



SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

Roman Catholic Church

*Pray for
Our Seminarians!*

**Lord, give us priests!
Lord, give us holy priests!
Lord, give us many holy priests!**

Abraham Nicolas Ortiz
Agustin Diaz
Alan de Almeida Barreto
Andres Vasquez
Angel Varela
Anthony Torres
Antonio Galindo
Brian Cadag
Carlos Martinez
Darien Figueroa
David Andrade
David Pitsenberger
Diego Rodriguez
Erik Gonzalez
Fabian Perez
Felipe Perez
Giovanni Cuzziol
Gonzalo Martinez
Jacob Ballway
Jacob Ramirez

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Jesus Miguel Cruz Polanco
Jonathan Benigni
Jorge Arauz
Jorge Humberto Diaz
José Bruno Marquez
José Eduardo Sanchez
José Escamilla
José Miguel Serafini
José Vasquez
Joseph Grabowski
Joseph Silva
Josué Betancourt
Josué Jimenez
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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | NOVEMBER 3, 2024
www.saintjamesparish.org

YOU ARE Welcome Here

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

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, November 9:

5:00PM - Fr. Paladino

Sunday, November 10:

8:00AM - Fr. Dennehy

10:00AM - Fr. Santos

12:00PM - Fr. Santos

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



RELECTION ON THE READINGS

Employee handbooks feature plenty of rules— but after a few weeks on the job, it becomes clear that not all rules are created equal. For instance, the dress code policy may mandate collared shirts and close-toed shoes. But if businesses got a dollar for every time an employee got away with wearing sandals or a collar-less blouse, there would be a lot more Fortune 500 companies out there.

On the flipside, a good handbook will also instruct employees to treat everyone with respect and any action to the contrary should result in disciplinary action. It isn't that the dress code does not matter at all, but respect for persons matters more. This rule is what enables a healthy workplace culture, so it receives more attention.

Similarly, the commandments that guide our faith life vary in weight. In terms of church teachings, a comment Pope Francis makes on an airplane is significant, but a decree put forth at a Church council holds even more sway. **Then we have today's gospel.** Jesus says clearly no commandment is greater than these: *you shall love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength. And you shall love your neighbor as yourself. Love God. Love your neighbor. Love yourself!* Everything else stems from these ancient calls.

As followers of Christ, baptized in the Holy Spirit, we are sent into the world to make God's steadfast love known to all of creation. We are also called to recognize the ways creation reflects God's love back to us. Friends, here two good questions for us to reflect on this week:

1) How do you most powerfully experience the love of God?

2) Where do you need help in cultivating an awareness of God's presence?

Fr. David C. Santos, Pastor

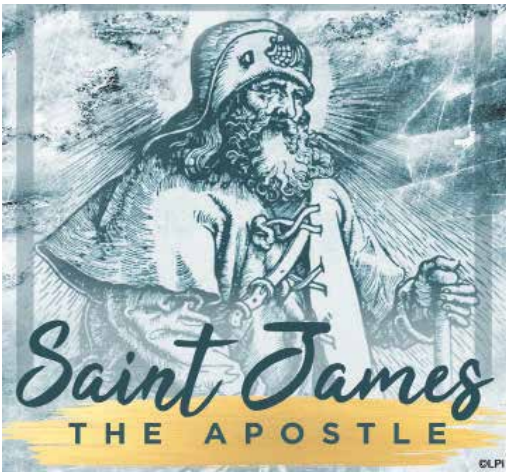
QUOTE OF THE WEEK

The Bible tells us to love our neighbors, and to love our enemies; probably because they are generally the same people.

—G. K. Chesterton



DON'T FORGET!
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
TIME BEGINS
SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 3rd



SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

"Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone! Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 18

I love you, Lord, my strength.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 7:23-28

He has no need, as did the high priests, to offer sacrifice day after day, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did that once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints men subject to weakness to be high priests, but the word of the oath, which was taken after the law, appoints a son, who has been made perfect forever.

GOSPEL

Mark 12:28b-34

"Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: *Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.* The second is this: *You shall love your neighbor as yourself.* There is no other commandment greater than these."

Full Mass readings can be accessed at usccb.org

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION 2024-2025

Congratulations to the newly Confirmed!
May the Holy Spirit continue to guide and protect you!



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Our Confirmation preparation groups will be meeting on:

Confirmation Year 1 group – Sunday, November 17th at St. Bartholomew Church for a retreat with their Confirmation Year 1 group. We will meet at St. Bart's at 4PM. Remember a parent or sponsor must attend the retreat with each candidate.

Confirmation Year 2 group – Tuesday, November 19 from 7PM to 8:30PM in church.

Our Next Family Faith session is on Sunday, November 17.

The calendar dates for both Family Faith and Confirmation preparation sessions can be found on the Family Faith Formation page of the parish website.

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**Family Faith Formation 2024-2025
REGISTRATION is now closed.**

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If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Ana.

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



Saint James the Apostle Catholic Church *Bereavement Support Group*

"Letting go of grief is just as painful or even more painful than the grief itself."
—Miriam Toews
All My Pure Sorrows

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

November 7, 14, 21
December 5, 12, 19

Meetings will be in the parish rectory at 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield

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.

Bereavement Ministry of Saint James the Apostle Catholic Church - 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield New Jersey



We are all aware of the recent devastation that has been caused by Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton. The impact upon the Southeastern United States continues to unfold, affecting countless lives.

SUPPORT HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORTS

Scan the QR code to contribute directly to relief efforts through Catholic Charities, the official domestic disaster relief agency of the Catholic Church in the USA.

May our Lord bring his comfort, healing and peace to all affected by Helene and other natural disasters.



The Family Promise Thanksgiving collection this weekend yielded over 450 items including stuffing, potatoes, cranberry sauce, canned vegetables and fruit, dessert mixes, gravy and other non-perishable items.

We also collected \$100 in ShopRite gift cards.

THANK YOU for your generosity!

THERE ARE 2 SESSIONS LEFT!

THREE EVENINGS OF MEN'S SPIRITUALITY



THE TRINITY AT WORK IN OUR LIVES

GOD THE FATHER - INITIATING | GOD THE SON - COMPLYING | GOD THE SPIRIT - EXECUTING

IN THESE TIMES OF CHANGE AND TRANSITION IN OUR DAILY LIVES, WE INVITE MEN OF ALL AGES TO THESE THREE SESSIONS IN UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACT OF GOD THE FATHER, GOD THE SON AND GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT



THREE TUESDAYS THIS FALL AT SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH

OCTOBER 29, 7PM - 8PM

Talk by Fr. John Paladino

NOVEMBER 12, 7PM - 8PM

Talk by Fr. David Santos

NOVEMBER 26, 7PM - 8PM

Talk by Fr. John Dennehy

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





SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9 CAREGIVER'S RETREAT



And He (Jesus) said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a secluded place and rest a little while." (For there were many people coming and going, and they did not even have time to eat.) And they went away in the boat to a secluded place by themselves. Mark 6:31-32

The Mental Health and Wellness Ministry of St. James the Apostle Church invites Caregivers to come away and follow Jesus' instruction to be alone and rest a little while. Like the Apostles, you will be tended to with the compassion of God and the friendship of fellow Caregivers.

Time	Activity
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	Mass (in church)
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	First Session (Saint James Gym)
12:00 PM - 12:45 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Second Session (Saint James Gym)

Spiritual Director, **Regina Furlan** will lead us in prayer and group sharing after the 8:30 Mass. Come for the whole or half of the day, whatever you can manage. Self-care is an essential tool in the Caregiver's toolbox. Check the schedule for the day (left).

Please bring bag lunch. Beverages and snacks will be provided. Free-will donations are welcome. RSVP to the Mental Health & Well-Being Ministry by calling the rectory at 973-376-3044 and leaving your name and contact information or send an e-mail to mentalhealth@saintjamesparish.org

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THANKSGIVING BAGS & TURKEY DRIVE!



HELPING THE HUNGRY MINISTRY

Thanksgiving Bags

Sign up and Donate Food Supplies

DROP OFF DONATIONS IN THE GATHERING AREA BEFORE ALL MASSES

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

SIGN UP FOR SPECIFIC ITEMS:

- Turkey Gravy - 13 oz. can (no glass jars, please)
- Instant Mashed Potatoes - 13 oz. box
- Cranberry Sauce - 15 oz. can
- Corn - 15 oz. can
- String Beans - 15 oz. can
- Canned Fruit - 15 oz. can
- Canned Yams - 40 oz. can
- Boxed Stuffing - 6 oz. box
- Package of Cookies
- Plastic Bottle of Juice - 48 or 64 oz. bottle (no glass)



SCAN TO SIGN UP

*Confirmation
Candidates
and their families
will assemble
the bags*

*Completed bags
will be
donated to the
Loaves and Fishes
Ministry
at St. Teresa's
in Summit*

DID YOU KNOW?

Matrimony

In the Sacrament of Matrimony, a man and woman become husband and wife and promise to be faithful to each other for the rest of their lives. Matrimony unites a married couple as loving partners and strengthens them to live out their promises to Christ and to one another. During the sacrament, the couple's love is blessed and strengthened by the grace of the sacrament. The bride and groom are the celebrants in the Sacrament of Matrimony and the priest or deacon acts as a witness and blesses the union that God has joined together. Married couples serve the Catholic Church and by sharing the Gospel in their families, homes, and communities.

Author: Allie Johnston

Source: <https://www.sadlier.com/religion/blog/the-7-sacraments-of-the-catholic-church>



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Community Food Bank Turkey Collection

DROP OFF IN THE
SAINT JAMES PARKING LOT

**DONATE
FROZEN TURKEYS
AND
NON-PERISHABLE FOODS**

SAVE THE DATE!

Saint James the Apostle Church presents

THE 3RD ANNUAL



RUN/WALK

KID'S TURKEY TROT OBSTACLE COURSE

NOVEMBER 28th
THANKSGIVING MORNING

8:00^{AM} Check-in/Registration | 9:00^{AM} Start | 9:45^{AM} Awards
8:45^{AM} Kid's Turkey Trot Obstacle Course Opens

Use the QR Code to register or go to:
www.raceforum.com/thanks



Questions, volunteer inquiries or sponsor opportunity information?
Contact the rectory or email 5KForThanks@saintjamesparish.org



**COMFORT
& JOY**

SAVE THE DATE

ADVENT CONCERT
WITH SARAH HART
AND STEVE ANGRISANO

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15
4:00PM - 5:30PM

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE PARISH
45 SOUTH SPRINGFIELD AVE.
SPRINGFIELD, NJ 07081



ACADEMY OF SAINT ELIZABETH

For all girls 6th - 8th grade

OPEN HOUSE DATES:
Wednesday, November 6

ADMISSION TEST
Friday, November 8

Go to aosenj.org to register for an Open House or to apply online!

UNION CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP EXAM

Current 8th grade students are invited to participate

The Scholarship Exam for the Class of 2029
Saturday, December 7, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. and
Sunday, December 8, 2024 at 12 noon.

There is a \$35 fee to take the exam;
there is no makeup date.

Over \$175,000 in scholarship monies will be awarded based on the results of this exam.

To register scan this QR Code:



Contact the Admissions Office: 908-889-1600
Union Catholic High School | 1600 Martine Avenue
Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Msgr. Francis X. Coyle Columbiettes
CHRISTMAS
kids party
SUNDAY DEC. 8TH
2:00 - 4:30 PM
Christmas Arts & Crafts with Santa
Arriving 3:15. \$5 Donation Per Family
Donate a toy to "Toys for Tots"
RSVP Diane @ dkost77@optonline.net
Springfield Knights of Columbus Council Hall 60 Harvard St. Summit (GP5)

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

Please call the Rectory for information concerning the OCIA process. 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.

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

The Commemoration of All the Faithful
Departed

(All Souls' Day)

5:00pm For All Souls

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am For All Souls

10:00am For All Souls

12:00pm For All Souls

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Saint Charles Borromeo

7:30am Silvio David

r/b Patricia David

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

7:30am Aurora Perdomo

r/b Maria Chavarriaga

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

7:30am Bob Carvajales

r/b Wife and Daughter

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

7:30am Orlando Mustica

r/b Maria Chavarriaga

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

7:30am Antoinette "Dolly" Verdi

r/b Michael and Theresa Quick

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:30am Rosemarie Brodeur

5:00pm John Montana

r/b Janice Montana, Daughter

Donna Hammargren

r/b JoAnn Lofredo

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Amelia Montana

r/b Janice Montana

Nicholas Circelli

r/b Anthony and Carmelina

10:00am Ronnie Fusco

r/b Carmela Fusco

Deceased Members of the
Lombardi and Mazzacuva
Families

r/b Rita Lombardi and
Angela & Pasquale Mazzacuva

12:00pm Daniel and Angela Raimondo

r/b Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser and
Marianne Van Volkenburgh

Judy Policastro

r/b Family

SANCTUARY LAMP:

John Mannarino
r/b Mannarino Family

BREAD & WINE:

Marie and Ettore Vecchione
r/b Jill, Daughter



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, Barbara Bentz, Severina Bion, Victoria Burns, Gerry Campagnola, Enid Cabot, Dolores Cardillo, Thara Chandran, Lena Chromowski, Phyllis Colosimo, Celine Correia, Marie Crosby, James Curry, Ronald D'Angelo, Diane Deitz, Jean DePasquale, Carmela DeSarno, Robert Devon, Jr., Marguerite Duchantier, Victoria Egner, Luca Favia, Alfredo Fernandes, Berta Franco, Ann Graziano, 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, Menotti Joseph Lombardi, Jr., Marian Lordi, Richard Lorenzo, Barbara Ludolph, Erica Luther, Toni Ann Marabello, Maria Martino Fender, John Mannarino, Angie Mazzarisi, Thomas McGarvey, Leonard McGinley, 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, 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 TO DIE

Kathleen Caffrey, Anthony Delfino, John Patrick

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





FINANCE

Parish Finance Council

FINANCE COUNCIL CORNER

2024 State of the Parish Report

The Finance Council would like to say **THANK YOU** for your continued generosity and support of our parish. Your gifts of time, talent and treasure have enabled the parish to continue to:

- meet the fiscal needs of a growing parish;
- complete needed repairs within the parish campus;
- fulfill our parish commitments to the Archdiocese;
- cover the cost of \$70,000 of initial expense related to the future parish center project; and
- expand the great work that we are doing in carrying out our mission of spreading God's word and offering service to the community.

After all this, through June 30, 2024, our parish operated at close to breakeven. The \$13,000 deficit reflected in the report is offset by \$14,000 in grant funding that was not received as of June 30th.

We have made great strides in improving our financial position and see many positive trends and growth. See the 2024 State of the Parish Report distributed after mass the weekend of Oct 26/27. Below are some highlights:

- Increase in collections, both in pew and via online, weekly collections up 5%;
- Increase in salaries and benefits expenses;
- Increase in insurance costs;
- Completed various repairs to the church, rectory and campus grounds, much of which were covered by grants as well as parishioner donations;
- Keeping current with financial obligations and addressing old legacy debt; and an
- Increase in registered families.

The Finance Council continues to work closely with Father David to assist with managing the Parish's finances in faithfulness to our Parish mission and vision. Each of us is called on to share our gifts and talents with each other and the community. May we continue to grow together in faith and service.



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 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.



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!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals

Weekend of October 26 & 27

Regular Collection:	\$	6,957.00
Online Giving:	\$	4,410.00
Total:	\$	11,367.00

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.

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.

OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY:

PASTOR

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