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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 2: 5:00PM - Fr. Santos

Sunday, November 3: 8:00AM - Fr. Santos 10:00AM - Fr. Paladino 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 6:30PM in the Church and on Facebook Live

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday Holy Hour at 7PM

Second Saturdays at 3PM

PASTOR'S COLUMN



NEWS and UPDATES

PARISH FESTIVAL COMMITTEE and VOLUNTEERS - THANK YOU!!!

I am very pleased to announce another successful year for the annual parish festival! I believe it's been quite some time since we've had a festival where we didn't have to close for at least one day because of inclement

weather. Thank you, Lord, for five beautiful, safe, and energetic days at this year's festival.

While the annual festival is a major fundraiser for the parish, it is also a major community building event. Swarms of parishioners and guests from both near and far joined in on the rides and games, and the fun and food this year. Seeing parents with little children in strollers, young kids playing games, couples dancing to live music, and groups of families and friends enjoying the delicious festival food was a beautiful site to see.

Thank you to the army of *volunteers* for your incredible work. There is simply no way the festival could have been as successful as it was without your involvement.

I would also like to name and thank, on behalf of the entire St. James parish community, the members of the *festival committee*:

John O'Reilly, Chairperson of the Festival Committee

Vicki Sarracino, Vice-chairperson

Janet Dellasala, Sponsors and 50/50 Coordinator

Jimmy Guarino, Food Services Coordinator

Phil Hunrath, Treasurer

Antoinette Miller. Tin-Can Auction and Entertainment Coordinator

Bob Wright, Games and Rides Coordinator

*A special shout-out to the spouses of the committee members for your support, time, and energy!

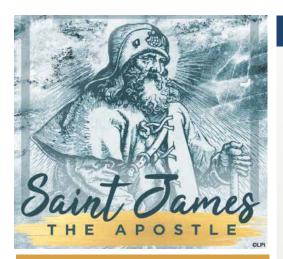
Finally, THANK YOU to the **festival guests**, **sponsors**, and **generous benefactors!** Your financial support and material donations mean so much to us and have contributed to the success of this year's festival.

Fr. David C. Santos, Pastor

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Be slow to speak, and only after having first listened quietly, so that you may understand the meaning, leanings, and wishes of those who do speak.

-Saint Ignatius



SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING Jeremiah 31:7-9

Thus says the LORD: Shout with joy for Jacob, exult at the head of the nations; proclaim your praise and say: The LORD has delivered his people, the remnant of Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 126

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

SECOND READING Hebrews 5:1-6

In the same way, it was not Christ who glorified himself in becoming high priest, but rather the one who said to him: You are my son: this day I have begotten you; just as he says in another place: You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL Mark 10:46-52

Jesus stopped and said, "Call him."
So they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you." He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

Full Mass readings can be accessed at usccb.org

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION 2024-2025

This Saturday, October 26, 46 Confirmandi received the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. James.

Please keep them and their families in your prayers in this important time of their lives.

This Sunday, October 27, we are having our first Family Faith Session.

As always, it is so nice to have all our families join us and celebrate Mass together as one family.

All families in Family Faith should have received an email to register to attend our **All Saints Day Celebration** on **Friday, November 1st from 6PM to 6:55PM**. If you have not registered yet but would like to attend, please reach out to Ana.

Our Confirmation preparation groups have already started and will be meeting one Tuesday a month from 7PM to 8:30PM in the Church.

The calendar dates can be found on the Family Faith Formation page of the parish website.

Family Faith Formation 2024-2025 REGISTRATION is now closed.

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 TIN CAN BASKET AUCTION...THANKS YOU!

Dear Fellow Parishioners and Friends,

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to our parish festival tin can auction. Your generous donations have been instrumental in the success of this fundraiser and in supporting our parish community.

Thanks to your support, we are able to continue our mission and provide essential services, while also advancing our plans for future growth of parish.

A heartfelt thank you to all those on the committee who assisted in soliciting, preparing and wrapping baskets and assisted in the daily set up throughout the week of the festival.

Once again, thank you for your kindness and dedication to our parish. We are truly blessed to be part of such a compassionate community.

Warm regards,

Antoinette Miller Chair, Festival Tin Can Auction

SAINT JAMES MEN'S MINISTRY

The men of the Parish are invited to gather for hospitality and discussion of the Sunday gospel readings.

This is a great opportunity for men to grow in their faith, meet new folks, and share their experiences of their faith journey.

These meetings will take place in the upstairs conference room in the Rectory, on

Saturdays at 9am (after the 8:30am Mass).
You are encouraged to attend the Mass, but it is not required.

Please email John Prescott at **MensMinistry@saintjamesparish.org** to register if you are interested.

The St. James the Apostle Men's Ministry Group will be meeting on these dates:

November 23 | December 21

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**

ST. JAMES BOUTIQUE

Be sure to visit the online boutique 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!





MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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

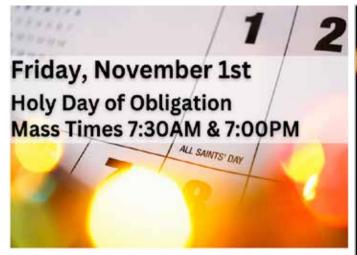


THREE TUESDAYS THIS FALL AT SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH

> 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



ALL SAINTS DAY

The solemn holy day dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven.



To celebrate All Souls' Day, memorial candles will be available for purchase in the narthex on

Nov. 2, before the 5 pm Mass.

The personalized candles will be displayed on the sanctuary during the **5pm mass on Saturday, Nov. 2,** and can be taken home after.

Each 3-day candle costs \$5

Please use the QR code to purchase. Add the name(s) of your loved one(s) on the note section.

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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

SAVE THE DATE!



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





AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN FOR ADULTS TRAINING



Location: St. Rose of Lima Church – Ryan Hall 50 Short Hills Avenue, Short Hills, NJ Participants must register using www.virtus.org Tuesday, October 29, 2024 ~ 6:30-9:30PM

Nancy Caputo: ncaputo@saintjamesparish.org 973-376-2061

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!

AROUND THE COMMUNITY



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 (GPS)

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, OCTOBER 26

Richard and Jean Ellmer 5:00pm

r/b Ellmer Family Ricky Ellmer r/b Ellmer Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Rosaria Zotti

r/b Rosa

Mario Garcia

r/b Giovanna DiNizo

10:00am Lynn Schiffl

r/b Michelle Sblendorio

Giuseppe Graziosi r/b Famiglia Postiglione

12:00pm **Daniel & Angela Raimondo**

> r/b Evelyn Raimondo-Kaiser and Marianne Van Volkenburgh

Sister Irene Salimbeni and

Michael Salimbeni

r/b Family

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28 Saint Simon and Jude 7:30am John Covell

r/b Rev. David C. Santos

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

7:30am **Barbara Midgett**

r/b Yannazzone Family

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30

7:30am **Elenor and James Burns**

r/b Nancy Mahoney Rajs

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 7:30am Mario Garcia

r/b Family

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1

All Saints

7:30am The People of Saint James 7:00pm The People of Saint James

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

The Commemoration of All the Faithful

Departed

(All Souls' Day)

8:30am For All Souls 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





Theresa Blasi and Anna Marie Villanova r/b Family

BREAD & WINE:

Theresa Blasi and Anna Marie Villanova r/b Family

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

A TIME TO BAPTIZE

Tiago Capitao, Sofia Isabela Chaves, Luna Saige Fernandes, Maya Emilia Lambert

A TIME TO HEAL

Pat Annelli, 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, 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 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 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.

DID YOU KNOW?

Sacraments at the Service of Communion

The Church celebrates two Sacraments at the Service of Communion. These sacraments are Matrimony and Holy Orders. Those who receive these sacraments are strengthened to serve God and the Church through a particular vocation.

Author: Allie Johnston

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



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 We accept online credit card donations. 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.

STEWARDSHIP OF **TREASURES**

Collection Totals Weekend of October 19 & 20

Regular Collection: 4,438.00

Online Giving: \$ 4.107.00

Total: 8.545.00

Parishioners wishing to mail-in or drop off their weekly contribution in the Rectory mail slot are welcome to do so.

OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY:

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Please call the rectory to reach Dcn. Jerry

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