



# 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

## Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 8, 2023



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

"The kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given  
to a people that will produce its fruit."

*Matthew 21:43*

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### 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)



SAINT JAMES  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH DINNER  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18TH  
6:00 PM IN THE PARISH CENTER



All are invited to join us for dinner to celebrate the  
Feast of St. Luke, patron of physicians & surgeons!

We especially encourage our parishioners who  
work in the medical field to attend!

Dinner is \$12 per person, and children  
ages 5 and under eat free!

Parish Dinner - October 18, 2023 - Please RSVP by October 11!

\$12 per person - Kids 5 & under free!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

How Many Attending? \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Will you bring a side dish or dessert? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you able to help set up/serve/clean up? \_\_\_\_\_

Scan here to  
RSVP Online!







# MIGRANT FARMWORKER COLLECTION

During the month of **October** we will be collecting personal clothing and food items to help the Migrant Farmworkers.

Please donate only the items on this list.

We are **unable** to accept any **glass or porcelain** items.

## FOOD:

Maseca (corn flour to make tortillas)  
Rice  
Oil  
Pasta  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Canned Beans  
Canned Tomatoes

Canned Jalapenos  
Cereal  
Canned Tuna & Chicken  
Peanut Butter & Jelly (plastic jars)  
Oatmeal  
Tomato Sauce  
Powdered Electrolyte Packets



## Most Needed Items:

Fungus Cream  
Sunscreen

Safety Glasses  
Fans

Rubber Gloves  
Long Socks

Microwaves  
Boots/Work Shoes  
Straw Hats/Hats with Neck Shade

## CLOTHES: clothing for men only (women and children's clothing are not needed)

*\*Only items that are wash and wear are accepted. Please do not donate suits, silk or dress shoes*

Sweaters and Coats (any size)  
Button Up Shirts  
T- Shirts-(sizes S-M-L)  
Underwear (new)

Tennis Shoes  
Long Sleeved Shirts (most needed)  
Flip Fops (for showering)  
Jeans & Pants (size 32-34-36)



## PERSONAL SUPPLIES:

Soap  
Toothbrushes & Paste  
Shampoos  
Blankets  
Towels  
Combs

Deodorant  
Water Bottles  
Flip Flops  
Sheets  
Hats/Caps  
Sunglasses

Razors/Shaving Cream  
Book Bags/Suit Cases  
Pony Tail Holders  
Combs  
Pony Tail Holders  
Bandanas



## PASTOR'S CORNER

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

#### ANNUAL DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH PRIESTS' RETREAT

Monday through Friday this week, Fr. King and I will be at Marywood Retreat Center south of Jacksonville on the St. John's River to attend the Annual Diocese of Savannah Priests' Retreat. All the priests serving in the Diocese will be present for times of prayer, discussion, and fraternity. There will be a retreat master who will lead us in renewing our priestly zeal and deepening our relationship with Jesus so that we can be the good and holy priests that you, the holy and beautiful people of God need us to be. We are here to serve those entrusted to our care and the annual retreat gives us the encouragement and energy we need with our brothers to accomplish it to the best of our abilities.

Last year, I couldn't attend because of the chemotherapy I was taking. So, I am really looking forward to being there! The prayer, the fraternity, the bourbon and cigars on the pier all do wonders for me! Please keep all of us in your prayers this week. As we go on retreat, you will be in our prayers also. Daily you are in our prayers and especially while we are on retreat, you fill our prayer and our thoughts.

Have a great week! We will see y'all on Friday!

~ Fr. Daniel Firmin

#### A Prayer for Peace

Lord Jesus Christ,  
You are the true King of peace.  
In You alone is found freedom.  
Please free our world from conflict.  
Bring unity to troubled nations.  
Let Your glorious peace reign in every heart.  
Dispel all darkness and evil.  
Protect the dignity of every human life.  
Replace hatred with Your love.  
Give wisdom to world leaders.  
Free them from selfish ambition.  
Eliminate all violence and war.  
Glorious Virgin Mary,  
Saint Michael the Archangel,  
Every angel and saint:  
Please pray for peace.  
Pray for unity amongst nations.  
Pray for unity amongst all people.  
Pray for the most vulnerable.  
Pray for those suffering.  
Pray for the fearful.  
Pray for those most in need.  
Pray for us all.  
Jesus, Son of the Living God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, hear our prayers.  
Jesus, I trust in You!  
Amen.  
*By My Catholic Life! Inc.*

#### A Prayer for Parishioners

Almighty God,  
My parish family is composed of people like me,  
I help make it what it is.  
It will be friendly, if I am.  
Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.  
It will do great work, if I work.  
It will make generous gifts to many causes,  
if I am a generous giver.  
It will bring other people into its worship  
and fellowship, if I invite and bring them.  
It will be a parish family of loyalty and love,  
of fearlessness and Faith,  
and a parish with a noble spirit,  
if I—who make it what it is—am filled  
with these same qualities.  
Therefore, with the help of God, I will dedicate  
myself to the task of being all the things that I want  
my parish family to be.  
Bless my journey, Lord God, that I might build the  
Church through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**



**Start each day off right!** Receive brief reflections from the Diary of St. Faustina every morning. Sign-up at [TheDivineMercy.org/dmdsignup](http://TheDivineMercy.org/dmdsignup)

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

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

**10/8 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

7:30 am For the People ~ Fr. Firmin  
\*9:00 am + Thomas Ruiz, Jr. ~ Fr. King  
\*11:30 am Special Intention, Sophia Picchietta ~ Bishop Boland

*\*\*Benjamin Dallas, Matthew Ericksen, Rafael Estrada, Romanus Ezeugwu  
| Benjamin Aler | Sr. Joan O'Reilly*

**10/9 Monday St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs  
& St. John Leonardi, Priest**

Jon 1:1-2:1-2, 11; Jonah 2:3, 4, 5, 8; Lk 10:25-37

7:00 am + Justin Smith ~ Fr. King  
8:30 am + Justin Smith ~ Fr. Smith

*\*\*Eric Filmer, Daniel Firmin, Luis Fonseca, Mariusz Fuks, Ronald Gatman  
| Christian Corulli | Sr. Catherine McElroy*

**10/10 Tuesday**

Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42

7:00 am + Les Haddad, 1st Anniversary  
8:30 am Special Intention, Priya & Daniel Thomas ~ Fr. Smith

*\*\*Stephen Giorno, George Gonzalez, Alfonso Gutierrez, Richard Hart  
| Sr. Virginia Scirocco*

**10/11 Wednesday**

Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4

7:00 am + Sr. Ann Immaculata Gallagher  
8:30 am + Amy Speir ~ Fr. Smith  
5:30 pm + Ernest Dodd, Jr.

*\*\*Christopher Hassel, Thomas Healy, John Paul Heiser, Francis Higgins  
| Sr. Amanda Marie Russell*

**10/12 Thursday**

Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Lk 11:5-13

7:00 am + Sr. Janice Mary Sobczak  
8:30 am + Linda Broderick ~ Fr. Smith

*\*\*James Holloway, Mike Ingram, Gordian Iwuji, John Johnson  
| Deacon Francisco Gamboa | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill*

**10/13 Friday**

Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6 & 16; 8-9; Lk 11:15-26

7:00 am + Sr. Dalia Flores Armestar  
8:30 am + Brian White ~ Fr. Smith

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

**10/14 Saturday St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr**

Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28

9:00 am + Mary Russell O'Brien ~ Fr. King  
5:00 pm + Thomas J. Hipp ~ Fr. Firmin

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

**10/15 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14

7:30 am For the People ~ Fr. King  
\*9:00 am + Clara Mae Curry ~ Fr. Firmin  
\*11:30 am Special Intention, Emilia Picchietta ~ Fr. King

*\*\*Xavier Kumbalaparampil, Dawid Kwiatkowski, Brian LaBurt,  
Peter Lanshima | Jared Miller | Samantha Rintoul*

## 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, Josie Lee, Paul Baldwin, David Shockley, Margie Waters, Nick Turchiano, Brian DeRouen, Gloria Cirincione, Margie O'Keeffe, Robin Olson, Kelley Weston, Pamela De Guzman, John Tumino, 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:

Marie Orvin, Angela Tuggle Fountain, Barbara Duran, Rick Shay, Sean Ryan, Doris Banyard, Vera Daly, and all our deceased family and friends.



***Welcome to our new member:***

*Jim & Denise Alexander*

*Joshua & Victoria Hammond & Family*

*King & Kimmy Mallillin & Family*

**\*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 #2.

## St. James Weekly Calendar

**10/8 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**2nd Collection is for Southern Cross Subscription Drive**  
 8:15-11:30am SJS Choir-Mercy Conference Rm  
**NO PREP**

10:15am Baptism-Church-Fr. Firmin

12:15pm Baptism-IOH-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*

**10/9 Monday**

**Columbus Day!**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Rosary-Cry Room

1:00-2:30pm Contemplative Prayer Group-Mercy Conf. Rm

3:00-9:00pm SJS V Volleyball-PC/gym

6:30-8:00pm Women's Bible Study-Mercy Conference Rm

**10/10 Tuesday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Rosary-Cry Room

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

5:00-6:00pm Prolife Holy Hour -Church

5:00-6:00pm Confessions -Church

6:30-8:00pm RCIA-Mercy Conference Rm

**10/11 Wednesday**

6:20-7:30am TMIY-PC/gym

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Rosary-Cry Room

9:30-11:00am Bible Study-Mercy Conference Rm

3:00-9:00pm SJS Volleyball-PC/gym

6:15-8:00pm Adult Choir - Church

6:30-8:00pm Adult Faith Series-Mercy Conference Rm

6:30-8:00pm KOC Meeting-Cry Room

**10/12 Thursday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Rosary-Cry Room

10:00-11:30am Women's Fellowship 50+ Group-MCR

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

3:00-4:00pm SJS Children's Rosary-Church

4:00-8:00pm SJS Grace Event

**10/13 Friday**

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Rosary-Cry Room

1:00pm SJS Living Rosary

**10/14 Saturday**

8:30am Rosary-Church

9:00am-1:00pm Catechist Fall Retreat

9:30am-12:30pm SJS VB -PC/gym

3:45-4:45pm Confessions-Church

**10/15 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30-11:30 SJC Choir-Mercy Conference Rm

10:15-11:15am PREP

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

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

### Offertory for Sunday

September 24, 2023

\$20,974.75

### YTD Offertory: July 1st through September 24

2022 Actual

\$321,191.05

2023 Budget

\$330,873.68

2023 Actual

\$333,551.30

(Fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30)

### 2nd Collection Mission Co-op

\$8,048.00

### ACA Progress Report as of September 28, 2023

Total Given: \$158,907.09

ACA Parish Goal: \$121,734.00

% Participation: 23.99

**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)

### MASS LIVE STREAMED - 9:00 a.m.

**Like us on Facebook for access:**

<https://www.facebook.com/stjamesavcatholicchurch/>

For your relatives and neighbors who don't have Facebook, tell them they can go right to our website at <https://www.stjamesav.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 church office.





## Council of Catholic Women

**To support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service.**

**KNITTERS, CROCHETERS, AND QUILTERS !!** CCW makes lap blankets, shawls and hats for cancer patients, the home-bound, nursing homes 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.**



## St. James Church

### Food Pantry Ministry News

Our next food pantry distribution will be **October 21** 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.

## VIRTUS Training

### REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

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



### LIST OF UPCOMING SESSIONS

[virtusonline.org/virtus/reg\\_list.cfm?theme=0](https://virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list.cfm?theme=0)  
Select "Savannah, GA (Diocese)"

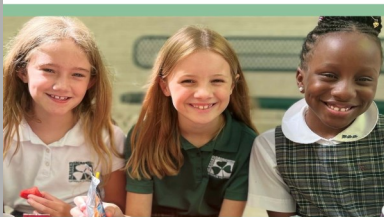


**ABUSE HOTLINE** To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline at 888-357-5330 or the Office for Protection of Children & Young people at 912-201-4073.

To read the policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to

[www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection](https://www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection).

**Don't miss out on your tax credit opportunity!**  
**Register Early!**



**2024 Registration is Open Now!**

visit [www.gracescholars.org](https://www.gracescholars.org)



**Thank you for your support of GRACE Scholars!**

## CONCERT...

We are blessed to have Mikki Sodergren sing again with our 9 A.M. choir.

Mikki was a cantor here last year before moving back to New York when the Metropolitan Opera asked her to be a full-time chorus member. Mikki is also the Executive and Artistic Director of the American Traditions Vocal Collection, a local nonprofit that preserves, performs and celebrates all styles of American music. **Mikki will give a full concert with our Music Director, Charles Ancheta, on Sunday, October 15 in the Landings.** Please visit [www.atcsavannah.org](https://www.atcsavannah.org) for more details.

## FORMED.ORG

A revolutionary online platform featuring some of the best Catholic videos, audio talks, eBooks and

movies. This is a wonderful resource for personal faith formation. To sign up **FREE** visit [formed.org](https://formed.org) and click on "sign up" and then click "Sign up as a parishioner" then enter Parish Code: **NHNFN2** or **St. James Savannah**. Enter your email and create a password (You will use this to login later). You can get Formed on your phone, tablet, Roku, Amazon Firestick, AppleTV. Enjoy!



# WOMEN'S MINISTRY 50+

OPEN TO ALL  
WOMEN 50+

JOIN US FOR  
FELLOWSHIP,  
PRAYER &  
REFLECTION

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12  
10 A.M. ~ MERCY CONFERENCE ROOM

Sign up online at  
[www.stjamesav.com/adult-faith-formation/](http://www.stjamesav.com/adult-faith-formation/)  
Questions? Linda Stroyne | 602-524-9570

## Parish Religious Education Program

**(PREP) News!** There are no PREP classes this Sunday, October 8 due to fall break/Columbus Day holiday. Classes will resume on Sunday, October 15.

St. James PREP students invite their families to join them to pray a **Living Rosary on Sunday, October 15 at 10:15 a.m.** in the St. James School cafeteria. Students and their families will form the "beads" of our prayer to Mary, asking for her intercession for our parish and our world. Regular PREP class will be held following the completion of the rosary.

**SAVE THE DATE** – Please join us on Sunday, October 15 at the 11:30 a.m. Mass to recognize our **8th grade students in PREP** who are beginning their preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation. During this Mass, **Bibles will be blessed and given to these students** with our prayers for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

## Women's Fellowship

YOUNG  
MOMS  
(20s-40s)

For moms, ages 20s thru 40s

Join us for fellowship, prayer & reflection!

First meeting: October 12  
then  
Third Thursdays  
7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Hosted in group leaders' homes

Free  
Come as you are, when you can  
Bring a friend

Sign up online at  
[www.stjamesav.com/adult-faith-formation/](http://www.stjamesav.com/adult-faith-formation/)

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

Support our School



 **Kroger**

- Create a digital account or log in to your account at [Kroger.com](http://Kroger.com).
- Under "My Account" click "Community Rewards" to search for our school and click "Enroll."
- Any transaction moving forward using the Shopper's Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to our school, at no added cost to you!

 **Publix.**

- Join Club Publix and log in to your account at [Publix.com](http://Publix.com).
- In your Club Publix profile, select My Publix Partner to choose our school.
- Pay with the Publix app or enter your phone number at checkout, and Publix will donate a portion of your eligible purchase to our school!



## ST. JAMES PARISH SERVICES

**Altar Servers:** Always looking for new altar servers and experienced altar servers. For more information contact Michelle Tate, St. James Altar Serving Coordinator: Text: 912-237-0115.

**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](http://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. Sept 24, 2023 ~ May 12th, 2024, 10:15am-11:15am at the School. Contact Sr. Stephanie at 912-660-2153.

**Music Ministry:** Charles Ancheta Please E-mail Charlie at [cancheta@stjameessav.com](mailto: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 Church Office at 912-355-1523.

**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.

## St. Gianna Respect Life Ministry

Every October, we celebrate Respect Life Month. We consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

### 10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting

Read the full version at  
[respectlifeprogram.org/support-her](http://respectlifeprogram.org/support-her).

As a mom who had my first baby in college, I know that an unexpected pregnancy can sometimes bring fear, shame, and doubt. Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. I encourage you to support her in her new journey of being a mother.

**Your support  
may be the  
only support  
she receives.**

It's okay if you don't know the perfect words to say. Let her know you are there for her, and ask how you can support her. Assist her in lining up practical help. She may not feel she "deserves" to show happiness; reassure her it's okay (*and good*) to be happy. Your support might be the only support she receives. You can make a difference in her life. Will you?

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OCTOBER 2023

## RESPECT LIFE POSTER CONTEST

Poster designs due by October 20, 2023

Grades 5/6, Grades 7/8, & Grades 9-12

Cash prizes. For complete details and entry form, contact your parish or visit [linktr.ee/diosav](http://linktr.ee/diosav)

### 2023 Theme: THE BEAUTY OF MOTHERHOOD



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There will be a meeting of  
Council 5588 held in the  
Narthex/Cry Room at  
**St. James on  
Wednesday,  
October 11  
at 6:30 p.m.**

If you have any questions, please call Paul Macek  
at 912-349-5137.

