



# SAINT JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

## General Parish Information

### Directory

Church Office: ..... 912-355-1523  
School Office: ..... 912-355-3132  
Early Learning Center: ..... 912-629-2430  
Convent: ..... 912-355-6815  
Email: ..... [general@stjamesav.com](mailto:general@stjamesav.com)  
Website: ..... [www.stjamesav.com](http://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. Lewis King.....*Parochial Vicar*  
Rev. Mr. Lou Santore.....*Deacon*  
Sr. Stephanie Gabriel, IHM.....*Dir. of Evangelization*  
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.stjameschargers.com](http://www.stjameschargers.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

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13, 2023



## 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

“O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”

*Matthew 14:31*

Saint Peter Attempting to Walk on Water  
by Francois Boucher, 1766  
© Diocesan

### St. James Church Parish Mission Statement

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

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

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

# REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



## St. James Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

*Catholic religious education  
for children in grades PreK through 8  
not enrolled in Catholic school.*

*Sacramental preparation  
in grades 1-2 and 7-8.*

*Catch-up classes also available  
for students missing sacraments.*

**Sundays**  
from 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.  
in St. James School

**Tuition:**  
\$65 for one child  
\$100 for two  
\$135 for three +

Small class sizes!  
Opportunities for  
family prayer!  
Seasonal  
celebrations!

To register and pay online, visit  
<https://tinyurl.com/PREP2324>.

Paper registration  
available in the Parish Office.

Formulario de inscripción en español  
disponible le en la oficina parroquial.

**Questions?**

Contact Sr. Stephanie Gabriel at  
[SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com](mailto:SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com)  
or 912-600-2153.

Register by  
Aug. 15  
to ensure  
a space!





## PASTOR'S CORNER

### 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### WELCOME BACK!

St. James Catholic School begins on Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>! Welcome back to our returning students and families, faculty and staff! We are looking forward to a great year in the classroom, on the playground, and on the courts and fields! Welcome to our new teachers and students who will be joining our St. James family for the first time! We are so glad you are here with us and join us in the magnificent things the Lord is doing here in our school! You will each be a blessing to our community!

Our school has been helping parents form their children into disciples of Jesus Christ and members of the community since 1956 and we continue this tradition into this 2023 – 2024 school year. The Sister Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary have been serving here from the beginning and we look forward to another year with them! Thank you for your beautiful example to our community.

Benedictine and St. Vincent Academy have begun and the Cadets and Saints are fully into their 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> weeks, respectively. We are praying for our St. James young men and women as they begin their year! For all of our college students, our prayers are with you as well as you begin your Fall Semesters here in Savannah and beyond! Know that you are always part of our St. James family!

#### THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, is a Holy Day of Obligation as we celebrate the Assumption of our Blessed Mother Mary into heaven body and soul. Our masses will be at 7:00 AM, 8:30 AM, and 5:30 PM. I look forward to seeing you there to celebrate our Mother Mary and all the Almighty God did for, in, and through her! Come celebrate our Mother!

Please pray for our beloved returning students, families, faculty, and staff!

May you and your families have a wonderful week and may the blessings of Almighty God be showered upon you!

~ Fr. Daniel Firmin

## SAVE THE DATE

Fall Adult Faith Formation Opportunities



SEPT 18

Contemplative Prayer Group  
Mondays 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Women's Bible Study  
Mondays 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

SEPT 20

Bible Study  
Wednesdays 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.  
Adult Faith Series  
Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

That Man  
Is You  
Wednesdays  
6 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.

SEPT 28

Raising Saints: Catholic Parenting Series  
4th Thursdays 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

OCT 5

Boot Camp for "Bad Catholics"  
1st Thursdays 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Look for more details at September's Stewardship Sunday!

#### Also Coming This Fall

Beginning Oct. 1:  
Coffee & Conversation w/Clergy -- Sundays after 9 a.m. Mass

Start TBA:  
Women's Fellowship Groups -- Now forming; meeting times & locations vary

#### MORE INFORMATION

Sr. Stephanie Gabriel, IHM  
SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com  
912-600-2153



VIRTUS  
Training



[diosav.org/how-do-i/register-for-virtus-training](https://diosav.org/how-do-i/register-for-virtus-training)

August 30th

St. James  
Catholic  
Church

5:30pm - 8:30pm

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

**\*\*Please pray daily for our Priests, Seminarians & IHM Sisters**

### 8/13 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9,10,11-12,13-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

7:30 am + Ana Tobon ~ Fr. Firmin

9:00 am + Aaron Peck ~ Fr. Peter

11:30 am For the People ~ Fr. King

*\*\*Solomon Kaanan, Adam Kasela Michael Kavanaugh, Donal Keohane  
| Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso*

### 8/14 Monday St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

7:00 am + Louis J. Santore ~ Fr. King

8:30 am + James Cullina, 1st Anniversary ~ Fr. Peter

*\*\*Mike Kerin, Inshik Kim, Lewis King, David Klecker, Vernon Knight,  
David Koetter | Ziemowit Janaszek | Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew*

### 8/15 Tuesday The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

7:00 am + Sr. Marie Mount ~ Fr. King

8:30 am + Ali Kassamali ~ Fr. Peter

9:30 am (School) Fr. Firmin

5:30 pm Special Intention, Patrick Lynch ~ Fr. Peter

*\*\*Xavier Kumbalaparampil, Dawid Kwiatkowski, Brian LaBurt,  
Peter Lanshima | Jared Miller | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill*

### 8/16 Wednesday St. Stephen of Hungary

Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3a, 5 & 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20

7:00 am + Rita DeLorme ~ Fr. Peter

8:30 am + Joyce O'Keefe ~ Fr. King

5:30 pm Special Intention, Setona Page ~ Fr. Firmin

*\*\*Andrew Larkin, William Leahy, Raymond Levreault, Michael Lubinsky  
| Noah Pace | Sr. Jennifer Maria O'Neill*

### 8/17 Thursday

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 18:21 - 19:1

7:00 am + David Koscoik ~ Fr. Firmin

8:30 am Special Intention, Fr. Daniel Firmin ~ Fr. King

*\*\*Louis Lussier John Lyons, John R. Madden, Esteban Mallar,  
Nicholas Mansell | Fred Williams | Sr. Rachael Elizabeth Wilson*

### 8/18 Friday

Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 & 24; Mt 19:3-12

7:00 am + Jean Jones ~ Fr. Peter

8:30 am Special Intention, Teresa Kassameli ~ Fr. Firmin

*\*\*John Markham, Patrick May, Allan McDonald, William McIntyre  
| Benjamin Aler | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill*

### 8/19 Saturday

Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a & 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15

9:00 am Special Intention, Fr. Lewis King ~ Fr. King

5:00 pm Special Intention, Gloria Duckworth ~ Fr. Firmin

*\*\*Timothy McKeown, Daniel Melaba, Pablo Migone, Richard Minch  
| Christian Corulli | Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso*

### 8/20 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

7:30 am + Kay Blanton ~ Fr. Peter

\*9:00 am + Amy Speir ~ Fr. Firmin

\*11:30 am For the People ~ Fr. King

*\*\*Thomas Murphy, Thomas Nellis, Kim Son Nguyen, Martino Nguyen  
| Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew*

## A PRAYER FOR THE SICK

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

~ Through Christ our Lord. ~ Amen.

### We pray for the sick of our Parish Community:

Fr. Daniel Firmin, Phin Michael, Miles Nguyen, Paul Baldwin, Gloria Cirincione, Mimi Nettles, Brian DeRouen, Marjorie Waters, Vincent DeNitto, Charles DuPlay, Kelley Pinckney Weston, Robin Olson, Pamela De Guzman, Marie Orvin, Hazel & David Shockley, 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:

Sr. Carmela, Steven MacAulay, Amy Speir, Simon Bauer, Geneva Alexander, Madeline Cetti, Justin Smith, Charles Osonitsch, and all our deceased family and friends.



**\*On Sunday, August 13th the Nursery will be cancelled due to the Early Learning Center Open House from 10:15 am - 11:00 am.**

## St. James Weekly Calendar

**8/13 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today's 2nd Collection is for Latin America

10:15am Baptism-Church-Fr. Firmin

12:45pm Baptism-Church-Fr. Firmin

4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour-Church

*Please join us for the Rosary for Fr. Firmin and his continued healing daily after the 8:30am Mass in the Cry Room.*

**8/14 Monday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Rosary-Cry Room

9:30-11:00am Right for Life Mtg-Cry Room

3:00-6:30pm SJS VB Practice-PC/gym

12:00-5:00pm SJS Setup-Mercy Conf. Rm

**8/15 Tuesday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Rosary-Cry Room

**NO Prolife Holy Hour or Confessions**

6:30-8:00pm Parish Council Mtg-Mercy Conf. Rm

**8/16 Wednesday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Rosary-Cry Room

3:00-8:00pm SJS VB /Cheer Practice-PC/gym

6:15-8:00pm Adult Choir - Mercy Conference Rm

**8/17 Thursday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Rosary-Cry Room

3:00-8:00pm SJS VB Practice-PC/gym

7:00-9:00pm Cursillo Reunion-Mercy Conference Rm

**8/18 Friday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Rosary-Cry Room

3:00pm Setup Vietnamese Community Mtg-PC/gym

**8/19 Saturday**

8:30am Rosary-Church

10:00-11:30am SJS Food Pantry-SJS Cafeteria

3:45-4:45pm Confessions-Church

6:00-11:00pm Vietnamese Community Presentation-PC/gym

**8/20 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00-5:00pm Holy Hour-Church

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

### Offertory for Sunday

August 6, 2023

\$26,549.36

### YTD Offertory: July 1st through August 6

2022 Actual \$148,432.74

2023 Budget \$148,649.74

2023 Actual \$152,064.71

(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** Visit our parish website at [www.stjamesav.com](http://www.stjamesav.com) and selecting the *Online Giving* link. If you have any questions please contact Mark Kolbush at 912-355-1523 or email: [Mkolbush@stjamesav.com](mailto:Mkolbush@stjamesav.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 Day 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 parishioner status for: Sponsorship, participation in sacraments, education, pastoral and social ministries, and Catholic School verification.

### WOMEN'S RETREAT

*Filling Your Life with God's Love*

Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist

Regina Coeli Hall, 222 East Harris St., Savannah GA

August 19, 2023

9am to 5pm

REGISTER ONLINE:

[www.savannahcathedral.org/news](http://www.savannahcathedral.org/news)

Cost \$40

Includes light breakfast & lunch



For questions or more information email: [cathedralccw@gmail.com](mailto:cathedralccw@gmail.com)



Spend the day in fellowship with other women experiencing different approaches to prayer, meditation, contemplation, and small group sharing.

Led by Catholic author, Carl McColman

## St. Maximilian Kolbe Drive for assistance with the St. James Prison Ministry



**Next weekend**, a member of the St. James Prison Ministry will update us after each Mass. Through your support, the spirituality outreach for the St James Prison Ministry expanded over this last year. The "pilot" on-site classroom series was completed at the Georgia Coastal State Prison (CSP). We distributed Catholic Bibles, rosaries, religious books, and prayer pamphlets. We supplied basic hygiene products and non-RX reading glasses to those in need. In May, of this year, our prayer group initiated a rosary prayer service at St. James held on the first Friday of each month praying for all impacted by incarceration.

Please continue your assistance is in the form of time, talent, and funds. Your time and talent are needed to attend CSP on-site services, to provide content for the developing prayer pamphlet series, and to participate in the monthly rosary service for the community impacted by incarceration. Funds are needed to refresh the spiritual and educational resources, hygiene products, and reading glasses. We are prayerful and grateful for the talent and funds supporting this ministry.





# **THIS WEEK AT** **SAINT JAMES** CATHOLIC SCHOOL



**We are excited to see you  
at the first day of school on  
Monday, August 14!**

St. James Catholic School is blessed to have wonderful Faculty & Staff members! This year we are excited to welcome new teachers and classroom aides! Please join us in welcoming:

ShaKeena Harris - ELC 1 Aide

Anne Marie Whiddon - ELC 2 Teacher

Halee Phillips - Pre-K Teacher

Lisa Plickebaum - 1st Grade Teacher

Jordan Humphrey - 1st Grade Aide

Gabrielle McCrary - 4th Grade Teacher

Lindsey Hawk - 5th Grade Teacher

Victoria Hammond - 6th Grade Teacher

Shannon Quinn - 6th Grade Teacher

Rebecca Faucette - 7th Grade Teacher

SEPTEMBER  
**22**  
2023



# SAINT JAMES CHARGER

CLASSIC

The Landings Golf Club  
Skidaway Island

Marshwood and Magnolia Golf Courses  
1:30 p.m. Shotgun Start



To Benefit the Saint James Athletic Association

Contact info: [sjaa@sjcs-savannahga.org](mailto:sjaa@sjcs-savannahga.org)



## THE VISITING FATIMA ROSARY

This month the visiting Fatima Rosary will be at St. Michael's at Typbee on Sunday, August 13, after the 11 AM Mass beginning at 12 PM. Some people will go to lunch afterwards.



## Cursillo Reunion!

To all who have ever made a Cursillo weekend, join us for a reunion in the St. James Conference Room on Thursday, August 17 at 7:00 p.m.!

Get reacquainted with fellow Cursillistas and meet the diocese's new Cursillo Spiritual Director, Deacon Henry Nieves!

- Refreshments will be provided -

RSVPs are encouraged but not required!  
Please contact Sally Arman at  
(912) 598-2177 or [sallyarman@comcast.net](mailto:sallyarman@comcast.net)

# Catechists Urgently Needed!

St. James Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) needs catechists (teachers) and aides for 2023-24.

Openings for **grades 6 and 8** as well as others.  
Also needed: RCIC, special needs, & catch-up classes.  
Sundays 10:15 a.m. to 11:15.

Training, mentoring and all materials are provided.

**Please prayerfully consider volunteering or encouraging someone to volunteer today!**

Questions?  
Contact Sr. Stephanie at  
[srstephaniegabriel@stjamesav.com](mailto:srstephaniegabriel@stjamesav.com)  
or 912-600-2153.

To volunteer, visit  
[tinyurl.com/2023-2024PREPVOLUNTEER](http://tinyurl.com/2023-2024PREPVOLUNTEER)

## What are you looking for? Come and see.

(Jn. 1:38-39)

### Inquire about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).

RCIA is for those who are not baptized, or those who have been baptized in another Christian tradition who are interested in becoming Catholic Christians.

#### Save the Date

Inquiry sessions  
Sept. 10 and 12, 2023  
1-hour informal gathering  
with program overview, church tour and Q&A

For more information,  
visit [www.StJamesSav.com](http://www.StJamesSav.com), click on Forms  
and complete RCIA: New Candidate Form.

Questions? Contact Sr. Stephanie Gabriel at  
[SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com](mailto:SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com)  
or 912-600-2153.

- DO YOU:
- ENJOY MEETING NEW PEOPLE?
  - HAVE A HEART FOR WELCOMING PEOPLE NEW TO THE COMMUNITY?
  - WANT TO HELP PEOPLE FEEL AT HOME?

## WANTED



### Welcome Ministry Volunteers

ST. JAMES SEEKS INDIVIDUALS WILLING TO CONNECT WITH NEW PARISHIONERS AND:

- Answer questions
- Invite them to parish events
- Connect them with our parish
- Welcome them to St. James!

Interested? Contact Sr. Stephanie Gabriel at  
[SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com](mailto:SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com) or 912-600-2153.





## Council of Catholic Women

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

Monday, August 28th at 6:30pm for our  
FREE Welcome Back Luau Dinner  
Join us for fellowship and food!  
More information to follow!!!



### KNITTERS, CROCHETERS, AND QUILTERS !!

CCW makes lap blankets, shawls and hats for cancer patients, home-bound, nursing home and others in need. Please contact the church office for more information.

If you know someone in need please alert a CCW member or the parish office. Yarn and knitting needles or crochet hooks can be provided, as well as instructions. Lap blankets (36"-40" square or rectangle) and shawls cannot have fringe (due to wheelchairs/ electronic chairs).

**Donations** of yarn, knitting needles, crochet hooks, quilting fabric, etc., are appreciated. Please leave at the church office.

## RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

October 20-22, 2023 | Near Augusta, GA

Do you or someone you know have emotional, spiritual or psychological pain due to a past abortion? If so, there is a ministry just for you. At a Rachel's Vineyard Ministry retreat you can find help, hope, and healing through their post-abortion weekends.

### For more information:

912-306-0406 | rachelsvineyard.org  
stephaniemay135@gmail.com

**Complete confidentiality will be honored at all times. Take the risk and find the peace and healing you have been searching for.**



### ST. GIANNA RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

Purpose of Committee: **"To come together as a parish where life is respected, protected and defended from conception to natural death"**

Among the many topics are Assisted Suicide, Human Trafficking, Chemical Abortions, and Gender Identity.

**First meeting held at 9:45 Aug. 21 in the Crying Room.**

Please join us and see if this may be a ministry you would like to be a part of.

**For questions** and/or more information please contact Linda Sanchez at 912/658-6917



## St. James Church Food Pantry Ministry News

Our next food pantry distribution will be **August 19** from 10:00 am – 11:30 am in the school cafeteria. For more information, please call

the Food Pantry line at 912-800-9006.

If you would like to volunteer, please call the church office at 912-355-1523. **We CANNOT accept any items in glass containers or that have expired.**

### **St. James Food Pantry in Urgent Need of Items to Restock the Shelves.**

Oatmeal	Breakfast bars
Canned chicken	Breakfast cereal
Tuna fish	Canned fruits
Jelly & Peanut butter	Kleenex
Dry macaroni	Toilet paper
Spaghetti sauce	Low sodium soups & Veg

### ADDITIONAL ITEMS ALWAYS NEEDED

Pancake mix	Canned pork & beans
Shelf stable milk	Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
Laundry detergent	

Shelf stable complete meals: Beef stew, or chunky soups (preferably cans with pull tops), healthy snacks including nuts, granola bars.



Savannah Care Center is in need of **Newborn and #1**

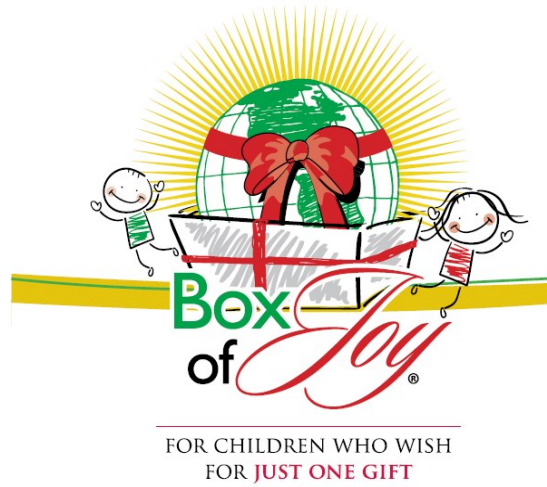
**diapers.** You can place your donations in the box provided in Narthex or you may drop off at Savannah Care Center 105 E. 34th. St.



### **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.**





## CCW OF ST. JAMES ANNUAL CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST

**St. James will be participating again this year in Box of Joy for children who live in poor countries by filling boxes with toys and other gifts. We can spread Christmas joy and the story of Christmas with children worldwide. Last year we filled 236 boxes and this year our goal is 250 boxes. Donations accepted now though September 1.**

Here's what you need to do to bring a smile to a child's face this Christmas: Personally shop for gift items from the list below to fill a shoebox-sized container. Place items in a plastic bag marked with the age of the boy or girl. Put the items in the box in the Narthex marked Box of Joy. Include a \$9.00 check payable to St. James Church for each box to cover the cost of shipping. Please include Box of Joy in the memo line.

The other option is for CCW to make a box for you with your donation of \$29.00 for the gifts and shipping. You may make this donation online noting that it is for Box of Joy, mailing or dropping off a check at the church office or dropping it in the offering basket at Mass. Checks should be payable St. James Church with Box of Joy in the memo box.

You may also include a personal note for the child and for families there is children's handout that they can color and complete for a child (available in the Narthex).

### GIFT SUGGESTIONS

**TOYS** Small plush animals, cars, ball, jump rope, yo-yo, craft kits, mini board games etc.

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES** Pencils, colored pencils, pens, crayons, markers, erasers, sharpeners, pencil case, ruler, notepad, safety scissors, coloring books, stickers etc.

**APPAREL** Socks, shorts, tee shirts, flip flops, hats, bandanas, dresses, underwear etc.

**NECESSITIES** Comb, brush, bar soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, hand wipes, lip balm, bandages, manicure kit, cup or bottle with a lid etc.

**ACCESSORIES** Barrettes, headband, children's jewelry, small purse, rosary, cross etc.

**HARD CANDY and GUM** No chocolate or Jolly Ranchers.

**USEFUL ITEMS:** Sewing Kit, Utensils, Compass

**PLEASE DO NOT PACK:** Toy Weapons • Knives, Tools • Military-Style Toys • Bottled Glass, Breakable Objects • Food, Beverages • Cash, Checks Medicine Vitamins, Bubbles • Gels (Hand Sanitizer, Etc.) • Vaseline • Lotions • Battery Flashlights • Liquid Paints or Glues.

For more information please contact Denise Mielnicki at DAM1945FHL@gmail.com





## St. James CCW

Fellowship Through Faith and Good Works

- Are you a Catholic Woman?
- Are you a parishioner at St. James?
- Surprise! You're already a member of the St. James Council of Catholic Women.

Please join us at our **FREE** welcome back Luau dinner on Monday, August 28th at 6:30 in the Mercy Conference Room for a night of food, fellowship, and information about **YOUR CCW!**

Please, Please, Please! RSVP by 08/21/2023 to [ang0923@gmail.com](mailto:ang0923@gmail.com) or fill out the form below and place it in the basket labeled CCW in the narthex or in the church office.



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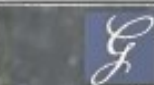
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