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-12:30pm	

Staff

Stair
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 Receptionist
Mr. Richard Morgan
Mr. Matt Keck

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

Mass Schedule

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: 3:454:45pm 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:		
Lumen Christi Perpetual Adoration Chapel24/7		

September 11th, 2022

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.

Luke 15:32



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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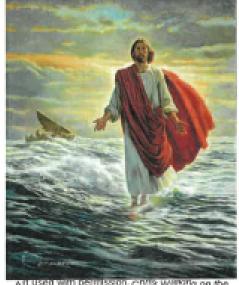
"Come, follow me!" The RCIA Journey

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!



Water by Robert Barrett, www.altusfineart.com

RCIA ...a journey in faith

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

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

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!



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:			
Ema	ail: 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!



Name:	
How Many Attending?:	Phone Number:
Email Address:	
Will you bring a side dish or dessert?:	
Are you able to volunteer? _	



Humanitarian Aid Donation Drive for Ukraine

Drop off: September 12th - 17th

Monday – Thursday 10:00am – 5:00pm, Friday 10:00am – 2pm and Saturday 9:00am – 11am @Villa Marie, 6 Dolan Dr, Savannah, GA 31406

Please call for other drop off times: 912-201-4042









Non-Perishable food NO CANS / NO GLASS:

- · Pasta / Beans / Rice / Oatmeal
- · Granola Bars / Protein Bars
- · Dried Fruit / Nuts / Peanut Butter (no glass jars)
- · Sugar / salt / coffee / tea

Basic Hygiene Supplies (for men / women / kids):

- · Body soap, shampoos, tooth brushes, toothpaste
- · Baby diapers / powders, wet baby wipes
- Diapers for adults
- · Tampons / pads
- Wet wipes (for hands / face)

First Aid:

- · Acetaminophen / Tylenol
- · Adhesive bandages / Band-Aids (all sizes)
- Adhesive tape
- · Antibacterial ointment
- · Antiseptic wipes
- Aspirin / Bayer
- · Caffeine pills
- · Diphenhydramine / Benadryl
- · Elastic wrap / ACE bandages
- Emergency blanket
- · Face masks (disposable) / face shields / goggles
- · Gauze pads / Rolled gauze

- · Gloves (disposable)
- Hydrocortisone cream
- · Ibuprofen / Advil / Motrin (adult & child strength)
- · Loperamide / Imodium pills
- · Pepto-Bismol pills
- · Safety pins (various sizes)
- · Saline eye drops
- Tweezers
- Vitamins
- · White petroleum jelly / Vaseline

Camping Equipment / Shelter:

- · Sleeping bags / Blankets / bedding
- Tents / Hammocks
- · Flashlights w/ extra batteries / emergency candles
- · Ziploc bags (all sizes)
- · Crayons / coloring books (for displaced kids)

Help complete our 3RD SHIPMENT of

HUMANITARIAN AID to the PEOPLE
OF UKRAINE!



Aid drive details & updates:

www.savannahsupportsukraine.org

PASTOR'S CORNER 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH PICNIC

Next Sunday, we will have our Annual St. James Parish Picnic! The Men's Club will be grilling hamburgers, hot dogs, and chicken. Sides and deserts will be potluck and there will be activities that everyone can enjoy! It is a time to be together, get to know one another better, and simply have fellowship with each other!

All of our blood families do this – yearly gatherings, weekly dinners, etc.... Our Spiritual Family does the same thing – weekly gatherings at Mass, monthly Parish Dinners, annual Picnics, etc.... These are opportunities to grow closer to each other and build community. We are never alone in our journey of faith. Rather, we walk with one another, support one another, and encourage one another in our discipleship of Jesus Christ. Eating together forges bonds of community and family. When we eat together, we become part of the family, part of someone's life. A Parish Picnic and our Parish Dinners are not just events on a calendar. They are opportunities to grow as a family of faith, as a community of disciples, and as St. James Parish.

I hope to see you all there!

THE MERCIFUL HEART OF THE FATHER

Each of the readings this weekend highlights the merciful heart of the Father and challenges us to develop that same heart. We can be a stiff-necked people. We can be a blasphemer and persecutor and sinner. We can be someone who runs away from God. No matter what we have done, no matter our attitude, no matter where we go, the Merciful Heart of the Father seeks us out, pines for us, loves us, and shows us mercy and forgiveness. That is who He is. Now, we have to become like Him. Our challenge is to love like He loves, show mercy like he shows mercy. Pray that our hearts might expand in love and mercy so that we have the heart of the Father.

MISSION APPEAL

The weekend of September 24-25, we will host a Pallottine Father who is a missionary bringing the Gospel and the Father's love to people all over the world through different missionary endeavors. Just a head's up so that we can be ready to open our hearts to our brothers and sisters in need.

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

~ Fr. Daniel Firmin

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! ADULT FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS BEGINS...

Wednesday, September 14th begins Adult Faith Series: Jesus, The Way, the Truth and the Life.

Who is Jesus, really? Just another holy man? Or God-made-flesh, the Savior of the world? Explore these questions and more with our Wednesday Adult Faith Formation series starting this week! Join us **September 14 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.** in the Mercy Conference Room for our series, "Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life." Filmed on location in the Holy Land, "Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life" is a new and fresh look at Jesus—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, and what he did for our salvation. This 10-week series is led by the clergy of St. James Parish; materials are \$10 per person. To sign up, go to https://www.stjamessav.com/forms/adult-faith-formation-ws2022/. Questions? Contact Sr. Stephanie at 912-600-2153 or srStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com.

Celebrate Catechetical Sunday, September 18

Please take a moment to pray for and thank all of the teachers and catechists of St. James Parish **next Sunday, September 18, as we mark Catechetical Sunday 2022.** Pope Francis notes: "Bishops, priests and deacons, together with many men and women in the consecrated life, devoted their lives to catechetical instruction so that the faith might be an effective support for the life of every human being. ... Nor can we forget the countless lay men and women who directly took part in the spread of the Gospel through catechetical instruction. ... In our own day too, many competent and dedicated catechists are community leaders in various parts of the world and carry out a mission invaluable for the transmission and growth of the faith." (Apostolic Letter "motu proprio" *Antiquum Ministerium, May 10, 2021*)

Women's Tuesday Morning Bible Study starts September 20

Life in the world today can be challenging. Busy schedules, family concerns, distractions, information overload. How do we cope with it all with a Christian attitude? All women are invited to join us on Tuesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. beginning September 20 in the Mercy Conference Room to see what wisdom the Letter of James can share with us for our lives today. This 11-week series is led by Sr. Stephanie Gabriel, IHM; materials are \$10 per person. To sign up, go to https://www.stjamessav.com/forms/adult-faith-formation-ws2022/. Questions? Contact Sr. Stephanie at 912-600-2153 or SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Please pray daily for our Priests, Seminarians & IHM Sisters

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

9/12 Monday

7:00 am + Mary Hagan, 1st Anniversary

8:30 am + Michael Francis Daly

** Francis Higgins, James Holloway Mike Ingram, Gordian Iwuji, John Johnson | Jacob Ali | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

9/13 Tuesday St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 7:11-17 1 Cor 5

7:00 am + Roland Bois 8:30 am + June McCombs

** Solomon Kaanan, Adam Kasela Michael Kavanaugh, Donal Keohane | Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew

9/14 Wednesday Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Ph 1 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

7:00 am + Nedra Wilkerson, 1st Anniversary

8:30 am + Stella Burns 5:30 pm + Gordon Powers

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

9/15 Thursday Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 2:33-35

7:00 am + Joan Carol, 1st Anniversary 8:30 am + Alejo Ana Montoya

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

9/16 Saints Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps; 17:1bcd, 6-7,8b & 15; Lk 8:1-3

7:00 am + Art McDougal

8:30 am Special Intention, Karen Dills

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

9/17 St. Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps; 56:10c-12, 13-14; LK 8:4-15

9:00 am Special Intention, Erich & Sandra Picchietti

5:00 pm + John Shallal, 1st Anniversary

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

9/18 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8;1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 or Lk 16:10-13

*7:30 am For the People

*9:00 am + Thomas McElveen, 1st Anniversary

11:30 am + Barry Kautz

** Patrick May, Allan McDonald, William McIntyre, Timothy McKeown | Kevin Braski | Megan Capurso

***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, Dennis Burns, Terry Pelli, Serene Ng, Paul Baldwin, Reba Murray, Pamela De Guzman, Robin Olson, John Basso, Ed & Lynne Carey, Bill Anderson, Sonny & Linda Harper, Marie Orvin, Steven Hoffbauer, Rafael & Mariela Sainz,

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.

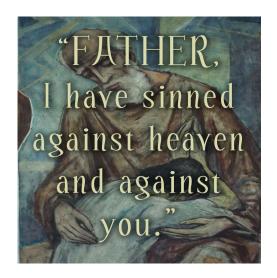
A PRAYER FOR THE DEAD

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 **A**men.

We pray for the repose of the souls of:

Mike Burns, Bob Judge, Peter Koch, Catherine Verwiel, Roger Sodora, James Cullina, and all our deceased family and friends.



St. James Happenings

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

9/12 Monday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

1:00-2:15pm Contemplative Prayer Group-Mercy Conf. Rm

6:00-8:00pm SJS VB Games -PC/gym

9/13 Tuesday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

8:00-10:00am H& S Meeting-Mercy Conference Rm 3:00-4:30pm SJS Cheerleading Practice-PC/gym

4:00-9:00pm SJS Parent Meeting-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

9/14 Wednesday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:30-11:00am Bible Study-Mercy Conference Rm 11:30-3:00pm SJS Individual Pictures-Mercy Conf. Rm

3:00-7:00pm SJS VB Practices-PC/gym

6:30-8:00pm Adult Faith Formation-Mercy Confer. Rm

6:30-8:00pm SJC Choir Practice-Church

9/15 Thursday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

5:00–7:00pm SJS VB Practices–PC/gym 5:00–4:00pm SJS Children's Rosary–Church 6:00–6:30pm Rosary for Healing–Church

7:00-8:00pm Parent/First Penance-FHC Mtg-Church

9/16 Friday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9/17 Saturday

8:30am Rosary-Church
3:45-4:45pm Confessions-Church

9/18 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:15-11:15am PREP-SJS

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

12:30-3:00pm St. James Picnic-McBride Field

4:00pm Holy Hour-Church

6:00-8:00pm High School Youth Ministry-Mercy Conf. Rm

PROMISE Protect



The VIRTUS Protecting God's Children training is required for all volunteers and employees in the Diocese of Savannah. Two sessions are scheduled at St. Anne Church in Richmond Hill: September 17th – 9:00am – 12:00pm. Seating is limited 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.



TODAY, 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.

CHURCH HUMOR & BULLETIN BLOOPERS

(taken from actual church bulletins)

Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community.

Next Sunday Mrs. Vinson will be soloist for the morning service. The pastor will then speak on "It's a Terrible Experience."

ST. JAMES CHURCH FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY NEWS

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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.

The Contemplative Prayer Group will resume weekly meetings on Monday, September 12 from 1-2:15pm in the Mercy Conference Room.

Grow in prayer and faith by praying, reading and sharing in a small group setting. Please join us!

For further information contact:

Nancy Kochanik at (912) 655-1201 or Camille Krolikowski at (912) 604-6859.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

August 28, 2022 2022/23 Weekly Goal **2022/23Fiscal YTD:**

\$29,917 \$28,181 \$267,015

(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-

Ministry: Charles Ancheta Please E-mail Charlie at Music <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."

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://tinyurl.com/STJAMESPREP. Payment may be made online at https://tinyurl.com/PREPfee2022 or by sending your payment to the church office.

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

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 <a href="https://hotards.com/hotardsf@gmail.com/hotardsf@

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@stjamessav.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

St James CCW Annual "2022 Christmas in August"

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

CCW have filled 236 Boxes of Joy for children in Catholic Orphanages.

We are so proud of our Parish Family.

Thank you! Margie Hotard and Josie Lee



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.

Our second meeting of the year will be held on Friday, October 14 (rather than our usual Wednesday meeting) at the Savannah Center for Blind and Low Vision at 741 Cornell Ave. (near Benedictine Military Academy) from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm and will include lunch. This is a special invitation, just for our group, to have the undivided attention of the staff of the center and four national vendors of specialty equipment to work with each individual as you try all that is offered. Because the center will be ours for the day, it is necessary to know now if you will attend in order to plan sufficient personnel and equipment as well as food. This day is an exceptional opportunity to explore and put hands on. There will be no pressure for purchase or commitment to programs. However, you may make purchases if you wish.

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

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

JOIN OUR Join us on Wednesdays, 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

Ouestions? Contact Ellen Pinckney e.pinck@comcast.net Rejoice in hope. be patient in tribulation, be constant in praver. Romans 12:12, ESV



That Man is You (TMIY), the Catholic Men's program, is back for a new year with brand new speakers and brand new content. Our 8th year! We start up again Wednesday, September 21 and will meet from 6:20 am - 7:30 am every Wednesday morning for the next 13 weeks in the gym. For men of all ages and life situations. All are welcome.

ABUSE HOTLINETo report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the PROTECT 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.

Sunday Bible Study



Bible STUDY The Sunday Bible Class will begin this year Join us! on Sunday September 18, 2022 from 10:15-11:15 AM in the Mercy Conference Noom. This year we will review *The Gos*pel 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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