

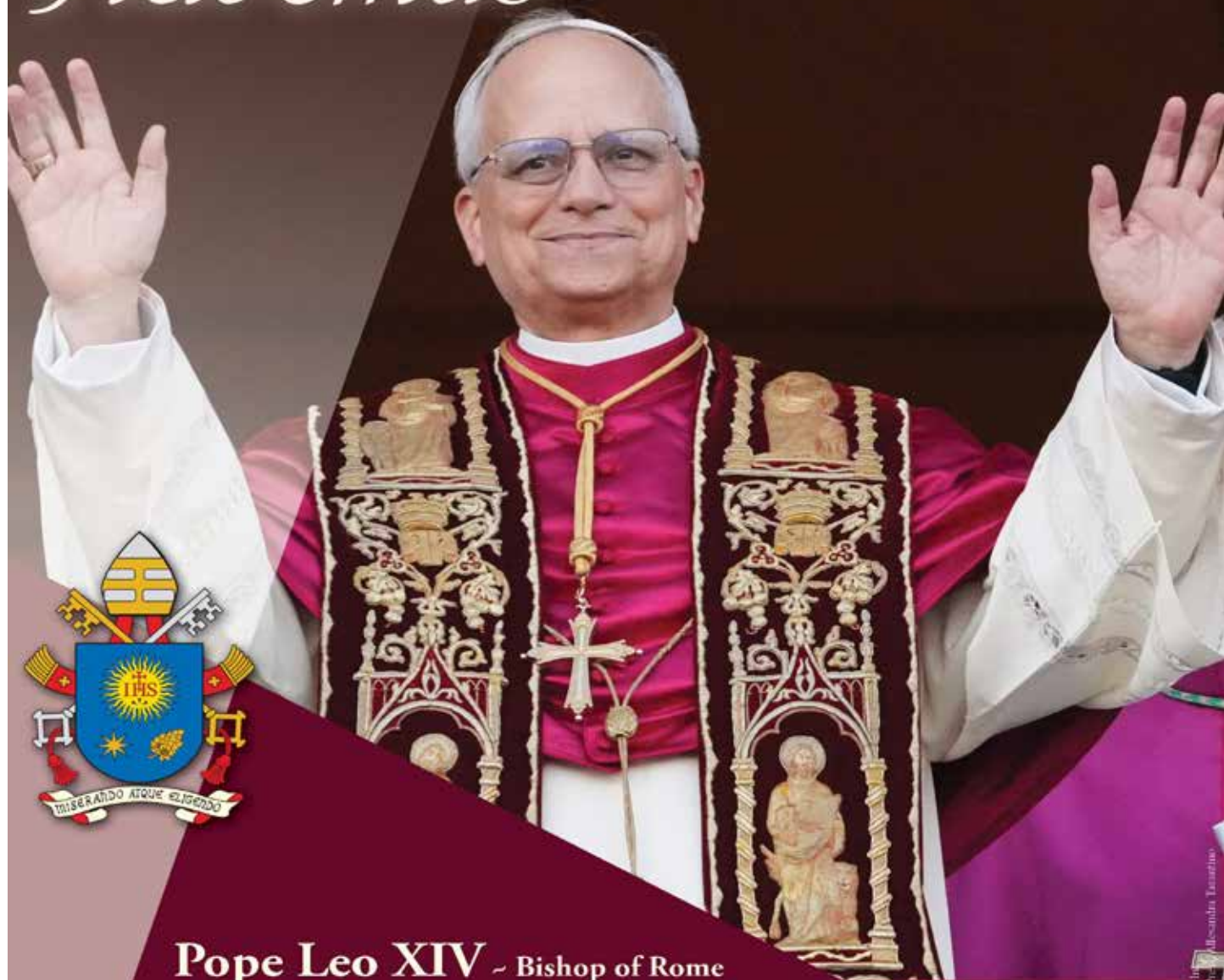


SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

Roman Catholic Church



Habemus PAPAM!



Pope Leo XIV ~ Bishop of Rome
Formerly Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost, O.S.A.
First American Pope
May 8, 2025

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | MAY 18, 2025
www.saintjamesparish.org

YOU ARE Welcome Here

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

Office Hours:

(Closed 12PM-1PM for Lunch)

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, May 24:

5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, May 25:

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

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

PASTOR'S COLUMN



Message from Fr. David Santos

Campus Redevelopment Update

The process has been steady. I previously reported that all parties had signed the contract of sale. Since the signing, the 10% deposit proceeds required under the contract have been received and escrowed by our attorney to be held until the closing.

Additionally, a preliminary meeting was held with representatives from the Springfield Township to review the subdivision plan including the plans for the proposed parish center. Based on that meeting, St. James and the Buyer are making final revisions to the subdivision to submit the application to the township for a hearing date to be scheduled. I hope to soon announce the date of the township meeting for the approval of the subdivision of the property. Please continue to keep the Campus Redevelopment team and our work in your prayers. 🙏

Rev. David C. Santos, Pastor

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

I am a son of Saint Augustine, an Augustinian, who said: "with you I am a Christian and for you I am a bishop". In this sense, we can all walk together towards that homeland that God has prepared for us.

— Pope Leo XIV, May 8, 2025

WEDNESDAY HOLY HOURS

Beginning Wednesday,
May 21st,
the third Wednesday of May,
we will have live music
at the Holy Hour
led by Daniel Minogue.

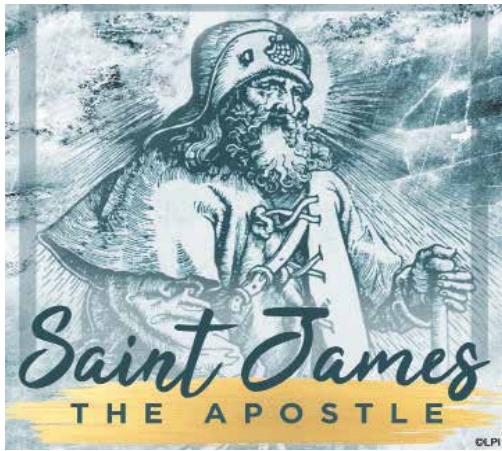
SAINT JAMES PRAYER-LINE MINISTRY

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**





SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING

Acts 14:21-27

From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now accomplished. And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 145

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

OR

Alleluia.

SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1-5a

"Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away."

GOSPEL

John 13:31-33a, 34-35

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once. My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Full Mass readings can be accessed at usccb.org

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION 2024-2025

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.



Steubenville Youth Conference 2025
July 11-13, 2025

If you are a teen currently in 8th to 12th grades and want to attend this Summer's Steubenville Youth Conference at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio.

Please scan the QR code **to register and reserve your spot.** Spots are limited and on a first come first serve basis.



To Our 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.

We hope that many young people from St. James will be able to join this life-changing experience and 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.

No donation is too small.

All donations will go directly towards this trip.



Please scan the QR code to donate. Prefer to donate with cash or a check?

Please put it in an envelope labelled **Steubenville Conference Donation.**

Drop it off at the rectory or the collection basket.

Thank you for your generosity and prayers for our teens!

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

St. James Vocations Ministry Pray + Talk + Encourage



Archdiocesan-wide Holy Hours for
diaconate and priestly ordinandi!
Pray for our men being ordained:

For Deacons: Friday, May 16 @ 6pm

For Priests: Friday, May 23 @ 7pm

Visit newarkpriest.com or follow @newarkpriest on
social media to find participating parishes.

Pray for Vocations

April 28-May 10: Uplift Your Priest weeks
May 11: World Day of Prayer for Vocations
& Good Shepherd Sunday



Vocations Rosary

1st Monday every month

Vocations Holy Hour

1st Wednesday every month



Discerning your vocation? Ideas for the ministry?
Email vocationsministry@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!



Visit Saint Helen:
A Pilgrimage Church for 2025



Jubilee Pilgrimage

THE BASILICA OF THE SACRED HEART IS A
DESIGNATED JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE CHURCH
IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK

JUNE 14, 9:45 AM

GUIDED TOUR OF
THE BASILICA

MASS AT THE CHAPEL
W/ FR. DAVID SANTOS

\$12 FEE. SPACE IS LIMITED TO 30.
MEET AT 86 RIDGE ST, NEWARK (LEFT SIDE
OF THE BASILICA)

SCAN THE QR CODE
TO RESERVE YOUR
SPOT TODAY!



Mental Health & Well-Being Ministry



MAY IS
**MENTAL HEALTH
AWARENESS
MONTH**

Mental health awareness plays a crucial role in reducing stigma,
encouraging early intervention, and fostering empathy and
understanding.

Throughout the month of May our ministry will be providing
opportunities for all to become more informed on mental well-being
through handouts on the table in the narthex, on the parish Facebook
page and on our webpage at

<https://saintjamestheapostle.org/mental-health-ministry/>

**"Mental health is not just the absence of mental illness. It is not
just the absence of pain. It is emotional, physical, and social well-
being."**

~ Meghan McCain

UPCOMING EVENTS AT SAINT JAMES



HELPING THE HUNGRY MINISTRY

FOOD COLLECTION

May 17 & 18

Drop off in the Narthex before all weekend Masses

REQUESTED ITEMS:

CEREAL & OATMEAL	MAYO, KETCHUP, MUSTARD
PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY	SHELF STABLE MILK
1 LB BAGS OF RICE	GRANOLA/PROTEIN BARS
CANNED CHICKEN & TUNA	PASTA
BARS OF SOAP	LAUNDRY DETERGENT

No oversized or Costco-sized items, please

All donations
will support
FAMILY PROMISE
and
MERCY HOUSE

SHOP RITE
GIFT CARDS
ALWAYS
APPRECIATED!



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.

Thursday nights 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

May 22, 29

June 5, 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.

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

Miriam Toews
All My Puny Sorrows

Let us be your companions for the journey.

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

MARCH WITH US ON MEMORIAL DAY!

MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION

*Come march with us and let us celebrate our
heroes who fought for our country together.*

Monday, May 26, 10am

Veterans Park

Corner of Mountain Ave. and
Shunpike Road, Springfield NJ



Saint James parishioners will gather at 9:45am. Wear your Saint James swag and look for the Saint James banner to find us. If you will march with us, please send an e-mail to parishlife@saintjamesparish.org

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



ALL ALUMNI, STAFF, AND PARISHIONERS

Celebration of Memories and a Fond Farewell

Come walk the halls, revisit memories, take photos,
and maybe even take some memorabilia.

MAY 31, SAT.
3:00pm - 7:00pm

JUNE 1, SUN.
After each Mass
until 3:00pm

**SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE
SCHOOL AND FORMER CHURCH**

41 SOUTH SPRINGFIELD AVE, SPRINGFIELD, NJ, 07081



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 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 sign-up link or 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



Prayer for the New Pope

*O God, who in your providential design
willed that your Church be built upon
blessed Peter,
whom you set over the other Apostles,
look with favor, we pray, on Leo our
Pope
and grant that he,
whom you have made Peter's successor;
may be for your people
a visible source and foundation
of unity in faith and of communion.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your
Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.*

COMPLETE THE DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY TODAY!



Now is the time to take the survey if you haven't already. We need your response to help strengthen our parish and better prepare us for the future, as we strive to reflect more of Christ's love in our community. The survey will close on May 25th. Don't miss out on this opportunity.

If you are unable to complete the survey online and prefer a paper copy, you may pick up a copy of the survey in the narthex and return it to the rectory by May 25th.

DMI Survey Link:

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/c42dbc>

**Scan DMI Survey
QR Code**



FIRST FRIDAYS "LUNCH AND LECTIO"

11:30AM in the Narthex

*Join us as we read, reflect on and discuss
Holy Scripture. Lunch Provided.*

SIGN UP ON THE PARISH WEBSITE OR
CALL THE RECTORY



AROUND THE COMMUNITY

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
desciseaux@gmail.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, MAY 17

5:00pm **Maria Santos**
r/b JoAnn & Jack Kovalcik
Antonio Martini
r/b Carmela Fusco

SUNDAY, MAY 18

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am **Barbara Prassl**
r/b Debbie & Stepanie
Rocco Secco
r/b Martinez Family
10:00am **Ronnie Fusco**
r/b Joanna & Robert
Mary Jane & Sigfried Roethlin
r/b Roethlin Family
12:00pm **Cesar and Edward Rivano**
r/b Marion Rivano
Barbara Pearse-Prassl
r/b Debbie LaSalle

MONDAY, MAY 19

7:30am **Carlos Llovera Seiquer**
r/b Ana Prescott

TUESDAY, MAY 20

7:30am **T.J. Delfino**
r/b Mother & Sister

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21

7:30am **Anne Graziano**
r/b Michael & Theresa Quick

THURSDAY, MAY 22

7:30am **Maria Concepcion Gomez Fernandez**
r/b Ana Prescott

FRIDAY, MAY 23

7:30am **Leticia Revilla**
r/b Gene & Nieves Salle

SATURDAY, MAY 24

8:30am **Michael Hudak**
r/b Elaine
5:00pm **Theodore Prescott**
r/b Prescott Family
Ethan Crasto
r/b Parents & Sister

SUNDAY, MAY 25

Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00am **Raymond Alberti**
r/b Mom
Joey Sudyka
r/b Barbone & Reynolds Family
10:00am **Giuseppe & Domenico Mazzacuva**
r/b Angela & Pasquale Mazzacuva
Dante D'Sole
r/b Frank & Margherita Sarracino
12:00pm **Maria Soledade Santos**
r/b Kathy Rosenburger
Dante D'Sole
r/b Roseanne Egnatuk



SANCTUARY LAMP:

Tony Delfino
r/b Family and Friends

BREAD & WINE:

Tony Delfino
r/b Family and Friends

To memorialize the Sanctuary Lamp by the Tabernacle or the Bread and Wine, please call the Rectory Office.

A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Anelli, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Victoria Burns, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Thara Chandran, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, Joseph Covino, Marie Crosby, James Curry, M.D., Ronald D'Angelo, Diane Deitz, Jean DePasquale, Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., Marguerite Duchantier, Victoria Egner, Luca Favia, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Steven Hensle, Laura Hughes, Ann Jacques, Eddie Jenna, Dana Kelley, Dexter Kennedy, Art Kistler, Irene Kurpieski, Camille LaTouche, 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, 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
Parish Finance Council

FINANCE COUNCIL CORNER

Did you know?...

Your gifts of *time*, *talent* and *treasure* are what make our parish community a true community.

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 June 30th that exceed the stretch goal will be eligible for a rebate. And, if we meet or exceed our stretch goal in funds collected by June 30th the parish will be eligible for a 2% assessment rate reduction.

You may be able to double the impact of your contribution to the Annual Appeal with a corporate matching gift. Ask your employer if they will match your donation.

The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor. - Proverbs 22:9

St. James Church is enrolled in the ConnectOne Bank Affinity Program.
Customers of ConnectOne Bank can support St. James Church through this program.
See the ConnectOne Bank ad in the bulletin for more information.

STATUS REPORT FOR ST. JAMES

04/21/2025

147 DONORS

ANNUAL APPEAL



PLEDGED

\$61,355

RECEIVED

\$48,900

BASE GOAL

\$61,173

STRETCH GOAL

\$73,408



Keep up-to-date with parish news,
event updates, and more!

Text NEWSLETTER to 84576 OR
Sign up on the website:
saintjamestheapostle.flocknote.com

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

*Collection totals not available at time of printing.
Please check back next week for updates.*

*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.

ST. JAMES BOUTIQUE



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



What if you could change lives doing something you do every day?

Through the Affinity Program, you choose your not-for-profit organization and donations will be made on your behalf at no cost to you. The more clients who participate, the more money your not-for-profit can raise each year!

Here's how you can help:

- Open an account with ConnectOne Bank. It can be a checking account, savings account or even a business account.
- Ask your banker to make your new ConnectOne account a supporting account for your organization. No account information is shared; it is completely confidential.
- Donations will be made by ConnectOne Bank on your behalf based on your average balance. This will not impact your earnings - everyone wins!

Your bank account can make a difference!

To learn more, contact us:

844-266-2548 | ConnectOneBank.com



* Members and supporters include anyone that wants to "link" their existing or new ConnectOne Bank accounts to the nonprofit organization's ConnectOne Bank account. Those could include board members, current and past members, their families and friends, donors, volunteers, and vendors. The organization's deposit balances are not used in this calculation.

OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY:

PASTOR

Rev. David C. Santos
frsantos@saintjamesparish.org

PERMANENT DEACONS

Dcn. Jerry Bongiovanni

Dcn. Hugh Keffer
hkeffer@saintjamesparish.org

WEEKEND ASSISTANT

Rev. John Dennehy

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE/LSEC

Ms. Nancy Caputo
ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org

DIRECTOR OF FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Mrs. Ana Serra-Prescott
aprescott@saintjamesparish.org

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY

Mr. Philip La Gala
musicdirector@saintjamesparish.org

OFFICE MANAGER

Mrs. Colleen Tyra
ctyra@saintjamesparish.org

BOOKKEEPER

Mrs. Katie Hyman
businessoffice@saintjamesparish.org

TRUSTEES

Mrs. Janet Petino and Mr. John Pflug

PARISH MINISTRY EMAIL ADDRESSES:

Parish Council: pastoralcouncil@saintjamesparish.org

Parish Life: parishlife@saintjamesparish.org

Lectors: lectorministry@saintjamesparish.org

Eucharistic Ministers: emministry@saintjamesparish.org

Men's Ministry: MensMinistry@saintjamesparish.org

Prayer Line: prayerlineministry@saintjamesparish.org

Ministers of Hospitality: MOH@saintjamesparish.org

Adult Faith: adultfaith@saintjamesparish.org

Bereavement Ministry:
bereavement@saintjamesparish.org

Helping the Hungry:
helpingthehungry@saintjamesparish.org

Wellness Ministry:
wellnessministry@saintjamesparish.org

Vocations Ministry:
VocationsMinistry@saintjamesparish.org