



# SAINT JAMES PARISH

**SEPTEMBER 6, 2026 | 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## Welcome!

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekday Masses

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

#### Weekend Masses

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

#### Holy Days

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

#### Confessions

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

### GET IN TOUCH

516-731-3710 | Fax: 516-731-4828  
80 Hicksville Road, Seaford, NY 11783  
[parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org](mailto:parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org)

### 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.

### DONATE ONLINE

Donating online is easy!  
Just aim your phone  
camera at the QR Code  
and follow the link. Thank  
you!



## 23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his  
fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you,  
you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

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### 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.

## 02 • GET TO KNOW US

### PARISH CLERGY

**Rev. John Derasmo**, Pastor |  
[fatherjohn@stjamesrcchurch.org](mailto:fatherjohn@stjamesrcchurch.org)

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Pastor | [msgrmichael@stjamesrcchurch.org](mailto:msgrmichael@stjamesrcchurch.org)

**Rev. Benjamin Ogbunuko**, Associate Pastor |  
[frbenjamin@stjamesrcchurch.org](mailto: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**

**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 |** 516-731-3710 |  
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### MASS CELEBRANT

September 12 | 4:00pm | Fr. Benjamin  
September 13 | 8:00am | Fr. Benjamin  
                          | 10:00am | Msgr. Michael  
                          | 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

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

#### DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST:

**HAPPY NEW YEAR:** Alright, it's not the beginning of a new calendar year but it is the beginning of a new "parish" year, which starts each September.

**THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANIVERSARY OF 9/11:** I have no doubt each of us has vivid memories of the events of September 11, 2001. I recall driving to the Church of the Resurrection in Farmingville, where I was serving as the pastor. On the radio I heard that a small plane had crashed into the World Trade Center. The weeks and months ahead were difficult to manage. We were not prepared to deal with such a grand scale tragedy. Almost immediately, bridges and tunnels were closed. People were told to stay home. No-one was allowed in the lower part of Manhattan, the site of the World Trade Center.

As we observe this sad day to remember the events of September 11<sup>th</sup>, let us pray for all those who lost their lives, including police officers, firefighters and other first responders. Sadly, there are still people who are suffering and dying of 9/11 illnesses.

**PARISH PROGRAMS AND EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER:** With the start of school, we will be celebrating the "Blessing of Backpacks" on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00 AM Mass. This is a wonderful annual tradition that we observe to bless all the students, teachers and other school personnel as they begin a new school year.

**ALPHA:** Our Alpha Program is starting on Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Please consider participating in Alpha. It is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your relationship with God as it fosters a greater sense of community among those who participate. Please register and invite a family member or friend to join you.

**ANNUAL BLUE MASS, SEPTEMBER 27:** Each year we celebrate a Blue Mass in recognition and celebration of all the men and women in "Blue," both active and retired. We are blessed to have so many Police Officers, Firefighters, EMTs and other First Responders as members of our parish. This celebration will take place at the Noon Mass on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Following the Mass, we will process to "Blue Fountain" for a brief prayer service. Refreshments will be served, immediately following the prayer service.

**THE CELEBRATIONS CONTINUE AS WE ENTER INTO THE MONTH OF OCTOBER:** We will be celebrating the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of St. James Parish, which was established on October 10, 1971. The first Mass in our parish was celebrated on Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. I wonder if there are any current parishioners who were part of St. James at its inception?

We will be holding a special 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass and Social on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. I hope that many of you will be with us, along with others who are former parishioners. If you know who these people are, please invite them to join us that day. Registration information can be found in this weekend's bulletin.



*Fr. John*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

8:00am | Robert Riebling  
10:00am | Marilyn J. Tutino  
12:00pm | People of St. James  
| Delphine Julian  
| Gladys McCullagh  
| Darlene Gita Morrone -  
    Birthday & Anniversary  
| Regina Natale  
| Joseph Chirco

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2026 - LABOR DAY

9:00am | Baldassare & Giovannia Castaldo

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2026

8:00am | All Souls in Purgatory  
12:10pm | Ed Scott

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026

8:00am | All Souls in Purgatory  
12:10pm | Theresa DiMatteo - Anniversary

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2026

8:00am | John Joseph Bonade  
12:10pm | Msgr. John Nosser

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

8:00am | Our Country on the  
    25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9/11  
12:10pm | Our Country on the  
    25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9/11

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

8:00am | Melissa Bedell  
4:00pm | Edward & Mary McKee -  
    Wedding Anniversary

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

8:00am | Sr. Margaret Mary - Living  
10:00am | Barbara Mancini  
12:00pm | People of St. James  
| Gloria Juceam  
| Michael J. Lemma & Family  
| Joseph Chirco

**Due to the celebration of Confirmation  
on Friday, September 18, 2026, the  
12:10 PM Mass has been cancelled.**

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

### IN OUR HEARTS

Those Who Have Died

ROXANNE FONTANA TREIBER

VINCENT CACACCIO

JOSEPH CHIRCO

Rest in Peace



**Our Sick Parishioners** - names will remain in the bulletin for two weeks

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

Isabella McClancy

### Our Military Parishioners

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, Specialist Andrew P. Cardone, Army; 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; Capt. 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; Chief 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.

## 04 • LITURGICAL LIFE



### FOOD PANTRY

#### FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Our heartfelt thanks to all our parishioners for your continued support of our food pantry. Our current needs are mustard, mayonnaise, ketchup, Rice-a-Roni, salad dressing, jarred tomato sauce, cleaning products, laundry detergent, toiletries, cereal, snacks, flour, and cake mixes. Thank you very much.



#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

#### September 6: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "...where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we help them to know that indeed "God is in the midst of them." 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: [saintjames saintvincentdepaul@gmail.com](mailto:saintjames saintvincentdepaul@gmail.com) or call 516-735-8895. Thank you.

#### LABOR DAY

All Parish Center offices will be closed on Monday, September 7, 2026 in observance of Labor Day. There will be one Mass that day at 9:00 AM.



#### THANK YOU

Thank you to the Annunziata Family for bringing up the gifts at the 10am Mass on August 30, 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](mailto:dawndaniello60@gmail.com).



#### BLESSING OF BACKPACKS – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th:

As the new school year begins, we would like to have a special blessing of backpacks. We wish all students, teachers and school personnel best wishes as they start a new academic year! The blessing will take place at the 10:00am Mass on Sunday, September 13th.



#### WELCOME BACK PLAINEDGE SENIORS

**Come Join the St. James Plainedge Senior Center!!**

**Meetings Thursdays from 10:30am to 3pm in Delaney Hall**

**Meetings resume Thursday, September 10th.**

This center was created to enrich our lives. It gives us the opportunity to connect with existing friends and meet new friends.

Dues are \$25.00

Weekly Coffee/Tea and Danish/Roll – \$2.00

**GAMES – LUNCHEONS – TRIPS – RAFFLES**

We welcome you into the St. James Senior Community!

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

A few summers ago, my family had a big reunion. It included my parents, my four siblings, and all their many children. One of my favorite moments was simply watching my parents' contented faces as they took in all of us together, laughing, sharing food, singing, telling stories. They loved seeing their children happily together with each other.



That is something like the heart of God we see in today's Gospel message about Christian reconciliation. These verses come right after Jesus' parable of the lost sheep. He is not giving the disciples a cold formula for dealing with conflict. He is revealing the Father's longing for children who love and reconcile with each other. His heart aches when his children are divided and isolated.

So when Jesus says, "**Go and tell your brother his fault,**" He is not deputizing us as morality police. He is inviting us into his mission of reconciliation. When he adds, "**If he listens to you, you have won over your brother,**" we glimpse the real goal. Not winning arguments, but reuniting a divided family.

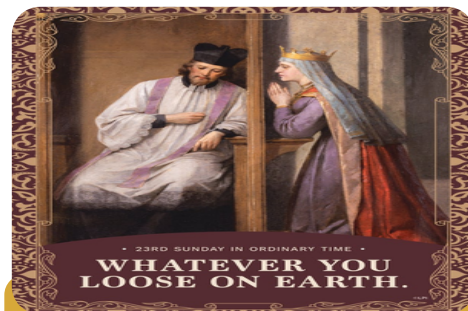
These days, we often think religion is just between God and me. But the Father's dream is about a lively family, one in which His children forgive, gather, and rejoice together.

*Lord Jesus, give me the courage to seek reconciliation where it is needed. Make my heart resemble the Father's heart, longing and working for unity among His children. Amen.*

Father John Muir

## LIVE THE LITURGY

Christ tells us that "where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Our faith compels us to be in community with one another. No one should be a Christian alone. How can you draw closer to others who love Christ?



### FIRST READING

But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself. (Ez 33:9)

### PSALM

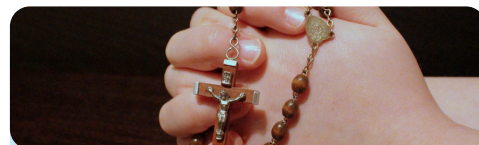
If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

### SECOND READING

Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. (Rom 13:8)

### GOSPEL

Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Mt 18:18)



### 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)

## 06 • FAITH FORMATION



Bishop Barron will be at St. James on Friday, September 18, 2026 to confer the sacrament of Confirmation. Please pray for those young men and women who will be receiving this sacrament on that day.

**Sunday, September 6, 2026**

**23rd Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

### **BOOK PICK-UP FOR FAITH FORMATION:**

#### **IF YOU HAVE NOT PICKED UP YOUR TEXTBOOKS AND SCHEDULES FOR THE COMING YEAR .**

Please come to the office during office hours:  
MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, 11AM UNTIL 4:30PM  
Closed for Lunch between 12:30 and 1:30pm



### **REGISTRATION 2026-2027**

Late Registration fees are now in effect.  
Registration for the 2026-2027 Faith Formation year ends on October 1, 2026 at 5pm

**WE CANNOT MEET ANY SPECIAL REQUESTS AT THIS LATE DATE.**

### **SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, September 20, 2026 CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**

Join us at the 10:00am Mass to Celebrate those Women and Men who are involved in our Catechetical Ministry followed by fellowship in Delaney Hall.



### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

If you are able to volunteer as a hall monitor, office helper, teacher's aide for the 2026-2027 Faith Formation Year please contact the Faith Formation Office at 516-596-2979. If you can volunteer to help in the office on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday from 10am until 1:00pm that would be greatly appreciated.



**6-WEEK APOLOGETICS CLASS**

**What We Believe:**  
*Sharing Our Faith Through Our Biblical Roots*

*Have you ever been asked...*

**“Why do Catholics believe what we do?”**  
— or —  
**“Where is that in the Bible?”**

*Then this short course is for you!*

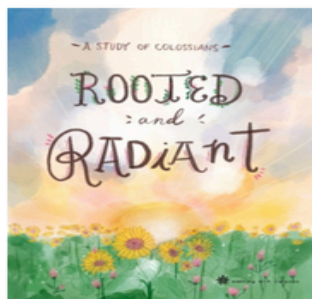
**Begins Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 PM**  
**Delaney Hall**  
**St. James Parish**

*Please join us!*

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

**St. James Parish**  
**Saturday, October 3, 2026**  
**1:00 PM**  
**at the Shrine of Mary**

*Rain Date: Sunday, October 4 at 1:30 PM*  
*All pets and their families are welcome!*



**Fall Bible Study**  
**Rooted and Radiant**  
**A Study of Colossians**

*Rooted and Radiant* was written for any woman who wants to live her life grounded in Jesus Christ.

*Rooted and Radiant* is ideal if you want to ...

- Know Jesus as He is.
- Know how to stay faithful in the middle of a culture that is constantly telling you that Christ is not enough.
- Know how to sift through the modern messages that are being thrown at you.
- Be able to compare the glamour of the world to the infinite value of “being in Christ”.

Through this Bible study, we dive deep into understanding who Jesus is and what that means for us. We learn how to abide in the wisdom of Christ to navigate the ever-increasing demands and messages of our culture, and what it means to live in the freedom of Christ and how to continually set our minds on Him.

**Interested?** Dawn Daniello will be guiding this Woman’s Bible Study on Thursday evenings (Sept 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, & 29<sup>th</sup>, please take notice there will be no class on Oct 8<sup>th</sup>) from 7pm – 8:30pm in the parish center, room 112,

To look at the structure of the Bible Study and if interested in attending, purchase the book by going to [Walkingwithpurpose.com](http://Walkingwithpurpose.com) (The cost of the book is \$25).

To register please email Dawn Daniello at [dawndaniello60@gmail.com](mailto:dawndaniello60@gmail.com) with your Name, phone number and email. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out at any time.

**St. James**  
**Singles Ministry**

**Next Meeting**

**Tuesday,**  
**September 22, 2026**  
**at 6:30pm**

**in Room 104**

**All singles, divorced and widowed are welcome.**

## 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 PDF, 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, 516-731-3710 or Tom McCoy at [TomCSW@yahoo.com](mailto:TomCSW@yahoo.com).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday October 3- December 12 at 9:00 AM \_\_\_\_\_

or

Wednesday September 30 - November 18 at 1:30 PM \_\_\_\_\_

# St. James Parish

CELEBRATING IT'S

# 75<sup>TH</sup>

ANNIVERSARY

*Rooted in Faith*



Sunday,  
October 18, 2026  
at 12pm

followed by a reception  
and light luncheon  
in Delaney Hall

\$5 per person  
for those 12 and older.

Kids are free!

Please register  
using QR code



Parish Center office  
by  
October 8, 2026.

SAINT JAMES R.C. CHURCH

*All Are Welcome!*



# ST. JAMES PARISH + BLUE MASS

*Honoring Those Who Serve*

**TO HONOR ALL  
FIREFIGHTERS, POLICE OFFICERS  
AND FIRST RESPONDERS**



**SUNDAY, ★ SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 ★ 12:00PM**

We invite all Parish Firefighters, Police Officers, and First Responders active and retired and their families to join us that day.



**MASS**  
Join us for a special Blue Mass to give thanks for the courage, dedication and sacrifice of those who serve and protect.



**PRAYER SERVICE  
AT THE "BLUE FOUNTAIN"**  
Following the Mass we will proceed to the "Blue Fountain" for a brief prayer service.



**REFRESHMENTS**  
Refreshments will be served following the prayer service.



★ **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE. ★ YOU ARE IN OUR PRAYERS.** ★  
**GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU SAFE.**

# SCRIPTURE SHARING

ST. JAMES PARISH

## Tuesday Sessions

|                                                                                                                    |                                                                                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <p><i>Afternoon Session</i><br/><b>1:30–3:00 PM</b><br/>Room 112 • Parish Center<br/><i>Hosted by Fr. John</i></p> | <p><i>Evening Session</i><br/><b>7:00–8:30 PM</b><br/>Room 104 • Parish Center</p> |
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**Resumes September 15**

Each week, we will discuss the upcoming Sunday Gospel, explore what was happening when Jesus spoke these messages, learn how to better understand them, and discover how to live them out today.

*All are welcome!*



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## The Pope's Prayer Network

### Monthly Prayer for Mental Health - September 2026

#### Pope's Prayer Intention for September:

*This month the Pope's prayer intention is for the care of water.*

As clean water refreshes and sustains the body, the living waters of the Gospel can refresh our parishes where every shared burden and connection becomes a source of spiritual support, especially for those of us living with mental health challenges.

Many people in our parishes who are facing mental health challenges feel isolated, parched and spiritually dry, drained of hope because of stigma. To overcome the stigma that separates us we need to take Pope Leo's words to heart and **"bring the hope of the Gospel into the 'waters' of the world."**

We pray that our parishes offer welcome and understanding to those among us facing mental health challenges and are thirsting for spiritual healing and dignity.

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




worldwide  
marriage  
encounter

Discover the possibilities  
of a marriage lived as  
God intends it!

Join us for a WWME Experience!

**Fri., Sept. 18—Sun., Sept. 20, 2026**  
or  
**Fri., Nov. 13—Sun., Nov. 15, 2026,**  
Seminary of the Immaculate Conception  
Huntington, NY

Additional convenient locations, dates and formats are available, including virtual and in Spanish.

SCAN HERE TO LEARN MORE!



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## 12 • MINISTRIES & EVENTS

You've got Questions?  
We've got Alpha!

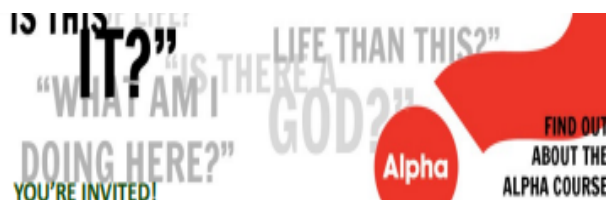
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Alpha is a way to explore what we hunger after - meaning and intimacy and relationship...in a very non-pressed, non-judgemental environment.

Bear Grylls  
Host of "Man vs. Wild"

Coming in September

Alpha



Alpha is a place to connect with other people who are open to exploring life, faith, and meaning.

Each session includes a time to connect with others over a free meal, hear a short talk on our Christian faith, and then a chance for each person to share their own questions with the group. We'd love to hear your perspective!

Alpha is a 11week and one Saturday course that creates a space where people come and discuss life's big questions. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. No two Alphas look the same, but they have three key things in common:

hospitality, a talk and good conversation.

Our Next Alpha session at Saint James will be on these dates

Join us these 11 Tuesdays from 6:30pm-8:30 pm

September 15th, 22nd, 29th October 6th, 13th, 20th 27th November 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th  
Plus the weekend of

Friday October 23rd 6:30- 8:30pm and Saturday October 24th 9:00am-4:00pm.

YOU MUST REGISTER at [www.DEACONCHRIS.ORG/alpha-sign-up](http://www.DEACONCHRIS.ORG/alpha-sign-up)



Lace Up to Support Our  
Long Island Neighbors.  
One Step at a Time.



Register Here

[SVDPLI.ORG](http://SVDPLI.ORG)

Saturday  
September 26, 2026  
Heckscher State Park  
East Islip

CHECK IN: 9 AM

WALK START: 10 AM

St. Dominic High School Welcome Home

Open House

**OCTOBER 4, 2026**  
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
Register your tour at [hs.stdoms.org](http://hs.stdoms.org)



**Collection Week of  
August 23, 2026**

**Outreach &  
St. Vincent de Paul**

**Sunday  
Collection**

**Visiting  
Clergy**

**Mass  
Attendance**

|                              |                         |                         |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Mass</b>                  | <b>\$ 8,025.00</b>      | <b>\$1,480.00</b>       |
| <b>Online Giving</b>         | <b>\$ 2,876.10</b>      | <b>\$ 0.00</b>          |
| <b>Mail In<br/>Envelopes</b> | <b><u>\$ 546.00</u></b> | <b><u>\$ 200.00</u></b> |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>\$ 11,447.10</b>     | <b>\$ 1,680.00</b>      |

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|----------------|-------------------|
| <b>4:00pm</b>  | <b>385</b>        |
| <b>8:00am</b>  | <b>205</b>        |
| <b>10:00am</b> | <b>317</b>        |
| <b>12:00pm</b> | <b><u>252</u></b> |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>1,159</b>      |

**Save Time and Donate Online!**



St. James Catholic Church utilizes WeShare, a web-based system for online contributions. WeShare is a secure Web-based system that makes it easy to set up and manage collections your contributions to St. James Church. Parishioners can log in to WeShare at any time and edit their personal information, payment source, donation amount, or donation frequency. You can plan their contributions for the entire year—or you can change your donation amount online whenever you like.

**Super Bonanza \$25 Winners**

**August/September 2026**



**Sunday, August 30** – Joseph Natale

**Monday, August 31** – Jean Muldoon

**Tuesday, September 1** – Kathleen O'Shea

**Wednesday, September 2** – Marilyn Mullervy

**Thursday, September 3** – Roseanne Rangel

**Friday, September 4** – Diane Pheffer

**Saturday, September 5** – Henry Hattenrath

**\$100 Month End Bonus Winner –**

Elizabeth Cardone

**Catholic Q&A**

**Question:** What is the "Miraculous Medal" and why is it called that?

**Answer:** The medal of the Immaculate Conception that has come to be called simply the "Miraculous Medal" dates back to an apparition of Mary to Saint Catherine Laboure, who was then a novice sister with the Daughters of Charity. On November 27, 1830, Our Lady appeared to her standing on a globe, with shafts of light streaming from her hands and the words, "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee," surrounding the image. In the same vision, Catherine saw a capital "M" with a cross above it and below two hearts. Catherine seemed to hear a voice telling her to have what she saw struck as a medal and a promise that those who wore the medal would have the protection and intercession of the Mother of God. The first 1,500 of medals were distributed in 1832. Many miraculous favors were attributed to the use of the medal. Saint Catherine's "Miraculous Medal" is among the recognizable and popular symbols of modern Catholicism. Reflecting on its widespread use, the 2001 Vatican document, "Directory on Popular Piety and Liturgy," observes that the medal "recalls the mystery of Redemption, the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and of the Sorrowful Heart of Mary. It signifies the mediatory role of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the mystery of the Church, the relationship between Heaven and earth, this life and eternal life."

**From the Editor: BULLETIN DEADLINES**

|                            |                                    |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| September 13 <sup>th</sup> | Friday, September 4 <sup>th</sup>  |
| September 20 <sup>th</sup> | Monday, September 14 <sup>th</sup> |
| September 27 <sup>th</sup> | Tuesday, Sept. 15 <sup>th</sup>    |

## 14 • HAPPENING THIS WEEK

| Sun                                                                           | Mon                                               | Tues                                              | Wed                                                                                                                                                       | Thur                                                                                                                                                                          | Fri                                                                                                                                                               | Sat                                                                                                                                                                           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>September 6</b><br>Hospitality<br>Breakfast –<br>Delaney Hall  <br>11:00am | <b>September 7</b><br>Rosary – Church  <br>8:30am | <b>September 8</b><br>Rosary – Church  <br>8:30am | <b>September 9</b><br>Rosary – Church  <br>8:30am<br><br>Blood Drive –<br>Delaney Hall  <br>1:45pm<br><br>Prayer & Cigars –<br>Shrine of Mary  <br>7:00pm | <b>September 10</b><br>Rosary – Church  <br>8:30am<br><br>Prayer Shawl<br>Ministry Meeting –<br>Room 208  <br>10:00am<br><br>Plainedge Seniors<br>– Delaney Hall  <br>10:30am | <b>September 11</b><br>Rosary – Church  <br>8:30am<br><br>Italian Rosary –<br>Chapel   11:00am<br><br>Peanut Butter &<br>Jelly Gang –<br>Delaney Hall  <br>6:00pm | <b>September 12</b><br>Rosary – Church  <br>8:30am<br><br>Women's Prayer<br>& Meditation –<br>Room 112  <br>9:00am<br><br>Marriage<br>Encounter –<br>Delaney Hall  <br>9:00am |



# Blood Drive

**In giving, we remember.**

2001-2026  
**25 years**



**Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**1:45PM – 7:45PM**

**St. James Church**

**&**

**Msgr. Delaney Knights of Columbus**

**Parish Center – Delaney Hall**

**Prepare to donate**

-  Eat well and hydrate
-  Bring a photo ID
-  Feel good and symptom free
-  Meet minimum weight requirements
-  17+ Must be 17-75  
• 16 with parental permission form  
• 16+ with written physician consent

Visit [nycb.org/eligibility](https://nycb.org/eligibility) for complete donation guidelines.



Scan the QR Code or Click below to Sign up  
[https://donate.nycb.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/332979](https://donate.nycb.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/332979)

**Honor. Give. Remember.**

One blood donation can be a lasting tribute. Take home a gift as thanks when you join us to give. While supplies last.



800.933.BLOOD • [nycb.org](https://nycb.org)

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







Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Delaney  
Knights Of Columbus  
Council 5983  
Presents

# 9/11

**25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

# MEMORIAL SUBWAY SERIES BBQ

*We remember all those who passed 25 years ago on that tragic day by celebrating the freedoms this country stands for, let their memories strengthen our resolve.*

 **FRIDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 11, 2026**

 **6PM – 11PM**  
FIRST PITCH AT 7:05PM

 **\$25 PER PERSON**

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**516-749-1337**

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