

peace be with you

John 20:19

PENTECOST SUNDAY | MAY 19, 2024 www.saintjamesparish.org



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> Office Hours: (Closed 12-1PM 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 25: 5:00PM - Fr. Dennehy

Sunday, May 26: 8:00AM - Fr. Paladino 10:00AM - Fr. Santos 12:00PM - Fr. Dennehy

DAILY MASS:

Mon-Fri:	7:30ам
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

Each of us has the divine life of God within us. And that spirit of God that dwells within us helps us to live the life God has called us to live. That almost sounds too good to be true.

Maybe some of us do sense the working and the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives. **But I would bet that**

many of us don't have that sense. Many of us just don't "feel" the presence of the Holy Spirit in us.

Story about a minister and his daughter...

One Saturday night a minister was busy writing his sermon for Sunday. His little daughter saw him working busily and asked him what he was doing. He said he was writing his sermon.

She asked, "Daddy, how do you know what to write?"

He answered, "The Holy Spirit tells me what to write."

Then she asked, "So, why do you keep erasing?" 😂

Sometimes the Spirit's presence in our lives is very clear, but most times it is challenging to know what God is saying to us, or how He is working in our lives, or where He is guiding us.

So, how do you know if you are allowing the Holy Spirit to work in your life?

How do you know if you are collaborating with the Holy Spirit?

We know that we can't see the Holy Spirit nor control the Holy Spirit because, like the wind, it blows and goes where it wills. But we can see the **consequences** and the **effects** of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

In St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians chapter 5, St. Paul tells us about the *fruits* of the Holy Spirit. Or better, the **EFFECTS** that the presence of the Holy Spirit has in our lives. They're kind of like His signature.

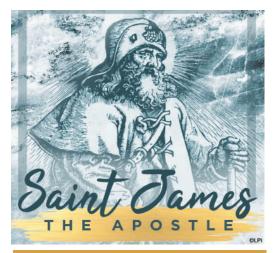
Two of my favorites are **joy** and **peace**. So, if you want to know if you are collaborating with the Holy Spirit in your life, look for these two very important marks.

Fr. David C. Santos, Pastor

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

We can study the whole history of salvation, we can study the whole of theology, but without the Spirit we cannot understand. It is the Spirit that makes us realize the truth or—in the words of Our Lord—it is the Spirit that makes us know the voice of Jesus.

— Pope Francis



SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING Acts of the Apostles 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

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

Galatians 5:16-25

Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified their flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also follow the Spirit.

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 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me. And you also testify, because you have been with me from the beginning.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION



This Sunday, May 19, we welcome all the children who received First Holy Communion last weekend to join us in their Communion attire to crown our Blessed Mother in this special month of May after the 12:00pm Mass.

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

SAINT JAMES MINISTRIES & EVENTS

Rosary and Novena Mondays at 6:30 PM



2024 Saint James Photo Directory Photo Shoot

Saint James the Apostle Parish cordially invites your family to an exclusive, wonderful opportunity to create lifetime memories.

> Join us for a family Portrait (FREE, no sitting fee)

Appointments from 9a-3p Sunday, 6/9/24 or Sunday, 6/19/24

Call the photo studio directly at **201-681-5004** or scan the QR code to secure your place! Plus, enjoy the option of a full family photoshoot and the opportunity to purchase portraits or digital images at a discounted fee.





Mental Health & Well-Being Ministry



On the table in the Narthex in the plastic handout holder you will find articles on the following topics:

Helpful Verses Harmful: Ways to Manage Emotions

4 Things Likely Affecting Your Mental Health, & 4 Things You Can Do About It

What To Say When Someone Tells You They Are Fine But They're Not

Additional Resources for Mental Health

Island Adventure Saint James is Giving Back to Springfield. Can you Lend a Helping Hand?

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 one or more weekends, please scan the QR code. 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

HONOR AND CELEBRATE OUR VETERANS!



MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION

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

Monday, May 27, 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

CALLING ALL CAREGIVERS!

Do you provide care to someone on either a full-time or part-time basis who needs help taking care of themselves? It may be a spouse, parent, family member, or friend.

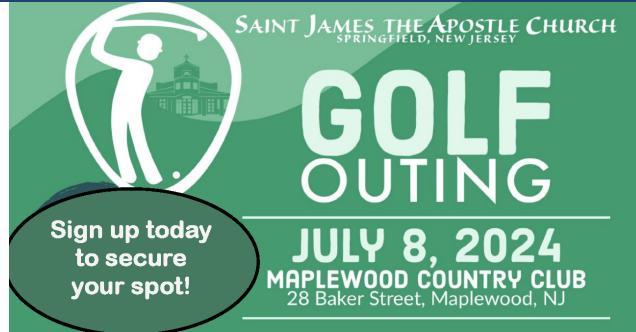
The St. James Mental Health & Well-Being Ministry would like to invite you to lunch Saturday, June 29th, 2024 at 12 PM.

Sofia's Restaurant, 272 Morris Avenue in Springfield, NJ

We look forward to providing support, and fellowship. We hope you will be able to take some time for yourself and join us!

If you have any questions or want to register, please email us at **Mentalhealth@saintjamesparish.org** or leave a message at the parish office: **973-376-3044**

RESERVE YOUR SPACE OR BECOME A SPONSOR TODAY!



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: <u>https://</u> <u>saintjamestheapostle.org/</u> <u>golf-outing-2024/</u>



For questions or more information email GolfOuting@saintjamesparish.org

AROUND THE COMMUNITY



We look forward to seeing you there!



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 $7^{\rm th}$ inning and Fireworks after the game. There will be a cash bar near our seats.



Please contact Mike Peter at 908-357-5673 or <u>dd18kofcmwp@gmail.com</u> for tickets or more information



GET TO KNOW CHEYENNA COOK



"And this is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou has sent" (John 17:3).

What does it mean to know God? What does it mean to know Jesus? Many people know of God and know of Jesus, but do they really know Him?

My name is Cheyenna Cook,

and starting at the end of May I will be a missionary with FOCUS, the Fellowship of Catholic University Students. FOCUS is the largest Catholic collegiate missionary organization in the country, and its mission is to help others come to know Him and fulfill His Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20). Through outreach and evangelization, we bring Christ into a student's world, meet them where they are at, and help them come to know Christ, deepen their relationship with Him, and teach them how to live as His disciple.

I am deeply passionate about helping others come to know Christ because I, like many others, used to only know of Him. Born and raised in New Jersey, I grew up Catholic but did not live out my faith. Chasing what the world offered, I quickly became consumed with the things of this earth, and it wasn't until the end of my senior year in college after an incredible encounter with Christ that my life radically changed - it's a pretty cool story and I'd love to share it with you sometime!

Knowing Christ truly changes everything, and we are all called to be His disciples and make disciples of all nations. Now more than ever do college students need someone to bring Christ to them, and that's what we do as FOCUS missionaries! In order to do this mission, I need to build a support team of faithful financial and prayer supporters who will join me on mission through their generous support. I would love for you to join me on mission, and together we really can reach the world (John 15:8)! If you are interested in learning more about FOCUS, our mission, and/or about how you can partner with me on mission, I would love the opportunity to meet with you and get to know you and hear about your story!

God Bless!

Cheyenna

*If you'd like to contact Cheyenna please call the rectory office or email Fr. Santos.

THIS ONE BIBLE VERSE REMINDS US WHY WE NEED TO LET GO

If you're busy trying to control outcomes, then take a minute for these precious words of wisdom.

One of the things about life today is that we seem to be so busy dealing with a million things at the same time. It doesn't help that many of us can get a little distracted by the endless messages being sent our way on our smartphones. And because life seems so very full to the brim, we often try to control what we can, when we can.

Of course there are some things we can certainly manage, such as the activities we want to sign our kids up for. Yet there are a myriad of things we might try to mold and manipulate, in the hope they will fulfill us. But the reality is that often the outcome is out of our hands, and we can end up feeling disappointed.

This can manifest itself in all sorts of relationships. You might be trying to befriend a parent at your child's school who snubs you. You could also be in a toxic relationship that eventually ends and breaks your heart. While we might feel devastated that these relationships have not developed any further, there's a very good reason why you've been spared from further damage.

A 12-word answer

The answer can be found in Proverbs chapter 16, where there are a number of verses that speak of God's power in our lives. And one verse in particular reminds us about the importance of just surrendering to Him, that whatever journey, or situation, we think is right for us, perhaps there's a better plan to embrace.

"The human heart plans the way, but the LORD directs the steps." Proverbs 16:9

This is a particularly good reminder for when we're feeling hurt by something that has happened in our lives, such as those lost relationships, or a trip we're unable to go on, or a job opportunity that hasn't worked out.

The important thing to try and remember is to stay open to opportunities that come our way and see where the path may lead, without trying to force the gate open. Although this isn't always easy, the more you practice being at peace with your journey, the more you'll appreciate the landscape of your final destination.

By: Cerith Gardiner - published on 05/12/24 https://aleteia.org/2024/05/12/this-one-bible-verseremindsus-why-we-need-to-let-go/

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 Priesthood? Are you being called? Visit the Archdiocese of Newark Office of Priestly Vocations. Call: 973-313-6190. Email: info@newarkpriest.com. Social media: @NewarkPriest. Web: newarkpriest.com

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, M	1AY 18
5:00pm	Maria Pellegrino
•	r/b Connie Garcia & Family
	Jeanne Morey
	r/b Assunta Cacciatore
SUNDAY, MA	
Pentecost Su	
8:00am	Peter Reynolds
e.e e ann	r/b Lynn & Tom Barbone
	Deceased Members of
	the Soriente Family
	r/b Angela Ragonese
10:00am	Mary Jane & Siegfried Roethlin
10.00am	r/b Roethlin Family
	Giuseppe & Domenico Mazzacuv
12.00	r/b Angela & Pasquale Mazzacuva
12:00pm	Mary Ellen Warren
	r/b Pat Sullivan
	Caesar & Edward Rivano
	r/b Marion Rivano
MONDAY, MA	
The Blessed	
7:30am	John Pflug
	r/b Michael & Theresa Quick
TUESDAY, MA	AY 21
7:30am	Angela Raimondo
	r/b Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser &
	Marianne Van Volkenburgh
WEDNESDAY	
7:30am	Giuseppe Capasso
/ Coulin	r/b Maria Bruno
THURSDAY, M	
7:30am	Anthony Graziano
7.50am	r/b Family
FRIDAY, MAY	
7:30am	Vivian Pollichino
7:30am	
CATUDDAVA	r/b Karen & Jim Bonacorda
SATURDAY, N	
8:30am	Raymond Alberti
_	r/b Mom
5:00pm	Frank Impellizzeri
	r/b Michael & Theresa Quick
	Pete Listowski
	r/b Family
SUNDAY, MAY	Y 26
The Most Hol	
8:00am	Tania Miller
	r/b Liz Ferri
	George Pittenger
	r/b Bob and Sue Hagenbush
10:00am	Michael Hudak
	r/b Elaine Conway
	Anna Sausnock
	r/b Hyman Family
12:00pm	Jose Garcia
12.00pm	r/b Wife & Daughters
	Polores Nahirny
	r/b John & Patty Carney



SANCTUARY LAMP:

Ricardo Gervacio r/b Lisa Veloso

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 HEAL

Pat Annelli, Jackie Belitti, Anita C. Bentz, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Deacon Jerome Bongiovanni, a 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., 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 Muguerza, 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 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





Did you know?...

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

We reached our 2024 Annual Appeal Stretch Goal! THANK YOU for your generous support and participation.

Remember...

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



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

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 to your email contacts list.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals Weekend of May 11 & 12

Regular Collection:	\$	6,126.00
Online Giving:	\$	4,605.00
Total:	\$	10,731.00
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Easter Collection to date: \$44,304

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.



Thank you to Boy Scout Troop 73 for helping in the cleaning and upkeep of Dr. Eckel's Island, St. James' adopted plot, in Springfield.



ST. JAMES BOUTIQUE

Be sure to visit the online boutique for Saint James the Apostle Parish commemorative apparel and items. We have hoodies, guarter-zips,

polos, and more!

Scan the QR code to check out all of our merchandise!



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