

The Parish of Saint James

MAY 31, 2026 | THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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.

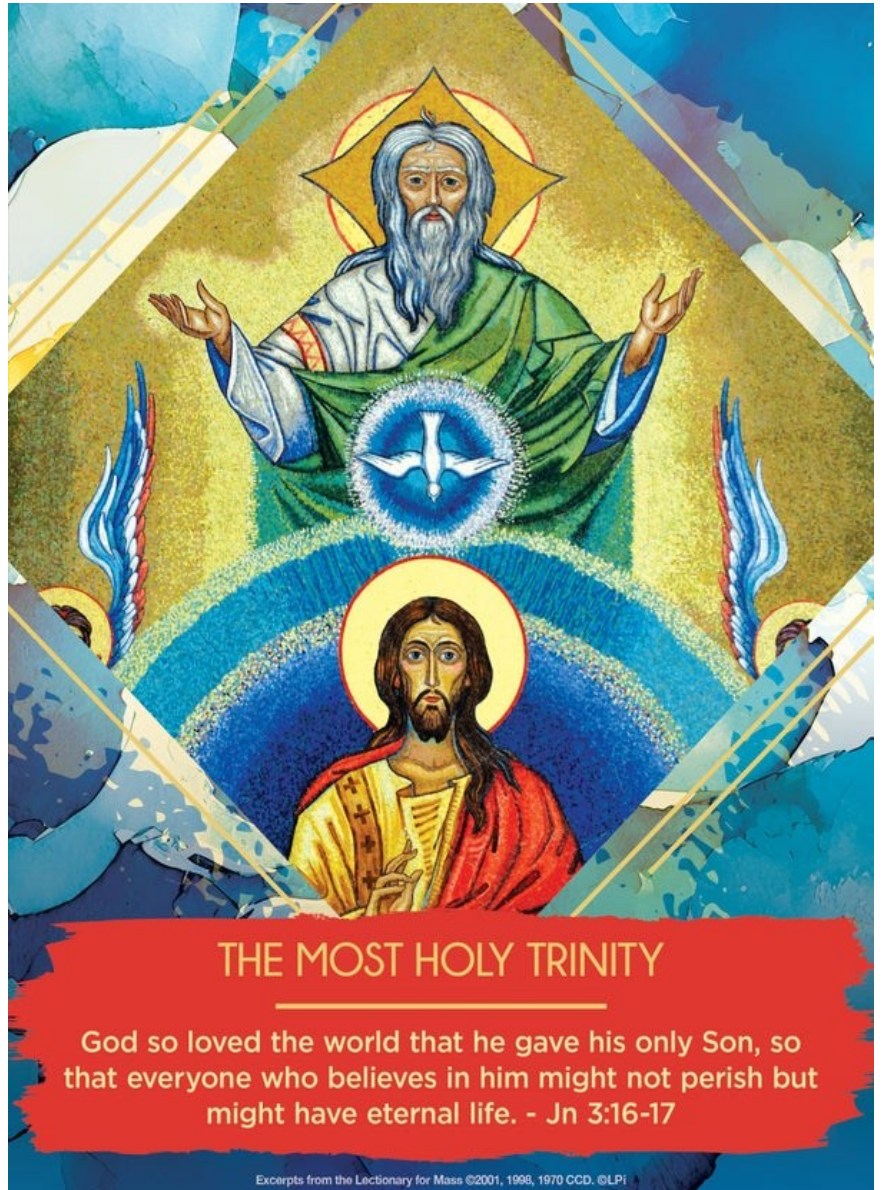
OUR MISSION

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.



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parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org

Prayer & Worship

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026

8:00am | Joseph Bonomo, Sr.
10:00am | Diane C. Sanseverino
12:00pm | People of St. James
| Joseph Famigletti - Birthday
| Gertrude Falbee
| Thomas Carson
| Dennis Schneider
| Gloria Juceam

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2026

8:00am | Ryan Family - Living and Deceased
12:10pm | Theresa Blake

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026

8:00am | Christine Irene Bostino
12:10pm | Teresa & Eva Okrasa

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2026

8:00am | Kiley & Ruesterholz Families
12:10pm | Deacon John Newhall

THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2026

8:00am | Dan Ruesterholz
12:10pm | Salvatore & Emma Canova -
Anniversary

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2026

8:00am | Tom Galvin - Living
12:10pm | Deacon Montford Naylor

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2026

8:00am | Nicola DiLuzio - 6th Anniversary
4:00pm | Oreste & Lidia Constantino

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2026

8:00am | Amelio & Maddalena Secondino
10:00am | Marilyn J. Tutino
12:00pm | People of St. James
| Thomas & Rosemary Styne -
76th Wedding Anniversary
| Gary Engels & Robert Jones
| Kathleen Ratigan
| Jillian Shillaber
| Agnes & Frank Pasquale



HEAVENLY FATHER WE PRAY FOR ...

Omar Albayat, 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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Rev. Benjamin Ogbunuko, Associate Pastor | frbenjamin@stjamesrcchurch.org

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

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

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

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Parish Office Receptionist | 516-731-3710 | Parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org

MASS CELEBRANT

June 6 | 4:00pm | Fr. John

June 7 | 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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Monday & 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:

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY: *The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity celebrates the foundational Christian truth that God is one in essence but three distinct persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Rather than just an abstract theological puzzle, this mystery is an invitation to understand God as an eternal, loving community into which all people are welcomed.*

Key Reflections for Daily Life

- **An Eternal Exchange of Love:** *The Trinity teaches us that God is not a solitary being, but a perfect, eternal communion of love. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are united by such profound love that they form a single, divine reality.*
- **We Are Invited Into the Divine Life:** *Because we are made in God's image, we are meant to model our lives on this divine relationship. The love that flows within the Trinity is poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, calling us to build loving, respectful, and selfless relationships in our own families and communities.*
- **A Call to Outreach:** *On the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we reflect on the great commission: to go out and make disciples "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit". We are reminded to share the boundless love and mercy we have received with the wider world.*

Scripture Themes

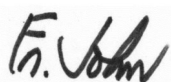
- **The Creator (Father):** *Reminds us of the unconditional, providential love that created and sustains the universe.*
- **The Redeemer (Son):** *Highlights God's desire to draw near to us. Through Jesus, God intimately shares in our human experience, offering salvation and compassion.*
- **The Sanctifier (Spirit):** *Represents God dwelling within us. The Holy Spirit is our constant guide, empowering us to live a life of faith, hope, and love. (Taken from the Vatican News)*

THE SOURCE OF THIS GREAT FEAST HONORING THE MOST HOLY TRINITY: *The Vatican News goes on to explain: The Feast of the Most Holy Trinity—celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost—officially originated with Pope John XXII in 1334, who extended the celebration to the universal Catholic Church. However, the development of the feast spanned several centuries. While the theological doctrine of the Trinity dates back to the early Church, honoring it with a specific liturgical feast took time to develop for a couple of key reasons. . .*

Key Historical Milestones

- 9th Century:** *Votive Masses in honor of the Trinity emerged around the year 800. The earliest recorded reference to a specific feast was at a council in Tours in 796.*
- 10th & 11th Centuries:** *The feast began gaining regional popularity in parts of Europe, with Bishop Stephen of Liège promoting it in the 10th century and the famous Abbey of Cluny adopting it in 1091.*
- 12th Century:** *St. Thomas Becket popularized the devotion and mandated it for the English Church in 1162.*
- 14th Century:** *Pope John XXII (reigned 1316–1334) officially mandated the celebration for the entire Latin Church, placing it on the Sunday immediately following Pentecost to show that the public revelation of the Trinity followed the descent of the Holy Spirit.*
- 20th Century:** *Pope Pius X elevated the observance to a primary feast of the first class in 1911.*

I hope that this explanation of the development of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity helps you to have a better understanding of this foundational belief in our Catholic Faith.



Ministries and Events

Summer Evening Women's Ministry Meditation and Prayer

We invite you to come and take some time for yourself. Time with God for prayer and reflection on topics of patience, forgiveness, humility, surrender, gratitude and thankfulness. A place to have conversations about how our faith is part of our everyday lives. We will meet 5 Thursday evenings between June – August (June 18th, July 2nd & 23rd, Aug 6th & 20th) at 7pm in the Parish Center, room 112 or if weather permits outside by the statue of Mary. Bring a chair just in case we meet outside.



Any questions, please contact Dawn Daniello at dawndaniello60@gmail.com. Looking forward to meeting you.

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

On Sunday, June 7, 2026
Immediately following the
10:00 o'clock Mass.

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

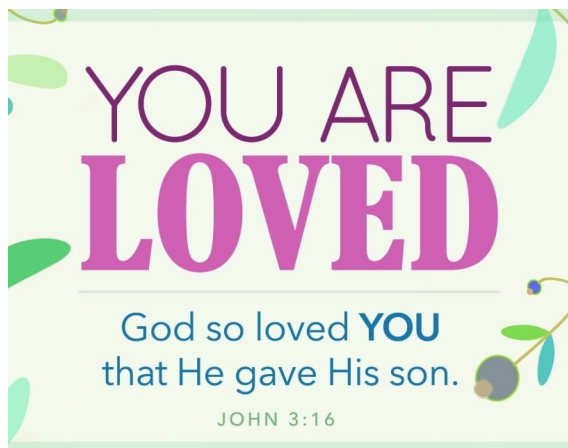
There won't be a Hospitality Breakfast in July or August.
Please join us for the next Breakfast on
Sunday, September 6, 2026.



Be the reason someone smiles today!



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



**What's happening in
Faith Formation?
Sunday, May 31, 2026
Solemnity of the Holy Trinity**



**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:

Wednesday, 7:00-8:15pm—

Levels 2, 3, 4, & 6

Thursday, 4:15-5:30pm—

Level 7

**HALL MONITORS NEEDED
FOR ALL DAYS.**

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

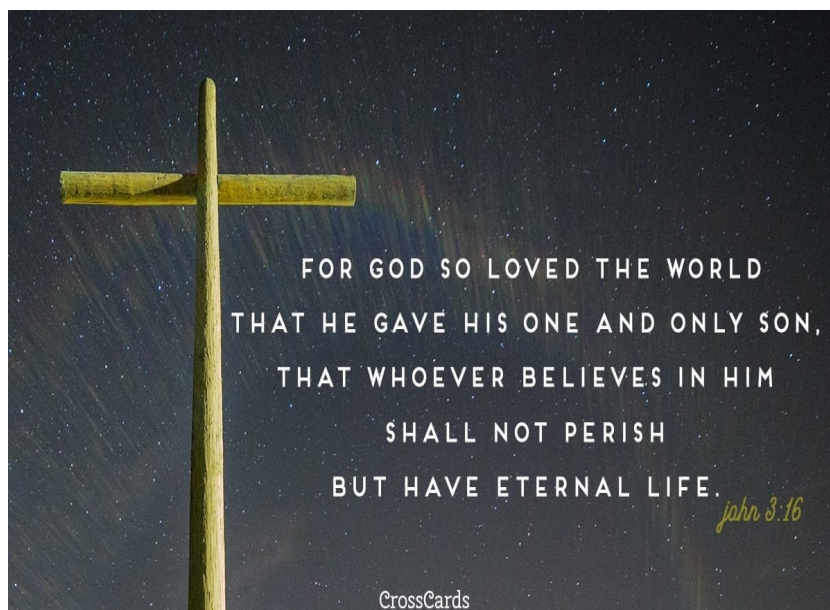
**Registration for 2026-2027 year are ongoing.
Just a reminder that registration fees
increase on June 1, 2026 at 5pm. To ensure
your first choice of day and time please
register early.**

The Following Level is filled:

Tuesday 4:15pm: Level 2

Wednesday 4:15pm: Level 2

**If your 1st choice is filled you will be put on
your 2nd choice day and on the waiting list
for you 1st choice.**



Liturgical Life

Marriage Banns

Week One

**Michael Pagona &
Sara Kelsey**



Thank you to the Melendez Family for bringing up the gifts at the 10am Mass on May 24, 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.

Our heartfelt thanks to all our parishioners for your continued support of our food pantry. Our current needs are tuna fish, napkins, canned chicken, coffee, snacks, Jello, sugar, shampoo, bar soap and deodorant. Thank you very much.



May 31: Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day.



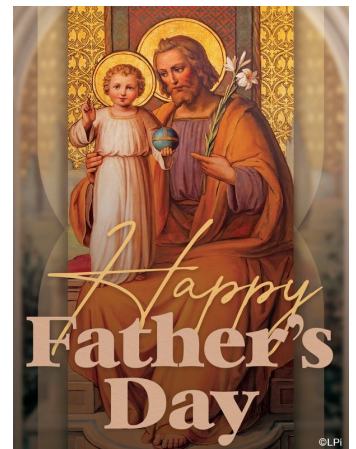
Believing in this our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise. **Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to believe in the mystery of God's love for them.** Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry. 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.

Fathers Day Novena

We will remember all of our fathers (living and deceased) during nine Masses beginning on **Father's Day, Sunday, June 21, 2026.**

You can enroll as many fathers as you would like in our novena. The list of names will be placed near the tabernacle in our Church for the duration of the Masses, which extends until Monday, June 29, 2026.

Remembrance envelopes are included in the monthly packets that are mailed and are available in the narthex of the church.



45th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood - June 6th

Fr. John Derasmo

Happy Anniversary! Your
priesthood brings hope and
faith to many lives.
May God bless you
abundantly
today and always.

Congratulations!



Prayer & Worship

GOSPEL MEDITATION

I was 16 years old on a youth group retreat in the mountains. One night, I opened my heart to the message being proclaimed: that God so loved the world that He sent His Son for us. Later, I lay under the pine trees and looked up at the countless stars. They seemed different. No longer cold, distant balls of chemical reactions, they appeared as an expression of God's love, as if He were giving those stars directly to me. The truth of God sending His Son changed how I saw the whole universe.

That is what today's Gospel reveals: **"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son."** (John 3:16) The universe is not just a whirl of impersonal forces or empty space. At its heart is a gift: the Father eternally giving the Son, not to condemn, but to bring life.

This is not abstract doctrine but deeply personal. God gives His Son for you and me. Each human life is precious enough to be caught up in that eternal gift.

It is in the Mass where we encounter this most directly. In the Word proclaimed, in the assembly gathered, in the priest, and above all in the Eucharist, the Father once again gives His Son. What looks like bread and wine is the drama of the Trinity, laboring to love us here and now.

The Trinity is not a puzzle to solve but the blazing Truth at the center of everything: the Father gives the Son for you and me. Lord, help us to see this more clearly.

Father John Muir

LIVE THE LITURGY

Salvation is a gift God dearly wishes us to accept. It is not a yardstick against which He measures our worth. He has made it so simple. So, will we accept?

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

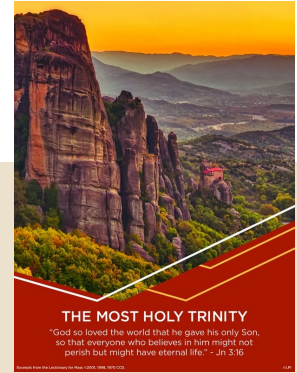
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WEEKLY DEVOTIONS

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)



FIRST READING

Having come down in a cloud, the LORD stood with Moses there and proclaimed his name, "LORD." (Ex 34:5)

PSALM

Glory and praise for ever! (Dn 3)

SECOND READING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. (2 Cor 13:13)

GOSPEL

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. (Jn 3:16)

Ministries and Events

FAITH ★ FREEDOM ★ COMMUNITY

ONE NATION *Under God!*

A 250TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION!

★ JULY 11, 2026 ★
★ *After the 4PM Mass* ★

≡ **JOIN US!** ≡

for an evening of food,
faith, fun & fellowship
as we celebrate 250 years
of God Blessing America!

★ **250TH** ★
★ **ANNIVERSARY** ★
★ **OF OUR NATION** ★

FOOD ★ FUN ★ FAMILY ★ FREEDOM



HAMBURGERS



HOTDOGS



SAUSAGE
& PEPPERS



SALADS



POPCORN



SODA



WATER



JUICE
BOXES



CHOCOLATE
CHIP COOKIES



GAMES



★ **MOVIE AT DUSK!** ★
★ **CAPTAIN AMERICA** ★

**SOMETHING
FOR EVERYONE
TO ENJOY!**

COST:

\$5
FOR
ONE PERSON

\$10
FOR
FAMILIES

★ **50/50 RAFFLE!** ★

Let's Celebrate Our Past, Embrace Our Future,
and Thank God for America!
WE CAN'T WAIT TO CELEBRATE WITH YOU!

SCAN HERE
TO REGISTER
FOR THE EVENT!



Weekly Stewardship Report

WEEK OF:

May 17, 2026

Catholic
Communications

CHURCH
CAPACITY 850

	Sunday Collection	Second Collection	Mass Attendance
Mass	8,153.00	1,039.00	4:00pm 355
Online Giving	2,169.83	75.64	8:00am 242
Mail in Envelopes	<u>636.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>	10:00am 355
Total	10,958.83	1,129.64	12:00pm <u>279</u>
		Total	1,231



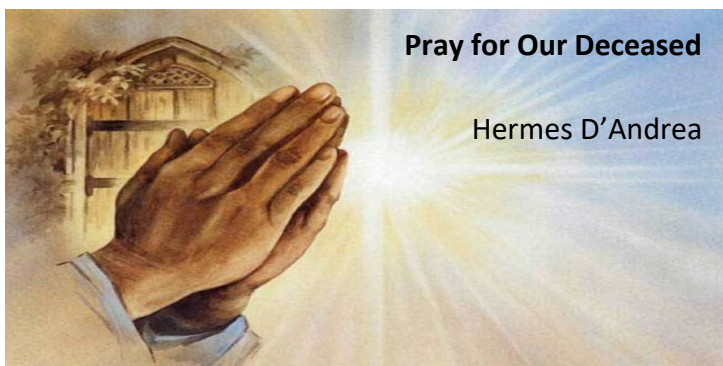
"Save Time and Donate Online!"

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Question: In some passages of the Bible, Jesus makes it sound like only a few people will be saved. But we talk about hoping for everyone's salvation. So which one is it — will many or few people be saved?

Q & A

Answer: Salvation is a mystery of God's grace. St. Paul encourages us to offer prayers for everyone. He calls it "*good and pleasing to God*" because God Himself "*wills everyone to be saved*" (c.f. 1 Tm 2:1-4). The redemption that Jesus offers is held out to all of us. His sacrifice on the cross was already for everyone. Now it is a matter of if and how we accept that salvation in our own lives. Here on earth, we can't possibly know the exact number of people who will be in heaven. When we hear words like "many" and "few," we tend to think of them in quantitative terms. Four wine glasses for six guests is too few. Three slices of cake for one person is too many. For God, however, "many" and "few" are qualitative terms. Imagine for a moment that nearly every human person is in heaven and only a handful had, by their actions on earth, separated themselves from God. For a God who infinitely loves, even one person spending eternity apart from Him is too many!



Pray for Our Deceased

Hermes D'Andrea

FROM THE EDITOR BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin Date	Due by 9:00am
June 7th	Monday, June 1st
June 14th	Monday, June 8th
June 21st	Monday, June 15th
June 28th	Monday, June 22nd

Super Bonanza \$25 Winners



May 2026

Sunday, 5/24—Michael Tilleli

Monday, 5/25—Loretta Cioffi

Tue., 5/26—Maria Daly

Wed., 5/27—Vivian Smith

Thurs., 5/28—Greg Faughnan

Friday, 5/29—Diane Papa

Saturday, 5/30—M/M James Harrigan

Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 31

OCIA - Room 112 | 10:00am

Monday, June 1

Rosary - Church | 9:30am

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

Tuesday, June 2

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Alpha - Delaney Hall | 6:30pm

Mental Health Ministry - Room 101 | 7:00pm

Wednesday, June 3

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

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

Thursday, June 4

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Plainedge Seniors - Delaney Hall | 10:30am

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

Friday, June 5

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

Italian Rosary - Chapel | 11:00am

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

Saturday, June 6

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

Rosary - Church | 8:30am

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.

Ushers

The Ushers assist at each Mass by greeting and seating parishioners, collecting the monetary offering and distributing bulletins. They also choose parishioners to bring up the gifts at the Offertory.

For more information or to participate in this ministry, please contact James Spagnoli at spagnolijames@gmail.com.

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.