

General Parish Information

Directory

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Church Office:	
School Office	
Early Learning Center:	
Convent:	
Email:	general@stjamessav.com
Website:	www.stjamessav.com
Office Hours: Mon-Thurs.: 9a	m-5pm; Fri.: 9am-1:00pm
2nd & 4th Sunday: 8:30am-12	:30nm

Staff

Very Rev. Daniel F. Firmin, JCLPaston
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Rev. Patrick MayParochial Vicar
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Sr. Stephanie GabrielDir. of Evangelization & Rel. Ed
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Mrs. Bonnie MacAulayAdministrative Assistant
Mr. Charles AnchetaMusic Director & Organist
Mr. Mark KolbushDirector of Finance
Mrs. Susanna PowersReceptionist
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Mass Schedule

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00* & 11:30* am (*Nursery available)
Vigil:
WeekdaysMonday-Friday 7:00am & 8:30am
Wednesday additional Mass at 5:30pm
Saturday:9:00 am
Isle of Hope:
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: 3:454:45pm 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

July 31st, 2022

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

> "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." Luke 12:15



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.stjamessav.com

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Please pray daily for our Priests, Seminarians & IHM Sisters

7/31 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Ecc 1:2;2:21-23;Ps 90:3-4,5-6,12-13,14 & 17;Col 3:1-5,9-11; Lk 12:13-21
- 7:30 am For the People \sim TBD
- *9:00 am Special Intention, Nguyen Thi Mui ~ TBD

*11:30 am Special Intention, Van Voung ~ TBD

**Deaon Lou Santore| Ziemowit Janaszek | Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew

8/1 Monday Memorial of St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95,102; Mt 14:13-21

7:00 am + Sr. Janice Shaw ~TBD 8:30 am + Le Van Truong ~ TBD

** Bishops Stephen Parkes and J. Kevin Boland | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

8/2 Tuesday Memorial of St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; s 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 & 22-23;Mt 14:22-36

7:00 am + Sr. Regina Fidelis Colavechio ~ TBD

8:30 am + Roland Bois ~ TBD

**Jason Adams, Theodore Agba, Jacob Almeter, Fredy Angel, Samuel Aniekwe | Sr. Amanda Marie Russell

8/3 Wednesday

- Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
- 7:00 am Special Intention, Fr. Firmin ~ TBD
- 8:30 am + Arlene Bates \sim TBD

5:30 pm Special Intention, Roberto Smart ~ TBD

**Emmanuel Antwi, John Ariko, David Arnoldt, Christopher Awiliba | Deacon Lewis King | Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew

8/4 Thursday Memorial of St. John Vianney, Priest Jer 31:31-34; Ps51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23

7:00 amSpecial Intention, Dixie Dickey ~ TBD8:30 am+ Arlene Bates ~ TBD

**Bob Benko, Tomas Beroch, Godfred Boachie-Yiadom, Brett Brannen | Francisco Gamboa | Sr. Mary Christine Zabel

8/5 Friday Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt16:24-28

7:00 am+ Joe & Eleanor Foley ~ TBD8:30 amSpecial Intention, Fr. Firmin ~ TBD

** Joey Buencamino, Phong Bui, Rodolfo Ramon-Cabrera, Victor Canela | Tony Visintainer | Sr. Jennifer Maria O'Neill

8/6 Saturday Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

9:00 am Special Intention, Bonnie MacAulay ~ TBD

5:00 pm + Kitty O'Neil ~ TBD

**Juan Carlos Castillo, Michael Cerrone Robert Chaney, Rigoberto Chavez | Kevin Braski | Sr. Rachel Elizabeth Wilson

8/7 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19

7:30 am For the People \sim TBD

8:00 am (IOH) Special Intention for the healing of victims of abuse and for the purification of the Church

- *9:00 am + Stephen Strozzo ~ TBD
- *11:30 am Special Intention, Louis, Margaret & Joseph Santore~ TBD

**Douglas Clark, Casey Cole, Will Cook, P. James Costigan, Gabriel Cummings | Ziemowit Janaszek | Sr. Emily Vincent

***The Nursery is available** for children 4 and under during the 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Sunday Masses located in the Early Learning Center, Class Room #1.

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.

 \sim Through Christ our Lord. \sim **A**men.

We pray for the sick of our Parish Community:

Fr. Daniel Firmin, Phin Michael, Miles Nguyen, Robin Olson, Paul Bratz, Bobby Davis, Deacon Bob Duncan, Roger Sodora, Serene Ng, Sonny & Linda Harper, Ellen Casper, Ed & Lynne Carey, Reba Murray, Paul Baldwin, Carolyn Larson, Bill Anderson, Rafael & Mariela Sainz, David & Hazel Shockley, Marie Orvin, Eleanor Collini Farkas, and all those listed in the book of the sick.

In order for a name to be included on the prayer list, an immediate family member must notify the church office at 912-355-1523. Names will be listed here for 4 weeks and then entered into the Book of the Sick, unless the office is notified otherwise.

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.

 \sim Through Christ our Lord. \sim Amen.

We pray for the repose of the souls of:

Jennifer Dufrain-Farris, Aloysius Winters, Mary Lee Yocca, Georgia Cole, Tim Rosenheim and all our deceased family and friends.



We would like to welcome the following to our parish:

David & Cheryl Odell Timothy & Courtney Nalepka & Family Brianna Zender

St. James Happenings

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7/31	Eightee	nth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00pm		Holy Hour-Church-Fr. Peter
8/1	Monday	
7:45-8:1	5 _{am}	Confessions-Church-TBD
12:00-4:	00pm	SJS Meeting-Mercy Conference Rm
		SJS Cheerleading-PC/gym
8/2	Tuesday	
7:45-8:1	5am	Confessions-Church-TBD
8:00am-	4:00pm	SJS Meeting-Mercy Conference Rm
5:00-5:4	l5pm	Confessions-Church-TBD
5:00pm		Holy Hour-TBD
8/3	Wednes	sday
7:45-8:1	5am	Confessions-Church-TBD
9:00am-	-12pm	SJS Cheerleading PC/gym
5:45-7:0	00pm	SJC Choir Practice-Church
8/4	Thursda	y
7:45-8:1	5am	Confessions-Church-TBD
		SJS Welcome Back Fair-PC/gym/Cafeteria
6:00pm		Rosary for the healing of Fr. Firmin-Church
8/5	First Fri	day
7:45-8:1	5am	Confessions-Church-TBD
8/6	First Sat	turday
	-3:00pm	Carmelite Secular Mtg-Mercy Conf. Rm
8:30am		Rosary–Prayer Petitions to the IHM–Church
11:00am		Baptism-Church-Fr. Rudy Roxas
	15pm	Confessions-Church-TBD
8/7	Ninetee	nth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00pm		Holy Hour-Church-TBD

A Prayer for Peace

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the true King of peace. In You alone is found freedom. Please free our world from conflict. Bring unity to troubled nations. Let Your glorious peace reign in every heart. Dispel all darkness and evil. Protect the dignity of every human life. Replace hatred with Your love. Give wisdom to world leaders. Free them from selfish ambition. Eliminate all violence and war. Glorious Virgin Mary, Saint Michael the Archangel, Every angel and saint: Please pray for peace. Pray for unity amongst nations. Pray for unity amongst all people. Pray for the most vulnerable. Pray for those suffering. Pray for the fearful. Pray for those most in need. Pray for us all. Jesus, Son of the Living God, have mercy on us. Jesus, hear our prayers. Jesus, I trust in You! Amen. By My Catholic Life! Inc.

CHURCH HUMOR BULLETIN BLOOPERS

Pot-Luck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM. Prayer and medication to follow.

Next Thursday, there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

FORMED.ORG...

A revolutionary online platform featuring some of the best Catholic videos, audio talks, eBooks and movies. This is a wonderful resource for personal Faith Formation. To sign up FREE visit formed.org and click on "sign up" and then click "Sign up as a parishioner" then enter Parish Code: NHNFN2 or St. James Savannah. 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, AppleTV. Enjoy!

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

Prayer Petitions to the IHM, reflection and recitation of the Holy Rosary will be held at 8:30 a.m. prior to Mass on Saturday, August 6th. Please join us in this special devotion to the Blessed Mother.

ST. JAMES CHURCH FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY NEWS

The food pantry is every <u>third Saturday</u> of the month in the St. James parking lot from 10 a.m. —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 <u>plastic jars</u>**. Please do not donate items that are not on this list. *We cannot accept any items in glass containers or that have <u>expired</u>*. **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**.

Packaged or canned meat, tuna, chicken Beef stew, or chunky soup <u>(peferably cans with pull tops)</u> 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 Shelf stable complete meals

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.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

July 24th, 2022	\$30,187
2022/23 Weekly Goal	\$28,181
2022/23Fiscal YTD:	\$102,807

(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

visiting our parish website at www.stjamessav.com and selecting the *Online Giving* link. If you have any questions please contact Mark Kolbush at 912-355-1523 or email: Mkolbush@stjamessav.com

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Active members of our parish are identified by their generosity of TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE.

Stewardship is determined by:

- * Being registered and active for at least 3 months
- * Faithful participation at Sunday & Holy days liturgies
- * Regular and identifiable support of the parish, use of parish envelopes. Even if you can't make a

donation, please use your envelopes.

These criteria are used to verify parishioners status for: Sponsorship, participation in sacraments, education, pastoral and social ministries, and Catholic School verification.

WORSHIP

MASS LIVE STREAMED - 9:00 a.m.

Like us on Facebook for access:

<u>https://www.facebook.com/stjamessavcatholicchurch/</u> For your relatives and neighbors who don't have Facebook, tell them they can go right to our website at <u>https://</u>

www.stjamessav.com/livestream.

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!

ROSARY FOR HEALING

Please join us on Thursdays at $6{:}00~\text{PM}$ in the Church for a Rosary for the healing of Fr. Firmin.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY HOLY HOUR

Join us every Tuesday at 5:00pm in the church as we recite the rosary for with adoration and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

LUMEN CHRISTI PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Spend time with Jesus. Eucharistic Adoration is an essential way to search for and maintain peace in the midst of our personal hardships and everyday life. If you would like to commit to a time to stay with Jesus during Adoration, please contact **Becky Murphy at captola@gmail.com**

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

ST. JAMES PARISH SERVICES

Altar Servers: Always looking for new altar servers and experienced altar servers. For more information contact church office at 912-355-1523

Youth Ministry: For more information call Stephen and Kaitie Hotard at 912-355-1523.

Nursery is available during 9:00am & 11:30 am Masses on Sunday.

Bereavement Ministry: A group of volunteers who deliver food to grieving families at the time of their loss and/or assist the church in providing hospitality after a funeral service. Contact person is Mary Speir at 912-665-1554.

Bereavement Group: For those suffering the loss of a loved one. Contact Deacon Lou at 914-393-1900.

Parish Registration: Newcomers are invited to join our parish by completing a registration form available at kiosks located in the Narthex or via Website at www.stjamessav.com

Shut-ins & Hospitalized Family Members: Notify Parish Office Career Network Ministry: Contact Deacon Lou at 914-393-1900.

Caregivers Support Ministry: Contact Marilyn Benson Athey at 912-598-3957

Hospice Helpers Volunteer Ministry: Contact Deacon Lou 914-393-1900.

Prison Ministry: Contact Deacon Lou Santore at 914-393-1900.

Religious Education: Sundays during the school year. August 21, 2022 ~ May 7th, 2023,10:15am-11:15am at the School. Contact Rex Pe at 912-660-1094. To register go to: <u>https://www.stjamessav.com/religious-</u>education/

Music Ministry: Charles Ancheta Please E-mail Charlie at <u>cancheta@stjamessav.com</u> or see him after Mass.

RCIA: Adults interested in learning about the Catholic Church call Parish Office.

Perpetual Adoration 24/7: Spend an hour in prayer in the Lumen Christi Chapel. Contact Becky Murphy at 912-224-4637

Contemplative Prayer Group: Contact Nancy Kochanik at 912-655-1201.

Hearing Impaired: See an usher to check a set of Hearing Aids for use during Mass. Return it to an usher immediately after the service.

CCW: The Council of Catholic Women uses their skills and talents in a wide variety of roles. Contact church office 912-355-1523.

Men's Club: The Men's Club is a social service group for the men of the parish. For more information call church office.

Ushers: Provide a welcoming presence to parishioners and visitors as they enter the church. If interested in becoming a usher, please contact Alvin McGrath 912-856-6544.

DID YOU KNOW.... Prison Ministry~ People who are incarcerated struggle to put their lives back together to permit them to return to their families and society. It is a time when inmates need the healing power of Jesus the most.

Prison Ministry volunteers, through lectionary based spirituality classes, bring Jesus' love, comfort,understanding, and strength to the inmates. In light of the scriptural passage discussed, each class provides inmates an opportunity to reflect on how they are currently living and what alternatives there may be to help them along the path of rehabilitation. For information about the program and to volunteer please either call Deacon Lou at 914 393 1900 or email him at <u>lsantore@stiamessav.com</u>



BECOME A 2022-2023 BUSINESS PARTNER

Support our Home & School and Athletic Association

Add On: SJAA Package \$250

Includes 1 Year Membership, 2 Season Tickets to all

home games (playoffs not included), and 2 SJAA Decals

UGUST 15TH!

Charger Blue Level \$2,500+

1 Charger Blue Sponsor/Industry 8 X 8 Signage in School Cafeteria, 2 Complimentary Passes to Select School Events, Sponsor Recognition Announced at Sporting Events on McBride Field, Yearbook Recognition, Church Bulletin School Insert, Digital Presence on School Marquee, School Website & Social Media. Also Includes the SJAA Package (1 Year Membership, 2 Season Tickets to all home games (playoffs not included) and 2 SJAA Decals

Charger Silver Level \$1,000+

8 X 8 Signage in School Cafeteria, Yearbook Recognition, Church Bulletin School Insert, Digital Presence on School Website & Social Media

Charger Red Level \$500+

Church Bulletin School Insert and Social Media

YES! I WILL SUPPORT SJCS!

Please return this	form with payment and p	participation level:
Parent Name:		
Business Name:		
Address:		
Phone Number:	Email:	
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O ADD SJAA Package



5 PM	SJCSELC Parent Meeting in Gymnasium
5:30 PM	New SJS Parent Meeting in Cafeteria
6 PM	Sports Meeting in Cafeteria
6:30 PM	7th & 8th Grade Meeting in Cafeteria



CCW of St James Annual Christmas in August

It's that time of year again...preparing BOX OF JOY for children of Catholic orphanages in the world. Last year our <u>St. James donated 200 boxes</u> of joy to Cross Catholic Outreach Ministry. Our boxes were received by orphanages in Central America with other boxes of joy from other parishes. 2022's CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST starts August 1st through 31st.

Follow these Simple Step... Personally shop for gift items (listed below) and place them in a plastic bag with a check for \$9.00 to St. James Church for shipping. Deliver your plastic bag in the BOX of JOY basket in the narthex. CCW will arrange your gift items in the special Box of Joy box. OR CCW will make a BOX of JOY for you with your donation of \$29.00 to St. James Church via online

donation, mailing or placing your check in the offering basket during Mass. PLEASE note "Box of Joy" on the memo line of your check. Ages group for boys or girls are 2 – 4; 5-9; and 10-14. If you desire your Box of Joy to specific child age and sex, please include a note in your envelope along with the check.

GIFT IDEAS (NO FLUIDS or GEL, military toys, medicines/ breakables, food/beverages.)

TOYS: Cars/Trucks, Doll, Mini puzzle, small ball, yoyo, etc. Please remember size of toy must fit into box! SCHOOL SUPPLIES: Pencils/ crayons/colored pencils, solar calculator, pencil sharpener, small books, paper, flexible notebook, erasers, tape, coloring books, art/craft kits. APPAREL: Underwear, shorts, pants, t-shirts, shoelaces, dress/top, flip flops. HYGIENE/HOME: comb/brush, bar of soap, nail clippers, small facecloth, toothbrush, toothpaste in its box. ACCESSORIES: small purse or wallet, sunglasses, headbands/ barrettes, children jewelry, Cross or Rosary, prayer cards. HARD CANDY OR GUM...(no chocolates please). USEFUL ITEMS: battery-free flashlight, sewing kit, drawstring bag, duct or mailing tape, utensils, scissors. Each child who receives a Box of Joy also receives a booklet in their own language that tells the story of Jesus. This ensures each child receives the message of eternal hope found in Christ while furthering the evangelization of the Catholic Church around the globe. For more information you can call Margie Hotard at 925-0210 or email margie.hotard@gmail.com





RCIA Inquiry Session: Tuesday, Sept. 6th at 6:30 PM St. James Parish - Mercy Conference Room 8412 Whitefield Avenue, Savannah, GA 31406

The Tuesday* weekly sessions begin on September 13th at 6:30 PM. RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is for those thirsting for a relationship with Jesus through the Catholic Church.

We welcome all who are:

- not baptized;
- baptized in another faith;
- baptized Catholic, but have not received First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation;
- the spouse or parent of Catholic(s) & want to learn more about the faith;
- potential sponsors for the above;
- just curious and/or seeking answers to
- life's deep questions!



For more information contact Sr. Stephanie Gabriel at 912-600-2153 or SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com or register online at

www.stjamessav.com/forms/rcia/new-candidate-information



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*We're flexible! If Tuesday evenings pose an issue with childcare or conflict with your work schedule, let us know. We will do what we can to make this work for you!

Already Catholic? Is there a friend or relative you want to introduce to your Church family? Now is the time to invite them!

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE & ST. JAMES THE LESS

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ASSISTANT PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR NEEDED!

St. James Church is hiring an Assistant Parish Life Coordinator to support the Director of Parish Life with the planning and execution of various events at the parish that promote spiritual growth, service, and hospitality to our parishioners.

Parish Life works closely beside the lead chairpersons of various ministries to assist them with events and receptions that serve the needs of the members within those ministries.

Please contact Nan Keck, Director of Parish Life, at parishlife@stjamessav.com if interested!

GRIEF SUPPORT PROGRAM

A nine-week program which assists participants to process the loss of a loved one and to find hope and strength.

Limited to 12 participants.

St. Peter the Apostle Church Youth Center Every Thursday, starting September 8, 6:30 pm

> To register or for more information: Diane Farthing dgfarthing@aol.com (770) 309-2019 Sheila Lowe miloga89@gmail.com (912) 656-9109

Escuela Catequética Fray Pedro de Corpa

Te invita a inscribirte al curso

Eclesiología y el Vaticano II

Impartido por el Padre Rafael Estrada Hora: 7 p.m a 9:00 p.m

Fechas:

Clase 1: 12 de julio 2022 Clase 2: 26 de julio 2022 Clase 3: 9 de agosto 2022 Clase 4: 23 de agosto 2022

Registrate en el siguiente enlace: <u>https://bit.ly/3N2WznO</u> o con tu coordinador si perteneces a una parroquia en **Brunswick**, **Claxton**, **Columbus**, **Jesup**, **Tifton o Waycross**

Si tienes alguna pregunta puedes escribirnos por WhatsApp al 912-201-4067, por correo electrónico <u>hm@diosav.org</u> o llama a nuestro teléfono regular 912-201-4067 Recuerda que si participas en las 4 clases obtienes un crédito para la Certificación en Formación Catequética.

ABUSE HOTLINE...

HEAL

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.**

Engaged Couples Marriage Preparation Retreat for

The next Deanery Marriage Preparation weekend is scheduled for Friday, August 26, 2022 from 7:00 P to 10:00 P and Saturday, August 27, 2022 from 8:00 A to 6:00 P at St. James the Less Catholic Church. This Retreat is required to get married in the Catholic Church. For questions please contact the church office at 912-355-1523. For registration please visit St. James website at https://www.stjamessav.com/matrimony. Advanced registration is required.

Virtus Classes at St. James Church

There will be a Virtus class at St. James Church on **Tuesday**, **August 23, from 6:30– 9:00 p.m.** The class will be held in the Church Mercy Conference Room. If you wish to volunteer at the church or school to serve in any capacity with any church ministry involving children or youth, diocesan policy requires that you attend this training prior to beginning your service.

To register for this session or any other session offered throughout the diocese, please visit the diocese website at **www.diosav.org** and click on the tab for the Office of Child and Youth Protection. The tab to view the available sessions and to register appears on the left side of the page.



THE HEALING ROAD: MOVING THROUGH THE CHANGE WEEKEND RETREAT FRIDAY, AUG 26 - SUNDAY, AUG 28, 2022

Everyone experiences at one time or another life events that bring them to their knees, where Hope and Light fade. The Healing Road retreat participant has an opportunity to tune in to God's healing presence in the context of prayer fellowship and wisdom words

COST Overnight: \$200.00 per person (includes \$85.00 non-refundable deposit)

Day Hop: \$95.00 per person (includes a \$40.00 non-refundable deposit)

FOR MORE INFO Retreat Team Leader: Cindy Hoover, MCA 334-614-8669 - cjhoover_99@yahoo.com

> LOCATION Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat 107 Holy Trinity Rd Ft. Mitchell, AL 36856

Check-in is Friday from 6-7 PM EST. Retreat begins at 7 PM EST and ends after lunch on Sunday. **Prag with us...There are a few people that the Firmin family are asking for special intercession:** Fr. Rick Thomas, the Georgia Martyrs, and our Blessed Mother, Untier of Knots! Fr. Rick Thomas was a holy priest renowned for his work with the poor in south Texas and in Mexico. The diocese of El Paso has begun his process for canonization and friends of the Firmin family are involved. Fr. Thomas was an amazing priest! The Georgia Martyrs are also special intercessors for Fr. Firmin, as they are our local martyrs whose cause for canonization is in process now. Our Lady, Untier of Knots is praying for him – that the cancer that is tying up everything in his abdomen will be untied and completely normal as soon as she sees fit!

Prayer to Our Lady, Untier of Knots

Holy Mary, full of the presence of God during your life, you accepted with great humility, the Holy Will of the Father and the legacy of your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Evil never dared to entangle you with its confusion.

Since then you have interceded for all of our difficulties. With all simplicity and patience you have given us examples on how to untangle the knots in our complicated lives. By being our Mother, forever, you arrange and make clear the path that unites us to Our Lord.

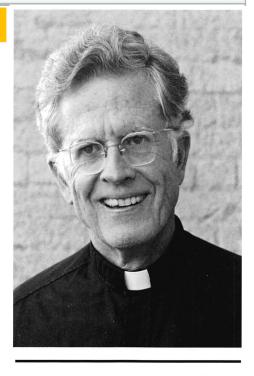
Holy Mary, Mother of God and ours, with your maternal heart, untie the knots that upset our lives. We ask you to receive in your hands (mention who or prayer request) and deliver us from the chains and confusions that have us restrained.

Blessed Virgin Mary, through your grace, your intercessions, and by your example, deliver us from evil and untie the knots that keep us from uniting with God, so that once free of every confusion and error, we may find Him in all things, have Him in our hearts and serve Him always in our brothers and sisters. Amen



O Lord Jesus Christ, reward the apostolic zeal of Friar Pedro de Corpa and his four companion friars, Blas, Miguel, and Antonio and Francisco, who labored for the spiritual well-being of the native Guale people of Georgia and gave their lives in witness to the Christian faith.

Through their merits and intercession graciously grant the favor I humbly ask of You, so that, for the glory of Your Name, their heroic sacrifice may be officially recognized by the Church. **Amen.**



Rev. Richard M. Thomas, S.J. 1928 - 2006

PRAYER FOR A FAVOR THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF FATHER RICHARD THOMAS, S.J.

Heavenly Father, look with mercy and compassion upon us. Hear our prayer in this time of need, and through the intercession of Father Richard Thomas, grant the following favor we now bring to you.

(Mention the request)

Thank you, Lord, for hearing us when we call out to you. If it be your will, may Father Thomas's life of holiness be acknowledged by the Church, so that through his example many may know you more intimately, love you more generously, and follow you more closely. Amen.

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