St. James Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) Calendar 2023-24					
<u>Date</u>	Day of Week		Revised 9/11/2023		
Sept. 24	Sunday	First Day of PREP Classes; General Parent Meeting			
Oct. 1	Sunday	Regular PREP Class			
Oct. 8		NO PREP (Columbus Day)			
Oct. 15	Sunday	Family Open House: Living Rosary followed by Regular PREP Class	Families are encouraged to join us for the Living Rosary, and then join your child in their classroom for the remainder of the class		
Oct. 22	Sunday	Regular PREP Class; Safe Environment Lessons taught	Students opting out of the Safe Environment lesson are still expected to attend PREP for an enrichment lesson		
Oct. 29	Sunday	Regular PREP Class			
Nov. 5	Sunday	Regular PREP Class			
Nov. 12	Sunday	Regular PREP Class			
Nov. 19		NO PREP (Thanksgiving Holiday)			
Nov. 26	Sunday	Family Open House: Advent Reconciliation, followed by Regular PREP Class	Families are encouraged to join us for the Sacrament of Confession, and then join your child in their classroom for the remainder of the class		
Dec. 3	Sunday	Regular PREP Class			
Dec. 10	Sunday	Regular PREP Class			
Dec. 14	Thursday	First Reconciliation at 6:30 p.m. in Church	All 2nd graders and older students catching up on sacraments		
Dec. 17	Sunday	Family Open House: Advent Prayer Service	Families are invited to join us for an Advent Prayer Service		
Dec. 24		NO PREP (Christmas Holiday)			
Dec. 31		NO PREP (Christmas Holiday)			
Jan. 7	Sunday	Family Open House: Epiphany Party and General Parent Meeting	Families are encouraged to join us for an Epiphany Party followed by a General Parent Meeting		
Jan. 14		NO PREP (MLK Holiday)			
Jan 21	Sunday	Regular PREP Class			
Jan 28	Sunday	Family Open House: Eucharistic Adoration	Families are encouraged to join us for a Eucharistic Holy Hour in Church.		
Feb. 4	Sunday	Regular PREP Class			
Feb. 11	Sunday	Regular PREP Class			
February	TBD	Confirmation Retreat	Mandatory for students preparing for Confirmation.		
Feb. 18		NO PREP (President's Day)			
Feb. 25	Sunday	Family Open House: Lent Reconciliation followed by Regular PREP Class	Families are encouraged to join us for the Sacrament of Confession, and then join your child in their classroom for the remainder of the class		
March 3	Sunday	Regular PREP Class	NOTE: Confirmation students expected to attend rehearsal at 12:45 p.m. Meet in the cafeteria		
March 6	Wednesday	Confirmation at 6 p.m. in Church	For all 8th grade students		
March 10	Sunday	Family Open House: Stations of the Cross followed by Regular PREP Class	Families are encouraed to join us for the Stations of the Cross, and then join your child in their classroom for the remainder of class.		
March 17		NO PREP (St. Patrick's Day)			
March 24		NO PREP (Palm Sunday & Holy Week)	Families are strongly encouraged to attend Mass on Palm Sunday and consider attending some of the Easter Triduum (Thursday to Saturday).		

March 31		NO PREP (Easter Break)	
April 7	Sunday	Family Open House: Easter Party, followed by Regular PREP Class	Families are encouraged to join us for an Easter Party, and then join your child in their classroom for the remainder of class
April 14	Sunday	Regular PREP Class	
April 21	Sunday	Regular PREP Class	
April 28	Sunday	Regular PREP Class	
May 3	Friday	First Communion Retreat from 8:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at St. James School	All 2nd graders and older students catching up on sacraments
May 4	Saturday	First Communion at 10:30 a.m. in Church	All 2nd graders and older students catching up on sacraments
May 5	Sunday	Regular PREP Class	
May 12	Sunday	Last Day of PREP 9 a.m. Mass & May Crowning in Church	Families are invited to join us for the 9 a.m. Mass as our students honor our Blessed Mother and celebrate the end of the PREP year