

The Parish of Saint James

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The Clergy:

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fatherjohn@stjamesrcchurch.org

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PARISH OFFICE RECEPTIONIST

Parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Phone: 516-731-3710/Fax: 516-731-4828

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
(except September)

All Civic Holidays: 9:00 AM only

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM

10:00 AM

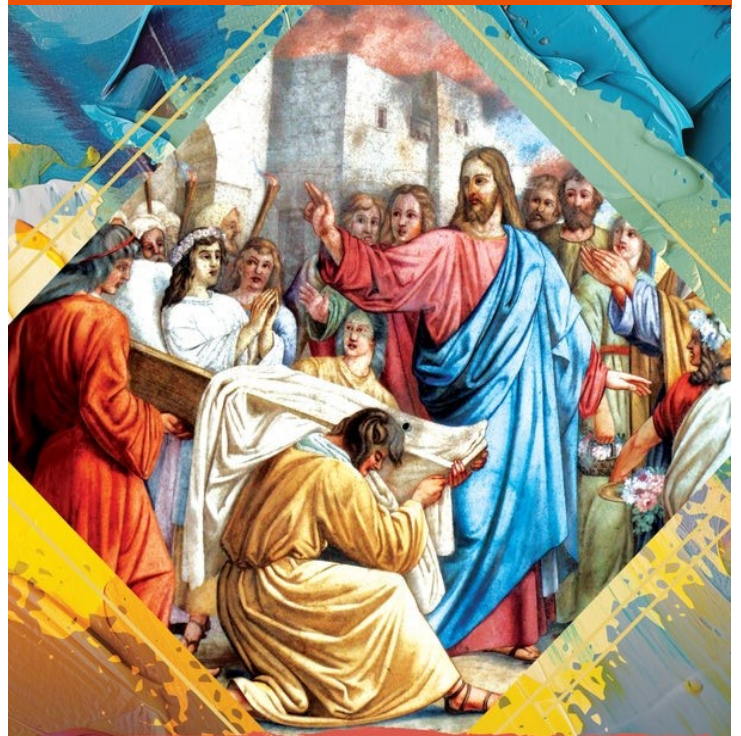
12:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

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

June 30, 2024

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He took the child by the hand and said to her,
"Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say
to you, arise!" - Mk 5:41



SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2024

8:00 AM Living and Deceased Members of the
Sabino Family
10:00 AM Margaret Pleta
12:00 PM People of St. James
Minerva M. Zahralban
Luis Merino
Jean Salerno
Francisco del Valle
Louis Yurasits

MONDAY, JULY 1, 2024

8:00 AM William Stallone
12:10 PM Genoveva Juna

TUESDAY, JULY 2, 2024

8:00 AM Vincenzo & Anna Mazzurco
12:10 PM John Preston

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 2024

8:00 AM Frank Savino
12:10 PM Msgr. Richard Ahlemeyer

THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2024

9:00 AM Delphine Julian

FRIDAY, JULY 5, 2024

9:00 AM Carole A. Vahey

SATURDAY, JULY 6, 2024

8:00 AM Robert Novesky
4:00 PM Ken & Diane Hartill - 50th Anniversary
Remembrance

SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2024

8:00 AM Mary Piarulli
10:00 AM Baby Savannah Grace Mayo
12:00 PM People of St. James
Raymond Caluori
Anthony Scala
Ellen Magistro
Dolores G. Lombardo
John Thomas Moriarty



MASS CELEBRANT

7/6 ~ 4:00pm ~ Msgr. Michael
7/7 ~ 8:00am ~ Msgr. Michael
10:00am ~ Fr. John
12:00pm ~ Fr. Benjamin

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 Cicciari, Lori Cicciari, 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, Rebecca Johnston, 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, Janet Oliveri, Sister Barbara Ozelski, Marie Pereira-Callahan, Diane Pfeffer, Irene Poggio, Joseph Poggio, Cathy Prykuta, Dana Rodriguez, Richard Rogers, Kimberly Romano, 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:

I recently started reading the book, ***“The Early Church Was The Catholic Church: The Catholic Witness of the Faith.”*** The beginning of the book stresses that the critical role of the church, especially in the first two centuries, was being a clear witness to the teaching of the Apostles and the passed-on traditions.

Tertullian, one of the early church fathers of the second century, coined the phrase, ***“the blood of martyrs is the seed of the Church.”*** Persecution of the early Christians was the experience of a lot of the followers of Jesus. What amazed Tertullian was that a great number of Christians were willing to die for their faith and their deaths often resulted in the widespread conversion of many people to Christianity.

We certainly hear of people in other countries who are being martyred today because of their faith in Jesus and because they became members of the church. It seems that Tertullian was right, in countries where this is happening today Christianity continues to spread in spite of the persecution.

Reformed theologian Michael Kruger writes, this “weak, fledgling, persecuted Church” of the second century “not only survived, but eventually spread across the empire and the entire world,” because its members faithfulness to being distinctly Christian in their “worship, doctrine, behavior and writings.” (November 18, 2017).

Consider the thoughts of the famous Baptist preacher Charles Spurgeon (1834-1892) when speaking about the persecutions of the early Christians and what he saw during his own time, ***“The fact is. . .most of us are vastly inferior to the early Christians, who as I take it, were persecuted because they were thoroughly Christians, and we are not persecuted because we hardly are Christians at all.”***

CATHOLICISM (CHRISTIANITY) TODAY: I think that what Charles Spurgeon wrote about the practice of faith back in the mid to the late nineteenth century is reflective of Christians today. For many the practice of our Catholic faith, especially with the celebration of the Sacraments (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage), has been reduced to social celebrations and not true expressions of one’s faith. Of course, this is not true of everyone. Many parishioners have shared with me they believe that their family members and friends are devout in the practice of their faith.

WHAT DO YOU THINK? WHAT IS YOUR EXPERIENCE?



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

June 30, 2024

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:

But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world. (Wis 2:24)

Psalm:

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. (Ps 30)

Second Reading:

Not that others should have relief while you are burdened, but that as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their needs, so that their abundance may also supply your needs, that there may be equality. (2 Cor 8:13-14)

Gospel:

He took the child by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha kum*," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" (Mk 5:41)

Gospel Meditation

Sin isn't given its due these days. Downplaying sin is dangerous. But there is also another spiritual misstep in which we make way too big a deal out of sin. It happens, for example, when we persistently wonder if our confessed sins are "really" forgiven, or suspiciously ponder what God "really" thinks about us, behind His merciful face. Or when someone returns to Church, and we question whether his or her conversion was genuine. Or when we commit some sin and put on a sad face for days, thinking, "Maybe my sins are too great for God to deal with." God save us from that attitude!

Well, he does just that, this week, in the raising of Jairus' daughter. The dead twelve-year-old's house is filled with a spirit of excessive moaning and groaning, tumultuous weeping and wailing. They even laugh at Jesus in a mocking tone. It's shocking how *easy* it is for him to raise the dead child. It is equivalent to gently waking a kid from a light nap. And then he sends her off to get some lunch. No big whoop. The overactive drama is actually part of the problem, and removing it is a key part of the miracle.

Friends, sin can and does kill, but Jesus is *always* ready and able to raise us back to life, often without much hullabaloo. His ease of forgiving should never be a pretext for presumption, minimizing sin, or taking lightly the cost he pays for our sins on the cross. But for God's sake, we often need Jesus to put out the weepers and wailers. He's the Lord. And remember, the girl is not dead, she's just sleeping.

Father John Muir

Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for the week

Talitha kum. Girl, arise! Jesus said this to the dead daughter of the synagogue official, and she obeyed. Listen for his voice when you are weighed down, burdened with doubt or misery, for he says it to you, too. Arise!



What's Happening in Faith Formation??



Registration for the 2024-2025 Faith Formation School Year has been open since April 1, 2024

As of Today the following levels have reached **maximum capacity** and we **cannot accept** anymore students

TUESDAY:

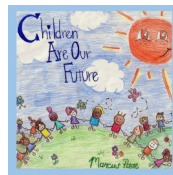
Level 1 – Mrs. Bruno

Level 1 – TEACHER still needed

Level 2 – Ms. Clese

Level 2 – Mrs. Baio

Level 5 – Mrs. Stevens (only 1 level 5 class unless we find a catechist to open another section)



WEDNESDAY 4:15pm class:

Level 1 – Mrs. Bruno

Level 1 – Mrs. Grupposo

Level 5 – Mrs. Baio (only 1 level 5 class unless we find a catechist to open another section)

Level 6 – Mrs. Ginestri (we need a catechist for the second level 6 class)

WEDNESDAY 7:00pm class:

Level 1 – Mrs. Goohs (only one level 1 class unless we find a catechist to open another section)

Level 7 – Miss D (only one level 7 class unless we find a catechist to open another section)

Teachers still needed:

Tuesday 4:15-5:30:

Level 1

Level 5

Wednesday 4:15-5:30pm

Level 6

Wednesday 7:00-8:15pm

Level 1

Thursday 4:15-5:30pm

Level 2



We are still looking for Faith Filled members of our Community to step up and answer the call to spread the Good News and become Catechists/Mentors to the students in our Faith Formation Process. As the great sage Hillel once said, "...if not you then who?" Won't you please consider sharing your faith with the young people of our parish family?



June 30 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today's Gospel we see how in faith, Jarius asked Jesus to heal his daughter and how Jesus then answered his prayer. In prayer we also come to know that we are loved by God, and in that trust we ask for healing for ourselves, our loved ones and all those who are

suffering. **This week, please join with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in praying for the healing of all those who are ill and especially those who have no one to pray for them.** 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 jelly, peanut butter, canned fruit, coffee, oil, oatmeal, juices, drinks, sugar-coated cereal, cookies, crackers, snacks, chips, napkins, tissues, laundry detergent, cleaning, supplies and dish liquid.

Thank you very much.



Week Two

Michael Rea & Angela Mongitore

All Parish Center offices will be **closed on Thursday, July 4th and Friday, July 5th** in observance of the July 4th Holiday.

There will be one Mass celebrated on both July 4th & 5th at 9:00am.



**OUR SUMMER
RAFFLE HAS BEEN
MAILED OUT!!**

In our 50/50 raffle, the winner receives 50% of whatever is collected, up to a maximum

Grand Prize of \$10,000!!

Chances are \$25 each, buy the entire book for \$100 and you receive one chance for FREE!

Drawing will be held on
Tuesday, July 23, 2024

Thank you and good luck!



Pilgrim Virgin Mary Statue home visitation by the Legion of Mary. Please call Jackie Constantinopoli 516-828-6802 or email:

maryimmaculatelom@gmail.com

**St. James Welcoming Ministry
Upcoming Events**

**Summer Movie
Friday Nights**

July 26th -
Lyle, Lyle Crocodile
August 23rd - ***Minions***



**Trunk or Treat
Sunday,
October 27th**

St. James Family Ministry
invites everyone to a
Free Hospitality Breakfast

In Delaney Hall on Sunday July 7th, 2024

Immediately following the 10:00 am Mass

We will be serving
Bagels, Cake, Cookies,
as well as
Coffee, Tea, and Juice

There won't be a Hospitality Breakfast in August.
Join us for the next Breakfast on Sunday Sept. 1st.



St. James Family Ministry Hospitality Breakfast
in Delaney Hall on Sunday, June 2, 2024



BASKETBALL



ST. JAMES CYO

2024-2025 Registration
Boys & Girls Grades 3-8

Discounted Price: \$225 by July 17th

Registration Price: \$260

ALL REGISTRATION DUE AUGUST 17th

Scan to Register



Scan to Pay



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We welcome into the St. James Community

*Amore Inverno D'Amato
Presley Rose DeAngelis
Finn Nicholas Keltz*

*Victoria Ann Marksteiner
Liam Richard McNamara
Windsor James Peo*

Congratulations to the parents of the newly baptized!



Weekly Stewardship of Treasure Report

WEEK OF:

June 16, 2024

**Outreach &
St. Vincent de Paul**

**CHURCH
CAPACITY 850**

	Sunday Collection	Second Collection	Mass Attendance	
Mass	7,545.00	934.00	8:00pm	304
Online Giving	2,166.04	133.61	8:00am	220
Mail in Envelopes	435.00	113.00	10:00am	259
Total	10,146.04	1,180.61	12:00pm	<u>269</u>
		Total		1,052



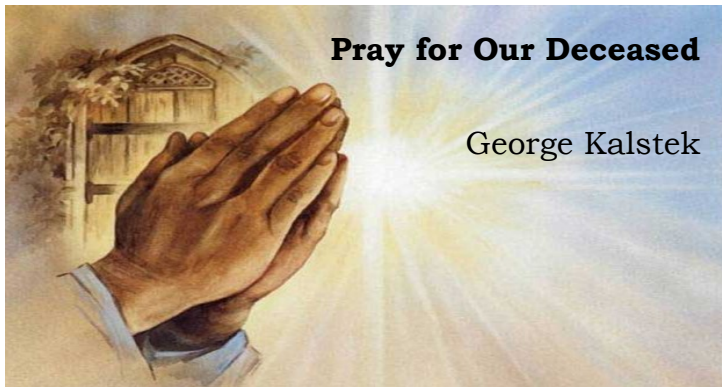
"Save Time and Donate Online!"

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.

Question: In today's digital world, do we really need to be face-to-face with a priest to confess our sins? Would Facetime or Zoom ever be allowed?

Q & A

Answer: The question of whether or not Catholics can celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation virtually (via social media, by phone, or in some other way) is a question that has actually been around for several years. The recent COVID-19 pandemic brought the question back in a new way, especially as many parishes were forced to introduce a sort of "social distanced" confession, with the sacrament being celebrated outdoors. The Pontifical Council for Social Communication has reminded us that, "Virtual reality is no substitute for the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the sacramental reality of the other sacraments, and shared worship in a flesh and blood human community. There are no sacraments on the internet." Although our encounters with others on the internet and via social media can be considered "real" in one sense, in the sacraments we encounter Christ in a personal and ecclesial way. It is never just a private experience but is always grounded in the life of the Church and this means that it must truly be personal, including the contact between the confessor and the penitent. While the convenience or ease of online celebrations might be appealing for many reasons, at heart, we always want to keep in mind the fullness of the Church's tradition and the meaning of the sacraments.



Pray for Our Deceased

George Kalstek

FROM THE EDITOR BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin Date	Due by 9:00am
July 14th	Monday, July 8th
July 21st	Monday, July 15th
July 28th	Monday, July 22nd
August 4th	Monday, July 29th

**Super
Bonanza
\$25 Winners**



June 2024

Sunday, 6/23—Kathleen Treacy
Monday, 6/24—M/M John Recine
Tue., 6/25—John Astle
Wed., 6/26—M/M John Schroeder
Thurs., 6/27—Donna Steckman
Friday, 6/28—M/M William Palazzola
Saturday, 6/29—Daisy Genovese

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Sunday, June 30th

No scheduled events

Monday, July 1st

8:30am Rosary - Church

2:00pm Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary - Chapel

Tuesday, July 2nd

8:30am Rosary - Church

1:30pm Scripture Sharing - Room 112

7:00pm Scripture Sharing - Room 104

7:00pm Legion of Mary - Room 106

Wednesday, July 3rd

8:30am Rosary - Church

Thursday, July 4th

No scheduled events

Friday, July 5th

11:00am Italian Rosary Group - Chapel

Saturday, July 6th

7:30am Mens Prayer Group - Room 104

8:30am Rosary - Church



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; Capt. Amy Connors, Army; Lt. Ian Connors, Army; Capt. Jacob Connors, Army; Lt. Ryan 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 McMahan, 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.