



SAINT JAMES PARISH

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 | 26TH 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

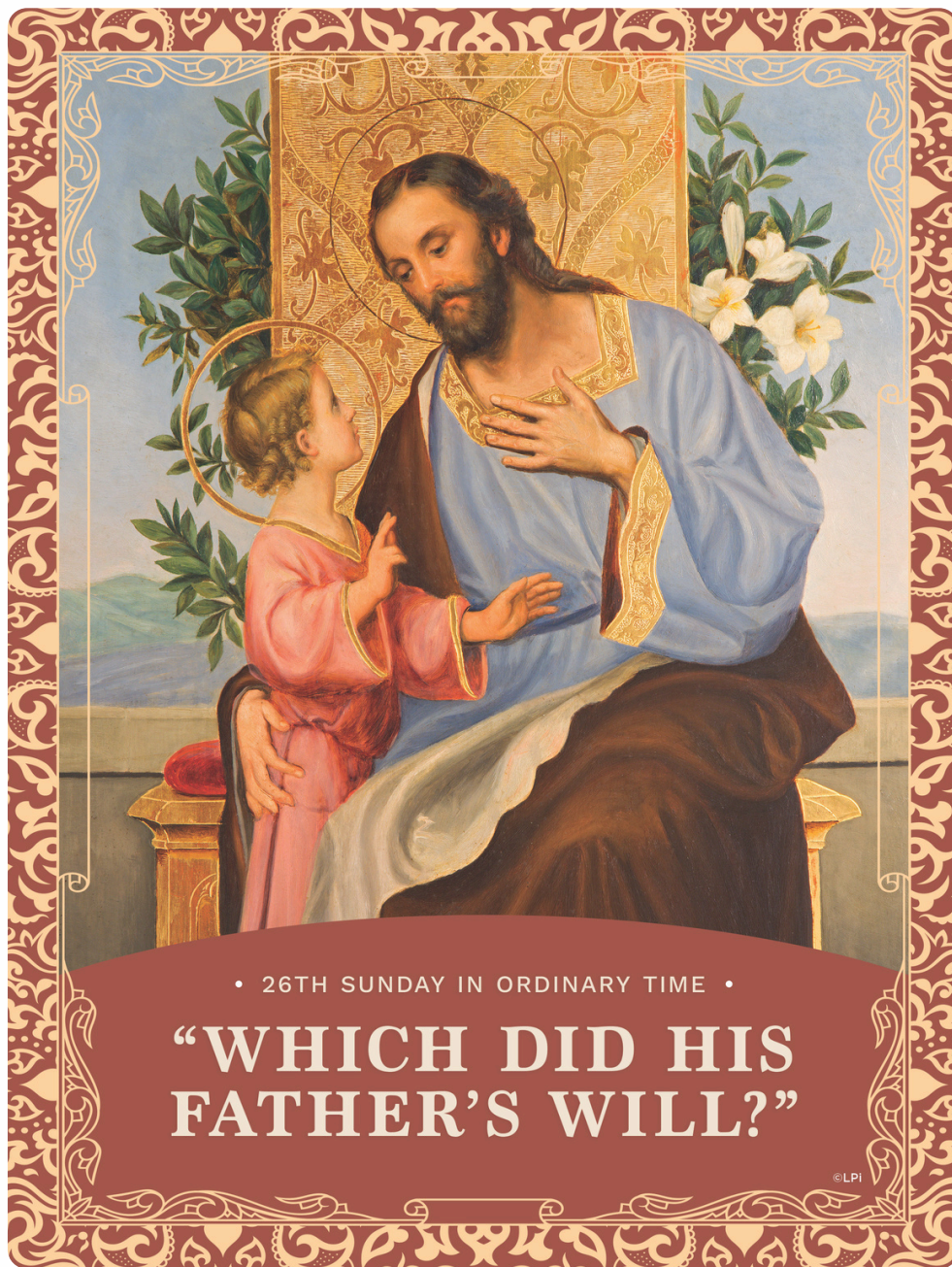
516-731-3710 | Fax: 516-731-4828
80 Hicksville Road, Seafood, NY 11783
parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org

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!



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.

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PARISH CLERGY

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

Msgr. Michael Barimah-Apau, Associate
Pastor | msgrmichael@stjamesrcchurch.org

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 |
deaconrickbrunner@gmail.com

Deacon Chris Daniello |
deaconchrisdaniello@stjamesrcchurch.org

Deacon John Horn |
deaconjohnhorn@stjamesrcchurch.org

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 |
Parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org

MASS CELEBRANT

October 3 | 4:00pm | Msgr. Michael
October 4 | 8:00am | Msgr. Michael
| 10:00am | Fr. John
| 12:00pm | Fr. Benjamin

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,

The month of October will offer several opportunities for us to celebrate our parish as a wonderful family of faith and friendship.

THE ANNUAL BLESSING OF ANIMALS, OCTOBER 3rd: This wonderful celebration of our pets and the joy that they bring to us is celebrated on or near the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, which is observed each year on October 4th. We invite all our parishioners to bring their pets for this wonderful blessing with a First-Class relic of St. Francis. The blessing will take place by the Shrine of Our Blessed Mother at 1:00 PM. (rain date Oct. 4 at 1:30pm).

Note well: Snakes should be kept in tightly locked containers with additional straps to keep them from getting loose. If possible, please bring them to Good Shepherd Church in Levittown.

ANNUAL BLUE MASS, SEPTEMBER 27th: This Sunday at the 12pm Mass, 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. Following the Mass, we will process to "Blue Fountain" for a brief prayer service. Refreshments will be served, immediately following the prayer service.

THE 75th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF ST. JAMES PARISH: On October 10th we will be celebrating the 71st Anniversary of the founding of our parish. It was on October 10, 1951, that St. James Church was officially founded. We certainly have a rich history, which continues to develop over the years due the commitment of many parishioners.

On October 18, 2026, at the 12pm Mass, we will acknowledge the 75th Anniversary of St. James. We are hoping some of our previous pastors, associates and deacons will join us that day. A luncheon will follow in Delaney Hall on the lower level of the parish center. Registration information for the luncheon can be found on page 6 in this bulletin.

Service is at the heart of our parish. There is a wide variety of opportunities of service at St. James. These opportunities include our liturgical ministries (ushers, choir members, Eucharistic ministers, lectors and altar servers). To assist in sharing our faith with the children of our parish and some adults we have our Faith Formation Program, Baptismal Program, FOCCUS and Pre-Cana Programs, Adult Confirmation Classes, Adult Faith Formation, Alpha, and the RCIA (OCIA). Our Parish Outreach Program and the St. Vincent de Paul Society assist us to reach out to our neighbors in special need.

I invite you to take advantage of these opportunities to get involved, making our parish even stronger. All we do we do in service to Jesus and the Church, as a reflection of our baptism.

Fr. John

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

8:00am | Vincent & Joan Connors
10:00am | Marion Fluri – Birthday
12:00pm | People of St. James
| All First Responders including
Police, Fire and EMT's
| Steven Hunchik – Birthday
| Rosina DiGangi – Birthday
| Regina Natale
| Joseph Chirco
| Ruth & Clifford Stack

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2026

8:00am | Edward Carroll
12:10pm | Joseph Chirco

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2026

8:00am | Vincent J. Russo
12:10pm | Lisa Romeo

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

8:00am | Michael Mendonez
12:10pm | Donna Diomede – 1st Anniversary

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2026

8:00am | Carmella Farruggio
12:10pm | Michael Mendonez

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2026

8:00am | Margaret D'Antuono – 2nd Anniversary
12:10pm | Adele Tucci

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026

8:00am | George Joeckel – 56th Anniversary
| Baby Paul Allan Verrier
4:00pm | Rosario Fiscante – 16th Anniversary

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026

8:00am | Theresa Maglione – Birthday
10:00am | Marilyn J. Tutino
12:00pm | People of St. James
| Rosemary Styne – 2nd Anniversary
| Christopher Occhiuto
| Maria Libera Pugliese
| Joseph Chirco
| Evelyn M. Conlon

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those Who Have Died IN OUR HEARTS

Frank Cudia

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.

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.

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FOOD PANTRY

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Our heartfelt thanks to all our parishioners for your continued support of our food pantry. Our current needs are coffee, jarred tomato sauce, boxed milk, cookies, oil, sugar, cake frosting and toiletries. Thank you very much.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

September 27: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

On September 27, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, who knew that "God had sent him to bring good news to the poor." Together with your gifts, the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul continue his work and mission in our parish. This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to "bring good news to the poor," by assisting many families, providing food and assistance with utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You! 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.



RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Sunday, October 4 is Respect Life Sunday, a day dedicated to reflecting on the sanctity and dignity of all human life. On this day, we are reminded that threats to life and human dignity take many forms in our world. The Diocese works tirelessly to strengthen our commitment to promoting a culture of life through advocacy, education, and parish outreach. Your generosity in the Respect Life envelope collection will support this essential mission. We deeply appreciate your prayers and support.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Kwok Family for bringing up the gifts at the 10am Mass on September 13, 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.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

This Sunday, Jesus tells a short, uncomfortable story. A father asks two sons to go work in the vineyard. One says no, but later goes. The other says yes, but never shows up. It is a parable so simple, we almost miss how sharp it is. Jesus is clear about who it is for. This is not aimed at pagans or outsiders. It is aimed squarely at religious people, people who know the right words and sound obedient.

Jesus is not condemning unbelief so much as disobedience. The polite hypocrisy that says the right things while quietly resisting the Father's will. St. John Chrysostom put it bluntly, "Not words, but deeds, are what God requires. Nothing so exasperates Him as insincere obedience, while nothing so delights Him as repentance."

Every disciple must face that mirror. Do I publicly profess faith in Christ while privately resisting what He asks of me? It is easy to say, I believe in God in my heart. But if faith never becomes action, it slowly becomes an illusion.

Jesus does not expose hypocrisy to shame us. He reveals it to heal us. He wants our hearts and our deeds to speak the same word, to let our yes truly mean yes. Like the second son who initially refused but afterwards changed his mind and went, Jesus invites us to step into the Father's will, however late, however imperfectly.

Challenge: Where are your public faith and private obedience divided? Where do you say, I will go, but never enter the vineyard? Go, get to work, even if it is late. The Father's vineyard is still open.

Father John Muir

LIVE THE LITURGY

The owner of the vineyard gave both his sons the same opportunity. Only one took it, even though he had rejected it at first. Always remember: it is never too late to do the will of God. He waits for you.



FIRST READING

But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life. (Ez 18:27)

PSALM

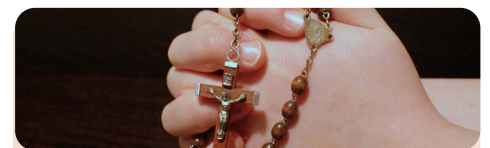
Remember your mercies, O Lord. (Ps 25)

SECOND READING

That at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Phil 2:10-11)

GOSPEL

Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." (Mt 21:31)



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)

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THE SANCTUARY COURSE FOR CATHOLICS

Sponsored by St. James Mental Health Ministry

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

Name: _____

Phone# _____

Email: _____

Saturday October 3- December 12 at 9:00 AM

Wednesday September 30 - November 18 at 1:30 PM

ST. JAMES CHURCH
HALLOWEEN
Costume Party
ADULTS ONLY
FRIDAY OCTOBER 31ST | **7:00PM - 10:00PM**
MUSIC BY DJ DEACON JOHN HORN
 LIGHT FOOD & REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED | PRIZES FOR COSTUMES!
\$10 PER PERSON | **RSVP BY OCTOBER 17TH**
 • SCAN TO RSVP •

**Thank you to our
 Police Officers,
 Firefighters, EMT's and
 other First Responders.**
God Bless You!
Blue Mass
September 27, 2026
12pm

St. James Parish
 CELEBRATING IT'S
75TH
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!
 You can RSVP
 online,
 at the Parish Center
 or return the bottom
 portion of this flyer
 in the collection
 basket.
 SCAN TO RSVP
SAINT JAMES R.C. CHURCH
All Are Welcome!

✂ Please detach and return.

75TH ANNIVERSARY RESPONSE

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Number of Attendees: _____

Names of Attendees: _____



FAITH FORMATION • 07

Sunday, September 27, 2026

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



REGISTRATION 2026-2027

IF YOU HAVE NOT REGISTERED FOR CLASSES

You must register online unless you need a payment plan. Unfortunately your child will miss the First week of classes.

BOOK PICK-UP FOR FAITH FORMATION:

IF YOU HAVE NOT PICKED UP YOUR TEXTBOOKS AND SCHEDULES FOR THE COMING YEAR:

Please call the office to arrange a time to pick up books. You must pick up your books before 3pm. WE CANNOT DISTRIBUTE BOOKS DURING CLASS TIME! If you are unable to pick up books during office hours then call and we will arrange to leave your books in the Main Parish Office which is open until 7pm on Monday and Tuesday and on Saturday from 9am until 12pm.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We are looking for a Level 2 teacher for Tuesday afternoons at 4:15pm.

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 516-796-2979. If you can volunteer to help in the office on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday from 10am until 1:00pm that would be greatly appreciated.



CLASSES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2026

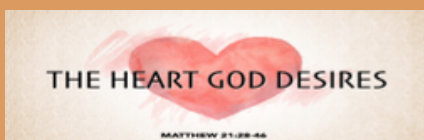
**Tues., Sept. 29th:
4:15-5:30pm**

**Wed., Sept. 30th:
4:15-5:30pm**

**Wed., Sept. 30th:
7:00-8:15pm**

**Thur., Oct. 1st:
4:15-5:30pm**

**Remember when
picking up your child
PARK your car
and go to the space
where your
child's class
is waiting.**



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**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!

St. James R.C. Church
Welcoming Ministry

The CHOSEN
SEASON 6
EPISODE 1



Join us as we show

 **Saturday, October 3rd**
 **after the 4:00 PM Mass**
 **at Delaney Hall**

 Appetizers and refreshments
will be served.
*Feel free to bring your
own snack.*



All are welcome!

Scan the QR
Code to sign up

ST JAMES CHOIRS

COME SING WITH US

Children and adults are invited to make music, worship, and celebrate together

SPECIAL WELCOME BACK REHEARSAL
Saturday, November 7 • 1:00–3:00 PM • In the church

REGULAR SCHEDULE RESUMES NOVEMBER 2026
Choose the Wednesday rehearsal time that works best for you

WEDNESDAY REHEARSALS • 4:00 PM OR 6:00 PM
Both children and adults may attend either rehearsal

CHILDREN'S CHOIR	ADULT CHOIR
SUNDAY REHEARSAL	SUNDAY REHEARSAL
9:15 AM	1:00 PM
SING AT MASS	SING AT MASS
10:00 AM	12:00 PM

A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS SEASON
We will sing on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

No matter your age, your voice belongs here

Join the St James music ministry and sing with us
jillianvicinanza@gmail.com • 718-490-3651

MUSIC • COMMUNITY • WORSHIP

**TRUNK
OR
TREAT**

St James Church

 **Date:**
November 1st

 **Time:**
1:30–3:30



 \$5 per car to participate
 Register using the QR code
 or register at
 the church office

SCAN TO REGISTER



Sponsored by the Welcoming Ministry



**Collection Week of
September 6, 2026**

**Maintenance
& Repairs**

**Sunday
Collection**

**Second
Collection**

**Mass
Attendance**

Mass	\$10,756.00	\$1,251.00
Online Giving	\$1,919.40	\$70.97
Mail In Envelopes	<u>\$1,280.00</u>	<u>\$155.00</u>
Total	\$13,955.40	\$1,476.97

4:00pm	346
8:00am	235
10:00am	325
12:00pm	<u>325</u>
Total	1,231

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

September 2026



Sunday, September 20 – Brian McCarthy
Monday, September 21 – Gloria Wright
Tuesday, September 22 – Loretta Depree
Wednesday, September 23 – Frank Beltrani
Thursday, September 24 – Antoinette Contona
Friday, September 25 – M/M Christopher Spicer
Saturday, September 26 – Kathleen Colquhoun

Catholic Q&A

Question: Who is St. Jerome and why is he so significant that we honored him with a feast on September 30?

Answer: St. Jerome (345–420) was considered the greatest biblical scholar of his day, conversant with Latin, Greek, and Hebrew. He set about translating the books of the Bible from their original languages into Latin.

Much of Jerome's correspondence has survived and gives us a powerful glimpse into the kind of person that he was, as well as the time in which he lived. Jerome eventually became Pope Damasus' (366–384) personal secretary. In the West, Latin was overtaking Greek as the language of the common people. The pope desired a translation of the Bible that would be accurately translated from the original languages into the language and idiom of the people. Previous Latin translations existed, but they were poor in quality.

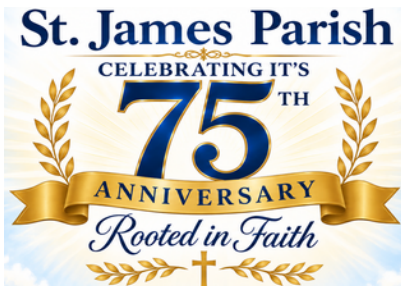
Jerome set about this task and spent the rest of his life meticulously translating. He is credited with the translation of the Bible known as the Vulgate, a Latin translation intended to address the needs of the common people. That translation became the standard and the only one used by Catholics until modern times. Catholics did not actively engage in a similar process until 1943, when Pius XII allowed Catholic scholars once again to go back to the original languages and translate an accurate and meticulous version of the Bible. We carry on that tradition to this very day.

From the Editor: BULLETIN DEADLINES

October 4th Monday, September 28th
October 11th Monday, October 5th
October 18th Friday, October 9th

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
September 27 OCIA – Room 112 10:30am Blue Mass – Church 12:00pm Prayer Service & Refreshments – Shrine of Mary 1:00pm	September 28 Rosary – Church 8:30am Apologetics Class – Room 208 7:00pm	September 29 Rosary – Church 8:30am Scripture Sharing – Room 112 1:30pm Faith Formation classes 4:15pm Alpha Meeting – Delaney Hall 6:30pm Scripture Sharing – Room 106 7:00pm	September 30 Rosary – Church 8:30am Sanctuary – Room 112 1:00pm Faith Formation classes 4:15pm Prayer & Cigars – Shrine of Mary 7:00pm Faith Formation Classes 7:00pm	October 1 Rosary – Church 8:30am Plainedge Seniors – Delaney Hall 10:30am Faith Formation classes 4:15pm Women's Bible Study – Rooted & Radiant – Room 112 7:00pm	October 2 Rosary – Church 8:30am Italian Rosary – Chapel 11:00am Peanut Butter & Jelly Gang – Delaney Hall 6:00pm	October 3 Men's Prayer Group – Room 104 7:30am Rosary – Church 8:30am Sanctuary – Delaney Hall 9:00am Women's Prayer & Meditation – Room 112 9:00am Blessing of Animals – Shrine of Mary 1:00pm The Chosen – Delaney Hall 5:00pm



Rooted in Faith – A History of the Founders Part II (continued from 9/20/26 Bulletin)

by Eileen Tucci

It was not long before Fr. Delaney realized how blessed he was that the branches of St James were growing from the roots he planted. He quickly organized the ushers and selected men of the parish to supervise this first ministry. In addition, the altar and baptismal font which were donated from parishes in Brooklyn and the Bronx. We inherited our first organ from a Lutheran church who was replacing theirs with a new one. A linen and miscellaneous shower was hosted by a parishioner. Approximately 100 people attended to welcome Fr. Delaney and make their offerings of linens towels, altar cloths and other necessary items which he accepted from his lay founders with much thanks. And the branches grew.

Fr. Delaney and his associates had a great love and appreciation for family. He believed that the church was not just a parish, but the body of Christ, a place for everyone to live their faith. Before plans were even made to build a church, he saw to it that the Rosary and Holy Name societies were formed. Wisely, he saw that these two catholic organizations would become the backbone of the parish for the men and women of all ages to truly become the parish family of St. James, spiritually, socially and in particular to assist financially. Forever friendships were formed in both organizations. And the branches grew.

(to be continued)