



# SAINT JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

**November 14, 2021**

## General Parish Information

### Directory

Church Office:.....912-355-1523  
 School Office .....912-355-3132  
 Early Learning Center: .....912-629-2430  
 Convent:.....912-355-6815  
 Email: .....general@stjamesav.com  
 Website: .....www.stjamesav.com  
 Office Hours: Mon-Thurs.: 9am-5pm; Fri.: 9am-1:00pm  
 2nd & 4th Sunday: 8:30am-12:30pm

### Staff

Very Rev. Daniel F. Firmin, JCL.....*Pastor*  
 Rev. Peter Lanshima.....*Parochial Vicar*  
 Rev. Patrick May.....*Parochial Vicar*  
 Rev. Mr. Lou Santore.....*Deacon*  
 Sr. Emily Vincent, IHM...*Dir. of Evangelization & Rel. Ed*  
 Sr. Joan Felicia, IHM.....*School Principal*  
 Mrs. Misty Ellison-Youssef....*Director Early Learning CTR*  
 Mrs. Bonnie MacAulay.....*Administrative Assistant*  
 Mr. Charles Ancheta.....*Music Director & Organist*  
 Mr. Daniel Raffety.....*Business Manager*  
 Mrs. Susanna Powers.....*Receptionist*  
 Mr. Richard Morgan.....*Maintenance*

**St. James Catholic School**  
**For information or tours 355-3132**  
**8412 Whitefield Avenue ~ Savannah, GA**  
**[www.stjameschargers.com](http://www.stjameschargers.com)**

### Mass Schedule

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00\* & 11:30\* am (\*Nursery cancelled)  
 Vigil: ..... 5:00 pm (except on Holy Saturday)  
 Weekdays.....Monday-Friday 7:00am & 8:30am  
     Wednesday additional Mass at 5:30pm  
 Saturday:.....9:00 am  
 Isle of Hope:.....8:00 am - First Sunday only  
 Holy Days of Obligation: ..... TBA  
 Pro-Life Holy Hour: .....Tuesdays 5:00-6:00pm  
     Rosary, Adoration and Benediction

### Sacraments

Reconciliation: Weekdays Mon-Fri: 7:45 - 8:15am; Tues-5pm  
 ..... Saturday: 3:45-4:45pm and by appointment  
 Baptism: .....Please call the parish office to pre-register  
 Anointing of the Sick: ..... For Anointing, or in case of an  
 emergency, please call the parish office.  
 Marriage:.....Please contact a parish priest  
 Lumen Christi Perpetual Adoration Chapel.....24/7



## 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And then they will see  
 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds'  
 with great power and glory...

FR 13:26



### St. James Church Parish Mission Statement

Saint James the Less Parish will conduct our lives in ways that illustrate our discipleship to Jesus Christ by evangelizing His Word, promoting a culture of life, embracing the richness of the Catholic Faith, use the Beatitudes to model our behaviors, and draw closer to Him through the Sacraments where we will receive courage, zeal, confidence, purpose, and the blessings of the Holy Trinity.

**WELCOME, VISITORS!** We extend a warm welcome to the individuals and families who are celebrating with us today. We invite you to register with our Parish Family. You can fill out a registration form online or at the kiosk located in the Narthex, and return it to the church office.

**8412 Whitefield Avenue ~ Savannah, Georgia 31406 ~ 912.355.1523 ~ website: [www.stjamesav.com](http://www.stjamesav.com)**

## PASTOR'S CORNER

### 33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### REFLECT, RENEW, REJOICE

Since September, Bishop Parkes has been holding listening sessions all around the diocese. Thus far, there have been 17 of 22 conducted! We will be hosting one here at St. James on Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM.

These sessions are a chance for the Bishop to listen to you about what the diocese does well and what needs improvement and what we should be doing now and in the future. The sessions have really been good. Please make every effort to attend!

To understand the process in greater detail, please see the diocesan website ([www.diosav.org](http://www.diosav.org)). You will see more information as we get closer to the session.

Again, I look forward to seeing you there!

May the Lord bless you and your families abundantly!

~ Fr. Daniel Firmin

#### LISTENING SESSIONS WITH BISHOP PARKES

### SAVANNAH DEANERY

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DEC. 13 ST. JAMES, SAVANNAH

DEC. 14 ST. ANNE, RICHMOND HILL

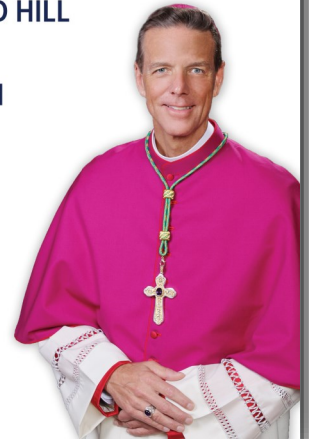
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SACRED HEART, SAVANNAH

## 7-8:30 PM



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC  
DIOCESE of SAVANNAH  
REFLECT + *renew* + REJOICE



## Advent Mission with Father Tim McKeown

Sunday, Dec. 5 ~ Monday, Dec. 6 ~ Tuesday, Dec. 7  
7:00 p.m. - Saint James Catholic Church



### *O Come Let Us Adore Him!*

### *Deepening Your Prayer Life in Advent*

During these three inspirational evenings, Father Tim will speak about:



- ◇ Break the routine! Expand the ways that you pray.
- ◇ Essential aspects of prayer and of life.
- ◇ The Psalms – A gymnasium for the soul!
- ◇ Lectio Divina - Using Scripture to pray.

Fr. Tim McKeown has been a priest for the Diocese of Savannah for 24 years. He is from Augusta and has a License in Spirituality from the Angelicum in Rome. He has served as Vocation Director, Missionary of Mercy, and Pastor.

For additional information, contact [SrEmilyVincent@StJamesSav.com](mailto:SrEmilyVincent@StJamesSav.com) or 912-600-2153.

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

\*\*Please pray daily for our Priests & Seminarians

**11/14 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

7:30 am For the People ~ Fr. Peter  
9:00 am + Fr. Osondu Chidi ~ Fr. May  
11:30 am + Deloris Stengel ~ Fr. Peter

\*\*Mike Kerin, Inshik Kim, David Klecker, Vernon Knight, David Koetter  
| Deacon Esteban Mallar | Sr. Amanda Marie Russell

**11/15 St. Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**  
1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61,

7:00 am Souls in Purgatory ~ Fr. May  
8:30 am + Sybil Tennant ~ Fr. Peter

\*\*Xavier Kumbalaparampil, Dawid Kwiatkowski, Brian LaBurt, Peter  
Lanshima | Lewis King | Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew

**11/16 Tuesday St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin**  
2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 19:1-10

7:00 am + Daniel Vaughan ~ Fr. Peter  
8:30 am + Larry Burk ~ Fr. May

\*\*Andrew Larkin, William Leahy, Raymond Levreault, Michael Lubinsky,  
| Francisco Gamboa | Sr. Mary Christine Zabel

**11/17 Memorial of St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious**  
2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15; Lk 19:11-28

7:00 am + Alan Tan ~ Peter  
8:30 am + Ray Gabler, 1st Anniversary ~ Fr. Firmin  
5:30 pm + Douglas Dalrymple ~ Fr. May

\*\*Louis Lussier John Lyons, John R. Madden, Nicholas Mansell,  
John Markham, | Tony Visintainer | Sr. Jennifer Maria O'Neill

**11/18 The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter & Paul,  
Apostles; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin**  
1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44

7:00 am + Sean McBride ~ Fr. Firmin  
8:30 am + Keith Ray ~ Fr. Firmin

\*\*Patrick May, Allan McDonald, William McIntyre, Timothy McKeown  
| Kevin Braski | Sr. Rachel Elizabeth Wilson

**11/19 Friday**  
1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Lk 19:45-48

7:00 am Special Intention, Lucy Montoya ~ Fr. Peter  
8:30 am Souls in Purgatory ~ Fr. Firmin

\*\*Daniel Melaba, Pablo Migone, Richard Minch, Thomas Murphy,  
Thomas Nellis | Ziemowit Janaszek | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

**11/20**  
1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19; Lk 20:27-40

9:00 am Special Intention, Beverly Dieligo ~ Fr. Firmin  
5:00 pm Special Intention, Bratz Family ~ Fr. May

\*\*Kim Son Nguyen, Martino Ba Thong Nguyen, Peter Hung Nguyen,  
Fred Nijem | Jared Miller | Sr. Amanda Marie Russell

**11/21 Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**  
Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

7:30 am + Alfred Heffernan ~ Fr. Firmin  
9:00 am For the People ~ Fr. May  
11:30 am + Marco Polito, 1st Anniversary ~ Fr. Peter

\*\*Patrick O'Brien, Daniel O'Connell, Paul O'Connell, Kevin O'Keefe  
Noah Pace | Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew

## A PRAYER FOR THE SICK...

Father, your only son took upon himself the sufferings and weakness of all mankind; through His passion and cross He taught us how good can be brought out of suffering. Look upon our brothers and sisters who are ill. In the midst of illness and pain, may they be united with Christ, who heals both body and soul; may they know the consolation promised to those who suffer and be fully restored to health.

~ Through Christ our Lord. ~Amen.

**In order for a name to be added to the list below, one of their immediate family members must notify the church office at 912-355-1523. Thank you!**

**Please pray for all the sick of our Parish Community. Names will be listed here for 4 weeks and then will be entered into the Book of the Sick unless the office is notified otherwise):**

Paul Baldwin, Linda & Sonny Harper, Francis DeWitt, Monica Witt, Dwight Morgan, Paul Bratz, Michael & Isabelle Polese, Tom Lanahan, Lynne Carey, Kevin Cannon, Joann Faust, David & Hazel Shockley, Paul Baldwin, Marie Orvin, Eleanor Collini Farkas, Walter O'Leary, and all those listed in the book of the sick.

## A PRAYER FOR THE DEAD...

Father, source of forgiveness and salvation, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, grant that our relatives, friends, and benefactors, who have passed from this world may come to share your eternal happiness in the communion of saints.

~ Through Christ our Lord. ~ Amen.

## We pray for the repose of the souls of:

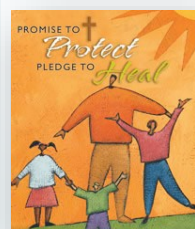
Monsignor William O'Neill, Monsignor Patrick Barry, Debra Rice, Robert Forkner, Sandra Dorward, Richard Vandoren, and all our deceased family and friends.



**We would like to welcome the following to our parish:**

Mr. Michael Broderick  
Richard and Lisa Dolan  
William and Meri Erickson  
George and Tracy McVay & Family  
Paul and Alice Rees & Family  
Miss Cierra Wood

## ABUSE HOTLINE... To report sexual abuse of a minor by a



Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline at 888-357-5330 or the Office for Protection of Children & Young people at 912-201-4073. To read the policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to [www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection](http://www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection).

## St. James Happenings

11/14 **Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Little Bethlehem Wood Carvers in the Narthex**

10:15-11:15am Religious ED-SJS

10:15-11:15am Sunday Bible Study-Mercy Conference Rm

4:00-5:00pm Eucharistic Holy Hour with **Vespers-Deacon Lou**

11/15 **Monday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Fr. Peter

8:30-10:00am WWP-Mercy Conference Rm

1:00-2:30pm Contemplative Prayer Group-Mercy Conf. Rm

3:00-8:45pm SJS BB practice-PC/gym

11/16 **Tuesday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church-Fr. May

5:00-8:45pm SJS BB practice-PC/gym

5:00-5:45pm Confessions-TBD

5:00-6:00pm Pro-Life Hour Holy-Church-Fr. Peter

6:30-8:00pm RCIA-Church/Mercy Conference Rm

11/17 **Wednesday**

6:20-7:30am TMIY-PC/gym

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church-Fr. Firmin

9:30-11:00am Bible Study - Mercy Conference Rm

3:00-8:45pm SJS BB practice-PC/gym

5:00-7:00pm Adult Choir Practice-Choir/Mtg Rm

11/18 **Thursday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church-Fr. Firmin

10:00am Parent Sacramental Class-Mercy Conf. Rm

3:00-4:00pm SJS Children's Rosary-Church

5:00-8:45pm SJS BB practice-PC/gym

5:00-6:30pm Financial Council Mtg-Mercy Conference Rm

7:00pm Parent Sacramental Class-Mercy Conf. Rm

11/19 **Friday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church-Fr. Firmin

3:00-8:45pm SJS BB practice-PC/gym

5:00-6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal-Church-Fr. Firmin

6:00-9:00pm Wedding Rehearsal Dinner-Mercy Confer Rm

11/20 **Saturday**

8:30am Rosary-Church

9:00am-12:00pm St. John Vianney Vocation Ministry-Mercy Conf Rm

2:00-3:00pm Wedding-Church-Fr. Firmin

3:00-5:00pm Sr. Emily-Mercy Conference Rm

3:45-4:45pm Confessions-Church-Fr. Peter

11/21 **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

10:15-11:15am Religious ED-SJS

10:15-11:15am Sunday Bible Study-Mercy Conference Rm

4:00pm Eucharistic Holy Hour with **Vespers-Fr. Peter**

6:00-8:00pm SJYM High School Meeting-Mercy Conference Rm

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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|---------------------|-----------|
| November 7th, 2021  | \$22,345  |
| 2021/22 Weekly Goal | \$26,224  |
| 2021/22 Fiscal YTD: | \$412,347 |

### 2nd Collection

(Fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30)

Thank you for your generous gifts to the Stewardship of Treasure. The offertory is the primary means of support for the parish and provides programs, support, and services to our parishioners, school and community.



Sign up for *Online Giving* by visiting our parish website at [www.stjamesav.com](http://www.stjamesav.com) and selecting the *Online Giving* link. If you have any questions please contact Dan Raffety at 912-355-1523 or email: [DRaffety@stjamesav.com](mailto:DRaffety@stjamesav.com)

### Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than thirty-eight million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd).

### St. James Church Food Pantry Ministry News

With your generous donations, the food pantry has served over 230 families which has provided nutritious meals to those in need in our community since its start in March.

Packaged or canned meat, tuna, chicken  
 Beef stew, or chunky soup **preferably cans with pull tops**  
 Canned pork & beans  
 Canned vegetables & fruits  
 Canned spaghetti with tomato or meat sauce  
 Peanut Butter & Jelly  
 Breakfast Bars  
 Healthy snacks including nuts, granola bars  
 Cereal including individually packaged oatmeal  
 Evaporated milk and shelf stable milk

The Food pantry is every third Saturday of the month in the St. James parking lot from 10am—11:30 a.m. Please call the food pantry registration line at 912-800-9006 to register for the food distribution. **The following items are needed to restock the pantry especially: beef stews, peanut butter, canned meat and spaghetti sauce in plastic jars.** Please do not donate items that are not on this list. **We cannot accept any items in glass containers or that have expired.**

St. James Parish Food Pantry Ministry, the Social Apostolate and Second Harvest Food Bank work together to provide food for families and individuals in our community on the third Saturday of each month. **Please place all items in the basket provided in the Narthex.** Thank you for your participation and sharing in this ministry. For more information or to volunteer, please contact the church office at 912-355-1523.

The Bethlehem Christians is a group that represents 200 Christian families who live in Bethlehem, the Holy Land, and make their living as wood carvers. The Little Bethlehem group represented by Alahouri family will be in the narthex **TODAY November 13th & 14th** to display and sell a collection of hand-carved olive wood religious items. By purchasing the items you are helping your brothers and sisters stay attached to their roots and keep their churches open. **The profit goes to support Christianity in the land of Christ.**



Sincerely in Christ,

Ghassan & Siham Alahouri

Please visit our website, [www.little-bethlehem.org](http://www.little-bethlehem.org).

# ST. JAMES MEDIA WAVES...

Make your faith Matter

Encounter God

Delve into your Faith

Inform your heart

Apply it to your life!



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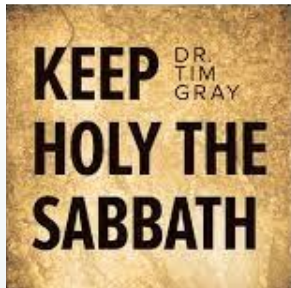


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**FORMED**  
THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND

This week our featured selection is: **This week, our featured selection is:**

**Keep Holy the Sabbath** by Dr. Tim Gray (1 hr. 4 min.) Audio Book



Dr. Timothy Gray is the president of the Augustine Institute and is a well-known Scripture scholar and Catholic speaker. With fascinating detail and examples, Dr. Gray here discusses the profound importance for individuals, and for modern society, of properly observing Sunday as the Lord's Day by exploring God's gift of the Sabbath in the Old Testament. He aims to help us reclaim our Sunday from the hustle and bustle of our busy lives. **Access to Formed.org.** 1. Visit [formed.org](http://formed.org) 2. Click on "sign up" and then click "Sign up as a parishioner" 3. Enter Parish Code: *NHNFN2* or Parish name (*St. James*) 4. Enter your email and create a password (You will use this to log in later). You can get Formed on your phone, tablet, Roku, Amazon Firestick,

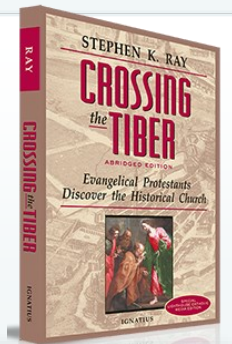
## CATHOLIC LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA

This week, our featured selection is: ***Crossing the Tiber* by Stephen Ray**

This book is an exhilarating conversion story of a devout Baptist who relates how he overcame his hostility to the Catholic Church by serious Bible study and vast research into the writings of the early Church Fathers. In addition to a moving account of their conversion that caused Ray and his wife to "cross the Tiber" to Rome, he offers an in-depth treatment of Baptism and the Eucharist in Scripture and the ancient Church.

**Your contribution to our kiosk helps us to replenish our inventory!**

**Suggested donations are: books - \$5, CDs - \$4, and booklets - \$3.**



## Sunday Holy Hour at 4:00 p.m.

We continue to pray together each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in front of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We conclude with Evening Prayer. Please join us so that you can experience a beautiful hour of intimacy with our Lord!

**Mass Live Streamed - 9:00 a.m.** We will continue to **livestream the 9:00 a.m. Mass**; however, we will no longer stream in the Conference Room. For those who still want to socially distance, there are chairs available in the Narthex. Like us on Facebook for access: <https://www.facebook.com/stjamesavcatholicchurch/> For your relatives and neighbors who don't have Facebook, tell them they can go right to our website at <https://www.stjamesav.com/livestream>.

## RCIA Rite of Welcome

Please join us in welcoming several catechumens (those who desire to be Baptized) and candidates (those who desire to be Confirmed in the Catholic faith) to Saint James Catholic Church! The Rite of Welcome will take place on Sunday, November 21 at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Following, there will be a light breakfast reception so that current parishioners can introduce themselves to these individuals. Your warm welcome and presence will be very much appreciated!



## Gold and Silver Wedding Jubilee Anniversary Mass

All couples celebrating their Silver or Gold (25th or 50th) Wedding Anniversary in 2022 are invited to join

**The Most Reverend Stephen D. Parkes,**

Bishop of Savannah for a special

Mass and light reception on

Sunday, February 20, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist.

Those wishing to attend should register online at [diosav.org/gold-and-silver](http://diosav.org/gold-and-silver) by December 31, 2021 in order to receive the formal invitation-with detailed information. Please call the Diocesan Office of Marriage, Family, and Respect Life at 912.201.4068 with questions.



Diocese of Savannah

## Council of Catholic Women

Support, empower and educate all catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service.

### CALLING ALL BAKERS



**It's time for our yearly bake sale. If you would like to bake something you can drop if off in the kitchen Friday, November 19th or Saturday, 20th or drop if off before you go to Mass. Pick up your Thanksgiving pies or deserts. Any Questions call Margie Hotard at 912-663-3231 or email [margie.hotard@gmail.com](mailto:margie.hotard@gmail.com)**

### **CALLING ALL KNITTERS, CROCHETERS, AND QUILTERS !!**

The St. James CCW is again making lap blankets, shawls and hats for home-bound, nursing home and others in need. Yarn and knitting needles or crochet hooks can be provided. Lap blankets and shawls cannot have fringe. Small-sized lap quilts are also acceptable.

If you know someone in need, please call/text Jane or alert a CCW member or the parish office. Please call or text Jane Dolan at 912-398-2068 for more information.

## First Penance/First Holy Communion News!

2nd Grade Parents – mark your schedules on Thursday, November 18 at 10:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. join Sister Emily Vincent as she continues the Sacramental Program for Parents of 2nd Grade First Holy Communicants. This is an



inspirational program, tailored for parents of 2nd graders preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation (Confession) and First Holy Communion! These classes will help you prepare for conversations with your child about life's deepest questions and help you explore your own relationship with God. We are offering each of the four sessions at two times during the day for your convenience! This session is on *The Eucharist and the Mass*. The classes will be held in the parish conference room. There will be exciting door prizes awarded at each session!



## Cursillo Weekend Encounter

**What is Cursillo?** *Cursillo is a movement of the Catholic Church that makes it possible for people to live what is fundamental to being a Catholic Christian. It helps people discover and fulfill their personal vocation, and it promotes the creation of core groups of Christians who transform their environment through living the Gospel.*

It is for you if you feel called to a deeper commitment to your faith and are looking for a way to sustain your Christian journey.

There will be a Cursillo weekend encounter in Collins, GA on Thurs, Jan 27 – Sun, Jan 30 for women and on Thurs, Feb 3 – Sun, Feb 6 for men.

For more information, contact Sally Arman [sallyarman@comcast.net](mailto:sallyarman@comcast.net) 912-598-2177 or Chuck Medlock [chuckmedlock@aol.com](mailto:chuckmedlock@aol.com) 912-661-3962

SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY  
DECEMBER 3  
6:00 - 9:00PM  
ST. JAMES GYM

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2ND ANNUAL PICKLEBALL PARTY

CHRISTMAS

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE  
ADULTS ONLY  
MORE INFO TO COME...



# THIS WEEK AT SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL



The first graders presented their All Saints Day program. Each student dressed up and presented a few sentences about their saint before performing "These Little Saints of Mine, I'm Going to Let Them Shine" for the congregation. Way to let the Saints shine through you, First Grade! We are so proud of you!



**Interested in Becoming a Charger? Join Us for Walk-Through Wednesdays! Call 912.355.3132 to Schedule a Tour!**



# CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

- **LEARN** about those living in poverty.
- **ACT** and spread the word about poverty by sharing this flier.
- **CONNECT** with the work of CCHD by supporting the collection.
- **PRAY** for those who benefit from this collection.

We all depend on workers in America's meat-processing plants and animal-feeding operations, who are essential to the food supply chain. Many of them are immigrants facing language barriers that leave them at a disadvantage when they advocate for safe working conditions, just wages, and fair treatment from employers. The Rural Community Workers Alliance (RCWA) in Missouri helps these essential workers by advocating on their behalf for safe working conditions and by promoting gatherings to address racial divisions in the community as a way to help immigrants and nonimmigrants discover similarities and share their experiences.

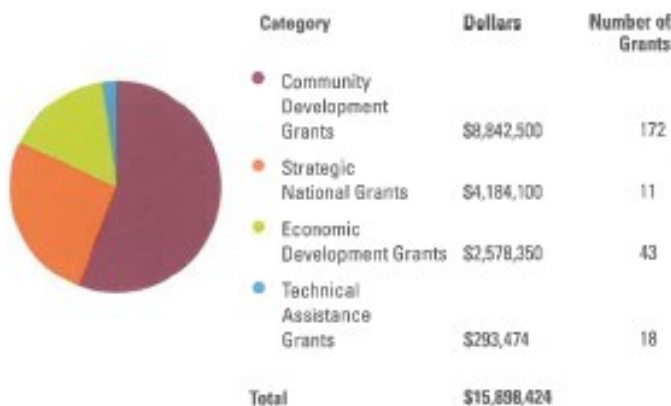
The COVID-19 pandemic revealed working conditions at a pork-processing plant that placed workers at risk of infection due to shoulder-to-shoulder work areas and a lack of protective gear. Workers brought their concerns to RCWA and ultimately filed a lawsuit demanding that the company follow health and safety guidelines established by the federal government. Even before the court ruled

on the lawsuit, the company took action to protect workers by installing protective barriers, sanitizing stations, providing masks, and conducting temperature checks. When you support CCHD's mission of working on the margins, you help groups such as RCWA advocate for the health and safety of the essential workers that we all depend upon.

To learn more about the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, visit [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) allocates funds to community projects that promote the mission and vision of CCHD while adhering to the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church. Please visit [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd) to view funding criteria and see a detailed list of our most recent grants and annual report.

## 2019-2020 GRANTS



## 2019 EXPENSES



\*\*Internal grants include a distribution from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection for CCHD operations; expenses and for USCCB Justice, Peace and Human Development's Education and Outreach program that includes engaging Catholics in our faith-filled call to address the root causes of poverty.



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