

The Parish of Saint James

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The Clergy:

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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

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

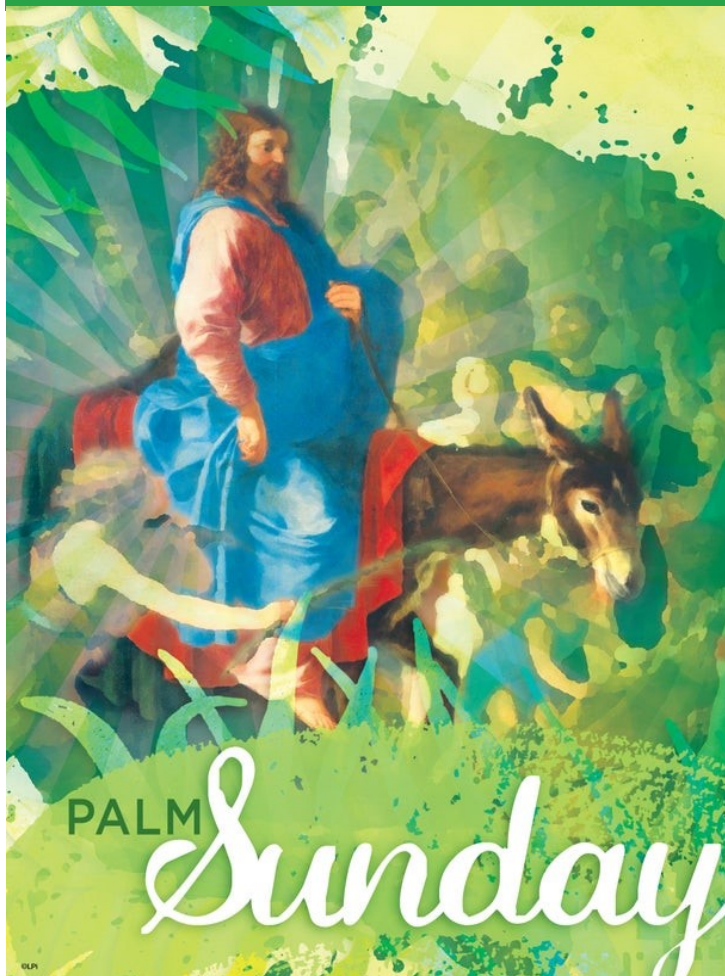
8:00 AM, 12:10 PM and 7:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

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

April 13, 2025

**Palm Sunday of the
Passion of the Lord**





SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025

8:00 AM Anthony Secondino
 10:00 AM Stanley & Helen Renkas &
 Rosemarie Renkas
 12:00 PM People of St. James
 Family of Valentin Stipsits & Willi Blaskovits
 Gladys McCullagh
 Nicola DiLuzio
 Mrs. Joann Chu
 Jozef Rejman

MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025

8:00 AM William O'Mara
 12:10 PM Rudy Arabia

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2025

8:00 AM Frank G. Wetzel - Anniversary Remembrance
 12:10 PM Harper Ruth Anderson - Living

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2025

8:00 AM Frank & Rosemary Anari - Birthday
 Remembrance
 12:10 PM Salvatore Rappo - Living

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2025 - Holy Thursday

9:00 AM *Morning Prayer Service*
 8:00 PM *Solemn Liturgy of the Last Supper*
 The Priests & Deacons of St. James

FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2025 - Good Friday

9:00 AM *Morning Prayer Service*
 3:00 PM *Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion*

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025 - Holy Saturday

9:00 AM *Morning Prayer Service*
Blessing of the Easter Food Baskets
No 4:00PM Mass Today
 8:00 PM *Solemn Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection*
 The People of St. James Parish

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025 - Easter Sunday

8:00 AM Vincent J. Russo
 10:00 AM Mary E. & Jane Barry
 12:00 PM People of St. James
 Delphine Julian
 Edward & Mary McKee
 Rocco Zalud - Living
 Gary Engels
 Deceased Members of the Testa &
 Pizzo Families



MASS CELEBRANT

4/19 ~ 8:00pm ~ Fr. John

4/20 ~ 8:00am ~ Fr. Benjamin

10:00am ~ Fr. John

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, Charlie Bowman, 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, Grayson Danielski, 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, Raymond Flood, 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 Kmiatek, 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:

Words of Gratitude:

I'd like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to Joe Falce, John Marazita and Edwin Ayala for repairing and refinishing the planters in the church. Thank you also to the Knights of Columbus for donating all the materials needed for this project. The restored planters add a wonderful dignity and reverence to the church. Many thanks!

Entering the Week We Call "Holy!"

This week is the crown of the entire liturgical year in the life of all Catholics and Christians throughout the world. Beginning with this weekend's celebration of the Lord's triumphant ride into the holy city of Jerusalem to complete his work as the Messiah, we will then celebrate the institution of the sacraments of the Eucharist and the Priesthood at the Last Supper, followed by the solemn commemoration of his passion, death and resurrection to "New Life."

While Holy Thursday and Good Friday are not considered Holy Days of Obligation, I would invite you to attend these liturgies as they are the foundation of all that we believe as Catholics and our identity flows from their meaning.

The liturgies of those two days are being celebrated at 8:00 PM on Holy Thursday for the Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Supper with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10pm and on Good Friday, the 3:00 PM Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death with the Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion and then at 8:00 PM on Holy Saturday for the Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection during which we will welcome two new members into the Church through the celebration of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist.

Recall, we have been preparing throughout Lent by works of charity, prayer, fasting and abstinence, alms giving to the poor and the support of the church, and the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, for the renewal of our baptismal promises on Easter Sunday.

Through baptism we were grafted onto Christ and became sharers in his Paschal Mystery: his passion, death and resurrection. Baptism is not only about becoming a member of the Church but most importantly baptism is a call to discipleship, which commits us to a life-long journey to become ever more fully the Body of Christ.

This week's journey is all about "remembering" the events of our salvation and entering more deeply into the mystery of Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

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

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 13, 2025

First Reading:

The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame. (Is 50:7)

Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Ps 22)

Second Reading:

Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name. (Phil 2:9)

Gospel:

Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me." (Lk 22:19)

Gospel Meditation

"As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road." (Luke 19:36) Consider how useless it is to spread your clothes on the ground for a donkey to walk on. The clothes get smeared with hooves, and who knows the grimy places where they've been? The animal may leave some unsavory presents on them. They may get stolen by a thief looking to make a buck. The thorns, thistles, rocks and muck of the road will leave stains. The clothes may never be useful again, and you'll probably walk home shivering without your normal covering. Yet this is precisely the gesture the people employ to welcome Jesus and his donkey. Why does this detail matter?

Wastefulness is an essential part of celebration. Consider the unnecessary extravagance of Christmas decorations, confetti and ticker tape parades, baseball players spraying each other with bottles of champagne after a victory, birthday gifts for kids and so on. This wastefulness signals celebration and therefore participation in higher identities (as believers, winners, and parents, to mention the above examples). That's what the wasted cloaks are all about. Those who donate their cloaks participate in Christ's kingship in Jerusalem — and we savor it two thousand years later.

The lesson? Learn how to "waste" money, time, clothes, and food on Christ. We do this at Mass, but in so many other ways, too, like serving the poor, going on retreats, and doing prayerful study. When we practice this holy wastefulness, Jesus will ride into our lives and we'll be more deeply members of his kingdom.

Father John Muir

Living the Liturgy - Inspiration for the week

The disciples followed Jesus' careful instructions for his entry to Jerusalem, even though they did not understand his words. Today, we too, look ahead to his arrival. In obedience, let us prepare the way for the King.



What's happening in Faith Formation?

PALM SUNDAY

The Faith Formation Office Team and Catechists wish all their families a Blessed Palm Sunday and Holy Week. We look forward to seeing you all back in the fall of 2025!

Level 7 and 8 are reminded that all Confirmation Journal work Should have been handed in by now.



Please pray for our Level 2 students who are preparing to receive First Communion this Easter Season.

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REHEARSALS FOR FIRST COMMUNION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

COMMUNION DATE	REHEARSAL DATE
Sat. April 26	Thur. Apr. 24
Sat. May 3	Thur. May 1
Sat. May 10	Thur. May 8
Sat. May 17	Thur. May 15

Rehearsals begin at 4:00 and will be held in the Church.

Children are expected to attend.



Faith Formation
Registration

RE-REGISTRATION 2025-2026
BEGAN ON APRIL 1, 2025.

EMAILS WITH INSTRUCTIONS WERE SENT OUT THE END OF MARCH TO ALL FAITH FORMATION FAMILIES.

If you have not received the email please call the office: 516-796-2979
IMMEDIATELY!

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES – 2025

CONFESSIONS

Monday of Holy Week, April 14, 2025

“Diocesan Day of Penance”

2:00pm - 4:00pm - Fr. Benjamin & Msgr. Michael

6:00pm - 7:30pm - Fr. John & Msgr. Michael

7:30pm - 9:00pm - Fr. Benjamin & Fr. John

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

1:00pm - 2:00pm - Fr. Benjamin & Msgr. Michael

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

1:00pm - 2:00pm - Fr. Benjamin & Fr. John

Holy Saturday, April 19, 2025

11:00am - 12 Noon - Fr. Benjamin & Msgr. Michael

NO CONFESSIONS at 3:00pm

NO 4:00pm MASS

The Church will be closed at Noon reopening
at 7:00pm for the 8:00pm Easter Vigil

Palm Sunday Masses

Palms blessed and distributed at all Masses

Saturday, April 12, 2025

4:00pm - Fr. John

Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025

8:00am - Msgr. Michael

10:00am - Fr. Benjamin

12:00pm - Fr. John



THE SACRED TRIDUUM OF HOLY WEEK

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Tenebrae - A Service of Shadows: 7:30pm in the Church
We accompany Jesus in his last hours, a journey into darkness.

Holy Thursday, April 17, 2025

Morning Prayer: 9:00am

Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Supper: 8:00pm

Celebrant: Fr. Benjamin

Good Friday, April 18, 2025

Morning Prayer: 9:00am

**Solemn Liturgy of the Passion with Adoration
of the Cross and Holy Communion:** 3:00pm

Celebrant: Msgr. Michael

Silhouette Stations of the Cross:

7:30pm in the Church

Holy Saturday, April 19, 2025

Morning Prayer: 9:00am

Blessing of the Easter Food Baskets

9:20am - Fr. John

Confessions: 11:00am - 12 Noon

(No Confessions at 3:00pm and No 4:00pm Mass)

Solemn Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection: 8:00pm

Celebrant: Fr. John

Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

The Resurrection of the Lord

8:00am - Fr. Benjamin

10:00am - Fr. John

12:00pm - Msgr. Michael



HOW THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION IS USED

On Good Friday,
our parish will take up the
annual Collection for the
Holy Land.



What is the Pontifical Good Friday Collection?

It supports the people of the Holy Land
and the pilgrims that visit.

At the request of the Holy Father, the Franciscans of the Holy Land promote the Pontifical Good Friday Collection in the United States and other parts of the world. Funds are distributed at the direction of the Vatican's Congregation for the Oriental Churches. A portion of the funds are directly allocated to the educational and ecclesial projects in the Middle East. The rest of the funds collected in the United States and a number of other countries support the ministries and programs entrusted by the Holy See to the Holy Land Franciscans. The Franciscans have served in the Holy Land for 800 years.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides, Humanitarian, Liturgical, Pastoral, Archaeological, Charitable, Educational services, as well as care for the Holy Places.

Serving those in need in the Holy Land

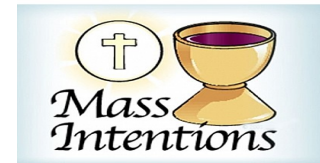
- 250 friars 11 countries
- 65 sanctuaries and 23 parishes
- 6 guest houses for pilgrims
- 30 youth served by Bethlehem Boys' Home
- 63 apartments restored for families in need
- 1,020 employees in Israel and Palestine
- 17 schools with more than 10,000 students
- 509 university scholarships
- 56 Friars preparing for the priesthood
- 700 refugees aided on the island of Rhodes
- 8,000+ Syrian families aided
- 650+ families in Lebanon assisted
- Construction of a Catholic school in Cana

Help us continue to serve!

Commissariat of the Holy Land
1400 Quincy St. NE, Washington, DC 20017
www.MyFranciscan.org/good-Friday



All Parish Center Offices
will be closed on
Monday,
April 21, 2025
in observance of Easter.
There will be one
Mass that
day at 9:00 am.



*The Mass
Intention book is
open and
Masses are
available through
December 31, 2025.*

Join us

Wednesday, April 16th

at 7:30pm in the Church

TENEBRAE

A Service of Shadows

Tenebrae' means darkness or shadows. As we come to the end of Lent, we begin a journey into darkness to a place of deep shadows.

Today we accompany Jesus in his last hours. We witness the cruelties and the suffering he endures.

We listen to the words of condemnation and ridicule. In all this he is innocent. He is the faithful servant of God, doing his Father's work; bringing the gospel of love, peace and hope.

And so, in this liturgy, we are invited to walk solemnly and attentively with Jesus.

Better to know.

Better to understand.

Better to be his friend, his disciple, his witness.



The Altar
Bread and Wine
were
donated in loving
memory of:

**Lillian & Salvatore
Pavia**

Donated by:
Marguerite & Rick
Brunner

THE SANCTUARY COURSE FOR CATHOLICS

Would you value joining others in a conversation about mental health? Would you like to discover what God, Scripture and Church have to say in light of the experiences of mental health challenges? Sign up for the Sanctuary Course for Catholics at St. James. The subject matter feels particularly relevant in these times of heightened anxiety, and the course creates an opportunity to connect with and support each other in meaningful ways.

ABOUT THE COURSE

The Sanctuary Course for Catholics is an eight-part course for small groups designed to raise awareness and start conversations in local parishes regarding mental health. It was created in collaboration with Catholic mental health professionals, theologians, and clergy, and offers faith communities the opportunity to learn about mental health and grow in their ability to support members living with mental health challenges. Topics covered include: mental health and mental illness, stigma, recovery, companionship, self-care, and community. The sessions are accompanied by compelling films that feature the stories of Catholics living with mental health challenges, along with the insights of archbishops, theologians, and psychologists. The course is available to download as a PFD, or as an audiobook if you'd prefer to listen rather than read. There is no homework, but it's recommended that you read/listen to the sessions in advance of meeting.

Please contact the Parish Center at 516-731-3710 or Tom McCoy at TomCSW@yahoo.com

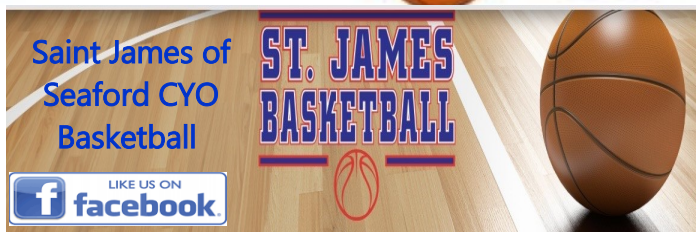
Name:

Phone #:

Email:

Mondays, April 21 - June 16 at 7:30pm _____

Wednesdays, April 23 - June 4 at 1:30pm _____



Scan QR code to register

CYO BASKETBALL CLINICS

RUN BY COACH SEAN FROM NEW EVOLUTION BASKETBALL

Cost per session \$125 - Registration closes April 21

2nd grade girls - 9am - 10am, 2nd grade boys - 10am - 11am
Saturday's 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31
Location: St. Ignatius

3rd grade girls - 7:15 - 8:15pm - Monday's 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19
3rd grade boys - 7:15 - 8:15pm - Friday's 4/25, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16
Location: Island Trees Middle School

5th-8th grade girls 8pm - 9pm - Thursday's 5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22
Location: Salk Middle School

4th grade boys 8:15 - 9:15pm - Mondays 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19
6th grade boys 8:15 - 9:15pm - Friday's 4/25, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16
Location: Island Trees Middle School

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We Welcome into the
St. James Community:



WELCOME TO
OUR FAMILY!

Lucas Stephen Cannova
Lucas James Delvalle-Ortiz
Noah Matthew Delvalle-Ortiz
Christopher James Hassel
Logan Michael Olsen

Congratulations to the parents of
the newly baptized!

Marriage Struggling?



Do you feel hurt and angry? Is your marriage heading in the wrong direction? Does talking make it worse?

WE CAN HELP CALL TODAY 516.405.0323

HelpOurMarriage.org
RETROUVAILE
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES



REGISTER NOW!

**APRIL
25-27**

HUNTINGTON, NY
REGISTER BY: APRIL 11TH
HELPOURMARRIAGE.ORG

No Marriage is Beyond Hope.



Please join us for
*Silhouette Stations of the
 Cross on Good Friday,*
 April 18, 2025 at 7:30pm
 in the Church.



2025 Antioch Retreat

*The Antioch Community of
 Our Lady of Lourdes Church*

Invites you to join us
*for two days of stories, music, reflection,
 prayer, scripture, Mass, delicious food
 and good company!*

When: Saturday, April 26th 8:30 am --- 9:00 pm
 Sunday, April 27th 8:30 am --- 3:00 pm

Where: Our Lady of Lourdes School
 855 Carmans Rd., Massapequa Park, NY 11762

PLEASE SHARE THIS FLYER WITH A FRIEND!!

Yes, I would like to attend the Antioch Retreat. Enclosed is my \$60.00 check, made payable to "Susan Bendheim", to cover the cost of meals and materials. **Please mail this form** with your check to: Pat Beirne, 205 Elm Dr. E., Levittown, NY 11756. You may also pay by Zelle: sgordygirl730@aol.com

RSVP on or before April 21, 2025.

(Please don't let the cost be an issue as scholarships are available.)

ALL FIELDS ARE REQUIRED – Thank you

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Relationship to you: _____ Their Phone: _____

Their Email: _____

Have you attended our retreat in the past? (circle one) No Yes How long ago? _____

How did you hear about us? _____

Any Food Allergy or Restriction? _____

Questions: Contact Pat Beirne at (516) 776-3081 or Jean Lynch (516) 729-7871

April 13: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



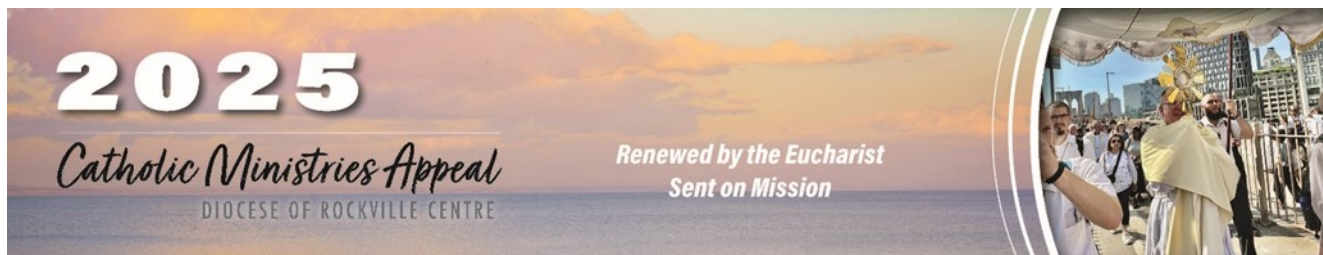
Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life. **As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who carry their cross of suffering and pain.** 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 516-735-8895. Thank you.



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

**current needs are canned
 hams, smoked hams, coffee,
 mayonnaise, canned fruit,
 hot chocolate, ketchup, oil,
 Jello, white rice, sugar, juice,
 drinks, vinegar, jelly, toothpaste,
 shampoo, laundry detergent and
 cleaning products, .**

Thank you very much.



Dear Friends:

During the special Holy Week, please allow me to share a special request with you. If you have never contributed to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, or if you haven't contributed in a number of years, please consider making this the year that you join with me and other members of our Parish family to make a donation to the 2025 Appeal.

As you may already be aware, 100% of all the money raised is restricted to fund the objectives, programs, and ministries that serve more than 600,000 people each year, and our parish shares in the money raised to use for our own local needs.

These programs include services to people in need; affordable housing for senior citizens; people with disabilities and our veterans; respect life initiatives; and formation of our priests, deacons, lay leaders, and young people. These are just a few of the programs that help make our church and this Island a vibrant and wonderful place to live.

But to help ensure that we can always serve those who come to us for aid, support and spiritual guidance, we need help from you!

If 100 of our parishioners who have not supported us in the recent past made a \$25 contribution this year – think about how many more people we could help! If that amount is more than you can manage, consider \$5 or \$10. **Every gift counts and makes a difference in the lives of others! THANK YOU!!**

Make checks payable to: **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Parish _____ Pledge: \$ _____

Name _____ Down payment: \$ _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____

To make a donation, you can also visit drvc.org/CMA
or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296
Thank You!

Weekly Stewardship of Treasure Report

WEEK OF:

March 30, 2025

**Catholic Relief
Services**

**CHURCH
CAPACITY 850**

	Sunday Collection	Second Collection	Mass Attendance	
Mass	7,749.00	690.00	4:00pm	343
Online Giving	1,681.02	85.29	8:00am	237
Mail in Envelopes	<u>1,224.00</u>	<u>55.00</u>	10:00am	335
Total	10,654.02	830.29	12:00pm	<u>317</u>
		Total		1,232



"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: Where do Palm Sunday palms come from and where should they go?

Q & A

Answer: The Palm Sunday celebration has ancient origins. Beginning the liturgy "outside" the church, we symbolically reenact Christ's entry into Jerusalem. The crowds in ancient Israel waved palm branches – a symbol of royalty – to welcome Jesus. These days, obtaining palms takes a lot of planning and coordination, as hundreds of thousands of churches worldwide need them on the same day! Many in the United States order palms from Florida, California, Texas, or Central America. Many companies stress the sustainability of their production and the just wages paid to their workers. The palms used on Palm Sunday are blessed at Mass. This means they shouldn't end up in the trash! Many people weave palms into crosses or families display them in their homes. If you do not plan on displaying your palms throughout the year, they should be burned, buried, or left at the church. In the final case, the palms are burned to provide the ashes for next year's Ash Wednesday service.



Pray for Our Deceased

FROM THE EDITOR BULLETIN DEADLINES

<u>Bulletin Date</u>	<u>Due by 9:00am</u>
April 27th	Monday, April 21st
May 4th	Monday, April 28th
May 11th	Monday, May 5th
May 18th	Monday, May 12th

**Super
Bonanza
\$25 Winners**



April 2025

Sunday, 4/6—John England

Monday, 4/7—Philip Frendo

Tue., 4/8—Thomas Albano

Wed., 4/9—Vivian Smith

Thurs., 4/10—Angela Martin

Friday, 4/11—M/M Robert Koff

Saturday, 4/12—Jean Muldoon

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Sunday, April 13th

9:30am OCIA - Room 112

Monday, April 14th

8:30am Rosary - Church

Tuesday, April 15th

8:30am Rosary - Church

1:30pm Scripture Sharing - Room 112

7:00pm Scripture Sharing - Room 104

Wednesday, April 16th

8:30am Rosary - Church

7:30pm Tenebrae - Church

Thursday, April 17th

10:30am Plainedge Seniors - Delaney Hall

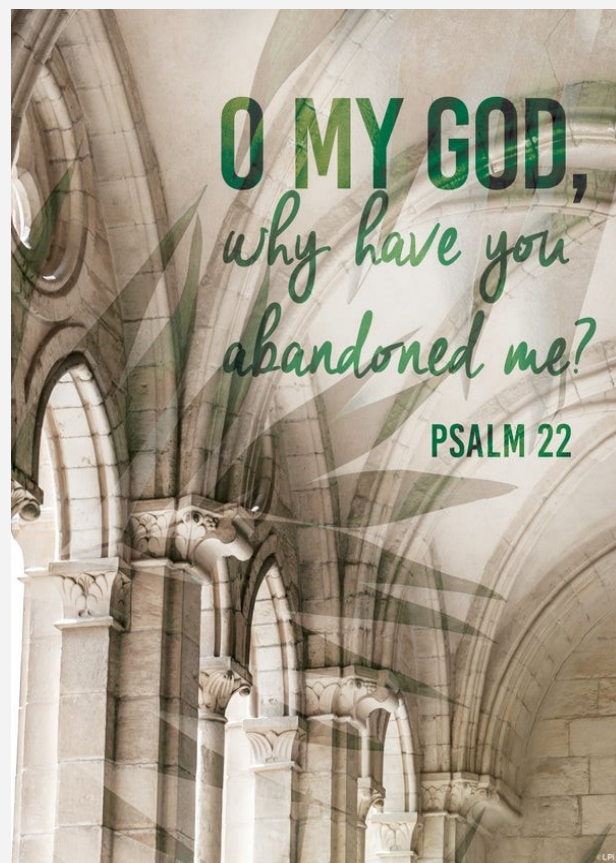
Friday, April 18th

11:00am Italian Rosary - Chapel

Saturday, April 19th

7:30am Men's Prayer Group - Room 104

9:00am Women's Prayer & Meditation -
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.