



SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

Roman Catholic Church

JESUS
CHRIST
IS LORD.

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING | NOVEMBER 20, 2022
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YOU ARE
Welcome Here

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, November 26:
5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, November 27:
8:00AM - Fr. Santos
10:00AM - Fr. Santos
Livestream Available Online
12:00PM - Fr. Dennehy

DAILY MASS:

Mon-Fri: 7:30AM
Saturday: 8:30AM
U.S. Holidays: 8:30AM

RECONCILIATION:

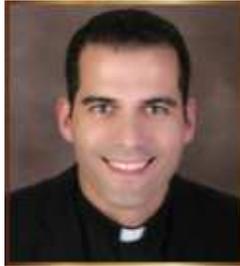
Saturday at 4:00PM
or by Appointment;
Please call the Office.

DEVOTIONS:

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

Eucharistic Adoration:
Wednesdays at 7PM
Second Saturdays at 3PM

PASTOR'S COLUMN



REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

“Viva Cristo Rey!” - “Long Live Christ the King” were the last words uttered by Blessed Miguel Pro before he was executed for being a Catholic priest and serving his people.

In the 1920's, severe religious persecution ravaged Mexico. The Catholic Church was outlawed and thousands upon thousands of priests, religious brothers and sisters, and lay faithful were killed. In response to the systematic persecution of the Church by the government, many faithful men and women rebelled in what is known as the *Cristero War*.

Fr. Pro served as a priest in a Church forced to go “underground” where he celebrated the Eucharist clandestinely and ministered the other sacraments to small groups of Catholics in the shadows.

In addition to fulfilling their spiritual needs, he also carried out the works of mercy by assisting the poor in Mexico City with their temporal needs. He adopted many interesting disguises in carrying out his secret ministry.

On November 23, 1927, Fr. Pro was sentenced to face a firing squad. Fr. Pro forgave his executioners, prayed, bravely refused the blindfold, and died proclaiming, “Viva Cristo Rey!”, “Long live Christ the King!”

As we conclude the Church's liturgical year and celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, we are encouraged to proclaim in our lives *“Viva Cristo Rey!” “Long Live Christ the King!”*

The kings of history – in countless instances – cared very little about those subjected to them. The poor, especially, were insignificant pawns in the game of thrones. **Jesus**, however, who is both God and man, divine and human, is a King not like so many other kings that we have learned about.

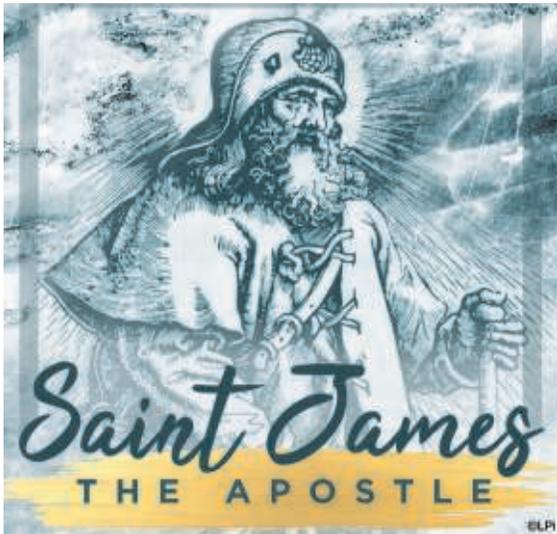
Jesus shows us that every person matters.

Today's readings show us that every person matters to God.

You, me, the rich, the poor, those in prison, those on main street, those in the cities, those on the farms, the young and the old – everyone matters. **BUT DO OTHERS MATTER TO ME?**

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

What is in fact Christ's kingdom? It is simply those who believe in him...Everyone who is reborn in Christ becomes the kingdom which is no longer of the world. -St. Augustine



PASTOR'S COLUMN (cont.)

SAINT JAMES CAMPUS REDEVELOPMENT UPDATE

The Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for the school and convent properties were sent to over 50 companies. The submission due date for responses to the RFPs is November 17th. At that time, officials from the Archdiocesan Office of Property Management Administration, members of the parish's Campus Redevelopment Committee, and myself will evaluate the submissions.

My plan is to schedule a parish Townhall meeting shortly thereafter where parishioners will hear a presentation regarding the results of the RFPs and have an opportunity to ask questions. We are eager to review the proposals and present them to you.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

And the LORD said to you, 'You shall shepherd my people Israel and shall be commander of Israel.'

Responsorial: Psalm 122

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible...

Gospel Acclamation: Mark 11:9, 10

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." [Jesus] replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Visit www.usccb.org to access Mass readings online.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Monday, November 21st at 7:30PM

Temple Sha'arey Shalom
St. James Educational Building
41 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, NJ

Please join us for an interfaith Thanksgiving service with participating congregations: Antioch Baptist Church, First Presbyterian Church of Springfield, Great Shepherd Church, St. James Catholic Church, Renaissance Church, Temple Beth Ahm YIsrael and Temple Sha'arey Shalom

Vaccinated individuals are welcome to attend in person. The service will also be streamed via Zoom. COVID protocols will be observed. To attend in-person, please register at:

tinyurl.com/Springfield-TGiving-IN-PERSON

To attend online, register at:
tinyurl.com/Springfield-TGiving-svc-ONLINE



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Christmas Ornaments Theme for Parish Tree

It has been the tradition here at St. James for parishioners to participate in the decorating of the narthex/gathering space Parish Christmas Tree. Each year a theme is selected, and parishioners are invited to hang an ornament that corresponds to the year's theme.

This year's ornament theme is **FAMILY**.

Whether it's an ornament with your family's picture or a Christmas image or symbol that best characterizes your family, please feel free to hang your FAMILY inspired Christmas ornament on the parish Christmas tree beginning the weekend of December 10th, the day we joyfully light the parish Christmas tree after the 5PM Mass.

The ornaments are welcome to hang on the parish Christmas tree through the weekend of January 9th, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, the day which concludes the Christmas season.



We will be providing gifts for the needy during this Holiday season for St. Joseph Social Service Center in Elizabeth. If you can purchase a gift of warm clothing, it would be greatly appreciated. This year we will collect gifts under the tree in the vestibule.

Place the UNWRAPPED gift with tags attached in a large gift bag with tissue paper. Please attach the tag you selected from the tree on the outside of the gift bag. **Return your gift to Church after Mass ONLY starting Saturday, November 26th but no later than Sunday, December 11th.**

If you have any large Christmas bags and/or tissue paper to donate, they are also needed at the Center. As always, **THANK YOU** for your generosity.

Please contact Gianna Hayes via the Rectory at (973) 376-3044.

SAVE YOUR SPOT FOR BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA** **GAMES & CRAFTS**

SAINT JAMES GYM
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 10:00AM - 12:00PM
\$10 ADULTS / \$5 CHILDREN 3 & UP

NAME:

OF ADULTS: # OF CHILDREN

PHONE NUMBER:

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM AND DROP IT OFF AT THE RECTORY OFFICE WITH PAYMENT BY **NOVEMBER 25.**

BRING YOUR CAMERA!

FOR QUESTIONS, CALL THE RECTORY AT (973) 376-3044 OR E-MAIL PARISHLIFE@SAINTJAMESPARISH.ORG

ADVENT EVENTS

Saint James the Apostle Church

Advent Evening of Reflection for Women

Monday, December 5

7:30PM

In the Church, immediately following the Rosary at 7:00 PM

*Join us for a special evening of fellowship, prayer,
music, and reflection*

*At this busy time of year, treat
yourself to this opportunity to slow
down and reflect on the reason for the
season.*

It will be a precious gift to yourself!

Our Advent Evening of Reflection Presenters

Regina Furlan is a long-time Springfield resident who is certified spiritual director and an adjunct staff member of the Loyola Jesuit Center in Morristown, NJ. She is married and has twin young adult daughters.

Maeve Buganski grew up in Berkeley Heights has been playing guitar, singing, and leading worship since high school. She works now as an event planner for a small Catholic non-profit organization and is getting married this April!



To R.S.V.P. please visit our parish website at saintjamestheapostle.org or scan the QR code.

Saint James the Apostle Church

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

*And non-perishable
food collection*

**Saturday,
December 10**

*Immediately following
the 5:00 PM Mass*



Join us for carols,
candy canes and
Christmas cheer
as we light our
Parish Christmas Tree

Non-perishable food
will be donated to the
Our Lady of Sorrows
food pantry



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE



WORLD YOUTH DAY

JOIN US IN 2023!

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR PILGRIMAGE

As one response to the Synod on Synodality, the Archdiocese of Newark is coordinating a pilgrimage of young people to attend WYD in August 2023. We are providing 50 scholarships to qualifying individuals 18-35 who wish to attend. The scholarship application deadline is Dec 8, 2022.

- Enjoy morning Mass with Pope Francis
- Visit pilgrimage sites such as Fatima, Santiago de Compostela, and other famous locations
- Meet and celebrate with youth from around the world
- Experience a stimulus to faith and personal encounter with Jesus Christ

If you are interested in attending WYD 2023 in Lisbon or applying for a scholarship, scan the QR code to the registration link or contact Fr. Kevin Kilgore at 201-664-0913.



WYD REGISTRATION
LINK



WYD SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION



World Youth Day is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. Since its first edition in Rome in 1986, World Youth Day has proven to be a laboratory of faith, a place of birth for vocations to marriage and consecrated life, and an instrument for the evangelization and transformation of the Church.



OFFICE PHONE: (973) 376-2061

Today our families come together after Mass for our second session to share their Advent traditions and favorite activities. We are looking forward to learning about how families prepare their homes and hearts to receive the Gift of Jesus during the Christmas Season!

On behalf of the entire parish staff, we wish you a blessed Thanksgiving!

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN TRAINING

Wednesday, November 30th
6:30-8:30PM in the School Gym

All volunteers who come into contact with children or elderly are required to be up-to-date on this training.

Registration is required - visit virtusonline.org and search St. James to register. Contact Nancy Caputo, Local Safe-Environment Coordinator, at (973) 376-2061 with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE: ADVENT MOVIE NIGHT "CHRISTMAS WITH THE CHOSEN"

Friday, December 16th
7:00-9:00PM in the School Gym

Bring your family, friends, and a comfortable lawn chair. We'll provide the popcorn, snacks and drinks! Feel free to bring a plate of Christmas cookies to share!

To RSVP, please use the link on the parish website, or visit:

saintjamestheapostle.flocknote.com/signup/104538

SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM

Please call the Rectory to schedule your child's Baptism: (973) 376-3044

RECONCILIATION

4:00PM on Saturdays or by appointment.

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.

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 contact the Religious Education Office at (973) 376-2061.

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

5:00PM **Richard Quagliato**
r/b Majewski Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00AM **Mary & Vincent Inneo**
r/b Inneo Family
Nicholas Circelli
r/b Anthony & Carmelina Reino

10:00AM **Michele Lopardo**
r/b Pasqual & Angela Mazzacuva
Lisa Agrillo
r/b Parents

12:00PM **Ann, Carmela, Vincent & Tony**
r/b Ann & Family

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30AM **Helena Ottaviano**
r/b Raffaella Conetta

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

St. Cecilia

7:30AM **Mary Pulical**
r/b Sister & Family

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:30AM **Armand Galluccio**
r/b Gene & Nieves Salle

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Thanksgiving

7:30AM **For the People of Saint James**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

8:30AM **Angelina & Carmelo Rivano**
r/b Marion Rivano

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

8:30AM **Caesar & Edward Rivano**
r/b Marion Rivano

5:00PM **Richard Quagliato**
r/b Roethlin Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

8:00AM **Theresa Yannazzone**
r/b Yannazzone Family
Archangela D'Agostini
r/b Family

10:00AM **Jose Dominguez**
r/b Nancy & Julio Dominguez

12:00PM **Angela & Daniel Raimondo**
r/b Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser &
Marianne Van Volkenburgh

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., Beverly DeMarzo, 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, Camille LaTouche, 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., John Reiss, Ben Rumer, Anthony S., Richard Salort, Alice Serrao, Jack Silbert, Ray Slater, Stephanie Toth, Tracy Tuten, Erin Wade, Anne Wallis, MaryEllen Warren, 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

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

www.thewaterfrontproject.org

A nonprofit organization dedicated to assisting economically disadvantaged people – the working poor, seniors, veterans, and those living with disabilities – to address their civil legal issues and concerns.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals Weekend of November 12 & 13

Regular Collection:	\$ 7,083.00
Online Giving:	\$ 2,750.00
Total:	\$ 9,833.00
<i>Second Collection:</i>	
Military Services	\$ 980.00

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 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?... 100% of the funds donated to the Apostle in Action Charity Fund are used to help those in need right in our own neighborhood. You can donate to this parish-based fund at any time but look for a special collection on Thanksgiving Day.

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

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