

The Parish of Saint James

APRIL 26, 2026 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 can be done online on our website or forms are available at the Parish Center Office.



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." John 10:10

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Prayer & Worship

HEAVENLY FATHER WE PRAY FOR ...

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026

8:00am | Dolores & Charles Schiatta -
Anniversary

10:00am | Rose & Tony Pepe

12:00pm | People of St. James
| Gladys McCullagh
| Gerard Campbell, Sr.
| Mary & John Aiello & Teresa Grillo
| Edward Coakley
| Nicole Barnett & Laurie Logan -
Living

MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026

8:00am | Betty Anne McDonough
12:10pm | Fr. Fred Nickle

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2026

8:00am | Danny Kosotan - Living
12:10pm | Steven Kelly - Living

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2026

8:00am | Diego & Josephine Tralongo
12:10pm | Deceased Members of the
McSloy Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026

8:00am | Jean Stallone - 2nd Anniversary
12:10pm | Frank G. Wetzel - 13th Anniversary

FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026

8:00am | Mary Bergin - Living - Birthday
12:10pm | Irene Poggio - Living

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026

8:00am | Donald Kelly - Birthday
Thomas Costanza
George Vasilescu
4:00pm | Nicole Blankley Bencivenga

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026

8:00am | Catherine Ginley - 5th Anniversary
10:00am | Stanley Renkas, Sr. - Birthday
12:00pm | People of St. James
| Domenico Armano - 1st Anniversary
| Joe Canova - Living
| Gilda & Glenn Logan - Living
| St. Faustina Prayer Group - Living
| Janet Mazziotti

Omar Albayaty, Marianne Amblo, Francine Argila, John Baglione, Stephanie Baio, Deanna Baisley, Pat Beirne, James Bianco, Lucille Bombace, Antoinette Bowman, Jennifer Callahan, Mary Calabrese, Carl Capobianco, Greg Capobianco, Philip Capobianco, Vincent Catalano, JoAnn Chirco, Joseph Chirco, Dianne Cicciari, Lori Cicciari, Carly Colvell, Ed Connelly, Leslie Crandall, Grayson Danielski, Bonny Davidson, Douglas Deacon, James Donaldson, Lawrence Deck, Baby James Derleth, James DeVita, Sandra Denise Diaz, Matteo DiMartino, Jessica Emerick, Steven Fiscante, John Fitzwilliam, Michael Fox, Joan Lugokencky, Grace Dowdell, Margaret Dowdell, Kenny Eaton, Rick Ellis, Rosaria Esposito, Thomas Fazio, Connie Fisher, Raymond Flood, Caitlin Francis, Thomas Francis, Joseph Gagliardo, Barbara Gallo, Andrew Gallo, Paul Giacalone, Rosemary Giacalone, Luke Gruener, Bill Gruener, William J. Gruener, Michael Hance, Baby Hannah, Hugh Hattrick, Luke Horvath, Martin Jappen, Rebecca Johnston, John Kmiotek, Gina Krafinski, Roger Lafferty, Sean Lehosky, Angie LoBiondo, Aurora Luna, Tia Mabanta, Timothy Maietta, Dakota Maken, Mary Sue Maluda, Tara Matthews, Chris McCarthy, Kathleen McCormack, Megan McCormack, Erlinda Medina, Janice Mehaffy, Grace Mendonez, Michael Mendonez, Ruth Miller, Steven Miller, Marianne Mirkow, Thomas Mirkow, Arlene M., Bianca Montenegro, Leo Murray, Grace Nadolny, Mary Nally, Gerry Nickel, Barbara Notarstefano, Melissa Notarstefano, Janet Oliveri, Sister Barbara Ozelski, Edward Palazzola, Sofia Paskens, Marie Pereira-Callahan, Jim Perkowski, Diane Pheffer, Irene Poggio, Joseph Poggio, Albert Porto, Cathy Prykuta, Tisha Ramirez-Kuna, Dana Rodriguez, Richard Rogers, Nina Rogers, Kimberly Romano, Francesca Russo, Alexa Salvage, Iliana Saviano, Neil Savino, Laurie Schiffer, Anthony Schiozzi, Angelina Schiozzi, Caileen Sheehan, Cynthia Simson, Dennis Sisto, Maria Sisto, Joan Smith, Tony Sparaco, Arline Stafford, Mary Styne, William Styne, Ron Tedeschi, Julia Tobin, Dick Treacy, Joan Walsh, Sally Ann Waskewich, Isabella Rose Weiss, Jessica Weiss

THE CLERGY

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

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Deacon Chris Daniello

Deacon John Horn

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

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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 | 516-731-3710 | Parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org

MASS CELEBRANT

May 2 | 4:00pm | Fr. John

May 3 | 8:00am | Fr. John
| 10:00am | Fr. Benjamin
| 12:00pm | Msgr. Michael

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Monday through Wednesday:
9:00am to 8:00pm
Thursday & 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:

THE LEGEND OF THE DOGWOOD TREE AND ITS CONNECTION TO THE

CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS: Outside of one of the windows in the rectory is a dogwood tree starting to bloom with its flowers. It is reminding me of the Legend of the Dogwood Tree, that I'd like to share with you.

"An old and beautiful legend says that, at the time of the crucifixion, the dogwood was comparable in size to the oak tree and other large trees of the forest. Because of its firmness and strength, it was selected as the timber for the cross. But to be put to such a cruel use greatly distressed the tree. Sensing this, the crucified Jesus in his gentle pity for the sorrow and suffering of all said to it:"

"Because of your sorrow and pity for My sufferings, never again will the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used as a cross. Henceforth it will be slender, bent and twisted and its blossoms will be in the form of a cross.

~ Two long and two short petals. In the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be nail prints

~ Brown with rust and stained with red

~ And in the center of the flower will be a crown of thorns, and all who see this will remember."

~ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16"



OUR EASTER JOURNEY OF FAITH CONTINUES: It is interesting that while we prepared for Holy Week and Easter for 40 days, we now celebrate our Easter faith for 50 days. The church has long held that anything worth celebrating should be celebrated longer than we prepared for it. Thus, the Easter Season goes on for 50 days.

The Scripture readings are beginning to prepare us the celebration of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles. It is the church's hope that this year's celebration of Pentecost will not simply be our looking back at what happened on the First Pentecost but be an opportunity for all of us to have a renewed experience of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

May the Holy Spirit come upon us with power so that we can bear witness to the Resurrected Jesus joining Him in His work of transforming the world!

F. John

Serviendo Christus Digitur

(Through Serving, We Love Christ)

St. James RC Church

Congratulates

Mia Basto

Ryan Carbone

Tim Carbone

Chloe Creighton

Matthew Fogarazzo

Delaney Papp

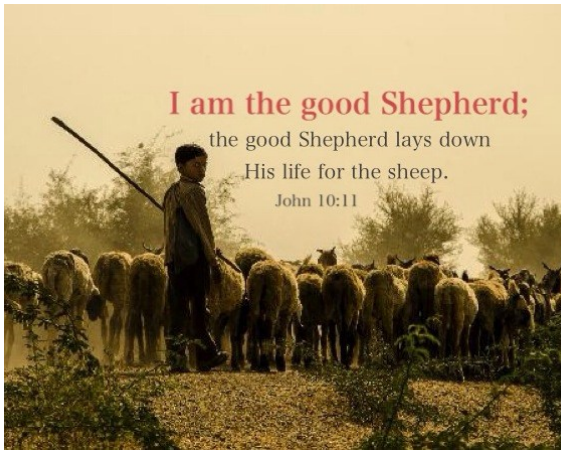
Kaydence Papp

Aalia Zamah



who were welcomed to the Ministry of
Altar Server on Sunday, April 19, 2026





What's happening in Faith Formation? Sunday, April 26, 2026 4th Sunday of Easter!

FIRST COMMUNION FAMILIES

REHEARSAL DATES: THURSDAYS AT 4:14PM IN
CHURCH:

Communion Date: May 2 —Rehearsal: April 30

Communion Date: May 9—Rehearsal: May 7

Communion Date: May 16—Rehearsal: May 14

Please Pray for those students and their families as
they prepare to receive Jesus for the First Time!



FAITH FORMATION FALL 2026

We have been asking you to pray
about joining us in the fall of 2026
to share the Good News with the
children of St. James.

We are hoping to find people of
Faith, to share that faith with our
children. We are looking for:

Catechists:

Tuesday 4:15-5:30pm—
Level 5

Wednesday, 4:15-5:30pm—
Levels 4

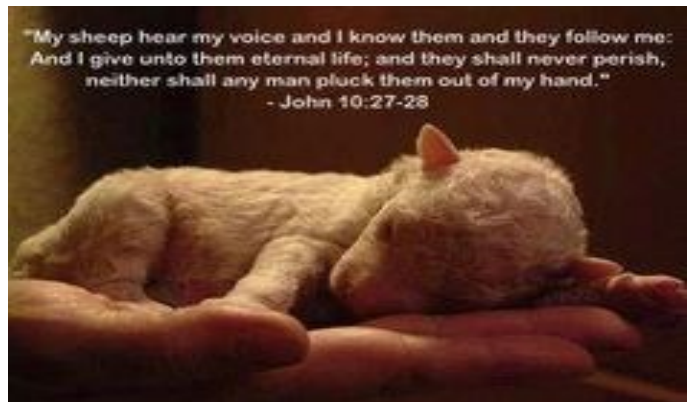
Wednesday, 7:00-8:15pm—
Levels 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6

HALL MONITORS NEEDED FOR ALL DAYS.

Please call 516-796-2979
if you are interested in filling
any of these positions.

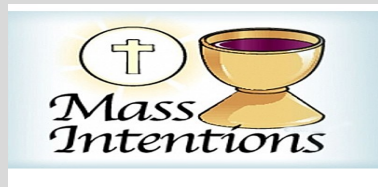


**Congratulations to all our students who received
Jesus for the First time on Saturday, April 18, 2026!
We pray you will join us at the table in the years to
come!**



Liturgical Life

The Mass Intention book is open and there are Masses available through December 31, 2026.



Our heartfelt thanks to all our parishioners for your continued support of our food pantry. Our current needs are sugar coated cereal, tuna, oil, vinegar, laundry detergent, snacks, and sugar. Thank you very much.



April 26:
Fourth Sunday of Easter: Today, we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' care and love of us and hear his words, "I came so that they may have life and have it more abundantly." By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you will reveal the love of the "Good Shepherd" to your suffering brothers and sisters. **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.



Thank you to the Fiore Family for bringing up the gifts at the 10am Mass on April 19, 2026. 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



SAINT ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL FRANCISCAN BROTHERS

We Congratulate the following Iparishioners for making the Honor Roll for the 3rd quarter at St. Anthony's High School:

Giuliana Aquilino
Liliana Bremer Reyes
Emily D'Amore
Nicole D'Amore
Alyssa Daniell
Marisa Dukiet
Amy Finn
Makayla Friedrich
James Griffin

Brendan Kowalczyk
Audrey Larsen
Dylan McCrea
Victoria Murthy
Michael Regina
Ariana Savarese
Everett Scarlatos
Jack Schneider



GIFT SHOP

Narthex of St. James Church
in Seaford, New York

- Communion Apparel
- Communion Gifts
- Communion Sets
- Arm bows, Ties, Veils
- Crosses and other gifts

- Missals, Bibles
- Rosaries, Rosary bracelets
- Photo Albums
- Picture Frames
- Keepsake boxes

The gift shop is open Saturdays from 3pm until 5:15pm and Sundays from 8:30am until 1:30pm.

Please stop by before or after Mass to check out our sale items.

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Prayer & Worship

GOSPEL MEDITATION

My most boring job was working at an insurance company as a college student. My main task? Filing. Now imagine if I had told my supervisor, “I just want you to know, I’m willing to die for these files.” She would have called a psychiatrist — or at least security.

There is something absurd in Jesus’ words in today’s Gospel: **“I am the good shepherd... I lay down my life for the sheep.”** (John 10:11) It sounds noble, until you think about it. No one dies for sheep. Not a hired hand. Not even a good shepherd. Sheep are important, sure, but not worth a human life. And yet, Jesus insists: *I will die for them*. The crowd understandably responds: **“He is out of his mind.”**

C.S. Lewis once said that Jesus does not leave us the option of calling him merely a good teacher. If someone speaks like him, he is either lying, crazy, or telling the truth. John’s Gospel won’t let us stay sentimental. Jesus means it. He reveals a love that surpasses logic — a love that measures worth not by strength or success, but by the willingness to suffer unto death.

The Good Shepherd’s madness is mercy. His cross makes no earthly sense and yet it makes divine sense. He lays down his life not for kings or saints but for sheep — for the ordinary, the unworthy, for you and me.

Think of someone who may feel unworthy of love. Do something simple and generous for them, not because they deserve it, but because Jesus did the same for you.

Father John Muir

LIVE THE LITURGY

“The sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice,” Jesus says. Do we know the voice of Jesus when he speaks to us? Have we spent time in conversation with him? This week, listen for the voice of Jesus in your life, and follow where it leads.

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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)



FIRST READING

Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:38)

PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23) Or Alleluia.

SECOND READING

By his wounds you have been healed. For you had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls. (1 Pt 2:24-25)

GOSPEL

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Ministries and Events

Family Ministry is hosting a Pre-Mothers Day and Pre-Fathers Day Breakfast in Delaney Hall

On Sunday, May 3, 2026 Immediately following the
10:00 o'clock Mass.

We will be serving Pancakes and Sausages,
Bagels, Cookies, Cakes, as well as Coffee, Tea, and Juice



\$5 per person
\$10 per family



*Bring the children, crafting supplies
will be available.*

Be the reason someone smiles today!

Mothers Day Novena

We will remember all of our mothers (living and deceased) during nine Masses beginning on Mother's day, Sunday, May 10, 2026. You can enroll as many mothers as you'd like in our novena. The list of names will be placed near the tabernacle in our Church starting Sunday, May 10th for the duration of the Masses, which extends until Monday, May 18, 2026. Remembrance envelopes were mailed and are also available in the narthex of the church.



MAY MARIAN DEVOTIONS



St. Frances de Chantal parish, 1309 Wantagh Ave, extends an invitation to all to attend a special program for our **May Marian Devotions** which will also be live streamed on our parish website at www.saintjanefrances.org. Join us each night at 7:30 pm in the church for the Rosary and Miraculous Medal Novena followed by special guests and the mass for the Crowning of our Blessed Mother on Monday, May 18, 2026.

Monday, May 4th at 7:30 pm – Guest: Rev. Greg Cappuccino, Former Pastor, St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh, NY. After the event, Fr. Greg will bless all with the relic of St. Catherine Laboure.

Monday, May 11th at 7:30 pm – Guests: Rev. Garcia Gius, Pastor St Sylvester, Medford and Resurrection Parish, Farmingville, NY with members of the St. Frances de Chantal Choir to honor Mary in song

Monday, May 18th at 7:30 pm - SPECIAL MASS TO BE CELEBRATED IN HONOR OF MARY AND FOR THE CROWNING OF THE BLESSED MOTHER PRESIDED BY REV. SETH N. AWO DOKU, Pastor, St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh, NY

For additional information, please call Linda at (516) 579-0805

BLOOD DRIVE

DONATIONS SAVE LIVES

Wednesday, May 13, 2026
1:45pm – 7:45pm

**St. James Church and Msgr. Delaney Knights of
Columbus**

Parish Center – Delaney Hall

80 Hicksville Road – Seamans Neck Road and Hicksville Rd, Seaford
(one block south of Hempstead Turnpike)

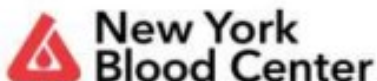
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For more information, please contact Kevin Kelly 516-972-8507



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Ministries and Events

The Mental Health Ministry at St. James Church, Seaford, NY will be holding a **special Mass on May 15 at 7:30 PM, the feast day of Saint Dymphna, patron saint of those suffering from mental illness.** The Mass is being offered for individuals with a mental illness, family members and caregivers of those who have a mental illness, and mental health professionals. Please join us as we come together to pray for and support all of those who have in some way been impacted by mental illness. Refreshments will be served after the Mass. If you are able to join us, please call the St. James parish office at 516-731-3710.



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Next Long Island Weekend
June 26-28, 2026
Immaculate Conception Seminary
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**Msgr. Delaney
Knights of Columbus**

in conjunction with Birthright
will be selling Carnations
before and after all Masses
on Mother's Day weekend (May 9th & 10th).
All proceeds will be donated to **Birthright**
which is an organization that offers love,
friendship, and support to women who are
pregnant or think they may be.



May Crowning & Patriotic Rosary at the Shrine

Date: Saturday, May 9, 2026 at 11:00am

Where: The grotto of the Blessed Mother

**The Crowning will be followed by a
Patriotic Rosary. All are Welcome! Please
join us as we pray for our Country. Please
bring your rosary and a chair. Any
questions, please call Maria at
516-474-9482.**



THE TIME CAPSULE IS OPENING



*Calling all St. James Alumni,
especially classes 1976-1984*

Join us as we unlock the past
and celebrate how far we've come.

Saturday, May 2

St. James School
Seaford, New York

Time Capsule Opening

2:00 PM Sharp

Mass

4:00 PM

*Gather in school after Mass for
light refreshments and to view artifacts.*

RSVP:

karendbronstein@gmail.com

Ministries and Events

Support the Catholic School Difference!



Second Collection Weekend 2026



On the weekend of May 2-3, all parishes in the Diocese of Rockville Centre will hold a second collection in support of Catholic elementary schools. Your generosity helps sustain the vital mission of Catholic education on Long Island. Thank you for supporting the *Catholic School Difference* — where faith, academic excellence, and values come together to shape tomorrow's leaders. For parishes with schools, the funds support their own school; for parishes without schools, the funds provide scholarships through the Tomorrow's Hope Foundation.



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Department of Education, Diocese of Rockville Centre



Fatima Day

WEDNESDAY **13** MAY

10:30 am Solemn arrival and enthronement of the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

11:00 am Rosary

11:30 am Mass
Procession following Mass

1:30 pm Conference

3:00 pm Solemn chanting of the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE ISLAND
 258 Eastport Manor Rd, Manorville, NY
 631-325-0661



Come and See

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Lay-Carmelite Community, in Massapequa Park, is hosting an OPEN HOUSE, "come and see" on Tuesday, May 19th, beginning with prayer and Mass at 6:30pm

in the school Chapel, followed by our gathering in room 24, in the school, until 9:00pm.

We invite men and women to come and join us for an evening of prayer, information and hospitality which will include food and a Chinese auction of gift baskets.

The Carmelites of the Ancient Observance, O.Carm is a religious order of the Catholic Church that is more than 800 years old. It is a call to men and women to live a vocation within their lay vocation of single, married or widowed state. It is a call to learn and live a way of life in Lay Carmelite Spirituality that is dedicated to prayer, community and service. Join us to learn more about our Lay Carmelite Community.

For more information call Joan Moran:
631-682-7759.



Supermarket BINGO & Chinese Auction

Date: Sunday, May 31st 2026

Time: Doors open at 1:00 PM; Games begin at 2:00 PM

Location: Our Lady of Lourdes - School Auditorium
855 Carmans Road, Massapequa Park, NY 11762

Admission: \$25.00/per person - Adults Only (must be 18 years or older)

Cash or check ONLY Payable to: OLI Columbiettes®

Admission includes one bingo card for all games and ticket for door prize. Additional bingo cards will be available for purchase.

Chinese Auction, 50/50 Raffle and Lotto board tickets will be available for purchase during the event.

Bottle of water upon entry, and intermission refreshments (coffee and cake) will be provided.

Seating is limited. Please purchase your ticket(s) as soon as possible.

Event Co-Chairs: Frank Rosato, Diane Esposito, Joan Donovan, Lina Rivera-Santana

Ticket Co-Chairs: Joan Donovan (516) 659-6519 jdonovan17@aol.com
Diane Esposito (516) 445-9128 diane.esposito.mpk@gmail.com

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Weekly Stewardship Report

WEEK OF:

April 12, 2026

Outreach &
St. Vincent de Paul

CHURCH
CAPACITY 850

	Sunday Collection	Second Collection	Mass Attendance
Mass	10,401.00	1,126.00	4:00pm 405
Online Giving	1,742.19	119.06	8:00am 232
Mail in Envelopes	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>94.00</u>	10:00am 388
Total	14,143.19	1,339.06	12:00pm <u>183</u>
		Total	1,208



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Question: What is the history behind feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross?

Q & A

Answer: Emperor Constantine's mother, Helena, is credited with having discovered the true cross around 330. She traveled to the Holy Land and uncovered the places associated with Jesus' life. Legend has it that Helena uncovered three crosses but was not able to detect the true cross until each of them was laid on a leper. Only one of them cured the leper, proving it to be the true cross. A great church was built at the site, and soon various portions of the cross were sent to other churches as relics to be venerated. The day after the dedication of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, September 14, 335, the actual cross was displayed for veneration. Egeria, a women traveler to Jerusalem around the year 386, kept a diary that has survived. She tells of the unique veneration of the wood of the cross that took place on Good Friday, something maintained ritually to this very day. The Exaltation of the Holy Cross focuses on the gift of love that Jesus manifested by his total gift of self, offered for all. The cross, the ultimate form of capital punishment in its day, has become for us the ultimate symbol of love and triumph over evil and death.



Pray for Our Deceased

FROM THE EDITOR BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin Date	Due by 9:00am
May 3rd	Monday, April 27th
May 10th	Monday, May 4th
May 17th	Monday, May 11th
May 23rd	Monday, May 18th

Super Bonanza \$25 Winners



April 2026

Sunday, 4/19—Robert Tutino

Monday, 4/20—Dianne Lynch

Tue., 4/21—Anthony D'Angelo

Wed., 4/22—Regina Natale

Thurs., 4/23—Rosemary Raffaele

Friday, 4/24—M/M Charles Chardavoyne

Saturday, 4/25—M/M Gary Murnane

Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 26

OCIA - Room 112 | 10:00am

Monday, April 27

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Rosary & Miraculous Medal Novena - Chapel | 2:00pm

Tuesday, April 28

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Scripture Sharing - Room 112 | 1:30pm

Alpha - Delaney Hall | 6:30pm

Scripture Sharing - Room 104 | 7:00pm

Adult Confirmation class - Room 112 | 7:00pm

Wednesday, April 29

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Prayer & Cigars - Shrine of Mary | 7:00pm

Thursday, April 30

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Plainedge Seniors - Delaney Hall | 10:30am

First Communion Rehearsal - Church | 4:15pm

Open Your Heart Bible Study - Room 112 | 6:00pm

Friday, May 1

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Italian Rosary - Chapel | 11:00am

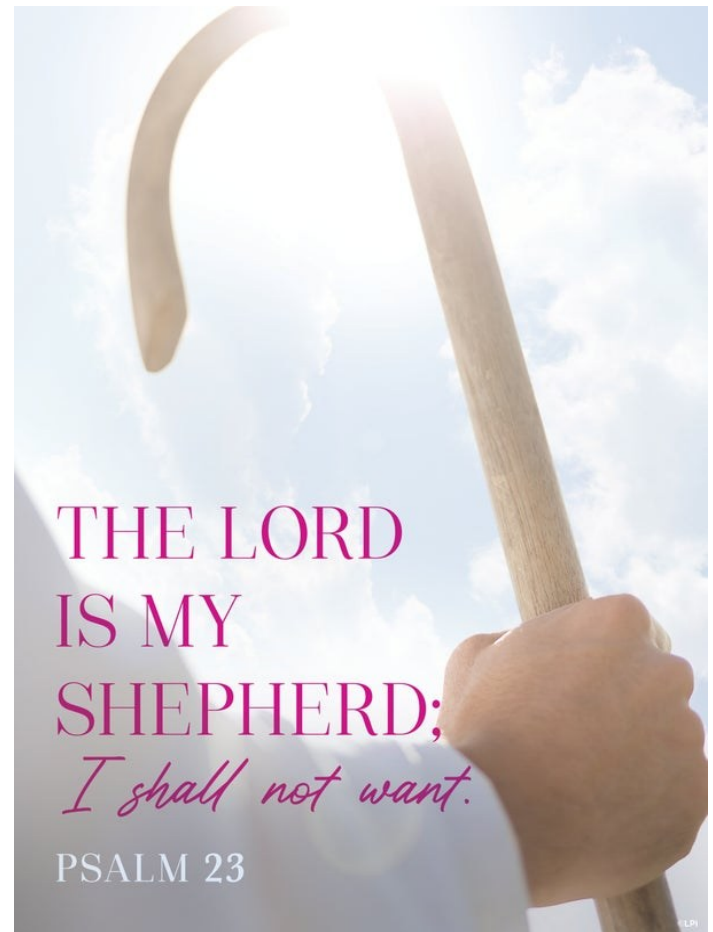
Peanut Butter & Jelly Gang - Delaney Hall | 6:00pm

Saturday, May 2

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

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

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



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

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; Airman Matthew Colvell, Air Force; 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; 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; PO 1st. Class Ryne Rhodes, Navy; 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.