

The Parish of Saint James

JULY 6, 2025 | 14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - Saturday | 8:00am
Monday - Friday | 12:10pm
All Civic Holidays | 9:00am only

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday | Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

HOLY DAYS

4:00pm Vigil Mass
8:00am, 12:10pm and 7:30pm

CONFESSION

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

OUR MISSION

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.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

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



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516-731-3710 | www.stjamesrcchurch.org
parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org

Prayer & Worship

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JULY 6, 2025

8:00am | Theresa Von Braunsberg -
Birthday
10:00am | Robert Novesky
12:00pm | People of St. James
| Vincent LoBiondo - Birthday
| Leonard Angioli
| Carmine Nicholas Marcellino
| Infant Christopher Bedus
| Jennie Muraca

MONDAY, JULY 7, 2025

8:00am | The Lupo & Petruso Families
12:10pm | Gino Gregory Vitale | Birthday

TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2025

8:00pm | Terry Fleming
12:10pm | John McNally

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2025

8:00am | Dominic Lapati
12:10pm | Fr. Joseph Flynn

THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2025

8:00am | Joseph Keller
12:10pm | Patrick Gilbride |
2nd Anniversary

FRIDAY, JULY 11, 2025

8:00am | Helen Morris
12:10pm | Vincent J. Barone

SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2025

8:00am | Bruno Pagano - 1st Anniversary
4:00pm | Aida Scalise

SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025

8:00am | Jeanette Antonucci -
15th Anniversary
10:00am | Martha Cattrell
12:00pm | People of St. James
| Leonard Angioli
| Jean A. Vito
| Joseph Mulligan
| Kenneth Lango
| Vincent Andrew Cavaliere

HEAVENLY FATHER WE PRAY FOR ...

Omar Albayaty, Ruth Alifieris, Marianne Amblo, Ruth Alifieris, 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, Vincent Catalano, JoAnn Chirco, Joseph Chirco, Dianne Cicciari, Lori Cicciari, Carly Colvell, Ed Connelly, Leslie Crandall, 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, Kenny Eaton, Rick Ellis, Rosaria Esposito, Thomas Fazio, Connie Fisher, 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 Kmiotek, Gina Krafinski, Pat Lafferty, Roger Lafferty, Sean Lehosky, Tia Mabanta, Timothy Maietta, Dakota Maken, Mary Sue Maluda, Tara Matthews, Kathleen McCormack, Megan McCormack, George McGill, Erlinda Medina, Janice Mehaffy, Grace Mendonez, Michael Mendonez, Steven Miller, Marianne Mirkow, Thomas Mirkow, Bianca Montenegro, Grace Nadolny, Gerry Nickel, Barbara Notarstefano, Melissa Notarstefano, Janet Oliveri, Sister Barbara Ozelski, Sofia Paskens, Marie Pereira-Callahan, Jim Perkowski, Diane Pheffer, Irene Poggio, Joseph Poggio, Antoinette Provenzano, 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, Isabella Rose Weiss, Jessica Weiss

THE CLERGY

Rev. John Derasmo, Pastor | fatherjohn@stjamesrcchurch.org

Msgr. Michael Barimah-Apau, Associate Pastor

Fr. Benjamin Ogbunuko, Associate Pastor

In the event of an emergency, please call 516-916-0959 to reach the priest on duty

Deacon Rick Brunner

Deacon Chris Daniello

Deacon John Horn

Director of Faith Formation - Dr. Lucy Creed, Ed.D. - 516-796-2979

Parish Social Ministry - 516-735-8690

St. Vincent de Paul Society - 516-735-8895

Director of Music Ministry - Jillian Vicinanza - 516-731-3710

Facility Manager - Thomas Galvin - 516-731-3710

PARISH OFFICE RECEPTIONIST

Parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org

MASS CELEBRANT

July 12th | 4:00pm | Msgr. Michael

July 13th | 8:00am | Fr. Melchizedek
| 10:00am | Msgr. Michael
| 12:00pm | Fr. Melchizedek

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE - Saturday
Confessions | 3:00 pm—3:45 pm
Celebrants subject to change

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

A Note from the Pastor



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

WELCOME FR. MELCHIZEDEK: I'm delighted to announce that Fr. Melchizedek Okpala arrived at St. James this past Monday ready to spend another summer serving at St. James Parish.

Fr. Melchizedek has spent several summers with us. Many of you are already familiar with him. His excellent preaching and friendly manner are two of the wonderful qualities that he brings with him. I am certain that you will once again give him warm welcome. Let us pray for Fr. Melchizedek as he joins us once again.

NEW ASSIGNMENTS. We also pray for all the priests who went to new parish assignments on Wednesday, June 25th. The change in assignment is both exciting and stressful, not only for the priests involved but for each of the parishes experiencing these changes in priestly personnel.



INDEPENDENCE WEEKEND:

Although summer already began on June 21st, Independence Weekend has always felt like the real beginning of the summer season for me. As a child I spent most of my summers in Staten Island in a two-bedroom bungalow owned by my maternal grandparents. In that bungalow resided my grandparents, my mother and father, my two brothers and sister, my aunt and her two children. We always arrived on the 4th of July Weekend. Coming from the city it was a great change of pace and lifestyle for all of us. There were regular barbecues, eating outside, fresh pears and peaches from my grandfather's trees. It's where I learned to ride a bike, which I never was able to ride in Manhattan.

I remember vividly that my mother always thought that the summer went so quickly that she referred to it as **JulAugust**.

My four grandparents always enjoyed the July 4th weekend because it celebrated the United States, which gave them a chance for a better future, since they came from poor areas of Italy. They gave us their grandchildren a great love for the United States, which offered many things that they were unable to experience and have back in Italy.

God bless the United States of America! May we be active in fulfilling our responsibilities as American citizens as we recall the freedoms and rights we enjoy, which we so often take for granted.

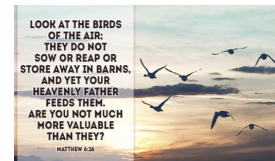
SUMMER VACATIONS:

Fr. Benjamin left on Tuesday to begin his summer vacation. He is planning on visiting several of his priest friends. Msgr. Michael will be taking his summer vacation during the month of August. Two weeks in July will be part of my summer vacation. I will be taking the remaining two weeks during the month of August.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fr. John'.



What's happening in Faith Formation? Sunday, July 6, 2025



Registration is ongoing, classes are filling fast and some levels may not be available on the day you want to attend.

IF YOU HAVE NOT REGISTERED FOR THE 2025-2026 FALL TERM PLEASE DO SO ASAP.

Registration Fees go up on August 1, 2025 at 5pm.
Payment plans can be established. Please do not let money stop you from registering your child/children.

YOU MUST BE REGISTERED IN THE PARISH IN ORDER TO REGISTER FOR FAITH FORMATION.

Being Married or having a child baptized at St. James does not necessarily mean you are registered.

Any Child entering First Grade in September should register for Faith Formation Classes in order to Receive First sacraments with their friends.

BAPTISM CERTIFICATE MUST BE SUBMITTED IF CHILD NOT BAPTIZED AT ST. JAMES



We are looking for a few Good people to share their Faith with the children of St. James as Catechists in our Faith Formation Process.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR THE FOLLOWING LEVEL TEACHERS:

TUESDAY 4:15-5:30PM: LEVEL 1

**WEDNESDAY 4:15-5:30PM: LEVEL 5 (we have no one to teach),
LEVELS 3 & 4 (to have smaller class sizes)**

WEDNESDAY 7:00-8:15PM: LEVEL 3 OR 6

THURSDAY 4:15-5:30PM: LEVEL 2

We will provide all necessary materials and training all you need to bring is a desire to share your faith with our children.

Please Call Dr. Lucy Creed at 516-796-2979 if you are interested.

Ministries and Events

ST. JAMES CYO BASKETBALL

2025-2026 Registration

Boys & Girls Grades 3—8

Discounted Price: \$250 by August 24th

Registration Price: \$275 - \$25 sibling discount

ALL REGISTRATION DUE by September 1st



We are now on Teamsideline, please go on the website and sign in for updates. Early registration for Fall Basketball begins on July 1, 2025.

<https://teamsideline.com/sites/Stjamesrc/home>

FACEBOOK: SAINT JAMES OF SEAFORD CYO BASKETBALL

INSTAGRAM: @STJAMESSEAFORDCYO

EMAIL: STJAMESSEAFORDCYO@GMAIL.COM

TACHS EXAM PREP COURSE

TEST DATE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH

- ✓ Course dates: Saturdays 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/25, 11/1
- ✓ Time: 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
- ✓ Location: St. Dominic High School, Marian Hall
- ✓ Taught by St. Dominic High School Faculty
- ✓ Textbook included

REGISTER ONLINE AT [HS.STDOMS.ORG](https://hs.stdoms.org)

Students accepted on a first come - first serve basis.
There will be no refunds once the course begins.



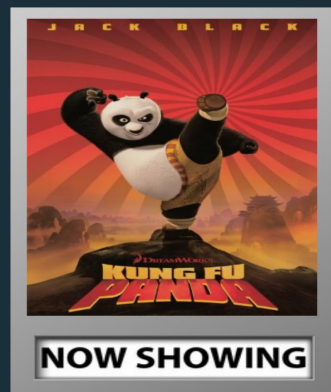
ST. JAMES WELCOMING MINISTRY INVITES
YOU TO...

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: KUNG FU PANDA

WHEN: FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2025
MOVIE STARTS AT 8:00 PM

WHERE: ST. JAMES PARISH PARKING LOT
80 HICKSVILLE ROAD SEAFORD, NY

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED
BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY!



Liturgical Life



Week Three

**Theresa Kmiotek &
Thomas Ryan**

We welcome into the St. James Community

**Valentina Capri Carson
Chloe Marie Cashman
Roman Michael Nicosia
Madisyn Victoria Pleickhardt
Devin Victoria Walsh**



Congratulations to the parents of the newly baptized!

Our heartfelt thanks to all our parishioners for your continued support of our food pantry. Our current needs are coffee, boxed milk, Sweet & Low, sugar-coated cereal, juice, oil, vinegar, laundry detergent, tissues, napkins, paper towels, toilet paper, toothpaste, soap and deodorant. Thank you very much.



Thank you to the Morasse Family for bringing up the gifts at the 10am Mass on June 29, 2025. If you would like the opportunity to bring up the gifts at the 10am Family Mass, please reach out to Dawn Daniello at dawndaniello60@gmail.com



July 6: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the Gospel today we see how Jesus sent his Apostles out two by two. In this spirit, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul members "go out two by two" to visit those who are poor and needy in their homes. It is there, in the family setting, that Vincentians listen, offer humble advice, and render assistance. Know that the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring your gift directly to the poor and suffering in our parish.

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

Pilgrim Virgin Mary
Statue home
visitation
program.
Please call
Maria Porto at
(516)474-9482.



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!!**

**SUMMER
RAFFLE**



**COMING SOON!
WATCH FOR DETAILS!!!**

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

Drawing will be held on Wednesday, July 23, 2025

Thank you and good luck!

Prayer & Worship

GOSPEL MEDITATION

In the days after the awful 2020 killing of George Floyd, a Catholic friend remarked, "Racism is today's great evil. We should put all our energy into fighting it." I admired her intuition that the church must stand firmly against evil. Amen, I thought. At the same time, something felt wrong. As months went by, I saw her steadily slide into bitterness and anger. Soon, despondency. She spoke of giving up the fight. Don't we too wonder how to fight evil without losing our joy or energy?

Jesus' words this week help. He says, **"Rejoice not that you have power over demons, but that your names are written in heaven" (Luke 10:20).** Notice the asymmetry in where he wants our focus: on the latter, not the former. Should we confidently embrace our God-given power to overcome evil? Absolutely. But even more so, we should emphasize the positive element of our relationship to God. It is tempting but dangerous to define ourselves by what we oppose. It is better to define ourselves by—to rejoice in—what we celebrate: in Jesus, God has written our names in heaven. This sustains our battles.

This week, our marching orders are: fight evil. But more deeply, rejoice that God knows and loves us personally, individually. We allow this joyful knowledge to undergird our fight against the darkness of our day. Then we enjoy long-term stability to be cheerful warriors, who never forget the reason for the contests we are called to fight and win: love.

Father John Muir

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

As he sends his disciples into the world to proclaim his name, Jesus tells them to be bold. He tells them to be flexible. To be forgiving. To be faithful. As we enter this week, let's remember these instructions. It's good advice, in any century.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

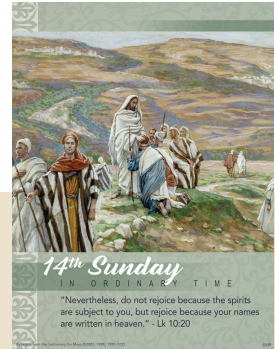
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WEEKLY DEVOTIONS:

Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary for Life - Mondays 2 PM in the Chapel. (except during July and August - resumes Sept. 1st)

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)



SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING

Lo, I will spread prosperity over Jerusalem like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing torrent. (Is 66:12)

PSALM

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. (Ps 66)

SECOND READING

From now on, let no one make troubles for me; for I bear the marks of Jesus on my body. (Gal 6:17)

GOSPEL

Nevertheless, do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven." (Lk 10:20)

Ministries and Events



**All Seniors, 62 and over, are invited to a
FREE Senior Appreciation Barbecue
in Delaney Hall Hosted by Family Ministry**

on Saturday, August 16, 2025 from 12:00pm to 3:00 pm

THE MENU - Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Sausage & Peppers, Chicken

Tenders, Salads, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Water, Ice Cream, Cake, Tea and Coffee

Come, have a great BBQ lunch & make some new friends!

Raffles, Lotto Board and 50/50

Seating is LIMITED to the first 100 responders

A RESERVATION is REQUIRED.

Reply Deadline is Monday, August, 11th 2025

Reserve a seat by calling Linda at 516 731-5688 - Leave a message, calls will be returned ASAP



Cigars and Prayers Companions in Smoke and Serenity

Similarly, prayer is an act of deliberate intention. Whether whispered in solitude or shared in communal reverence, it creates a space for

connection—connection to the divine, to yourself, or to something greater than the visible world. Like the cigar smoker, the one who prays steps into another realm, a place where distractions fade and presence takes over.

Smoke Signals to the Heavens

In some ways, the act of puffing on a cigar resembles the act of prayer. The smoke, rising skyward, could be seen as a modern-day offering to the heavens—a visible manifestation of thoughts, hopes, or gratitude ascending to realms unseen. Is it mere coincidence that smoke has played a pivotal role in spiritual rituals for millennia? Like the incense used in our church to the sacred rituals, smoke has long been seen as a bridge between the earthly and the divine.

Join me Wednesdays in June and July - 7:00pm

In front of the Grotto of Mary, as we all enjoy a cigar (or two) as we pray and discuss the upcoming gospel. Please bring a lawn chair.



Deacon Chris

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The Pope's Prayer Network

Monthly Prayer for Mental Health - July 2025

Pope's Prayer Intention for July:

For formation in discernment

This month the Pope's prayer is for discernment. Discernment is crucial to our being able to understand the relationship between our mental health and our spiritual life. Discernment helps us reject paths that lead us away from God and that lead to depression, anxiety and poor mental health. Discernment helps us instead pursue paths that lead us closer to God and to true flourishing, deeper meaning, and better mental health. Let us pray that we become less indifferent to those around us who live with mental illness, wanting to discern how Jesus is guiding us to love and accompany them.

The International Association of Catholic Mental Health Ministers
(<https://www.catholicmhm.org/click-to-pray>)



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



International Association
Catholic Mental
Health Ministers



Weekly Stewardship Report

WEEK OF:

June 22, 2025

Maintenance
& Repairs

CHURCH
CAPACITY 850

	Sunday Collection	Second Collection	Mass Attendance
Mass	7,136.00	926.00	4:00pm 338
Online Giving	420.00	196.00	8:00am 237
Mail in Envelopes	<u>1,676.64</u>	<u>57.40</u>	10:00am 258
Total	9,232.64	1,179.40	12:00pm <u>290</u>
		Total	1,123



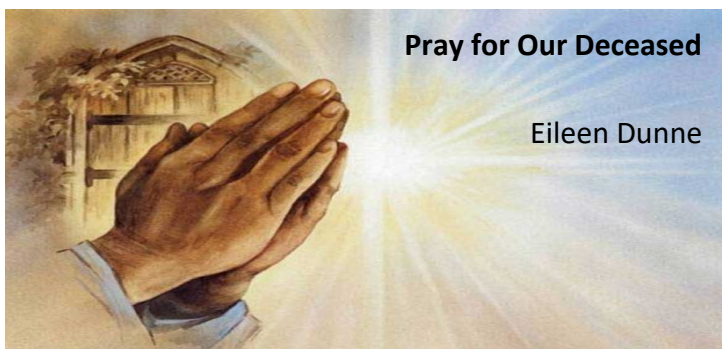
"Save Time and Donate Online!"

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: As Catholics, we talk a lot about "redemptive suffering" and "carrying your cross." What does that mean practically in daily life?

Q & A

Answer: When Jesus spoke these words, they would have sounded quite intense to his hearers. *"Pick up your cross daily and follow me."* At the time, Jesus hadn't yet been crucified. A cross was a Roman torture instrument. "Pick up the thing that tortures you the most," Jesus seemed to say. Unfortunately, most of us have no real shortage of these in our life. To take up the cross isn't to seek out new sufferings in our life. It's to accept the life we have. Of course, unjust or unhealthy circumstances should be rectified when possible. But there are always circumstances that remain out of our immediate control. It could be pain management, the defiance of our teenage child, or an unhealthy work environment ... but you need the paycheck to pay the bills. In difficult circumstances, it can be easier to blame, complain, or daydream our way out of it. None of these are real solutions, since none of them accept the reality of the situation at hand. Those options only add to our suffering, since they damage relationships, fixate on the problem, or set up unrealistic expectations. Instead, Jesus invites us to take up our cross — to look at the uncomfortable situation square in the eyes, take a deep breath, and do our best to be present to God's grace in the moment. To love those in our path. To take things one step at a time.



Pray for Our Deceased

Eileen Dunne

FROM THE EDITOR BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin Date	Due by 9:00am
July 13th	Monday, July 7th
July 20th	Tuesday, July 8th
July 27th	Monday, July 21st
August 3rd	Monday, July 28th

Super Bonanza \$25 Winners June/July 2025



Sunday, 6/29—Tricia Morton
Monday, 6/30—Lauren Schleith
Tue., 7/1—George Harnischfeger
Wed., 7/2—Chris Chalmers
Thurs., 7/3—Robert Muscarelli
Friday, 7/4—Jennifer Tuschong
Saturday, 7/5—Alejandrina Aguilar
\$100 Month End Bonus Winner
M/M William Easteadt

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, July 6th

Hospitality Breakfast - Delaney Hall | 11:00am

Monday, July 7th

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Tuesday, July 8th

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Scripture Sharing - Room 104 | 7:00pm

Wednesday, July 9th

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Prayers & Cigars - Shrine | 7:00pm

Thursday, July 10th

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting - Room 208 | 10:00am

Friday, July 11th

Rosary - Church | 9:30am

Saturday, July 12th

Women's Prayer & Meditation - Room 112 | 9:00am

FEATURED MINISTRY

Your talent is God's gift to you.

What you do with it is your Gift back to God.

Sewing Ministry - Baptismal Garments

The ministry prepares the special baptismal "garments" for the newest members of our parish family. This ministry consists of buyers, cutters, sewers, and machine embroiders who work at their own pace at home.

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.