Saint James the Apostle
Roman Catholic Church

Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will *produce its fruit.*

MATTHEW 21:43

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

www.saintjamesparish.org

YOU ARE Welcome Here

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

Office Hours:
(Closed 12PM-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, October 3:
5:00PM - Fr. Dennehy

Sunday, October 4:
8:00AM - Fr. Paladino
10:00AM - Fr. Dennehy
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 *(Third Wednesday of each month will have live music.)*

Second Saturdays at 3PM

**The First Rosary and Wednesday Adoration of the month are for Priestly and Religious Vocations*

PASTOR'S COLUMN

NEWS AND UPDATES

Campus Redevelopment and Capital Campaign Update

I would like to take a moment to share an update on our campus redevelopment project and capital campaign.

First, some very good news: **thanks** to your incredible generosity, our capital campaign has now reached **$3.6 million in pledges from 335 donors!** This is a tremendous milestone, and I am deeply grateful for the confidence you have shown in the future of Saint James.

We are also pleased to share that we met our $250,000 matching-gift goal! Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners and supporters, the full matching gift was secured, effectively doubling the impact of those contributions.

As many of you know, over the past year we have reached several important milestones. The Township has approved the subdivision of the property, the necessary Church approvals have been received, and both Saint James and the Winston School remain excited about moving forward with the sale of the former school and convent property.

So the obvious question is: **What are we waiting for?**

At this point, we are awaiting final approval of a Flood Hazard Area Individual Permit from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. Before the sale can close, the State must complete its review and issue that permit.

Unfortunately, the process has been moving more slowly than expected. We remain in regular contact with the NJDEP and are currently awaiting an update on the status of our application. While I know this delay can be frustrating, there is very little that either Saint James or the Winston School can do to accelerate the State's review process.

The good news is that these delays have **not** negatively impacted the project. Both Saint James and the Winston School remain fully committed to moving forward, and we are using this time to continue planning and preparing for the next steps.

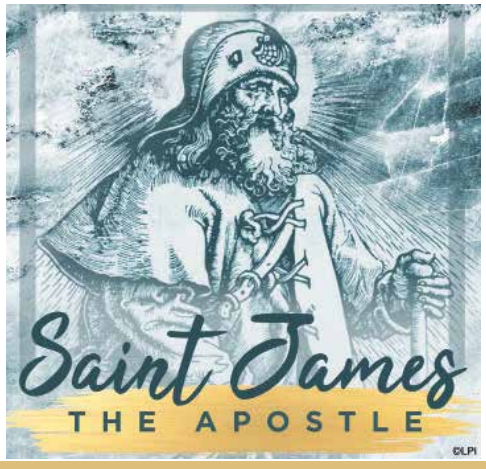
For that reason, we cannot establish a closing date until the permit has been approved. Once that happens, we will be able to determine a timeline and share those details with the parish.

I know many of you have been following this project closely, and I am grateful for your continued patience, support, and prayers. This has always been a long process with many moving parts, but I remain confident and optimistic about where we are headed.

As soon as there is meaningful news to share, I will be sure to keep you informed.

Thank you, and please continue to pray for the success of this project and for the future of our parish.

Rev. David C. Santos, Pastor



SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING
Ezekiel 18:25-28
You say, "The LORD's way is not fair!"
Hear now, house of Israel: Is it my way that is unfair, or rather, are not your ways unfair?
When someone virtuous turns away from virtue to commit iniquity, and dies, it is because of the iniquity he committed that he must die. But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, and does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life; since he has turned away from all the sins that he has committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
Psalm 25
Remember your mercies, O Lord.

SECOND READING
Philippians 2:1-11 *or* Philippians 2:1-5
Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others.

Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus

GOSPEL
Matthew 21:28-32
Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."

Full Mass readings can be accessed at usccb.org

HOLY WHYS: DEACON HUGH REPLIES

Dear Deacon Hugh:

I have attended Mass my entire adult life and to this day, I cannot understand why Priests keep wearing different color vestments. Would you please tell me all the colors and how you decide week by week what to wear?

Anonymous

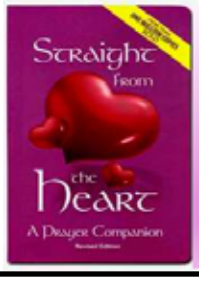
Dear Anonymous:

When I became a deacon, one of the first things I had to learn was what color vestment to wear on Sunday. Thankfully, I did not have to guess. There is a handy little book called Ordo that tells the color for each day of the Church's liturgical calendar. We keep one copy in the vesting room and another in the sacristy at the back of the church. Take a peek sometime when you are there.

Color is another matter entirely. In the Latin Rite, the usual liturgical colors are white, red, green, violet (or purple), rose, and sometimes gold. In ordinary time, we wear green. Green is the color of rebirth and hope, especially of hope for eternal life. White means purity and signifies glory, joy, and light. We wear white at Christmas, Easter, weddings, funerals, and solemnities such as All Saints Day. Red appears for Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Pentecost Sunday. It is also worn at confirmation. It symbolizes God's love, fire, and Christ's suffering. We wear violet for the seasons of Advent and Lent to symbolize penance, sacrifice, preparation, and repentance. Rose or Pink (which a certain priest refuses to wear) means a joyful pause or anticipation and may be worn on the Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) and the Forth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday). Finally, gold is worn at solemn Masses such as Midnight Mass.

Deacon Hugh

If you have a question you would like to ask, please email Deacon Hugh at **hkeffer@saintjamesparish.org.**



PRAYER BOOKS IN PEWS

You may have noticed this prayer book in the pews recently. We invite you to use them during your time in church for personal prayer and reflection. Please do not take them home. Thank you for your cooperation.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

DATES FOR THIS YEAR'S SESSIONS (2026-2027)

Our Family Faith Sessions dates can also be found on our parish website.

**Our first Family Faith Formation session is this Sunday, September 27.
We are so excited for this new year and looking forward to gathering together for Mass and seeing you all at your sessions afterwards!!

Family Faith Formation - 2026-2027 Calendar

8:00am / 10:00am / 12:00pm Mass
Family Faith sessions begin in the FMG Cafeteria immediately following each Mass!

New Family Orientation: Monday, September 14 @ 7:00pm - Church

First Holy Eucharist parents meeting: Monday, September 14 at 8:00pm – Church

Family Faith Sessions

September 27, 2026
Friday, October 9 at 6PM – Rosary for families with children - Church
October 25, 2026
Wednesday, October 28 at 6PM – Eucharistic Adoration for families with children - Church
November 15, 2026
December 6, 2026
Tuesday, January 5, 2027, at 6PM - Feast of Epiphany Celebration - Church
January – No Session – Parents meetings instead (dates emailed and by appointment)
February 7, 2027
March 7, 2027
Tuesday, March 9 at 6PM – Rosary for families with children - Church
April 18, 2027
Wednesday, April 21 at 6PM – Eucharistic Adoration for families with children - Church

Families with children receiving First Holy Eucharist this year (additional sessions besides the retreats):

- **Saturday, October 10** at OLL from 10AM to 12 noon
- **Saturday, February 27, 2027 at St. James Church** from 9AM to 10AM in church
- **Saturday, April 10, 2027 at St. James Church** from 9AM to 10AM in church (if No Eucharistic Retreat that day, otherwise session will be on **Thursday, April 8** at 6PM in church)

CONFIRMATION YEAR 1 SCHEDULE
(7th Grade)

Tuesdays - 7:00-8:30PM at the Church

September 8 – 7PM (Parent and child meeting)

October 6
November 10
December 1
January 12
February 9
March 16
April 6

CONFIRMATION YEAR 2 SCHEDULE
(8th Grade)

Tuesdays - 7:00-8:30PM at the Church

September 8 – 8PM (Parent and child meeting)
October 20
November 17
December 15
January 26
February 23
March 23
April 20
June 1 – 7PM (Parent and child meeting)

*Retreat in Fall 2027 (Date TBA)
Last session in Fall 2027 (Date TBA)
Interviews in Fall 2027 (Dates TBA)

Candidates receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this October 2026

Our Confirmandi getting ready to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, October 3 had their retreat this Saturday, September 26. **We ask that you please pray for them as they are getting ready to receive this important sacrament.**

LOOKING FOR PEER LEADERS FOR THE 2026-2027 CONFIRMATION CLASSES

If you are in high school, have received the Sacrament of Confirmation, are currently a parishioner at St. James, and are interested in being a peer leader for this coming year's Confirmation Prep Groups, please call or email Ana Serra-Prescott to schedule an interview.

*Please know that if selected, you **must** be able to commit to:

- Attending all 7 sessions or 14 (if you chose to volunteer for both groups)
- Attend the Confirmation retreat and the Confirmation Masses in the Fall of 2027 (if you will be volunteering for the Confirmation Year 2 group, unless you will be away in college)

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THIS COMING SCHOOL YEAR!

We are looking for volunteers to join our Family Faith Formation Program to volunteer as Catechists, Classroom Aides, Adult Session Aides, and Hall Monitors.

If after prayerful consideration, you are interested and feel called to volunteering in any of those capacities, or have more questions, please contact Ana Serra-Prescott at **aprescott@saintjamesparish.org**, call **(973)376-2061**, or stop by the rectory.

WELCOME TO SAINT JAMES DEACON KEITH GIBBONS

Ordained in 2005, Keith and his wife Terry have 5 children: Terri & Jim, Kelly & Bob, Kyle, Gus & Diana, Luke & Kate along with 5 grandchildren Tess, Jack, Jayne, Archie and Naomi. Deacon Keith was transferred from Holy Trinity Parish in Westfield to us here at Saint James. He brings with him many years of experience and a heart for sharing the Gospel.

"My Vocational call is a 'Washer of Feet' in a variety of service missions that range from feeding our less fortunate families to caring for our First Responders. Terry and I look forward to sharing our gifts and love with our new Parish Family at St. James."

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE ST. JAMES CHOIR!

Our choir provides music at the 5:00pm (monthly), 10:00am (twice month), and 12:00pm noon (monthly) Masses, from September through June.

We also enhance liturgies during holy days and special masses.

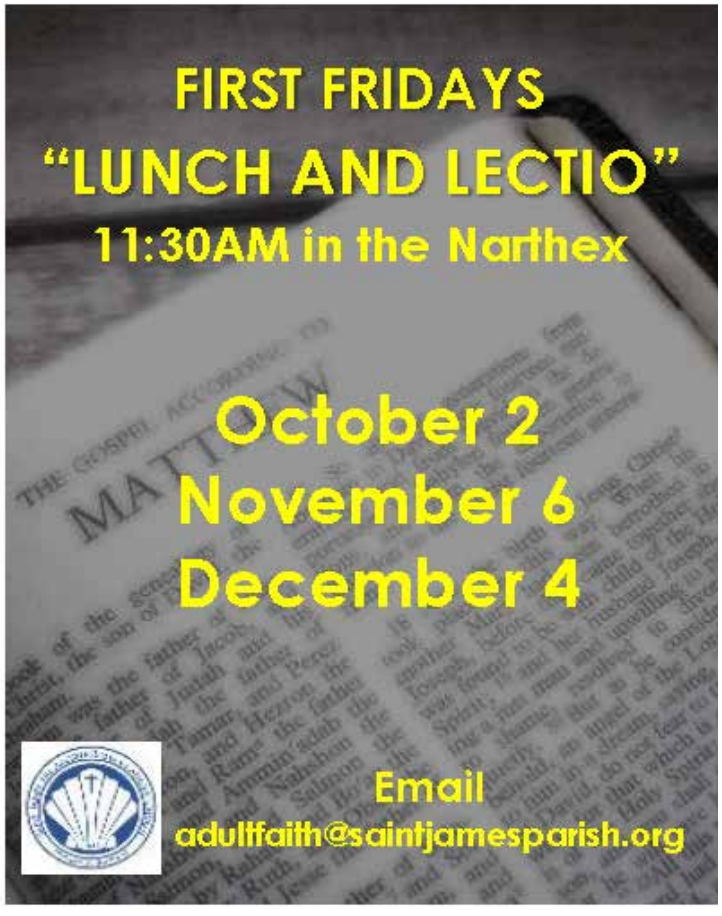
Rehearsals take place every Thursday in the Church, at 7:00pm and typically last about an hour. All interested members (high school age and older) are welcome to join our community of song and no prior singing experience is necessary.
Please speak to Philip La Gala after Mass or email **musicdirector@saintjamesparish.org**.

SAINT JAMES TIN CAN AUCTION NEEDS YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS!

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. 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 973-376-3044 or email **tincanauction@saintjamesparish.org**.



Homecoming Picnic – Thank You!

On behalf of the Homecoming Picnic Committee, we extend our heartfelt thanks to all our wonderful volunteers who shared their time, energy, and talents to make this year's Saint James the Apostle Church Homecoming Picnic such a success. Despite the morning rain and last-minute changes, God's generosity shone through as the sun broke out just in time for the festivities. Father David Santos' blessing set a beautiful tone for the afternoon, and our annual Butterfly Release offered a touching moment of remembrance for loved ones, made even more meaningful by the thoughtful volunteers who organized it and provided remembrance pins. To everyone who cooked, served, set up tents and tables, greeted parishioners, lent a helping hand, or stayed to clean up — thank you. Your kindness and generosity truly embody the spirit of our parish family.

With gratitude and appreciation,

The Homecoming Picnic Committee

Women, Wine and Wisdom Returns!

Over 100 women of the parish and their guests gathered recently to hear Sr. Marlene Milasus of the Benedictine Sisters of Elizabeth give a wonderful talk on our theme, "From Busy to Blessed", followed by some time for peaceful and prayerful meditation with music and journaling. Afterward we enjoyed a delicious spread of specialty pizzas, wine and soft drinks as we reconnected and made new acquaintances in the Narthex and under the stars in the plaza. It was a beautiful evening of fellowship and faith which left us all feeling relaxed, refreshed and recharged. In fact, everyone was having such a good time, no one wanted to leave! We host a different theme every 3 months so keep your eyes on the bulletin for more information.

ARCHDIOCESE of NEWARK

Office of the Cardinal Archbishop of Newark

CARDINAL TOBIN ESTABLISHES PARISH MISSION RENEWAL OFFICE TO SUPPORT *WE ARE HIS WITNESSES*

Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark, has established a Parish Mission Renewal Office to support the continued implementation of *We Are His Witnesses* and advance parish renewal and missionary discipleship throughout the Archdiocese of Newark.

Launched in June 2025, *We Are His Witnesses* is a multiyear initiative guiding the Archdiocese on a path of pastoral conversion. Inspired by the Word of God and rooted in Pope Francis' *Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel)*, it calls the Church to reimagine parish life, mission and ministry in response to a changing world. The initiative seeks to renew missionary discipleship, strengthen parish vitality and engage the faithful in listening, discernment and shared action.

The Parish Mission Renewal Office will accompany parish communities as they discern ways to collaborate more closely, strengthen their shared mission and better serve the faithful. The office will initially focus on parishes participating in the Parish Mission Partners phase of *We Are His Witnesses*. Its work will continue to develop as the initiative progresses and additional parish needs are identified.

"The Parish Mission Renewal Office will provide our parishes with consistent, practical support as they discern how best to serve their communities and advance the Church's mission," said Cardinal Tobin. "This is not a one-time planning exercise. It is an ongoing process of prayer, listening and action that will strengthen parish communities and help them embrace a more missionary approach to parish life."

The office will work closely with pastors, parish staff and lay leaders as they develop and carry out shared plans for pastoral ministry and evangelization. It will help parishes identify local missionary opportunities, establish goals, assess progress and draw upon resources available through archdiocesan offices and ministries. The office also will provide pastoral and practical guidance to parish communities navigating organizational or canonical changes.

Peter A. Denio, D.Min., joined the Archdiocese of Newark as director for Parish Mission Renewal on Sept. 8, 2026. Denio oversees the Archdiocese's parish mission renewal strategy and the team that accompanies participating parish communities. He also advises archdiocesan leadership on pastoral realities within parishes and helps ensure that *We Are His Witnesses* continues to develop in response to parish needs.

Denio brings more than 30 years of experience in pastoral ministry and leadership formation. His background includes Church theology, communal discernment, Church management and organizational transformation. His pastoral sensibility and experience working with Catholic leaders across the country will help guide parish communities through discernment, collaboration and renewal. Denio holds a Master of Public Administration from Seton Hall University, a Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry from Boston College and a Doctor of Ministry from Catholic Theological Union.

Milissa Else will serve as a facilitator in the Parish Mission Renewal Office, working directly with pastors, parish leaders and parish communities to support collaboration, planning and progress toward shared mission goals. She also will help lead listening sessions, parish meetings and leadership gatherings while supporting clear and consistent communication throughout the renewal process.

Else has served the Archdiocese of Newark for five years as assistant to the chancellor for pastoral projects, providing training and support to pastors, parish staff and parish pastoral councils. Since 2021, much of her work has focused on the Synod on Synodality and the local diocesan consultation process. She also serves as a part-time director of religious education at a parish. Before joining the Archdiocese, Else directed a national adult faith formation program, trained small-group facilitators in 20 dioceses and worked with parishes, dioceses and religious communities across the country through a nonprofit consulting firm. She holds a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies from Loyola University.

Additional staff will be appointed to the office, including a second facilitator and an administrative assistant. Together, the team will support current and future Parish Mission Partners, as well as other parishes, in discerning opportunities for deeper collaboration and shared mission.

Working in collaboration with other archdiocesan offices and ministries, the Parish Mission Renewal Office will help parishes focus their people, ministries and resources more fully on evangelization. Its work will respect each parish's identity and pastoral needs while helping communities strengthen their shared mission and service to the faithful.

For more information about *We Are His Witnesses*, including initiative updates, resources and answers to frequently asked questions, visit **www.WeAreHisWitnesses.org**.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

NJ BISHOPS'

Mass for Life

Thursday, October 8, 2026 | 9:30 a.m.
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption
151 N. Warren Street, Trenton

Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M., J.C.D.
Diocese of Trenton

Aux. Bishop Pedro Bismarck Chau, D.D.
Archdiocese of Newark

NEW JERSEY MARCH FOR LIFE

*The NJ Rally & March for Life will begin at 11 am at the Statehouse Annex, a short walk from the Cathedral

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For full information, visit: **https://dioceseoftrenton.org/nj-march-for-life**

1000 Strong Rosary for Life

Live via conference call

Tuesday, October 13, 2026* at 7:00 pm Eastern Time

* October 13 is the 109th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima

Our goal is 1,000+ people praying in Reparation for the Sin of Abortion and for Equal Rights for Babies in the Womb.

Rosary will be led by priests from all over New Jersey

Please register at:

lifeneteducation.org/1000strong

Call-in Number: 1-401-252-0031
Access Code: 759297#

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info@lifeneteducation.org | 973-497-4520

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
5:00pm **Maria Soledade Santos**
r/b Clara Uliano and Family
Ernest Reedy
r/b Children

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am **Angelo Bonavitacola**
r/b Rudy, Liz, and Family
Vivian Furnaguera
r/b Bernstein Family
10:00am **Susana H. Fernandez**
r/b Dennis McNany
James Kennedy
r/b Tracy and Ken Ricciardi
12:00pm **Gennaro Stango**
r/b Darlene Stango
Joseph Nitti
r/b Friends

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
7:30am **Antony Lofredo**
r/b Gary and Mary Ellen Capron

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael
7:30am **Deacon Michael DeRoberts**
r/b Michael and Theresa Quick

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
Saint Jerome
7:30am **Deacon Michael DeRoberts**
r/b Carmela and Tony Trusso

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1
Saint Therese
7:30am **Maria Soledade Santos**
r/b Santos Family

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2
The Holy Guardian Angels
7:30am **Vincent Policarpio**
r/b Rita Policarpio

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3
8:30am **Mel Worth**
r/b Rev. David C. Santos
5:00pm **John Sr., Amelia, and John Jr. Montana**
r/b Janice Montana
Jimmy and Josephine Cangene
r/b Jo Ann Lofredo

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am **Larry Kaufherr**
r/b Lisa Monticello
Michael Dzikowski
r/b Barbara and Al Daly
10:00am **Maria Grazia Sangregorio**
r/b Maria and Evan Tarabocchia
Cosma and Salvatore DeNicholo
r/b Joseph and Jackie Inneo
12:00pm **Tila Martinez**
r/b Ramiro, Connie, and Family
John Mannarino
r/b Mom, Dad, and Brother

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 DIE

Victoria Pedicini

A TIME TO HEAL

If you would like a person to remain on the list after four weeks, please contact the rectory.

JoAnn Marie DeLouisa, Alberto Fernandez, Jocelyn Sperlazza ✝ Fran Wagner ✝ Yvonne Jezior, Joseph, Nancy Bernosky

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, Major Jeffrey Bordenave, Brian Braine, First Lt. Jonathan Canny, 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

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

SAINT JAMES BOUTIQUE

Visit our online boutique for St. James the Apostle Parish apparel & more!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

Collection Totals
Weekend of September 19 & 20

Regular Collection:	$	4,773.00
Online Giving:	$	4,370.00
Total:	$	9,143.00

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!

REPORT FINANCIAL MISCONDUCT CONFIDENTIALLY: If you suspect financial misconduct, use ***EthicsPoint***, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues while promoting positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit ***www.rcan.org*** for the hotline and reporting link.

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?...
The Parish has a Building Maintenance fund. Donations to this fund are separate from the capital campaign and support the parish's ability to address maintenance needs around the campus. You can make donations anytime to the Building Maintenance fund but look for the second collection the weekend of September 26/27.

Capital Campaign Update - Thank you to everyone who has already made a pledge or gift to the capital campaign. As of September 3rd, 335 families have pledged $3.6 million. This includes the donor match.

2026 Annual Appeal Update - We met our 2026 Annual Appeal Stretch Goal! By collecting stretch goal funds prior to June 30th the parish is eligible for the 2% assessment rate reduction. Thank you for your generous support and participation.

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

flocknote

As part of our effort to communicate more effectively with you, we have 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

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