

The Parish of Saint James

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The Clergy:

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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

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

Holy Days: 4:00pm Vigil Mass

8:00 AM, 12:10 PM and 7:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

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

November 17, 2024
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." - Mk 13:30-32



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2024

8:00 AM Rachele & Joseph Lombardo
 10:00 AM Anna Hodnett
 12:00 PM People of St. James
 James Tramondo
 Brian Robinson
 Charles Lopopolo
 Edouard Garib
 Rita Datre

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024

8:00 AM Sarah P. Walsh
 12:10 PM Billy Carlo - Birthday Remembrance

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024

8:00 AM Edward Carroll
 12:10 PM Brian Robinson - Anniversary
 Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2024

8:00 AM William P. Vones
 12:10 PM Marion Miltenis

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2024

8:00 AM Marilyn J. Tutino
 12:10 PM Roland Cook - Birthday Remembrance

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2024

8:00 AM Joseph Torregrosa
 12:10 PM Rudy Arabia

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2024

8:00 AM William Stallone
 4:00 PM Joyce Gruener

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2024

8:00 AM Edward & Mary McKee
 10:00 AM Ethel McCann
 12:00 PM People of St. James
 Dora & Charles Monzillo
 Maria Santina Giammo
 Brian Nieves
 Donato Angione
 Steve Hamilton - Living



MASS CELEBRANT

11/23 ~ 4:00pm ~ Fr. John
 11/24 ~ 8:00am ~ Msgr. Michael
 10:00am ~ Fr. Benjamin
 12:00pm ~ Fr. John

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday Confessions
 3:00 pm—3:45 pm

Celebrants subject to change



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, Joseph 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, Rebecca Johnston, William Kapcoe, John Kmiotek, Gina Krafinski, Sean Lehosky, Tia Mabanta, Timothy Maietta, Dakota Maken, Mary Sue Maluda, Tara Matthews, 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, Jim Perkowski, Diane Pheffer, Irene Poggio, Joseph Poggio, Cathy Prykuta, Dana Rodriguez, Richard Rogers, Kimberly Romano, Francesca Russo, Alexa Salvage, Iliana Saviano, Anthony Schiozzi, Caileen Sheehan, Cynthia Simson, Dennis Sisto, Maria Sisto, Joan Smith, Tony Sparaco, Arline Stafford, William Styne, Ron Tedeschi, Julia Tobin, Sally Ann Waskewich,



DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

Financial Report: Today, I am releasing a copy of our Financial Report, a *Statement of Routine Operations*, which represents the financials of our parish between September 1, 2023 and August 31st, 2024, and the St. James Parish Spiritual Report on pages 6 & 7 in this bulletin. I am grateful to the members of our Finance Committee for their assistance in its preparation. The members of the Committee are Joseph Fennessy (the Committee Chair), Christopher Pendergast, Jane Harris Cordova, Eileen McMahon (the Parish Bookkeeper), Matthew Antonucci (Parish Trustee) and Julie Rodetis (Parish Trustee and Executive Administrative Assistant).

The role of the Finance Committee is to offer me advice on the appropriate stewardship of the parish's financial resources. This has been helpful to me at our Finance Committee meetings as they bring their professional expertise. I want to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the Committee for their on-going assistance and advice.

Most especially, I want to thank you, our parishioners who are so generous in supporting the mission and ministries of St. James Parish. Please note that the majority of money that you regularly contribute to St. James Parish goes towards meeting payroll and benefits, and towards the payment of parish utility bills.

Please realize that each time you place a contribution in the collection basket or mail it to the parish center that you are personally supporting and participating in the on-going work of continuing the ministry of Jesus today. The action of offering money is truly one of the "gifts" that we bring up, along with the Bread and Wine.

Thanksgiving Day: Hopefully, this Thanksgiving you will have the opportunity to spend some time with family and friends. I have so many heartwarming memories of Thanksgivings that I spent with my family over the years. There's just nothing that compares with families joining together for a holiday meal, sharing stories and laughs and just being together.

Thanksgiving Day Mass: If your schedule permits, I invite you to join us for Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 AM. What an appropriate way to begin our celebration of Thanksgiving by offering prayers of gratitude to Almighty God for all the blessings we have received from Him over the past year.

Please let me take this opportunity to express my sincerest gratitude to Msgr. Michael and Fr. Benjamin for the assistance they give me in offering our priestly service to you. Thanks also to Dcn. Rick Brunner, Dcn. Chris Daniello and Dcn. John Horn for the significant contributions they make through their generous service as our deacons. A special word of thanks to our parish staff: Jillian Vicinanza, Lucy Creed, Thomas Galvin, Mark Antonucci, Joseph Nabet, Eileen McMahon, Julie Rodetis, Rosemary Bunzel, Mary Bergin, Eileen Mistretta-Brancazio, Calla Ward, Myra Ruppert and Anna Stankiewicz. I am truly blessed with each member of our staff, who assist me with my responsibilities as the pastor of St. James Parish.

Finally, I want to thank God for allowing me to be the pastor of St. James Parish for the past 14 ½ years. Being pastor of St. James has been such a rewarding experience for me as a parish priest.

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

November 17, 2024

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:

"It shall be a time unsurpassed in distress since nations began until that time. At that time your people shall escape." (Dn 12:1)

Psalm:

You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Ps 16)

Second Reading:

For by one offering he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated. (Heb 10:14)

Gospel:

"And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky." (Mk 13:27)

Gospel Meditation

I recently moved into a new neighborhood. On my first evening I went grocery shopping and could not find my usual favorite Greek yogurt. Strangely, my heart started to race. All the losses of my previous life hit me. So many of my old friends, habits, comforts, and predictable experiences had fallen away. There I stood, a grown man, crying like a little boy whose world was falling apart in the dairy aisle.

This week, Jesus describes what to do when one world ends, and another begins. Does it apply to the end of time? Yes. Does it apply to the end of our individual lives? Yes. It also applies to every "world" we inhabit throughout our lives, in school, family, friendships, work, play and so on. First, the sun, moon, and stars fall. The old, familiar ways of running things suddenly stop working. Light fades. Things fall apart. It's awful. But, second, Christ comes **"in the clouds."** Jesus, the Son of Man, replaces those old powers with himself as the prime governing principle. Third, he sends out his angels to **"gather his elect from the four winds."** He re-integrates the fragments into a new integrated whole. **"Summer is near,"** he concludes. A new world begins.

Is your world crumbling? Are your sun, moon, and stars falling from the sky? Learn to discern the pattern of the Cross and Resurrection at work in it. This is the power we touch in the Mass. Jesus is coming precisely in this transition from the old to the new world. It doesn't make our losses easy. But it does make it possible to glimpse the dawning of a summer, a new beginning, the life of the world to come.

Father John Muir

Living the Liturgy - Inspiration for the week

It sometimes feels like God is silent, like he sets himself apart from us and our struggles on earth. But Jesus reminds us of the fig tree, who can feel the coming of spring deep within itself. In the same intuitive way, we know the voice of God. Listen.



Faith Formation Classes for the
Week of Nov. 18—Nov. 22, 2024

Tue. Nov., 19 – 4:15-5:30pm

Wed. Nov. 20 – 4:15-5:30pm

Wed. Nov. 20 - 7:00-8:15pm

Thu. Nov. 21 – 4:15—5:30pm

**Next Sunday is
the feast of
Christ the King
This is the end of the
Liturgical year for
Catholics. We celebrate
the fact that Jesus is
the King of the
Universe!**



What's Happening In Faith Formation??

**PARENTS OF STUDENTS IN OUR
FIRST RECONCILIATION/ FIRST
COMMUNION CLASSES.**

**If you did not attend the
parent meeting on**



**November 13th please call the
office to make arrangements
to pick up your packet with the
dates your child/children will be receiving the
sacraments of First Reconciliation and First
Communion in 2025**

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus speaking of the final judgment when God will draw all people to himself. He tells us to be aware of the signs and uses the fig tree as an example. He warns us that no one knows when this will happen not the Angels in heaven, not even him the Son of God but only the Father knows. So we need to be prepared. Are we living our lives in accordance with God's will? Do we make time to worship as a Community by coming to Mass on Sunday? No one knows when so we should live every day in service to God and one another.

**NO ONE KNOWS ABOUT
THAT DAY OR HOUR, NOT
EVEN THE ANGELS IN
HEAVEN, NOR THE SON,
BUT ONLY THE FATHER.**

- MARK 13:32

ST. JAMES PARISH SPIRITUAL REPORT

September 1, 2023 - August 31, 2024

Infant Baptisms	97
Adult Baptisms	0
First Eucharist	134
Young Adult Confirmations	113
RCIA Candidates	0

Funerals	129
Weddings	22
Anointing of the Sick	20
Students: Faith Formation	861
Catechists: Faith Formation	80

PARISH LITURGICAL MINISTRIES REPORT

Lectors	18
Ushers	23
Extraordinary Ministers	75

Homebound	262
# of Masses Weekly	15
Sacristans	10

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY REPORT

Total People Served	424
Thanksgiving Baskets	45

Christmas Baskets	55
Christmas Gifts	150

SOME PARISH MINISTRIES, ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

Adult Faith Formation including the 7 Sacraments, Viewing of *The Chosen* and Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible

Alpha
Altar Servers
Baptismal Preparation
Blood Drive
Book Nook Gift Shop
Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)
Church Environment & Art
Columbiettes
Consolation Ministry
Currency Expeditors
Eucharistic Adoration
Eucharistic Ministers
Faith Formation
Family Ministry
Fundraising
Finance Committee
FOCCUS (Marriage Prep)
Italian Rosary Group

Knights of Columbus
Lectors
Marion Prayer Group
Men's Group
Music Ministry
O.C.I.A.
Outreach Ministries
Prayer Shawl Ministry
Pre-Cana
Sacristans
Scouting: Boys, Girls & Cubs
Scripture Sharing
Seniors (Plainedge)
Sewing Ministry
St. Vincent De Paul Society
Trustees
Ushers
Welcoming Ministry

OUTSIDE GROUPS MEETING AT ST. JAMES RC CHURCH

Alcoholics Anonymous
Al - Anon

Marriage Encounter
Narcotics Anonymous

ST. JAMES PARISH

STATEMENT OF ROUTINE OPERATIONS

	Fiscal Year End 8/31/2023	Fiscal Year End 8/31/2024
REVENUES:		
Regular Collections	838,620	871,040
Fund Raising/Development	66,436	64,407
Parish Programs	195,205	213,972
Auxiliary Revenue	132,590	147,614
Collections on behalf of Others	23,819 (1)	16,090 (1)
Interest and Dividends	30,075	68,586
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>1,286,745</u>	<u>1,381,709</u>
EXPENDITURES:		
Salaries	349,069	368,661
Fringe Benefits	217,437	210,522
Fund Raising/Development	35,937	35,086
Parish Programs	50,219	75,840
Regional School Subsidies	98,478	100,634
Printing & Office	35,030	39,205
Auxiliary Expenditures	110,659	102,836
Rectory/Household	24,971	21,181
Collections on behalf of Others	23,819 (1)	16,090 (1)
Buildings Utilities & Maintenance	321,743	354,012
Total Capital Expenditures	54,730	12,800
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>1,322,092</u>	<u>1,336,867</u>
TOTAL SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) BEFORE UNREALIZED GAINS ON INVESTMENTS	<u>(35,347)</u>	<u>44,842</u>
Unrealized Gains on Investments	73,478	206,153
TOTAL SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	<u>38,131</u>	<u>250,995</u>

St. James Parish received one bequest in FYE 2024 which is not included in the above statement of routine operations.

(1) Special collections



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

In anticipation of Thanksgiving, we are collecting the following to be included in each Thanksgiving bag:

Canned vegetables, canned fruit, potatoes, cranberry sauce, corn muffin mix, canned yams, gravy, stuffing, bread and desserts.

Due to the lack of freezer space, we are requesting gift cards to purchase the turkeys. Gift cards can be dropped at the Book Nook gift shop (in the Narthex), put in the collection basket or brought to the parish center office.

In addition, the pantry needs mayonnaise, sugar-coated cereal, yellow cake mix, boxed milk, juices, flour, sugar, napkins and baby wipes.

We are thankful to all of you for your generosity so that we can all have a blessed holiday.



November 17-Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:

The Gospel predicts end times; our challenge though is to live faithfully now. When we live in conformity to the Word, hearing Jesus' words and living them out, the future holds no fear for us. **As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box, know that you are hearing the words of Jesus and living them out.** 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:

Saintjamesstvincentdepaul@gmail.com
or call 516-735-8895. Thank you.



**Our 20th Annual Christmas 50/50 Raffle
was mailed out last week!**

**Chances are \$10 each or \$40 for a full book of 5.
Additional tickets will be available for purchase in the
Parish Center Office during regular business hours.**

Thank you for your support of this Parish fundraiser.



**CATHOLIC
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Please be generous in this week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in six people lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect will remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection

*We welcome into
the St. James
Community:*



*Brielle Royalty Carman
Claire Rose Contorno
Antonia Rae Kenney
Valentina Jeanne Marrero
Angelina Francesca Morreale*

*Congratulations to the parents
of the newly baptized!*



Everyone is invited to a
FREE Hospitality Breakfast,
hosted by Family Ministry,
in Delaney Hall
on Sunday 12/1/2024
immediately following
the 10:00AM Mass.

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### MENU

Bagels, Cake, Cookies,  
Coffee, Tea,  
Hot Chocolate and Juice

Come and enjoy  
breakfast  
with family and friends.

Christmas Card making supplies  
available for the children

*"Prepare the way of the Lord  
and make straight his path"*  
Mark 1:13





## ST. JAMES THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

All are invited to join us for our annual Thanksgiving Day Mass  
on Thursday, November 28th at 9:00am

We will gather as a parish family to give thanks to God for the many  
blessings He has bestowed upon us.

Our parish offices will close at 12pm on Wednesday and will be  
closed on Thursday and Friday. Please note that there will be  
one Mass at 9am on Friday, November 29th.

*Knights of Columbus Clothing Drive*

# WINTER

COATS/ HATS/ GLOVES/ SWEATERS

# 5983 Delaney Council/ St. James Parish

- Location: St. James R.C. Church Narthex
- Times: Before and After Saturday and Sunday Masses

Starting November 17, 2024 through Winter 2025

We are accepting New and/ or Used Winter Coats which will be donated and distributed to those in need in our local and surrounding communities in Nassau County. We are also accepting other articles of winter clothing and accessories such as Hats, Gloves, Sweaters, Sweatshirts, and Snowpants.

Please bring your donations in a secured plastic bag to the Narthex at St. James Church and leave them in the labeled cardboard box. The donations will be collected by Knights of the Delaney Council and donated to our Partners for distribution to our needy members of the community



## The Book Nook Gift Shop Advent Sale!

The Book Nook sells Advent items including candles, wreaths and calendars. The Book Nook is open Saturdays from 3pm until 5:15pm and Sundays from 8:30am until 1:30pm.

Please stop by before  
or after Mass.

# ***ALL ABOARD!***

Join the Welcoming Ministry on the

# **POLAR**

# ***EXPRESS***



**Saturday**

**December 7th**

**11:00AM-2:00PM**

PIZZA AND REFRESHMENTS WILL  
BE SERVED!

**TICKETS: \$5 PER CHILD**

DELANEY HALL, ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
80 HICKSVILLE ROAD, SEAFORD, NY

Please Scan the QR Code to  
register for the event!

[st.jameswelcomingministry@gmail.com](mailto:st.jameswelcomingministry@gmail.com)







**DIOCESE OF  
ROCKVILLE  
CENTRE**



**SAVE  
THE  
DATE**

# MARCH FOR LIFE

**FRIDAY  
JANUARY  
24**

**20  
25**

All are encouraged to attend the annual  
March for Life in Washington DC.

Following the march, pilgrims from the  
Diocese of Rockville Centre are invited  
to gather at Saint Joseph Church on  
Capitol Hill for refreshments and  
prayer with Bishop Barres.

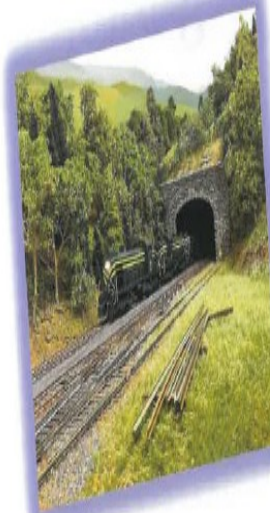
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**WEST ISLAND MODEL RAILROADERS**



## 2024 Open House



- You're invited to operate a train on our 5600 sq. ft., 2 level railroad
- Learn about trains and model railroading from our club members
- Join the club, and operate your own or our trains

**Suggested Donation: \$5/person, Family maximum \$15**

Friday Nov. 29 1- 5 PM

Saturday Nov. 30 1- 4 PM

Sunday Dec. 1 1- 4 PM

Friday Dec. 6 7- 9:30 PM

Saturday Dec. 7 1- 4 PM

Sunday Dec. 8 1- 4 PM

Friday Dec. 13 7- 9:30 PM

Saturday Dec. 14 1- 4 PM

Sunday Dec. 15 1- 4 PM



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Located in the Broadway Business  
Center  
485 South Broadway (Route 107)  
Lower Level Unit 22A  
Hicksville, NY 11801

Visit our website [www.westislandmodelrailroadclub.com](http://www.westislandmodelrailroadclub.com)  
Find us on facebook, Instagram, or call the club at 516-433-6600

## Our Holy Redeemer Presents Advent Retreat with Monsignor John Strynkowski

Former Rector of The Immaculate Conception Seminary, Huntington  
Former Rector of St. James Cathedral-Basilica, Downtown Brooklyn

Mission begins with Holy Mass 12:10PM- 12:45PM

the following themes and times are 12:45PM-1:30PM

Monday Dec 2: What does Advent tell us about the mass?

Monday Dec 9: What does Advent tell us about the Blessed Virgin Mary?

Monday Dec 16: What does Advent tell us about Christmas?

Each afternoon will be followed with fellowship in the Lower Church



## Weekly Stewardship of Treasure Report

**WEEK OF:**

**November 3, 2024**

**Catholic  
Education**

**CHURCH  
CAPACITY 850**

|                          | <b>Sunday Collection</b> | <b>Second Collection</b> | <b>Mass Attendance</b> |            |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| <b>Mass</b>              | <b>10,281.00</b>         | <b>810.40</b>            | <b>4:00pm</b>          | 396        |
| <b>Online Giving</b>     | <b>3,147.37</b>          | <b>18.68</b>             | <b>8:00am</b>          | 242        |
| <b>Mail in Envelopes</b> | <b>917.00</b>            | <b>137.00</b>            | <b>10:00am</b>         | 383        |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>14,345.37</b>         | <b>966.08</b>            | <b>12:00pm</b>         | <u>230</u> |
|                          |                          | <b>Total</b>             |                        | 1,251      |

**"Save Time and Donate Online!"**

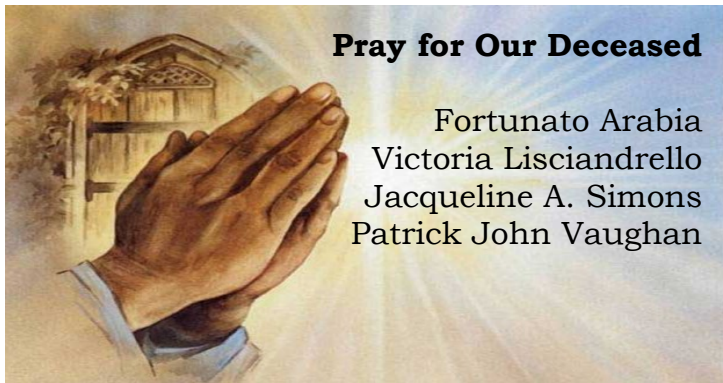


If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit [www.stjamesrcchurch.org](http://www.stjamesrcchurch.org) and click on the WeShare link or call the parish office at 516-731-3710.

**Question:** Why do Catholics pray to Mary and the saints?

**Answer:** One of the statements of faith we make when we pray the Nicene Creed and the Apostles Creed is that we believe in "the communion of saints." The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that this communion (another word for community) includes all the faithful on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the blessed women, men, and children who are in heaven. This teaching is grounded in our belief that, through Baptism, we are united with Christ and to one another with bonds that are stronger even than death. And so from the time of the early Church, Christians have turned to other believers for prayers and assistance, including those who have gone before us, confident that God hears the prayers of all of His children. When we think of Mary and the saints in heaven, we have to remember that we can turn to them for intercession and assistance because they were faulted, limited human beings, just like us. This means that they are able to understand our struggles, doubts, fears, joys, and hopes. Whether they were ordained, vowed religious, martyrs, husbands, wives, or even children, they show us that holiness is possible. We can not only follow their example but also benefit from their prayerful support. Our devotion to the saints and gratitude for their witness, prayers, and protection should also be an inspiration for us, especially when we become aware of the needs of others or when others ask us to pray for them. We are called to share the blessings we receive. This is also part of our journey of growing in holiness.

**Q & A**



### **Pray for Our Deceased**

Fortunato Arabia  
Victoria Lisciandrello  
Jacqueline A. Simons  
Patrick John Vaughan

### **FROM THE EDITOR BULLETIN DEADLINES**

| <b>Bulletin Date</b> | <b>Due by 9:00am</b>          |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>November 24th</b> | <b>Tuesday, November 12th</b> |
| <b>December 1st</b>  | <b>Monday, November 18th</b>  |
| <b>December 8th</b>  | <b>Wed, November 27th</b>     |
| <b>December 15th</b> | <b>Monday, December 2nd</b>   |

**Super  
Bonanza  
\$25 Winners**



**November 2024**

Sunday, 11/10—Philip Frendo

Monday, 11/11—Marian Wisz

Tue., 11/12—Russell Clementelli

Wed., 11/13—M/M Michael Lehosky

Thurs., 11/14—Linda Tiscione

Friday, 11/15—Karen Tavitian

Saturday, 11/16—Susan Fuller

## THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

### Sunday, November 17th

9:30am OCIA - Room 112  
10:00am Level 1 Mass & Hospitality

### Monday, November 18th

8:30am Rosary - Church

### Tuesday, November 19th

8:30am Rosary - Church  
1:30pm Scripture Sharing - Room 112  
4:15pm Faith Formation classes  
6:30pm Alpha Meeting - Delaney Hall  
7:00pm Scripture Sharing - Room 104

### Wednesday, November 20th

8:30am Rosary - Church  
4:15pm Faith Formation classes  
7:00pm Faith Formation classes

### Thursday, November 21st

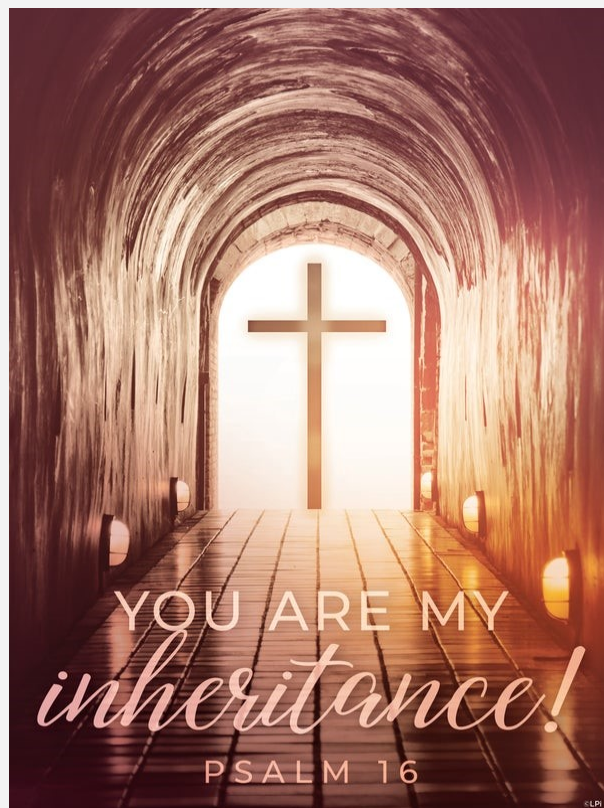
8:30am Rosary - Church  
10:30am Plainedge Seniors - Delaney Hall  
4:15pm Faith Formation classes

### Friday, November 22nd

8:30am Rosary - Church  
11:00am Italian Rosary - Chapel

### Saturday, November 23rd

8:30am Rosary - Church  
9:00am Women's Ministry - Room 112



## 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 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.