WELCOMING Joseph William Cardinal Tobin, C.Ss.R. Saint James the Apostle Church Centennial Anniversary



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

Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30AM-3PM (Closed 12-1PM for Lunch)

Church Visiting Hours: Mon-Fri: 8AM-2:30PM Sat: 9AM-1PM

#### MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, September 16: 5:00PM - Fr. Dennehy

Sunday, September 17: 8:00AM - Fr. Dennehy 10:00AM - Fr. Santos 12:00PM - Fr. Paladino

#### 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



Dear Saint James Family,

Today is the high point of our centennial anniversary, for today we gather around the altar to commemorate an important milestone in the life of our parish.

United in the faith of Jesus Christ, our celebration bears to mind three important duties which we have acknowl-

edged in prayer throughout this year in our Centennial Prayer. They are:

**PASTOR'S COLUMN** 

# honorably remember our past; joyfully celebrate our faith; and courageously lead the next generation into the future.

This centennial year has provided a blessed opportunity to honorably remember those who have served this beautiful community and who have contributed to the growth and development of the parish over the years. It has been for our parish a time to joyfully celebrate our faith through prayer and fellowship, which has strengthened the enduring presence of God in our lives and emboldened the transformative power of the Gospel. As we continue to honor our past and celebrate our faith, we do so mindful that as disciples of Jesus Christ we are privileged with passing on the faith while empowering the next generation to carry on the legacy of our Catholic faith and this local church.

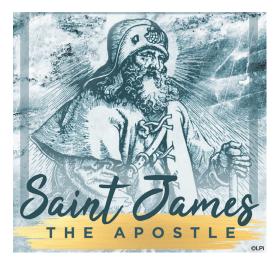
Friends, the Lord has blessed this faith-filled parish community with so many blessings, chief among them is the witness of faith you give to the world. As we embark on the next century of our parish's journey, let us carry the lessons of the past, the joy of our faith, and the hope for the future in our hearts.

Ad multos annos, gloriosque annos!

-Fr. David Santos, Pastor

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## SUNDAY READINGS

#### FIRST READING Ezekiel 33:7-9

But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 95

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

#### SECOND READING Romans 13:8-10

Brothers and sisters: Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 2 Corinthians 5:19

God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

#### GOSPEL

#### Matthew 18:15-20

"Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Full Mass readings can be accessed at usccb.org

# THIS WEEKEND'S EVENTS





# Centennial Mass with His Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Tobin

Saturday, September 9th at 5:00PM Mass with Light Reception to Follow

# **Parish Family Picnic**

Sunday, September 10th at 1:00PM Barbecue food, soft drinks provided

## **Butterfly Memorial & Honor Release**

At the Parish Picnic

Saint James the Apostle Church Memorial and Honor Butterfly Release

# **CENTENNIAL CORNER**







# An Exciting Year of Centennial Events!

Throughout this Centennial Year, our parish has marked our 100th Anniversary with many special events. On September 11, 2022, South Springfield Avenue between Mountain Avenue and Shunpike Road was memorialized as "Saint James Way". On September 18, 2022, Father David Santos was installed as the 14th pastor of Saint James. Also in September 2022, the first annual Fall into Fun Craft Fair, Book Sale, and Car Wash kicked off the autumn season. In October, our campus parking lot was once again transformed into the annual Parish Festival with 2022 being one of the most successful years for the festival! A new tradition began with the first annual 5K for Thanks Family Run/Walk on Thanksgiving morning 2022. In honor of how our parish has grown in strength and endurance during its centennial journey, the Outdoor Ministry invited parishioners to track one hundred miles of their exercise, from walking to biking, throughout the year in a unique event One Hundred Years One Hundred Miles! The weekend of May 19, 2023, we were blessed to be a host parish for the U.S. tour of the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The Saint James Golf Outing returned on June 12, 2023. During the month of July 2023, we celebrated how our parish has spent 100 years serving our local area with community-wide service projects, which culminated on July 22nd with our Parish Day of Service.

The year of celebration continues and will be highlighted by a special weekend September 8-10, including a **School Alumni Reception**, a **Centennial Mass** with Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., D.D., Archbishop of Newark, as our celebrant, and a **Parish Family Picnic.** Former Priests, Religious Sisters and Brothers, Deacons, public officials, community clergy, and friends old and new will be in attendance at the celebration marking the start of a new century for Saint James Parish.

THANK YOU to everyone who has helped make this such a special year of celebration for our parish family! For more photos and details of the Centennial Events, please visit our website: saintjamestheapostle.org/centennial.









# **PARISH NEWS & EVENTS**

# HELPING THE HUNGRY MINISTRY FOOD COLLECTION

# WEEKEND OF SEPT 16/17

DROP OFF IN THE GATHERING AREA BEFORE ALL MASSES

# **ITEMS REQUESTED:**

**CANNED TUNA** 



**CEREAL (LOW SUGAR)** 



## **INDIVIDUAL SNACKS** (GOLDFISH, PRETZELS, GRANOLA BARS)

The Helping the Hungry Ministry will be holding a non-perishable food collection after all the Masses the weekend of September 16 and 17. The collected items will benefit the Our Lady of Sorrows Pantry in South Orange. We will be specifically collecting cans of tuna, boxes of individual snack packs (such as goldfish crackers, pretzels, granola bars - for school lunches) and low sugar cereal Items can be dropped off in the gathering area before all Masses. Thank you in advance for your support!

## Saint James Tin Can Auction Needs Your Contributions to Make it a Sucess!

One of the major highlights of the annual Saint James the Apostle Parish Festival is the Tin Can Auction and your help is needed to make this year's event even more successful than in the past. The Tin Can Auction is a tricky-tray-type event during which festival goers purchase raffle tickets for prizes donated by area residents and merchants.

Saint James needs contributions of prizes - goods, services, event tickets and other items - to make its Tin Can Auction a success!

If you own a business or wish to donate goods, services, event tickets or other items, please contact Antoinette Miller through the Rectory Office at 973-376-3044 or send an email to tincanauction@ saintjamesparish.org. Check out the flyer on the other side of this page for more details about the Festival!



# Saint James the Apostle Church

45 South Springfield Ave, Springfield, NJ 07081

# **OCTOBER 10 - 14** Tuesday – Friday: 6pm – 10pm, Saturday: 2pm – 10pm

# GAMES \* RIDES \* FOOD \* MUSIC \* BEER TENT \*SUPER 50/50 RAFFLE\* TIN CAN BASKET AUCTION AND MUCH MORE!



Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm – 10:00pm



WHERE ROCK & COUNTRY LIVE Come RUN WITH THE PACK!!

Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm – 10:00pm

# SAINT JAMES MINISTRIES & EVENTS



#### Last Chance to Register for Family Faith Formation!

2023-2024 Family Faith Formation sessions will begin next Sunday, September 17th after the 8AM, 10AM and 12 noon masses. Confirmation sessions will begin with a parent and child meeting on Tuesday, October 3rd (for 7th grade) and on Tuesday, October 17th (for 8th grade) at 7PM in the Church.

If you have not registered your child yet, please know it needs to be done before September 15th for children in grades 1st to 6th and before September 30th for children in the Confirmation preparation process (7th and 8th grades).The registration form and the calendar dates for both, the Family Faith Formation sessions for 1st to 6th graders, and the Confirmation sessions for 7th and 8th graders can be found on the Family Faith Formation page of the parish website, https://saintjamestheapostle.org/. Any registration received after August 31st will incur a \$50 increase.

The parent meeting for families who are new to the Family Faith Formation program will take place this **Monday, September 11 at 7PM in the Church** and the meeting for parents of children who will be receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Eucharist this 2023-2024 year is this **Monday, September 11 at 8PM in the Church.** 

#### For More Information, Please Contact:

If you need any further information on how to register your child, please reach out to Ana Serra-Prescott at aprescott@saintjamesparish.org, (973)376-2061, or in person either at the rectory during office hours or if you see her after Mass or around town.



#### Mental Health & Wellness Ministry: Caregiver Wellness Program

Introducing the Caregiver Wellness Online Series, an exclusive and transformative program crafted specifically for caregivers, who deserve to prioritize their well-being and find balance in their lives.

In these engaging and interactive sessions, we will introduce you to techniques carefully curated to cater to your unique needs. Through immersive hands-on experiences, you will have the opportunity to explore these techniques firsthand, fostering a deep understanding of their potential to enhance your overall wellness.

By embracing the online series, you are taking the vital step towards reclaiming time for yourself and nurturing your well-being. We aim to empower you with the tools and knowledge necessary to flourish as a caregiver, finding harmony in both your caregiving responsibilities and personal aspirations. Join us on this empowering journey beginning in September!

#### Virtual meetings will be held on Wednesdays at 7:00-7:30PM on the following dates: September 13th, 20th, 27th and October 4th

Sign up online by scanning the QR code here with your mobile device, or visit this link: namiunioncountynj.org.



#### Join the Saint James Choir!

You are invited to join the music ministry at Saint James the Apostle as we begin our new season in September!

Our choir provides music for the 10:00AM Mass on the first and third Sundays of the month, 12:00PM Mass on the second Sunday of the month, and 5:00PM Mass on the last Saturday of the month. (September through June). On occasion, we also enhance liturgies during holy days and special Masses.

Rehearsals will take place every Thursday in the church, beginning promptly at 7:00PM and typically lasting about an hour. All interested members (high school age and older) are welcome to join our community of song; no prior singing experience is necessary.

**\Please contact Philip LaGala with any questions at musicdirector@saintjamesparish.org, or feel free to speak with him after Mass.** 

## Going Deeper with the Synod Next Steps for our Archdiocese



#### All are Welcome!

Back by popular demand, the Going Deeper with the Synod on Synodality: The Lord's Call workshops will return in the fall with four gatherings for parishes that were unable to attend last spring or would like to send more participants. The workshops will provide time for prayer and sharing. It will also explore next steps for our Archdiocese and practical ways parishes and others can respond to the first priority from our report -- Welcome, Hospitality, and Outreach.

#### Choose one in-person session:

Thursday, September 21 at 6:30-9PM JPII Youth Center, Kearny Saturday, September 23 at 9:30AM-12PM Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, Newark Thursday, September 28, 6:30-9PM St. Andrew Parish, Westwood Saturday, October 7, 9:30AM-12PM Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, Newark

# Register at the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/2kvprfxt



## 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 contact the Faith Formation Office at (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**

| 5:00pm  | SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9<br>5:00pm Betty Macciachera  |  |  |
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| 5.00pm  | r/b Sheila Oprysko   |  |  |
|   | Maria Alice  |  |  |
|   | r/b Mother   |  |  |
| SUNDAY, SEP   |  |  |  |
| Twenty-Third  | Sunday in OT   |  |  |
| 8:00am  | Caroline Josephine Banghart  |  |  |
|   | r/b Swicinski Family   |  |  |
|   | Judith Natale  |  |  |
|   | r/b Gene & Nieves Salle  |  |  |
| 1 <b>0:00</b> am  | Protection of the Unborn   |  |  |
|   | r/b Fernandez Family   |  |  |
|   | Antigoni Tsipas  |  |  |
|   | r/b Carla & Theo Janssen   |  |  |
| 12:00pm   | Tony Bagnato   |  |  |
|   | r/b Wife Ann & Family  |  |  |
|   | John DeGeorge  |  |  |
|   | r/b Anthony & Danielle Menza   |  |  |
| MONDAY, SEF   |  |  |  |
| 7:30am  | Joseph Dorneo  |  |  |
| TUESDAY, SEI  | r/b Gene & Nieves Salle  |  |  |
| 7:30am  | Anthony DeMarzo  |  |  |
| 7.50am  | r/b Beverly DeMarzo  |  |  |
| WEDNESDAY   | SEPTEMBER 13   |  |  |
| St. John Chrys  |  |  |  |
| 7:30am  | Pietro Alberto   |  |  |
|   | r/b Sister in Law and Son  |  |  |
| THURSDAY, S   | EPTEMBER 14  |  |  |
| <b>The Exaltation</b>   | of the Holy Cross  |  |  |
| 7:30am  | Irene Mahoney  |  |  |
|   | r/b Family   |  |  |
| FRIDAY, SEPT  | EMBER 15   |  |  |
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Lord, Hear Our Prayer.



**SANCTUARY LAMP:** For the People of Saint James

**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, 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, 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

# 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 September 2 & 3

| <b>Regular Collection:</b> | \$<br>5,496.00 |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| Online Giving:             | \$<br>3,553.00 |
| Total:                     | \$<br>9,049.00 |

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

We are excited to announce that St. James Parish has received the following grants:

- \$28,000 combined grant through the Archdiocese of Newark's Parish Unity Fund and the Archdiocese of Newark's Stewardship Endowment Fund. The Parish Unity Fund is made possible by parishes across the Archdiocese that surpass their Annual Appeal Goal. The grant funds are intended to assist parishes in achieving their capital and pastoral goals. Stewardship Endow-The ment Fund is intended to support capital repairs.
- \$50,000 from the State of New Jersey Homeland Security Grant. The grant funds are intended for security related costs.
- \$150,000 from the Federal Homeland Security Grant. The grant funds are intended for extensive security related costs.

The funds from these grants will be used for various capital repairs and improvements within the church and church campus grounds. We are thankful and blessed to have received these grants as they will provide us the opportunity and resources to further live our mission.

# **OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY:**

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WEEKEND ASSISTANT Father John Dennehy

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