



SAINT JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

General Parish Information

Directory

Church Office:.....912-355-1523
 School Office912-355-3132
 Early Learning Center:.....912-629-2430
 Convent:912-355-6815
 Email:general@stjamessav.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. Stephanie Gabriel*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. Mark Kolbush.....*Director of Finance*
 Mrs. Susanna Powers.....*Receptionist*
 Mr. Richard Morgan.....*Maintenance*
 Mr. Matt Keck.....*Maintenance*

St. James Catholic School
For information or tours 355-3132
8412 Whitefield Avenue ~ Savannah, GA
www.stjameschangers.com

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00* & 11:30* am (*Nursery available)
 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

September 4th, 2022



Labor Day

"The one who plants and the one who waters are equal, and each will receive wages in proportion to his labor.
 For we are God's co-workers, you are God's field, God's building."

1 Cor 3:8-9

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Whoever does not carry his own cross
 and come after me cannot be my disciple.

Luke 14:27



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



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CATHOLIC CHURCH

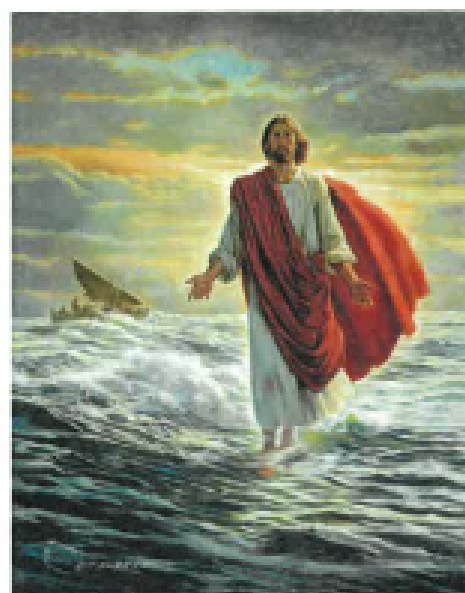
"COME, FOLLOW ME!"
THE RCIA JOURNEY

RCIA Classes: Tuesdays, 6:30 PM to 8 PM
St. James Parish - Mercy Conference Room
8412 Whitefield Avenue, Savannah, GA 31406

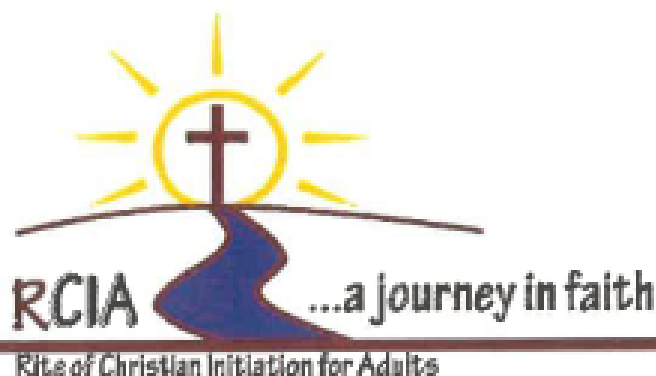
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is for those thirsting for a relationship with Jesus through the Catholic Church.

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!



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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!

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



Fall/Winter 2022 - 2023 Adult Faith Formation Programs



Sunday Bible Study - 10:15 am - 11:15 am - beginning 9/18/22

Evangelium Vitae (Gospel of Life)

A study on the Papal Encyclical of Pope John Paul II on the value of human life.

Monday Women's Bible Study - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm - beginning 9/19/22

Discovering Our Dignity - A Study of Women of the Bible

Women of the Old and New Testament were as flawed and broken as we can be, yet the power of God worked in their lives.

Tuesday Women's Bible Study - 8:30 am - 10:00 am - beginning 9/20/22

James: Pearls for Wise Living

Feeling torn between the competing demands of this world and our faith? The Letter of James will speak to you and help you discover wisdom you can apply to the present.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study - 9:30 am - 11:00 am - beginning 9/7/22

Prayer and Spirituality

Based on Brant Pitre's Book, "Introduction to the Spiritual Life: Walking the Path of Prayer with Jesus," this study draws on the words of Jesus to shed light on the mystery and wonder of the spiritual life and prayer.

**Wednesday Evening Adult Faith Formation Series - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
beginning 9/21/22**

Jesus: The Way, The Truth and The Life

Anchored in the life of Christ as presented in the Gospels, this study explores the entirety of Jesus' life—who he is, what he taught, what he did for our salvation, and what all of this means for us as Catholics today.

All classes will be held in the St. James Church Mercy Conference Room.

Each class is \$10*. There is no fee for Wednesday Morning Bible study.

Make check payable to St. James Church.

For credit card payment, register online at www.stjamessav.com/forms/adult-faith-formation-ws2022

Questions? Contact SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com

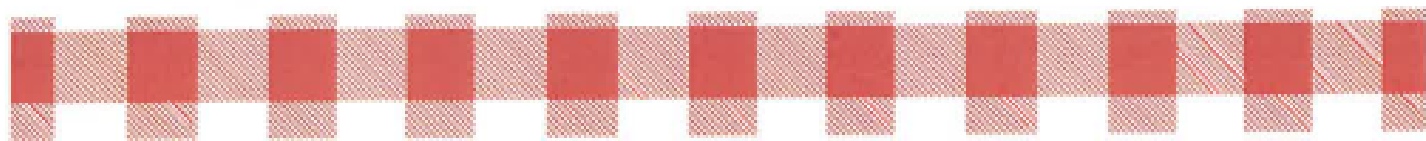
or 912-600-2153.

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

I am registering for:

- ☐ Sunday Morning - Evangelium Vitae
- ☐ Monday Evening - Discovering Our Dignity
- ☐ Tuesday Morning - James: Pearls for Wise Living
- ☐ Wednesday Morning - Prayer and Spirituality
- ☐ Wednesday Morning - That Man Is You
- ☐ Wednesday Evening - Jesus the Way, The Truth, And the Life



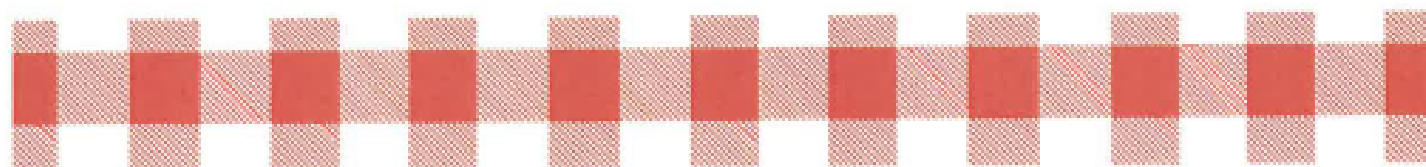
YOU'RE INVITED!

ST. JAMES PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 18, 2022
12:30 - 3:00 PM
McBride Field - Behind the School

**GRILLED CHICKEN, HOT DOGS, AND MAC & CHEESE
WILL BE SERVED! PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH
OR DESSERT TO SHARE!**

**CHAIRS OR BLANKETS RECOMMENDED
IN CASE ADDITIONAL SEATING IS NEEDED!**



PLEASE RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 14TH
Bring this form to church office or email
[parishlife@stjamesav.com](mailto:parishlife@stjamessav.com)



Name: _____

How Many Attending?: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Will you bring a side dish or dessert?: _____

Are you able to volunteer? _____

PASTOR'S CORNER

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LABOR DAY

Happy Labor Day weekend to all of you! I pray that this weekend is one of rest, relaxation, and rejuvenation for you, your families and your friends. We are reminded that rest from our labors is a necessary part of our humanity and helps us become more of who God has created us to be and get a taste of the ultimate goal for each of us – eternal rest in Him for all eternity!

We Christians do this every week (or we are supposed to...) on Sunday, the Lord's Day, a day of rest, relaxation, and rejuvenation. God gives us this day to enter into His eternal rest by gathering as a family of faith and filling the day with the things of Him – that which is True, Good, and Beautiful! The Lord's Day is a day dedicated to Him. It isn't given to us to catch up on all the things we didn't do the past week! Perhaps this weekend and on Labor Day, we can spend some time reflecting on how we spend our Sunday, the Lord's Day. How do you and I and our families enter into the rest of Almighty God and get a glimpse of heaven, union with God, the place for which we were made?

FR. JOEY BUENCAMINO

We welcome Fr. Joey Buencamino to our St. James family! He will be with us for the year and assist in tending to the pastoral care of our St. James parish. Bishop Parkes has assigned him to be here to help us out during my journey and throughout this next year. He will also be available to cover parishes throughout the diocese when needed.

Fr. Joey is from the Philippines, but has been in our Diocese of Savannah for a few years now serving in different parishes. Most recently, he served the Catholic Communities of St. Christopher's in Claxton, Holy Cross in Pembroke, St. Jude's in Glennville, and Our Lady of Guadalupe in Sandhill. We are blessed to have him here with us!

Welcome, Fr. Joey!

May the Lord Jesus bless each of you and your families abundantly this week!

~ Fr. Daniel Firmin

Sacred Heart Church Warner Robins



FR DAWID
KWIATKOWSKI

FR BRIAN
O'SHAUGHNESSY

Saint Joseph's Men-Building the Future

MEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday, Sep 24, 2022 at 9am
Register online or at the Church Office



Join Mallory Smyth from



Walking with Purpose™

Taking Control of Our Thought Life

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday Sep 24, 2022 at 9am
Register online or at the Church Office



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

National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children



Saturday, September 10
9:30 am bilingual Mass
Following Mass, procession and prayers at the Grotto



Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church
501 S. Coastal Highway, Port Wentworth



The Roman Catholic Diocese of Savannah
The Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Please pray daily for our Priests, Seminarians & IHM Sisters

9/4 Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

7:30 am + Frank Zuniga

8:00 am (IOH)

Special Intention for the healing of victims of abuse and for the purification of the Church

*9:00 am + Tim Harriot

*11:30 am For the People

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

9/5 Monday

1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps; 5:5-6, 7, 12; Jn 10:27; Lk 6:6-11

No 7:00 am Mass

8:30 am + Paulina Tawil

Special Intention, Sara

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

9/6 Tuesday

1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Lk 6:12-19

7:00 am + Sr. Mary Shaun Conroy

8:30 am Special Intention, Montoya & Tobon Family

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

9/7 Wednesday

1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Lk 6:20-26

7:00 am + Kitty O'Neil

8:30 am + Joann & Paul Bratz, Jr.

5:30 pm + Sr. Marie Peter Conboy

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

9/8 Thursday Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

7:00 am + Roland Bois

8:30 am + Jack Kaster

**** Robert Cushing, Benjamin Dallas Noel Danielewicz, Matthew Ericksen | Jared Miller | Sr. Joan O'Reilly**

9/9 Friday Saint Peter Claver, Priest

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12; Jn 17:17b, 17a; Lk 6:39-42

7:00 am + Gloria Wadsworth

8:30 am + Patricia Bedoya

**** Rafael Estrada, Romanus Ezeugwu Eric Filmer, Daniel Firmin, Luis Fonseca | Noah Pace | Sr. Catherine McElroy**

9/10 Saturday

1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

9:00 am + Jerry Jones

5:00 pm Special Intention, Bratz Family

**** Mariusz Fuks, Ronald Gatman George Gonzalez, Alfonso Gutierrez | Fred Williams | Sr. Virginia Scirocco**

9/11 Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32

7:30 am + Bradley Stone & Butch Lowenthal

*9:00 am For the People

*11:30 am + Thaddeus Hejka

**** Richard Hart, Christopher Hassel Thomas Healy, John Paul Heiser | John Paul Brockman | Sr. Amanda Marie Russell**

***The Nursery is available for children 4 and under during the 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Sunday Masses located in the ELC, 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, Mike & Dennis Burns, John Basso, Paul Baldwin, Pamela De Guzman, Robin Olson, Serene Ng, Ed & Lynne Carey, Sonny & Linda Harper, Reba Murray, Bill Anderson, Rafael & Mariela Sainz, 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:

Roger Sodora, Catherine Verwiel, James Cullina, Lucy Jane DeMatteo, and all our deceased family and friends.



We would like to welcome the following to our parish:

Mark & Eva Gleixner

St. James Happenings

- 9/4 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10:15-11:15am PREP-SJS
 4:00pm Holy Hour-Church
 6:00-8:00pm High School Youth Ministry-Mercy Conf. Rm
- 9/5 Monday Labor Day ~CO, SJS and ELC closed**
 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church
 6:00-8:00pm SJS VB Games -PC/gym
- 9/6 Tuesday**
 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church
 3:00-4:30pm 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
 6:30-8:00pm RCIA-Mercy Conference Rm/Church
- 9/7 Wednesday**
 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church
 9:30-11:00am Bible Study-Mercy Conference Rm
 3:00-7:00pm SJS VB Practices-PC/gym
 3:30-4:30pm Baptism-Church
 6:30-8:00pm SJC Choir Practice-Church
- 9/8 Thursday**
 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church
 3:00-7:00pm SJS VB Practices-PC/gym
 3:00-4:00pm SJS Children's Rosary-Church
 6:00pm Rosary for the healing of Fr. Firmin-Church
 6:30-8:00pm Parish Council Mtg-Mercy Conference Rm
- 9/9 Friday**
 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church
- 9/10 Saturday**
 7:00am-3:00pm Carmelite Secular Mtg-Mercy Conf. Rm
 8:30am Rosary-Church
 10:00am-2:00pm DOI Green Swap-PC/gym
 3:45-4:45pm Confessions-Church
 6:00-7:30pm Welcome New Parishioners-Mercy Conf. Rm
- 9/11 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Stewardship Sunday in the Narthex after Mass
 10:15-11:15AM PREP-SJS
 4:00pm Holy Hour-Church

INSPIRING QUOTES FROM CATHOLIC SAINTS:

St. Ignatius of Antioch

"I wish not merely to be called Christian, but also to be Christian."

Holding the title of "Christian" is one thing. But when life demands action, truly being a Christian becomes an entirely different experience. As one of the first martyrs of the Church, **St. Ignatius of Antioch** displayed what it means to be a Christian during the most difficult times. St. Ignatius stayed faithful to God even when doing so would cost him his life.

Remember this quote and the example of St. Ignatius of Antioch when the world tests your faith. Stay faithful to God and God will be faithful to you, too. ~ *CatholicWorldMission.org*

CHURCH HUMOR & BULLETIN BLOOPERS (taken from actual church bulletins)

Don't let worry kill you off-let the church help.

The ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 A.M. All ladies are invited to lunch in the fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.

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 (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

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.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY



Join us TONIGHT, September 4th, as we begin
Venture: The Bible Timeline for High School!
 Mercy Conference Room - 6:00 - 8:00 PM

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

August 28, 2022

2022/23 Weekly Goal

2022/23 Fiscal YTD:

\$22,309

\$28,181

\$237,097

(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.stjameessav.com and selecting the *Online Giving* link. If you have any questions please contact Mark Kolbush at 912-355-1523 or email: Mkolbush@stjameessav.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/stjameessavcatholicchurch/>

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

Music Ministry: Charles Ancheta Please E-mail Charlie at cancheta@stjameessav.com 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 an usher, please contact Alvin McGrath 912-856-6544.



"Are you interested in learning more about caring for your loved ones who live with a mental health diagnosis?"

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."

ST. JAMES THE LESS NEEDS YOU!!!

Faith-sharing Opportunity!

Our PREP program is in need of **two (2) catechists** -- one for 2nd grade (preparation for 1st Holy Communion) and one for 5th grade! Materials and mentorship are provided; experience is helpful but not necessary. Commitment is to one (1) hour per week on Sundays (10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.) during the academic year. Must be Virtus trained.

PREP has begun!

Classes for the 2022-23 PREP program have begun! **There is still time to enroll your student(s).** Space is available in all grades PreK to 8. You may register online at <https://tinurl.com/STJAMESPREP>. Payment may be made online at <https://tinurl.com/PREPfee2022> or by sending your payment to the church office.

Questions? Contact Mr. Rex Pe
at rex.pe@stjamessav.com or Sr. Stephanie Gabriel at
srstephaniegabriel@stjamessav.com.

St James Prison Ministry

For parishioners submitting a prayer for the Spirituality Series, please use the following **corrected** email:

Email: maggie8718@icloud.com
or USPS to Marie Goulet at the Church Office.

Thank you to those of you who succeeded.



Livestream Ministry

Livestream ministry needs volunteers!

The Livestream Ministry streams the 9:00 AM Mass weekly for parishioners who are unable to attend in person, as well as Holy Days and other special events and services.

If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact Stephen Hotard at hotardsf@gmail.com. A training will be coordinated with those who are interested.

Parish Life Ministry

Volunteers Needed for our Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 18th from 1-3 PM

Come help set-up/clean-up or help in the kitchen. We are very thankful for our Men's Club. They will be doing the cooking again this year. :)

Thank you for your generosity and consideration to share your time.

*If you would like to volunteer call/text Nan Keck
912-604-6869 or email parishlife@stjameessav.com*

Lumen Christi Perpetual Adoration Chapel

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.com with the day and time of your commitment.

Available hours: Sat: AM hours: 12-10; PM hours: 12-9

Stewardship is...



Next weekend is Stewardship Weekend, please take a few moments after the Mass to stop by the display tables to sign up for the many ministries in our parish that are in need of your support.



**St James CCW
Annual “2022 Christmas in
August is through 31st”**



After 4 weeks, CCW has received **175 Boxes of Joy AND.... WE NEED 25 MORE BOXES TO REACH OUR GOAL OF "200."** St. James has been able to provide 200 children in Catholic Orphanages some Christmas Joy. **Please support this CCW project. Thank you very much."**

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.) 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 email Margie Hotard at margie.hotard@gmail.com**

BRIGHT EYE-DEAS LOW VISION GROUP

Bright Eye-Deas Low Vision Group is excited to invite all members and guests to a very interesting pair of meetings. On Wednesday, September 14, 2022, we will have a presentation by Cecelia Emmory of the Savannah Center for Blind and Low Vision. Ms. Emmory has a background in occupational therapy and guides clients in finding adaptations for activities of daily living to safely prepare foods and navigate in the home surroundings. She will bring along some tools and tips for our exploration. In addition, thanks to technological advances, she is able to teach clients in the use of apps that will assist with reading and writing without purchasing expensive equipment. This meeting will be held at the Skidaway Island United Methodist Church from 10:00 to 11:30 am. and is open to all.

Please call Kay Higby 912-598-9634 or email kehigby@comcast.net with your questions and especially your reservations. Transportation is available as well.

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.

HAPPENINGS AROUND ST. JAMES THE LESS & THE DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH

Pray the Fatima Rosary With Us

In May of 1917, Our Lady appeared to three children in Fatima, Portugal to pray the rosary every day for peace in the world and an end to war. You are invited to join a group from St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church to pray the Fatima Rosary at various locations throughout Savannah. Please join in praying the rosary here at **St. James the Less on Tuesday, September 13th at 5:30 PM** at our Blessed Mother Shrine in front of the school.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study Begins this week!!!

JOIN OUR
BIBLE
STUDY

Join us on Wednesday, September 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the Mercy Conference Room for our first meeting of the year!

We will be studying the topic of prayer —what it is, tools and tips for practicing it and how to grow in our prayer life.



Questions?

Contact
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Rejoice
in hope,
be patient
in tribulation,
be constant
in prayer.

Romans 12:12, ESV



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Sunday Bible Study



The Sunday Bible Class will begin this year on **Sunday September 18, 2022 from 10:15-11:15 AM** in the Mercy Conference Room. This year we will review *The Gospel of Life*, the pro-life encyclical by St. John Paul II, which has received renewed attention in light of the defeat of Roe v. Wade.

THE SANCTITY OF LIFE

The sanctity of life, defended by traditionalists in the medical profession, was supported by Pope John Paul II, who published his landmark encyclical *The Gospel of Life, Evangelium Vitae*, on March 25, 1995. He called the family "the sanctuary of life." The encyclical defined *The Culture of Life*, where every human being as a child of God has an innate dignity and thus is worthy of life, love, and respect. He contrasted this from *The Culture of Death*, where humans are to be used by the powerful few in the name of efficiency and choice.

The encyclical, which contains over 300 Biblical references, addresses the assault on life in our modern world. *The Gospel of Life* could not have been more timely, and Newsweek magazine featured the March 25, 1995 publication as its cover story. *Evangelium Vitae* provided the direction America needed to combat a Michigan doctor's unchecked practice of physician-assisted suicide. The book sold over five million copies and found a place in our medical and law schools.

The Pope called the practice of Natural Family Planning, Organ Donation, Modern Pain Management, and Natural Death consistent with a Culture of Life, but condemned practices such as Abortion, Exploitation of the Embryo, and Euthanasia as symptomatic of a culture of death. He also expressed concern over contraception and the death penalty.

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