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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, November 11: 5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, November 12: 8:00AM - Fr. Paladino 10:00AM - Fr. Santos 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:Wednesday Holy Hour at 7PM

Second Saturdays at 3PM

PASTOR'S COLUMN



REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Many years ago comedian Billy Crystal had a running gag portraying Fernando, a quintessential Hollywood character. Crystal would come on talk shows and greet the host with an enthusiastic, "You look marvelous!" When the host would ask how he was doing he'd say,

"You know, it is better to look good than to feel good." The joke of course was a lampoon of the image-conscious Hollywood celebrities for whom looking good was life's overriding concern.

Jesus knows that if our outsides are not informed and illuminated by our insides, we are no better than the Pharisees for whom the externals were everything. That leads to hypocrisy, constant judgment of others and ourselves, and spiritual death. You can almost hear the Pharisees, the image-obsessed religious leaders of Jesus' day, greeting one another in the synagogues, "You look marvelous!" Jesus had a challenge for them, and for us: "It is better to be good, than to look good." And that starts on the inside.

Fr. David C. Santos Pastor

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

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Character is much easier kept than recovered.

- Thomas Paine

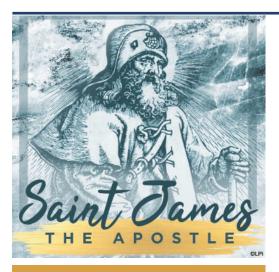
CENTENNIAL CORNER

Thank you to everyone for making our Centennial Celebration Weekend such a memorable and joyous event for all! Please read through the bulletin for the many events still to come this year to continue gathering as a parish family to celebrate and honor our 100th anniversary.



Be sure to visit the Centennial website page: saintjamestheapostle.org/centennial to see photos of past events, view Centennial video interviews, and visit the Centennial Boutique (online store) for Saint James the Apostle Parish commemorative apparel and items. We have hoodies, quarter-zips, polos, and more! Scan the QR code to check out all of our merchandise!





SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10

A great King am I, says the LORD of hosts, and my name will be feared among the nations. And now, O priests, this commandment is for you: If you do not listen, if you do not lay it to heart, to give glory to my name, says the LORD of hosts, I will send a curse upon you and of your blessing I will make a curse.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 131

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13

Brothers and sisters:
We were gentle amount

We were gentle among you, as a nursing mother cares for her children. With such affection for you, we were determined to share with you not only the gospel of God, but our very selves as well, so dearly beloved had you become to us.

GOSPEL Matthew 23:1-12

Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, saying, "The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice. They tie up heavy burdens hard to carry and lay them on people's shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them. All their works are performed to be seen.

Full Mass readings can be accessed at usccb.org

SAINT JAMES MINISTRIES



Family Faith Formation

Our Confirmation preparation groups will be meeting on November 7th (Confirmation 1) and on November 21st (Confirmation 2) from 7PM to 8:30PM in the Church, and our next Family Faith session is on Sunday, November 19th.

The calendar dates for both Family Faith and Confirmation preparation sessions can be found on the Family Faith Formation page of the parish website, https://saintjamestheapostle.org/.

Registration for this year closed on Wednesday, October 18th.

If you need any information or have any questions or concerns, please contact me at aprescott@saintjamesparish.org, (973) 376-2061, or in person either at the rectory during office hours or if you see me after Mass or around town.

Congratulations to the newly Confirmed!

May the Holy Spirit continue to guide and protect you!



Saint James Prayer-Line Ministry

Members of this ministry pray for people who are ill, in the hospital, undergoing surgery, or who have been in an accident, are grieving the loss of a loved one, or a "Special Intention".

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**

HAPPENING THIS WEEKEND

FAMILY PROMISE NON-PERISHABLE FOOD COLLECTION

We will collect after each mass. There will be a bin and sign in the Narthex area.

This month, we are pleased to present another great way to benefit those in need. This collection will be especially meaningful with the holidays approaching. Currently, there is a need for non-perishable food items. Rice, cereal, canned soups, pasta, spaghetti sauce, tuna, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, oatmeal, ramen, cooking oil, salt/ pepper, coffee/tea, pancake mix and anything that can be cooked in its container like soups, mac & cheese, or ramen cups. ShopRite gift cards are also always needed and greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Caputo at ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org

VOLUNTEERS FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION NEEDED!

Are you looking for a way to serve the Lord as well as your fellow neighbor? Well, then you've come to the right place. St. James needs your help. We're currently looking for volunteers to serve as Extraordinary Ministers at all masses (the 10 a.m. on Sunday in particular).

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion assist with the distribution of Holy Communion during the daily, weekend, Holy Day, and special liturgies as needed. These individuals can also be trained to bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly, and homebound.

Parishioners 18 years of age and older are invited to become an EMHC. Those interested must attend a Protecting God's Children workshop as well as the required training and be commissioned by the Archdiocese of Newark before participating in this ministry. There is an E.M. training currently scheduled for Saturday, November 18, 2023 from 8:45am-12:30pm at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center (171 Clifton Ave, Newark).

Please consider joining this extraordinary ministry. If interested, contact Theresa Fischer at **emministry@saintjamesparish.org** or call the rectory for more information or to volunteer. Thank you!

UPCOMING PARISH EVENT

Seasons of Hope

The Bereavement Ministry
Saint James the Apostle Catholic Church

"Letting go of grief is just as painful or even more painful than the grief itself." ~ Miriam Toews' All My Puny 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 9th, 16th, 30th 2023 December 7th, 14th, 21st 2023

Meetings will take place in the rectory at 45 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield New Jersey.

Participation is free however, 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.

The goal of this group is to provide a process for healing within a safe and supportive environment.





HELPING THOSE IN NEED

HELPING THE HUNGRY MINISTRY SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH

Thanksgiving Bags

Sign up and Donate Food Supplies

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

DROP OFF DONATIONS IN THE GATHERING AREA BEFORE ALL MASSES SIGN UP REQUIRED

USE THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP FOR SPECIFIC ITEMS:



- Turkey Gravy 13 oz. can (no glass jars)
- 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)
- Reusable Grocery Bags

Family Faith Formation students and families will assemble completed bags

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



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19 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 On November 19th, The Community Food Bank of New Jersey will be holding a frozen turkey drive at St. James from 9:00AM-1:00PM. In addition to frozen turkeys, they welcome non-perishable food items such as canned vegetables, tuna, peanut butter, boxes of mashed potatoes, cereal, and stuffing. As always, thank you for your generosity and support in helping those in need this time of year!

REGISTER NOW!



Saint James the Apostle Church presents
The 2nd Annual

5K FOR THANKS Run/Walk Kid's Turkey Trot Obstacle Course

Nov. 23rd—Thanksgiving Morning

8:00am Check-in/Registration - 9:00am Start - 9:45am Awards

8:45am Kid's Turkey Trot Obstacle Course

Race Start/Finish:

Saint James the Apostle Church 45 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield, NJ

Timing/Scoring by Split Second Racing

Top Female/Male
Top Girl/Boy (age 17 & below)
Top Female/Male Parishioner
Fastest Family

Music Refreshments Fun For All

Fee Schedule	Before 11/12/23	After 11/12/23
5K Run/Walk	\$30	\$40
Kid's Turkey Trot	\$10	\$10
All Fees Are Non-Refundable T-shirts guaranteed to all who register before 11/12 T-shirts not available for Kid's Turkey Trot		

10% of all net proceeds will be donated to the Springfield First Aid Squad

Use the QR Code to register or go to:

https://www.raceforum.com/thanks

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



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SPONSOR FOR THE 5K FOR THANKS?

Businesses and individuals alike are welcome to become sponsors for this community event.

There are different levels of sponsorship available.

To get more specific information and to fill out the sponsorship form, please scan the QR code:



SAVE THE DATE



AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Grow in Your Faith!

Fall courses from Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology

Interested in learning more about your faith? Learn more about graduate theological courses offered this Fall in Biblical Studies, Church History, Christian Ethics, Systematic Theology, Pastoral Theology, Spirituality, Evangelization, and Multicultural Catechesis.

For details, please e-mail theology@shu.edu or call Elizabeth Vacchiano at (973) 761-9633.



CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSIONS EXAM

Admissions Exam will take place Friday, Nov. 10, 2023 at designated sites throughout New Jersey and New York.

Register at www.njcoopexam.org

If you have questions, call 888-921-2667 or email support@njcoopexam.org

UNION CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP EXAM

Current 8th grade students are invited to participate in Union Catholic High School's Annual Scholarship Testing Program.

The Scholarship Exam for the Class of 2028 will be held on

Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday, December 3, 2023 at 12 noon.

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

Over \$120,000 in scholarship monies will be awarded based on the results of this exam.

To register for the Scholarship Exam, scan this QR Code:

For more info or questions, contact the Admissions Office at 908-889-1600, ext. 302 or email jbowman@unioncatholic.org



True Gratitude



A very popular Thanksgiving prayer concluded with the supplication, "Let us live true lives of gratitude, as we pray in thanks to you, our God, who lives forever and ever. Amen." One way to express gratitude is to help those who are struggling. Are you willing to spend some time to clean out your closets, attics, and basements to fill the Catholic Charities Donation Bin(s)? Thank you.



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, NOVEMBER 4
Saint Charles Borromeo

5:00pm Deceased Members of the

Lombardi & Mazzacuva Families

r/b Rita, Angela & Pasquale

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5 Thirty-First Sunday in OT

8:00am Daniel & Angela Raimondo

r/b Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser & Marianne Van Volkenburg **Salvatore DePasquale** r/b Jean DePasquale

10:00am Judy Policastro

r/b Gorgia Family
Christina Leone
r/b John Leone

12:00pm Paul Macciachera

r/b Mary Walsh **Bob Carvajales** r/b Wife & Daughter

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

7:30am Protection of the Unborn

r/b Fernandez Family

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 7:30am Lois Patrick

r/b Linda & Bob Donnelly

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8
7:30am Philip Pado Ruivivar

r/b Randy, Rosie & Julia Landicho

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

7:30am Rosemarie Brodeur r/b Family & Friends

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10 Saint Leo the Great

7:30am John Montana, Jr.

r/b Janice Montana

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11
Saint Martin of Tours

8:30am Helen Kazimar

r/b Geri Ann, Brandon & Tyler

5:00pm Dennis Troy

r/b Russ & Loretta Werner

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12
Thirty-Second Sunday in OT
8:00am Mary Hayes
r/b Hayes Family

James T. Gilbey r/b Kristen Blasco Dean C. Bruno

10:00am Dean C. Bruno

r/b Wife & Children
Charlotte Wirth
r/b John Leone

12:00pm Deceased Members of the

Patuto Family r/b Family Leo Eckmann

r/b Kathleen Farrell & Family



SANCTUARY LAMP: Lighting the Way John Mannarino r/b Mannarino Family

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, 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, 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, Carol Wade, 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, 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

Lord, Hear Our Prayer.



DID YOU KNOW?

What is the meaning behind the making of the cross on our forehead, mouth and heart before the reading of the Gospel?

It mirrors the blessing a Deacon receives prior to proclaiming the Gospel - "may God be in your mind, on your lips and in your heart as you proclaim His holy Gospel."

Source: hsccatl.com/adult-faith-formation/why-do-catholics-do-that

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 October 28 & 29

 Regular Collection:
 \$ 6,170.00

 Online Giving:
 \$ 3,788.00

 Total:
 \$ 9,958.00

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.



FINANCE COUNCIL CORNER

Did you know?...
There are tax-savvy ways to support Saint James Church.

- 1. <u>Use your RMDs</u> Individuals 70 ½ or older can use qualified charitable distributions (QCD) to donate directly from a traditional IRA to an eligible charity. Consider satisfying all or part of your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) with a donation to Saint James Church.
- 2. <u>Donate stock</u> Donate appreciated stocks and reap tax rewards for your generosity.

Remember... Consult your tax advisors as you plan your charitable giving.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

"APOSTLE IN ACTION" Charity Collection

The Apostle in Action Charity
Fund provides parishioners and
members of our local community
with financial assistance. Whether
it be rent, utility bills, unforeseen
medical expenses or mental health
expenses. 100% of the funds
donated to the Apostle in Action
Charity Fund will be use to help
those in need right in our own
neighborhood.

Please be sure to write "Apostle in Action Charity Fund" in the memo section and when donating online through Parish Soft giving, be sure to look for the Apostle in Charity Fund. Thank you for your continued generousity.

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