

The Parish of Saint James

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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Monday and Tuesday: 9:00am to 8:00pm

Wednesday through Friday: 9:00am to 4:00pm

Closed between 12:00pm to 1:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am to 12 Noon

Meetings with staff members should be by appointment.

Visit us on the web: www.stjamesrcchurch.org

Parish Mission Statement

Saint James is a parish community, whose members are called through Baptism, to be intentional disciples. We are strengthened by the Eucharist and committed to serve God under the guidance of His Holy Spirit. As people devoted to Jesus' teachings, we value on-going faith formation, Christian outreach and the growth and development of our parish.

CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST: MASSES:

DAILY MASS:

Monday through Saturday: 8:00 AM

Monday through Friday: 12:10 PM until June 14

All Civic Holidays: 9:00 AM only

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Saturday: 3:00 PM – 3:45 PM or by
appointment with one of our priests.

April 21, 2024
4th Sunday of Easter



4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." - Jn 10:14-15



SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

8:00 AM Eva Zarifis
 10:00 AM Toni Maietta
 12:00 PM People of St. James
 Angelo Gandino -
 4th Anniversary Remembrance
 Grace Stehle DeMarco
 Louis Yurasits
 Regina Guidoni
 Gladys McCullagh
 Jean Sefcik - Living

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2024

8:00 AM Josephine Bruno
 12:10 AM Don Liberatore

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024

8:00 AM Nancy Piccolo
 12:10 PM Harper Ruth Anderson - Living

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024

8:00 AM Msgr. Daniel Picciano - Living
 12:10 PM Msgr. John Rowan

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024

8:00 AM James J. Claffey
 12:10 PM Irene Poggio - Living

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024

8:00 AM Bishop Richard Henning - Living
 12:10 PM Msgr. John Heinlein

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

8:00 AM Leni Paulino - 2nd Anniversary Remembrance
 4:00 PM Nicholas Maccharullo

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

8:00 AM Dolores & Charles Schiatta
 10:00 AM Stefan Garger
 12:00 PM People of St. James
 Aldo Orlandi
 Gladys McCullagh
 Robert Lucasi
 Mary Dillon
 Norma Gaeta



MASS CELEBRANT

4/27 ~ 4:00pm ~ Fr. John

4/28 ~ 8:00am ~ Fr. John

10:00am ~ Fr. Benjamin

12:00pm ~ Msgr. Michael

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday Confessions

3:00 pm—3:45 pm

Celebrants subject to change



Prayer
REQUESTS

Omar Albayaty, Marianne Amblo, Francine Argila, John Baglione, Stephanie Baio, Deanna Baisley, Pat Beirne, James Bianco, Christine Buerkle, Jennifer Callahan, Mary Calabrese, Carl Capobianco, Greg Capobianco, Philip Capobianco, James Castellane, JoAnn Chirco, Dianne Ciccari, Lori Ciccari, Carly Colvell, Ed Connelly, Leslie Crandall, Dale Daly, Douglas Deacon, James Donaldson, Lawrence Deck, Baby James Derleth, James DeVita, Sandra Denise Diaz, Matteo DiMartino, Jessica Emerick, Joan Lugokencky, Grace Dowdell, Margaret Dowdell, Rick Ellis, Rosaria Esposito, Connie Fisher, Thomas Fazio, Marianne Flaherty, Caitlin Francis, Thomas Francis, Joseph Gagliardo, Andrew Gallo, Paul Giacalone, Rosemary Giacalone, Luke Gruener, Bill Gruener, William J. Gruener, Michael Hance, Luke Horvath, Martin Jappen, William Kapcoe, John Kmiotek, Gina Krafinski, Sean Lehosky, Tia Mabanta, Timothy Maietta, Dakota Maken, Mary Sue Maluda, Tara Matthews, Dianne Maxwell, Kathleen McCormack, Megan McCormack, Erlinda Medina, Janice Mehaffy, Grace Mendonez, Michael Mendonez, Steven Miller, Marianne Mirkow, Thomas Mirkow, Bianca Montenegro, Grace Nadolny, Barbara Notarstefano, Melissa Notarstefano, Vincent Notarstefano, Janet Oliveri, Sister Barbara Ozelski, Marie Pereira-Callahan, Diane Pfeffer, Irene Poggio, Joseph Poggio, Cathy Prykuta, Dana Rodriguez, Richard Rogers, Kimberly Romano, Dr. Teddy Rosales, Francesca Russo, Alexa Salvage, Caileen Sheehan, Cynthia Simson, Dennis Sisto, Maria Sisto, Karen Stafford, Rosemary Styne, William Styne, Ron Tedeschi, Julia Tobin, Sally Ann Waskewich, Isabella Rose Weiss, Jessica Weiss



DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

NEW CHURCH STEEPLE BELLS: This coming Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (April 22, 23 & 24) the 12:10 PM daily Mass will be celebrated in our Chapel. Installation of indoor wiring will be taking place to prepare for the installation of our new electronic steeple bells, making it necessary to relocate the 12:10 PM Mass.

We previously had steeple bells. Unfortunately they stopped working several years ago, because of a part that stopped working and is no longer available.

Several months ago, I approached a highly recommended church bell company about what bell systems would be available for us. When I was asked by the company why I hesitated to replace the bells sooner. My response was, *"So we could apply for the No Bell (Nobel) Prize."* OK! I won't give up my day job.

Coincidentally, a parishioner approached me and asked if I would consider replacing the bell system. When I told her I had looked into a replacement and found a reputable company, she offered to pay for the new system. I was humbled and so pleased by her generosity.

The first step is to replace the wiring in the church. In the meantime, the system has been ordered and will hopefully be installed by the summer. I will keep you updated on our progress.

FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS: I am delighted to share with you that five First Communion Masses are being celebrated this spring beginning this weekend. The children are so excited about receiving their First Communion. They always look so wonderful in their dresses and suits.

I am especially grateful to the parents for preparing their children for this sacrament. This, of course, is only the first step. It is so important that you bring your children to church each weekend for Mass so that they can join the community in our prayers of thanksgiving and praise to God and to receive Jesus frequently in Holy Communion.

PARISH MINISTRY FAIR: Remember that the Easter Season continues through Pentecost Sunday, which falls on May 19th this year. We will be holding a Ministry Fair that weekend, similar to what we celebrated last year. I will share more information about our Ministry Fair in next week's bulletin.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. John", located at the bottom left of the page.



Sacramental Life

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

This Sacrament for those suffering serious illness or surgery is available by contacting one of the parish priests at the Parish Office (731-3710) during office hours. In case of serious danger or sudden accident, please call any time. One may also ask for this Sacrament before or after Mass.

BAPTISMS:

The Sacrament of Baptism is administered every other Sunday at 2:00 PM in the church. Please call the Parish Office (731-3710) for registration and scheduling information.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC (RCIA):

St. James Parish welcomes any non-Catholic who seeks to enter the Catholic Church or baptized Catholics of any age who have not yet received the other Sacraments. Please call the Parish Center (731-3710).

MARRIAGES:

Those wishing to be married at St. James should call the Parish Office (731-3710) to arrange an appointment with one of the parish clergy. Please allow 6 months at least for the necessary preparations. Please do not enter into any other wedding commitments prior to having your wedding date and time confirmed by the Parish.

PARISHIONERS IN THE HOSPITAL:

If a family member is in the hospital, please inform the Parish Office to have them placed on the sick list for prayers.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

We warmly welcome all new parishioners to our parish family. Registration forms are available at the Parish Center Office.

WEEKLY DEVOTIONS:

Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary for Life - Mondays 2 PM in the Chapel.

Rosary - Monday through Saturday following the 8 AM Mass in the Church.

Our Lady of the Rosary Italian Prayer Group - Fridays at 11 AM in the Chapel (except during July and August - resumes Sept. 1st)

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

4th Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

First Reading:

"There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved." (Acts 4:12)

Psalm:

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone. (Ps 118) Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. (1 Jn 3:2)

Gospel:

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." (Jn 10:11)

Gospel Meditation

Recently I was with my little dog Libby at a retreat center in the Arizona desert. I sat in a chair near a ravine filled with shrubs. Unbeknownst to me, Libby wandered down there and disappeared. Suddenly an animal's wild shriek erupted from the area. Without thinking, I bolted down into the ravine fully expecting to see coyotes, javelinas, or rattlesnakes. I didn't care. I desperately wanted to get Libby out of there, without any self-regard. Before I could face whatever danger lay hidden, my dog blissfully trotted out from an entirely different area, utterly unaware that I had (quite heroically) just placed my life on the line.

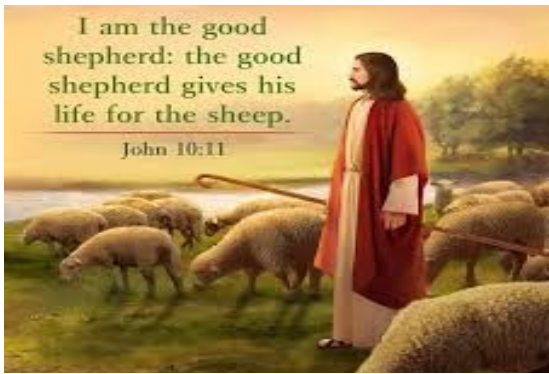
When the adrenaline wore off, I thought to myself: how far would I have been willing to go to save her? I don't know. But I do know, if I had literally died, my friends and family would have certainly thought me insane for dying for a dog. No offense, Libby.

How passionately Jesus wants us to know him and his willingness to die for us! This week he says, "**I know my own and my own know me,**" and "**I lay down my life for the sheep.**" Here we encounter an insanely excessive love for us. Christianity is a relationship and not simply a religion or ethical code. In Jesus, God rescues and saves us. He laid down his life for you and me — and he has taken it up again. So often we are like Libby — blissfully ignorant of the reality of both our spiritual danger and his saving love. This Easter season, the risen Jesus calls us to be more conscious than ever before about his love. He never ceases to lay down his life for us.

Father John Muir

Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for the week

Jesus the Good Shepherd knows that real love is an action, not an idea. His sacrifice is the proof of his love for his flock. Let us remember to love one another as the Good Shepherd loves us: not just in words but in actions, in choices, in deeds.



What's Happening in Faith Formation??



Fourth Sunday of Easter

FIRST COMMUNION

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

All Rehearsals are in the Church beginning at 4:15pm

You are encouraged to stay with your child.

Parents please make note of the following rehearsal dates:

Date of Communion

Rehearsal Date

April 27, 2024

Thursday, April 25

May 4, 2024

Thursday, May 2

May 11, 2024

Tuesday, May 7

May 18, 2024

Thursday, May 16



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR LEVEL 2 STUDENTS WHO ARE PREPARING FOR FIRST COMMUNION.

CONGRATULATIONS

To all our children who received First Holy Communion Yesterday,

Saturday, April 20, 2024

If you see them in their communion clothes won't you congratulate them in person!

REGISTRATION FOR THE

2024-2025

Faith Formation Year is now open!

All registration can be completed by going to the Parish Website:

stjamesrcchurch.org

Scroll down to "Quick links" to print out the registration form

Or

Scroll down to the WE SHARE Logo and fill the form out online.

WE ASK YOU TO THINK ABOUT

VOLUNTEERING AS A CATECHIST, HALL MONITOR, CLASS AIDE

Won't you answer your Baptism call to spread the Gospel?

**Call the Office
516-796-2979**

We Welcome into
the St. James
Community:



**Julianna Demosthene
Aurora Brooke Lewis
Lucas Patrick Peace
Jackson Tyler Zirpoli**

Congratulations to the
parents of the newly baptized!

Please join
Fr. John for

Season 4 of **THE CHOSEN**



on Monday afternoons at 1:30pm in
Room 112 beginning Monday, April 22,
2024. We will show 2 episodes per week
for 4 weeks.



Week Two
**Dominic DiCarlo &
Patricia Messina**

**Nicholas Noto &
Joanna Taylor**

**During this time of Eucharistic Revitalization, we
are planning monthly Holy Hours to assist us and
deepen our belief in the True Presence of the
Resurrected Lord in this most
Sacred Sacrament.**



**Holy Hour Wednesday,
May 1st
at 7:30pm in the Church.**

**Msgr. Michael will be the
presider and speaker.**

**To express our praise and
adoration of the presence of the Resurrected Lord
in the Eucharist, we will have outdoor processions.**

**The next procession will take place following
the 12:00pm Mass on Sunday, May 12th.**



April 21 - Fourth Sunday of Easter:

Today, we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' care and love of us. **This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting many families, providing food, and assistance with utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!**

If you or someone you know needs help, please remind them the St. Vincent de Paul Society is here to help. We offer assistance in many forms; financial, spiritual, or help with navigating the intricacies of our society, please email us at:
saintjamesaintvincentdepaul@gmail.com
or call 516-735-8690. Thank you.



**Our heartfelt thanks to all our
parishioners for your
continued support of our
food pantry.**

**Our current needs are hot
chocolate, regular tea, juice, drinks,
spaghetti, white rice, vinegar, oil, Chef
Boyardee, SpaghettiOs, cleaning supplies,
laundry detergent, paper towels and
toilet paper.**



Eucharistic Procession April 14, 2024



Bring Mom to a Pre Mother's Day Breakfast

**Hosted by Family Ministry
in Delaney Hall**

**on Sunday 5/5/2024
immediately following
the 10:00 o'clock Mass**

**We will be serving
French Toast, Sausages,
Bagels, Cookies and Fruit Salad
as well as
Coffee, Tea, and Juice**

**\$5:00 PER PERSON
\$10:00 PER FAMILY**





Family Ministry Hospitality Breakfast April 7, 2024



**St. James Welcoming Ministry
invites you to...**

FAMILY GAME NIGHT



**WHEN: JUNE 8TH: AFTER 4 PM MASS
\$10 PER FAMILY, REFRESHMENTS WILL
BE PROVIDED
WHERE: DELANY HALL, ST. JAMES
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
STJAMESFAMILYMINISTRY@GMAIL.COM**

**SCAN THE QR CODE
TO SIGN UP!**



Welcoming Ministry

Easter Egg Hunt April 14, 2024





Mothers Day Novena

We will remember all of our mothers (living and deceased)

during nine Masses beginning on Mother's day, Sunday, May 12, 2024. You can enroll as many mothers as you'd like in our novena. The list of names will be placed near the tabernacle in our Church starting Sunday, May 12th for the duration of the Masses, which extends until Monday, May 20, 2024.

Remembrance envelopes are included in the monthly packets that are mailed and are available in the narthex of the church.

SAVE THE DATE TO SAVE A LIFE



BLOOD DONATION
BE A HERO GIVE BLOOD

BLOOD DRIVE
Wednesday,
MAY 15, 2024
1:45PM - 7:45PM

St. James Church and
Msgr. Delaney Knights of Columbus



Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement? Engaged Encounter is an effective PreCana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage.

Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on June 8 & 9, 2024. Visit longisland.engagedencounter.com for information and registration.

One Hundredth Anniversary Sisters of the Cross and Passion



This year the Sisters of the Cross and Passion celebrate one hundred years in the United States. In 1924, four Sisters of the Cross and Passion left England to begin their first mission in Providence, Rhode Island. Over the years, as their numbers grew with new vocations, the Sisters worked in parishes and schools in Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York and Maryland, and later in Jamaica, W.I. and in Memphis, TN.

Here at St. James, the Sisters were an integral part of the parish school and religious formation for 50 years-September 18, 1957 to December 5, 2007.

We invite you to join us as we celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving which will be live streamed from St. Bernard Church in N. Kingstown, RI, on Sunday, May 5, at 10:30 a.m.

We treasured the years we spent with the wonderful people of St. James and would appreciate hearing your recollections and memories of the sisters in your lives.

For video and photo memories of the Sisters, please go to the link below:

<https://sistersofcrossandpassion.weebly.com/>
(correction from last week)



Invest in the Future of Our Church!

Support Catholic education on Long Island!

100% of your donation supports Catholic school students. Half goes directly to your local Catholic school, and half supports scholarships for students throughout Long Island attending our Catholic schools.



Give to the Second Collection during Mass:
Saturday, May 4th | Sunday, May 5th

Weekly Stewardship of Treasure Report

WEEK OF:

April 7, 2024

**Catholic
Education**

**CHURCH
CAPACITY 850**

	Sunday Collection	Second Collection	Mass Attendance	
Mass	9,394.00	653.00	8:00pm	327
Online Giving	2,135.37	28.47	8:00am	194
Mail in Envelopes	<u>6,037.47</u>	<u>160.00</u>	10:00am	300
Total	17,566.84	841.47	12:00pm	<u>263</u>
		Total		1,084

"Save Time and Donate Online!"

Total

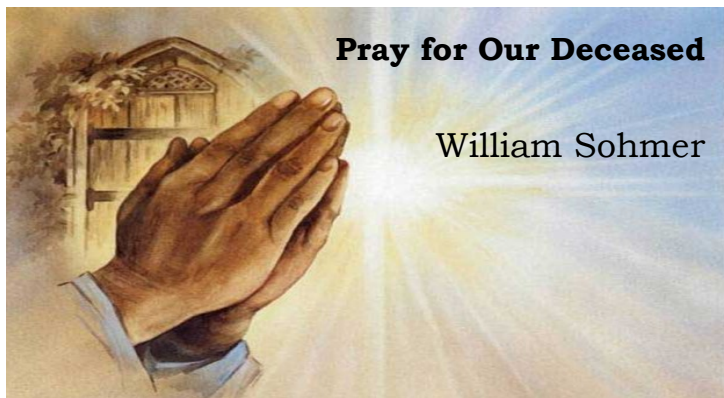
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If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit www.stjamesrcchurch.org and click on the WeShare link or call the parish office at 516-731-3710.



Weekly Offerings can be made for Sacramental bread and wine, candle oil and altar flowers. This is a great opportunity to honor a loved one or commemorate a special event. Please contact the parish center office at 516-731-3710.



Pray for Our Deceased

William Sohmer

FROM THE EDITOR BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin Date

April 28th

May 5th

May 12th

May 19th

Due by 9:00am

Monday, April 22nd

Monday, April 29th

Monday, May 6th

Monday, May 13th

**Super
Bonanza
\$25 Winners**



April 2024

Sunday, 4/14—Carol Mikulin

Monday, 4/15—M/M Anthony Labita

Tue., 4/16—Angela Baval

Wed., 4/17—Kathleen Costanza

Thurs., 4/18—Victoria Salcedo

Friday, 4/19—Mary Maugeri

Saturday, 4/20—Vivian Smith

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Sunday, April 21st

10:00am OCIA Meeting - Room 106

Monday, April 22nd

8:30am Rosary - Church

1:30pm Viewing of The Chosen - Room 112

2:00pm Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary -
Chapel

Tuesday, April 23rd

8:30am Rosary - Church

6:30pm Alpha Meeting - Delaney Hall

7:00pm Scripture Sharing - Room 104

Wednesday, April 24th

8:30am Rosary - Church

Thursday, April 25th

8:30am Rosary - Church

10:30am Plainedge Seniors - Delaney Hall

4:15pm First Communion Rehearsal - Church

Friday, April 26th

8:30am Rosary - Church

11:00am Italian Rosary Group - Chapel

Saturday, April 27th

No scheduled events



FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Lord of Hosts, we commend to Your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with Your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils that beset them; and grant them Your abiding presence wherever they may be. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

REMEMBER OUR LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY

Please pray for: Lt. Col. Joseph Agres, USMC; Marine; Battalion Chaplain, Capt. Fr. Lito D. Amande, Army; Kyle Beck, Ashlea Beck US Navy; Operations Specialist, Ryan Blazo, Army; Navy Airman, Lt. Commander Raymond Beno, Navy; Sgt. Joseph R. Booth, Army; Spc. Matthew Burrafato, Cpl. Dominic Castiello, Marines; 1st Lt. Ian Connors, Army; 2nd Lt. Jacob Connors, Army; Col. Brian Coyne, Sean Dolan 1st Lieutenant, USMC, Marines; Sgt. Steven Fiscante, Army; Pfc. Steven Gianatiempo, Army; M.P. Brian Gruebel, Air Force; Sgt. 1st Class James T. Harris, Army; Sgt. James Howard, Army; Specialist Dillon Incendio, Army; LtJG. : E-3 Joseph Keller, Navy; Connor Krebs, USMC; Cpl. Joseph Leoce, Jr. Marines; Lance Cpl. Luis R. Maltezos, USMC; Lance Cpl. Matthew Maniet, USMC; Lance Cpl. Richard Marandino, Marines; 1st Lt. Ric F. Masi, Army; 1st Lt. Kevin McMahon, Army; Lt. Eric McMullan, Army; Captain Scott Michalowski, Air Force; USMC; Pfc. Kyle Nigro, Marines; Pvt. Patricia O'Connor, Army; Pfc. Jason O'Shaughnessy, Army; Capt. Theresa Rodzevik, Army; Rocky C. Rossi, Navy; Scott Santoro, Marines; LCpl. Anthony P. Saracino Jr., Marines; Luis R. Maltezos Sepulveda, Marines; Sgt. Michael Stinnett, Army Infantry; L Cpl. Thomas Tarnagorski Jr, Marines; Lt. James Van Wie, Army ; Paul Vermillion, Marine Corps., Col. Kevin Walsh, Air Force; Chief Christopher Zyrski, Navy.