint James the Apostle Catholic Church
Bereavement Support Group

Saint James the Apostle Catholic Church is offering a 6 Week Bereavement Group for those dealing with the loss of a loved one.

"Letting go of grief is just as painful or even more painful than the grief itself."

All My Puny Sorrows

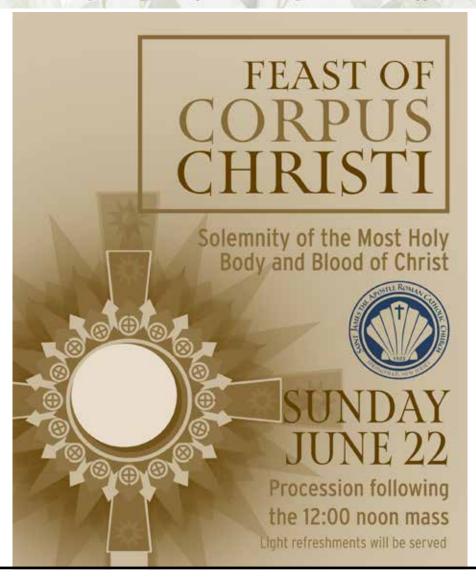
Thursday nights 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

June 12, 19, 26

Meetings will be in the parish rectory. Participation is FREE but registration is required. Please email **Bereavement@saintjamesparish.org** or contact the parish office at (973) 376-3044.

Let us be your companions for the journey.

Our goal is to provide a process for healing within a safe and supportive environment.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



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.



For questions or more information email GolfOuting@saintjamesparish.org

ISLAND ADVENTURE

St. 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 or more weekends,

please click on the Flocknote newsletter sign-up link or scan the QR code.

You can mow at any time you're available that weekend.



Thank you for your consideration. God bless.

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

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU AND A WARM WELCOME

Dear Parishioners,

As we gather in faith and community, I would like to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude to our outgoing parish trustees, Mrs. Janet Petino and Mr. John Pflug. Their dedication and faithful service over these many years have been a cornerstone of our parish life here at St. James. Janet and John have diligently and lovingly worked to support our mission, ensuring that our parish remains a vibrant and Christ-centered place for all. Their contributions have been invaluable, and their legacy will continue to inspire us. On behalf of the Saint James parish community, I offer a heartfelt THANK YOU!

At the same time, I am pleased to announce the appointment of our new trustees, Ms. Rita Lombardi and Mr. Dennis McNany. Both Rita and Dennis are esteemed members of our parish Finance Council and have been actively involved in our community. I have personally been awestruck by their commitment to our beloved parish. From ensuring that the parish leadership remain good stewards of the parish's finances, to their active leadership role in ongoing parish Campus Redevelopment Project, and many other ministerial roles, their leadership has and will undoubtedly guide us as we move forward. These appointments have been made by me, your pastor, and have received the approval of the Cardinal Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Newark.

This transition marks a significant moment in the life of our parish. It is a time to honor the many accomplishments of Janet and John, while also looking ahead with hope and determination. We endeavor to build a parish that honors the past and works to create a vibrant future for generations to come.

Please join me in thanking **Janet** and **John** for their years of service and welcoming **Rita** and **Dennis** as they step into their new roles. Together, we will continue to center our parish in hope as we grow in the faith of Jesus Christ.

In Christ's Peace,

Rev. David C. Santos, Pastor





Steubenville Youth Conference 2025 FUNDRAISER

St. James Parishioners, WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

We are raising funds to support our group of young teenagers who want to attend this summer's Steubenville Youth Conference (July 11-13, 2025).

It is a life-changing experience, and we want to make sure all who registered can attend, regardless of whether they can afford it or not. These funds we raise will ensure that the cost will not be a barrier for any teen wanting to participate.

Please prayerfully consider supporting our teens who want to take part in this amazing opportunity to grow in their faith by hearing from engaging and inspiring Catholic speakers, attending the sacraments, and building friendships with other teens who like them are excited about their faith.

No donation is too small.

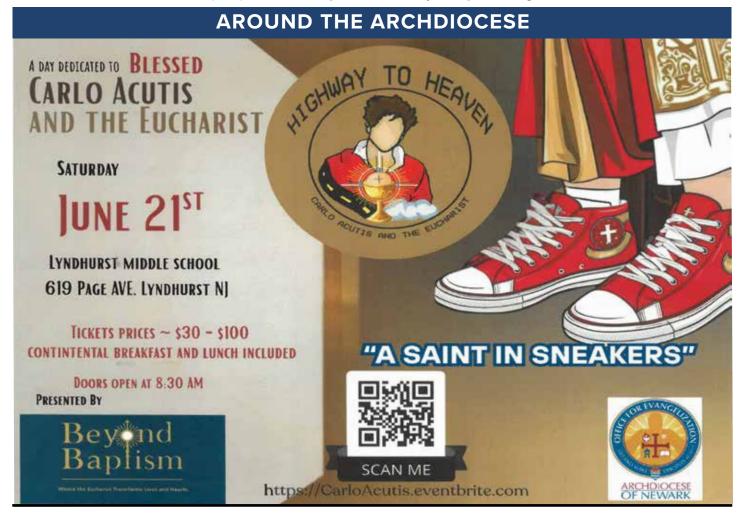
If interested in donating, please scan the QR code or contact Ana Serra-Prescott. If using the QR code, you will be able to select for your donation to go to sponsor a specific participant or to the general cost of the trip, which will first help any teen in need of financial assistance to attend and then pay for any other expenses to make the trip happen.

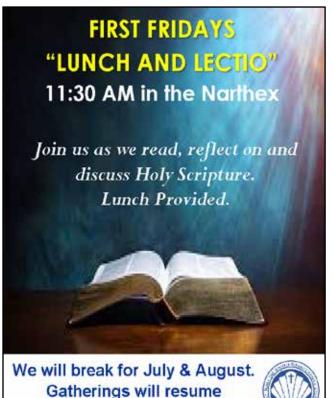


If you prefer to give your donation with cash or a check, please make sure you put it in an envelope stating it is a donation for the **Steubenville Youth Conference** and drop it off at the rectory or the collection basket.

Thank you for your generosity and prayers for our teens!

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AROUND THE COMMUNITY

September 5.

Our Lady Of Fatima
Prayer Garden Restoration
Eagle Scout Project



I'm Penny Williams, from Troop 19, in Short Hills. For my Eagle Scout project, I am restoring a prayer garden at the

Dominican Monastery of
Our Lady of the Rosary in
Summit. Please scan this QR
code for more information or
to make a donation, or email
Samantha Cappuccino at
desciseauxegmail.com.



Thank you for your generosity!

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 & OCIA

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) 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. Please call the Rectory for information concerning the OCIA process.

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

5:00pm Florence Impellizzeri

r/b Theresa and Michael Quick

Ronnie Fusco r/b Carmela Fusco

SUNDAY, JUNE 8
Pentecost Sunday

8:00am Adriana Baladad

r/b Rory Dorneo
Marie Andre

r/b Myrna, Joanna, and Jessica,

Daughters

10:00am Dante D'Sole

r/b Debella Family, Theresa, Anthony, Franco, Anthony Jr.

Robert Ruple r/b Wife

12:00pm Anthony Delfino

r/b Theresa and Michael Quick

Brandon Genlot r/b Kelly Delfino

MONDAY, JUNE 9

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

7:30am Francisco Videna

r/b Gene and Nieves Salle

TUESDAY, JUNE 10

7:30am Mary Ann Congema

r/b Gary and Mary Ellen Capron

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

Saint Barnabas

7:30am Seymour "Sy" Kahn

r/b Barbara Sorvino, MD

THURSDAY, JUNE 12

7:30am Rosemarie Brodeur

FRIDAY, JUNE 13

Saint Anthony of Padua 7:30am Mario Garcia

r/b Family

SATURDAY, JUNE 14

8:30am Anna Maria Villanova

r/b Donna

5:00pm For All Fathers

SUNDAY, JUNE 15 The Most Holy Trinity

Father's Day

8:00am For All Fathers
10:00am For All Fathers
12:00pm For All Fathers



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 BAPTIZE

Adeline Losavio England, Samantha Lima, Madison Rose Peralta, Bella Grace Scott, Zachary Francis Zinno

A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Thara Chandran, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, Joseph Covino, Marie Crosby, James Curry, M.D., Ronald D'Angelo, Dave Darby, Diane Deitz, Jean DePasquale, Deacon Michael DeRoberts, Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., Marguerite Duchantier, Victoria Egner, Luca Favia, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Steven Hensle, Laura Hughes, Ann Jacques, Eddie Jenna, Kevin Keating, Dana Kelley, Art Kistler, Irene Kurpieski, Dina Ledogar, Maureen Le Goff, Lucille Lerner, Andy Lindgren, Angelina Lipski, Menotti Joseph Lombardi, Jr., Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Erica Luther, Toni Ann Marabello, Maria Martino Fender, John Mannarino, Angie Mazzarisi, Thomas McGarvey, Stan Mickham, Richard Miele, Lucy Miller, Andres Montero, Timothy Morgan, Martin Muguerza, Ive Mureny, Christian Murphy, Carol Muzacs, Michael Neer, Mary O'Connor, Anna P., Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Joseph Siorenza, Ray Slater, 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, First Lt. Jonathan Canny, 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





FINANCE COUNCIL CORNER



Did you know?...

The second collection the weekend of June 7/8 is for the Archdiocese Assessment. This collection helps to offset our Archdiocese Assessment charge.

Thank you to all who have made their **2025 Annual Appeal gift** so far. We reached our Base Goal and are getting closer to reaching our Stretch Goal! Will you help St. James reach our parish goal with a gift to the 2025 Annual Appeal today?

Remember... Not only does your gift support essential programs and ministries within our Archdiocese and assist the mission of our parish, but it may also lead to potential savings for our parish. Pledges made by <u>June 30th</u> that exceed the stretch goal will be eligible for a rebate. And, if we meet or exceed our stretch goal in funds collected by <u>June 30th</u> the parish will be eligible for a 2% assessment rate reduction.

The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.

- Proverbs 22:9

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals

Weekend of May 17 & 18:

 Regular Collection:
 \$ 4,606.00

 Online Giving:
 \$ 4,470.00

 Total:
 \$ 9,076.00

Weekend of May 31 & June 1:

Regular Collection: \$ 6,084.00
Online Giving: \$ 6,808.00
Total: \$ 12,892.00

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.

We Rejoice with our Graduates



We congratulate and rejoice with all our graduates. The celebrations for the graduates are well-deserved. For some families, however, a full meal on any evening is a cause for "celebration" as oftentimes, their tables are bare or sparse with food. Please help us to continue to distribute much-needed food throughout the Archdiocese. Your contributions to the Catholic Charities Donation Bin(s) help to provide the funding for the continuation of our many programs. Thank you.

ST. JAMES BOUTIQUE



Visit the online boutique for St. James the Apostle Parish apparel and more!



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