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@stjamessav.com
Website:	www.stjamessav.com
Office Hours: Mon-Thurs.: 9am-5pm; Fri.: 9am-1:00pm	
2nd & 4th Sunday: 8:30am-12:30nm	

Staff

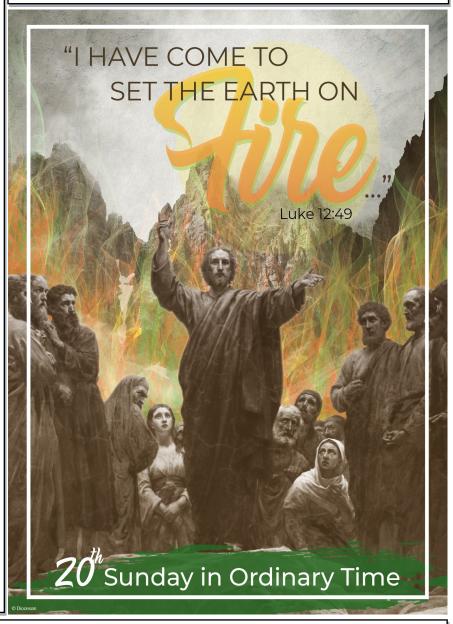
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Very Rev. Daniel F. Firmin, JCL
Rev. Peter LanshimaParochial Vicar
Rev. Patrick MayParochial Vicar
Rev. Mr. Lou Santore
Sr. Stephanie GabrielDir. of Evangelization & Rel. Ed
Sr. Joan Felicia, IHMSchool Principal
Mrs. Misty Ellison-Youssef Director Early Learning CTR
Mrs. Bonnie MacAulay
Mr. Charles AnchetaMusic Director & Organist
Mr. Mark Kolbush
Mrs. Susanna Powers
Mr. Richard Morgan
Mr. Matt Keck

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Mass Schedule

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Sunday: 7:30, 9:00* & 11:30* am (*Nursery available)	
Vigil:5:00 pm (except on Holy Saturday)	
WeekdaysMonday-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 Chapel24/7	

August 14, 2022



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.

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PASTOR'S CORNER 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SR. STEPHANIE GABRIEL

St. James welcomes Sr. Stephanie Gabriel as our new Director of Evangelization and Religious Education! She comes to us from teaching high school in Arlington, Virginia. A few years ago, we created this position to assist the parish to grow in our relationship with God and in our knowledge of Him. Sr. Emily Vincent was the first to have this role and she established a wonderful foundation from which to build. Sr. Stephanie Gabriel takes up the mantle and will assist me with the RCIA program, our Parish Religious Education Program, and our Adult Religious Formation Initiatives (Bible studies, parish missions, special lectures, and an assortment of other things).

Sr. Stephanie brings an abundance of energy and expertise with her and we look forward to having her with us as we build the Kingdom of God here at St. James. Our parish should be a school of Discipleship where you and I and everyone who comes through our doors learns a little more about what it means to be a Christian, a disciple of Jesus Christ. I am very excited about how Sr. Stephanie will be able to assist us with this!

Welcome Sr. Stephanie Gabriel!

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation. However, we will still celebrate it! We celebrate that great mystery that Jesus brought His mother and ours into heaven body and soul. Since Mary was preserved from original sin and was sinless, she experienced what every human person was intended to experience at the end of life when we were created and before sin entered the world. She is our Mother and our Model, our Sister as a disciple of Jesus, her son, and our Help. Celebrate her this day with something special – a rosary with the family, a special dessert after dinner, singing or listening to a beautiful Marian hymn!

GOLF CART

An announcement: our Golf Cart which was used by our maintenance staff has died. It was used and to repair it would cost more than it is worth at this point. If anyone has a lead on a new or used golf cart, please let the office know!

May the Lord Jesus Bless you abundantly this week!

~ Fr. Daniel Firmin

St Maximilian Kolbe Drive for assistance - St. James' Prison Ministry



Today, a member of St. James' Prison Ministry representing the St Maximilian Kolbe fund drive will speak briefly after each Mass. An update will be delivered on the St James Prison Ministry's efforts in providing indigent inmates at the Coastal State Prison with basic hygiene products and non-RX reading glasses. This communication will include progress on the newly created St. James Spirituality Classroom series and the pilot launch within the Coastal State Prison.

For this ministry to continue, assistance is needed in the form of funds and/or time. Funds are needed to provide hygiene products, non-RX reading glasses to the indigent inmates and to pay for the religious materials supporting the newly created classroom Spirituality Series. Your time to help compose Opening Prayers and Closing Prayers for the Spirituality Class series would be very helpful. Examples of these prayers will be distributed next week.

We ask you to prayerfully consider contributing to this important ministry for the imprisoned. We are prayerful that the needed funds will be raised to continue the support of the prisoners at the Coastal State Prison.

Thank you in advance for your time, talent, and treasure.

Rosary for the Healing of Fr. Firmin

Thursdays at 6:00 PM in the church



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Please pray daily for our Priests, Seminarians & IHM Sisters

8/14 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

7:30 am For the People

*9:00 am + Sada Johnson

*11:30 am Special Intention, Frances & John Giesen

** Mike Kerin, Inshik Kim, David Klecker, Vernon Knight, David Koetter | Sr. Mary Christine Zabel

8/15 Monday Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab; Ps 45:10, 11,12, 6;1Cor 15:20-27;Lk 1:39-56

7:00 am + John McCracken 8:30 am + Michael Francis Daly

** Xavier Kumbalaparampil, Dawid Kwiatkowski, Brian LaBurt, Peter Lanshima | Deacon Lewis King | Sr. Jennifer Maria O'Neill

8/16 Tuesday Saint Stephen of Hungary

Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30,35c; Mt 19:23-30

7:00 am + Joyce O'Keefe

8:30 am Special Intention, Karen Dills

**Andrew Larkin, William Leahy, Raymond Levreault, Michael Lubinsky | Francisco Gamboa | Sr. Rachel Elizabeth Wilson

8/17 Wednesday

Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-3A, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 20:1-16

7:00 am Special Intention, Fr. Firmin

8:30 am + Roland Bois

5:30 pm

**Louis Lussier John Lyons, John R. Madden, Esteban Mallar, Nicholas Mansell, Markham | Tony Visintainer | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

8/18 Thursday

Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

7:00 am + Sr. Rosemary Maguire 8:30 am + Genevieve O'Connor

**Patrick May, Allan McDonald, William McIntyre, Timothy McKeown | Kevin Braski | Sr. Amanda Marie Russell

8/19 Friday Saint John Eudes, Priest

Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 22:34-40

7:00 am + Roland Bois

8:30 am + Sr. Francis Stevenson

** Daniel Melaba, Pablo Migone, Richard Minch, Thomas Murphy, Thomas Nellis | Ziemowit Janaszek | Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew

8/20 Saturday Saint Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church

Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 23:1-12

9:00 am Special Intention, Griff Lynch

5:00 pm + Donna Cocoma

** Kim Son Nguyen, Martino Ba Thong Nguyen, Peter Hung Nguyen, Fred Nijem | Jared Miller | Sr. Mary Christine Zabel

8/21 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk13:22-30

7:30 am For the People

*9:00 am + Stuart Sonnen

*11:30 am + Marie & Bill Kennedy

** Patrick O'Brien, Daniel O'Connell, Paul O'Connell, Kevin O'Keefe | Noah Pace | Sr. Jennifer Maria O'Neill

*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.

~ Through Christ our Lord. ~ Amen.

We pray for the sick of our Parish Community:

Fr. Daniel Firmin, Phin Michael, Miles Nguyen, Paul Bratz, James Cullina, Robin Olson, 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.

~ Through Christ our Lord. ~ Amen.

We pray for the repose of the souls of:

Jennifer Farris, Lucy Jane DeMatteo, Dixie Dickey, Elizabeth Fulton, Aloysius Winters, and all our deceased family and friends.



We would like to welcome the following to our parish:

Ryan & Christene Hingco & Family

Clayton Moore

St. James Happenings

8/14 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd Collection is for Latin America

4:00pm Holy Hour-Church

8/15 Monday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church
3:00-7:00pm SJS VB Practice -PC/gym

8/16 Tuesday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

3:00-400pm SJS Cheerleading Practice-PC/gym

5:00-5:45pm Confessions-Church 5:00-6:00pm Pro-Life Holy Hour-Church

5:30-7:00pm SJS VB Practice-PC/gym

8/17 Wednesday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church
3:00-7:00pm SJS VB Practice-PC/gym
6:30-8:00pm SJC Choir Practice-Church

7:00-8:30pm SJS Board Meeting-Mercy Conference Rm

8/18 Thursday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church
3:00-7:00pm SJS VB Practice-PC/gym

5:00-6:00pm Finance Meeting-Mercy Conference Rm

6:00pm Rosary for the healing of Fr. Firmin-Church

8/19 Friday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

8/20 Saturday

8:30am Rosary-Church

9:30am-12pm Catechist Meeting-Mercy Conference Rm 10:00-11:30am Parish Food Pantry Pickup-SJC parking lot

3:45-4:45pm Confessions-Church

8/21 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm Holy Hour-Church

Share Faigh

TODAY we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.



PRAYER FOR SOLIDARITY

Merciful and loving God, through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, we ask you to help us grow in unity and solidarity with the faithful around the world, especially those in Latin America and the

Caribbean. Grant us the grace to give generously of our time, treasure, and talent to those in need. May we learn from the example of St. Junípero Serra, St. Rose of Lima, St. Óscar Romero, and all the saints from the Americas, and share our faith with humility and love. We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

CHURCH HUMOR & BULLETIN BLOOPERS

(taken from actual church bulletins)

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

Mrs. Charlene Mason sang "I Will Not Pass This Way Again" which made the congregation happy.

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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, September 3rd.

Please join us in this special devotion to the Blessed Mother.

ST. JAMES CHURCH FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY NEWS

The food pantry is every third Saturday 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 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.

Packaged or canned meat, tuna, chicken
Beef stew, or chunky soup (peferably 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
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

\$35,149 August 8, 2022 2022/23 Weekly Goal \$28,181 **2022/23Fiscal YTD:** \$172,848

(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:



https://www.facebook.com/ stjamessavcatholicchurch/

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

SUNDAY HOLY HOUR

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 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. IAMES 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: https://www.stjamessav.com/religious-

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-

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.



"Are you interested in learning more about caring National Alliance on Mental Illness for your loved ones who live with a mental health

NAMI Savannah is offering a free, eight week educational program on Tuesday evenings, starting October 4 from 6 to 8 pm and ending Nov 29 (class not held the week of Thanksgiving). This program is for family members, caregivers and friends of people living with mental illness. NAMI-trained family members lead the course with presentations, discussions and interactive exercises.

Contact Pam @ 912-401-2689 or Mary @ 912-308-3126 for more information and to register. Space is limited."

Saint James Charger Classic GOIF TOURNAMFNT



19th Hole Celebration Party - Delegal Marina

Friday, August 26, 2022, 5:30pm Will begin promptly after tournament ends

PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING OUR 19TH HOLE CELEBRATION AT THE DELEGAL SUNSET PAVILION FOR FOOD, DRINKS, and LIVE MUSIC.

Get your tickets online at chargerclassic.givesmart.com \$20 per ticket- all inclusive 1 Marina Drive, Savannah, GA 31411

HOLE SPONSORSHIPS ALSO AVAILABLE- \$200.00- Includes name and recognition on signage at a hole along with 2 tickets to the 19th Hole Celebration

Scan QR Code or visit <u>www.chargerclassic.GiveSmart.com</u> to purchase.



All proceeds will support the St. James Athletic Association (uniforms and equipment)

For more information, please contact
Jack Green (Chair): 912.656.7756 or jack.green@nm.com
Josh Mayberry: 912.659.9926 or jmayberry0042@gmail.com
Stephen Bruce: 912.667.3198 or stephen.w.bruce@gmail.com
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Kevin Doyle: 912.210.4458 or krdoyle@gaports.com

Bryan McBride: 912.996.4106 or bryanjmcbride@gmail.com
Patrick O'Neil at 912.596.3990 or patrick.s.oneil@bofa.com or

Charles Stappenbeck: 484.274.4389 or charles.stappenbeck@gmail.com





On Monday, August 8th we welcomed all of our Chargers back to campus!





Sacred Heart Church Warner Robins



For more information or to register, visit www.sacredheartwr.org or https://bit.ly/30QiSy3



ST. JAMES

Sunday, September 18, 2022 12:30 PM McBride Field

DETAILS TO FOLLOW IN COMING WEEKS!



Weekend Adorers Needed

Our weekend schedule is in great need for adorers willing to sit for one hour with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. If you are interested, please email Becky Murphy at captola@gmail. with the day and time of your commitment.

Available hours:

Sat: AM hours: 12-10; PM hours: 12-9 Sun: AM hours: 12-9; PM hours: 3-5, 7-9



Council of Catholic Women

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

Please join the Council of Catholic Women for their 1st meeting of the

year. It's Monday, August 29 at 6:30pm. A complimentary supper is served at this meeting. Come join us and learn more about what we do for our parish and community. To RSVP, please call Margie Hotard at 912-925-0210 or email Margie.hotard@gmail.com by Friday, August 26th.



St James CCW Annual "2022 Christmas in August is through 31st"

The Christmas in August's first week received 28 gift boxes already, Thank you, We look forward to your continuing support to reach our goal of 200 boxes which we have annually donated to children in Catholic Orphanages.

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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.

Instructions and sample gifts to fit into the 5" x 12" box are on the BOX OF JOY table at the narthex.

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 912-925-0210 or email margie.hotard@gmail 🖁 globe. For more information you can call Margie Hotard at 912-925-0210 or email margie.hotard@gmail.com

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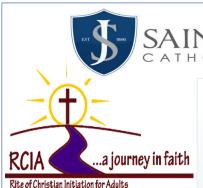
HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE & ST. JAMES THE LESS

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!



RCIA Inquiry Session: Tues., Sept. 6 - 6:30 pm St. James Parish Mercy Conference Room 8412 Whitefield Road, Savannah, GA 31406



"Come, follow me!" RCIA Journey

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 deepest questions!

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

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

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 VIRTUS Protecting God's Children training is required for all volunteers and employees in the Diocese of Savannah. Four Remote sessions via ZOOM have been added to the schedule:

August $15^{th} - 9:00am - 12:00pm$ August $25^{th} - 5:00pm - 8:00pm$ September $6^{th} - 9:00am - 12:00pm$

September 15th – 5:00pm – 8:00om

Space is limited to 10 attendees per session and pre-registration is required online. Registration Instructions can be found at https://diosav.org/how-do-i/register-for-virtus-training

A LAPTOP or DESKTOP is recommended for registration. No one under the age of 18 is allowed to be present. Child care is not provided.

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.

PROMISE TO 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 **ww.diosav.org/childyouthprotection.**



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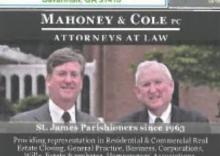
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