General Parish Information

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Church Office:	912-355-1523	
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Convent:	912-355-6815	
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Website:	www.stjamessav.com	
Office Hours: Mon-Thurs.: 9am-5pm; Fri.: 9am-1:00pm		
2nd & 4th Sunday: 8:30am-12:30pm		

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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; Saturday 9am Wednesday additional Mass at 5:30pm

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)

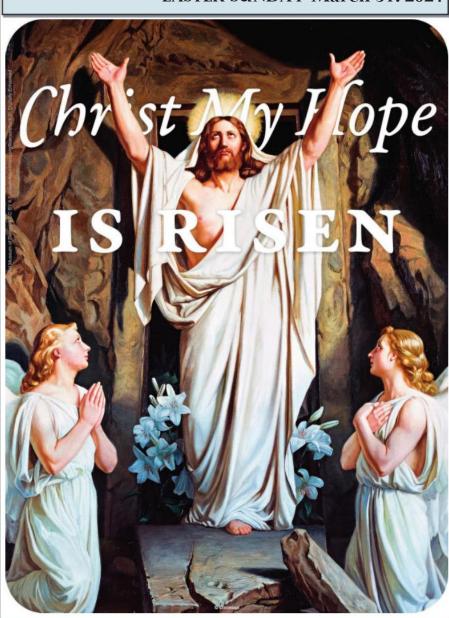
Sacraments

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 Chapel24/7

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD EASTER SUNDAY-March 31. 2024



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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PASTOR'S CORNER EASTER SUNDAY

HAPPY EASTER

Greeting: Christ is risen! Response: He is risen indeed!

This is our greeting throughout the Easter Season! So, don't be surprised if I say this to you instead of hello or good morning!

After six weeks of Lent, we celebrate eight weeks of Easter! Our Lord, who was dead, has been raised and is alive! What a wonderous mystery! We walked with Him in His passion, suffering, and death. We now live with Him in His resurrection! As St. Paul writes to the Romans, "If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over Him." We have been baptized into His death and raised to life with Him. Death no longer has power over us!

For those who have been baptized, life is changed not ended when we breath our last breathe. Today's culture, because it is a culture of death, tries to defy death at every turn. All the emphasis is on getting younger or living longer and longer. Doing everything we can to avoid death. We are encouraged not to age gracefully, but to always look, dress, feel, like we are 21. We chase that illusion because we, as a culture and civilization, have no hope and can see nothing beyond the grave.

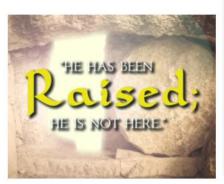
We Christians should not be caught in this trap. Our time on earth is only an instant in our existence. We believe in the resurrection of the body. We believe in life after death. We believe that death no longer has power over us! He and we in Him have been raised from the dead. We were made for heaven! We were made to live a life of abundance in eternity with Almighty God. He wants to share His life with us! This desire of His is shown in the amazing, magnificent kenosis (emptying) of Himself in becoming man and dying to destroy our death and rising to give us life eternal! This Easter, soak in this love! Be filled with this hope! Live in this joy!

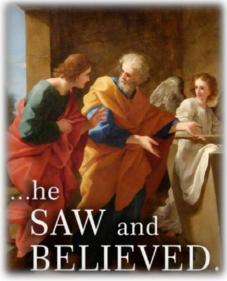
We have no fear of death or of whatever may come to us in trial and tribulation, in suffering and sacrifice, in death and destruction. God walks along with us through it all, as painful as it might be. In this accompaniment of God with us, we are conquerors of the world, sin, and death. We can endure suffering and pain as much as it might hurt. Patient endurance and hope are needed and come from a deep relationship with Jesus Christ and following Him as a disciple in word and in deed.

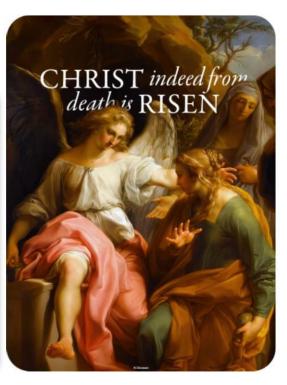
Happy Easter to you and to your families! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

~ Fr. Daniel Firmin







Mass Schedule & Intentions

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

3/31 The Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4

7:30 am + Tatyana Tauro *9:30 am + Linda Broderick *9:30 am (Overflow) For the People

*11:30 am

**All deceased priests, Deacon Lou Santore | Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso

4/1 Monday

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Mt 28:8-15

No 7:00 am

8:30 am + Gerry Brofft

**Bishops Stephen Parkes and J. Kevin Boland | Deacon Francisco Gamboa | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

4/2 Tuesday

Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22; Jn 20:11-18

No 7:00 am

8:30 am Special Intention, Margie O'Connor

**Jason Adams, Theodore Agba, Jacob Almeter, Fredy Angel, Samuel Aniekwe | Kevin Braski |Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso

4/3 Wednesday

Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:13-35

No 7:00 am

8:30 am Mr. Thomas

5:30 pm

**Emmanuel Antwi, John Ariko, David Arnoldt, Christopher Awiliba | Ziemowit Janaszek | Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew

4/4 Thursday

Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48

No 7:00 am

8:30 am + Percy Madison

**Tomas Beroch, Godfred Boachie-Yiadom, Brett Brannen, Joey Buencamino | Jared Miller | Samantha Rintoul

4/5 Friday

Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-14

No 7:00 am

8:30 am + Joe & Eleanor Foley

**Anthony Phong Bui, Juan Carlos Castillo, Michael Cerrone Robert Chaney | Noah Pace | Sr. Jennifer Maria O'Neill

4/6 Saturday

Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk 16:9-15

8:30 am Special Intention, Bonnie MacAulay

5:00 pm + Elizabeth Andrews

**Douglas Clark, Casey Cole , William Cook, P. James Costigan | Fred Williams | Sr. Rachael Elizabeth Wilson

4/7 Sunday of Divine Mercy

Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

7:30 am Special Intention, Mary Lou Johnson

8:00 am (IOH) For the People

*9:00 am

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

*11:30 am + David McGrath

**Gabriel Cummings, Benjamin Dallas, Matthew Ericksen, Rafael Estrada | Tuan Joseph Vuong | Sr. Stephanie Gabriel

* We are encouraging families to come together to celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord. Therefore, the Nursery will not be available Sunday, March 31st.

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, Anne Pippin, Josie Lee, Paul Baldwin, Brian DeRouen, Joe Harty, Tyra McKinley, Jody Moran, Robin Olson, Kelley Weston, Pamela De Guzman 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.

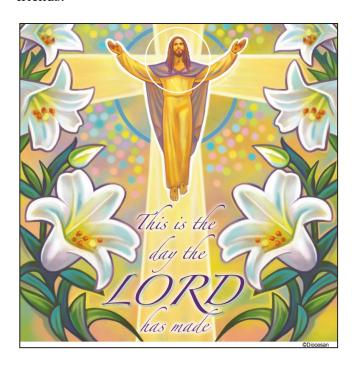
A PRAYER FOR THE DEAD

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:

Cephise Harty, Michael Cissone, Daniel Gonzales, Julita Shallal and all our deceased family and friends.



St. James Weekly Calendar

St. James Parish CRS Rice Bowls are due back. You can drop them off at the church office or bring next weekend and place them in the basket provide in the narthex or leave them with an usher.

3/31 The Resurrection of the Lord-Easter Day

2nd Collection is for Priest's Retirement

8:30-9:00am SJC Choir-Mercy Conference Rm

No PREP

1:00pm Baptism-Church-Fr. Firmin 3:00pm Divine Mercy-Church No Eucharistic Holy Hour with Vespers

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

4/1 Monday Church office closed 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet-Church with Rosary to follow

3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet-Church

4/2 Tuesday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet-Church with Rosary to follow

10:00am Funeral-Church-Fr. Firmin-Reception to follow

5:00-pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
5:00-6:00pm Confessions-Church
5:00-6:00pm Prolife Holy Hour-Church

4/3 Wednesday

6:20-7:30am TMIY-PC/gym 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church

9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet-Church with Rosary to follow

No Bible Study

3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

4/4 Thursday

9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet-Church with Rosary to follow

3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

4/5 Friday

9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet-Church with Rosary to follow

3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

4/6 Saturday

7:30am-2:00pm Secular Carmelites Meeting-Mercy Conf. Rm

8:30pm Rosary-Church

9:30am Divine Mercy Chaplet-Church
5:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet-Church

3:45-4:45pm Confessions-Church

4/7 Divine Mercy Sunday

8:15-10:00am SJS Choir-Mercy Conference Rm

10:15-11:15am PREP-SJS

3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotional Service-Church

Reception to follow in the Narthex.

No Eucharistic Holy Hour with Vespers

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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.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Offertory for Sunday

March 24, 2024 \$35,051.33

YTD Offertory: July 1st through March 24th

2022-23 Actual \$1,172,376.23 2023-24 Budget \$1,194,084.80 2023-24 Actual \$1,186,140.11

2024 ACA First Progress Report as of 3/14/2024

Total Given & Pledged \$121,000 ACA Parish Goal: \$134,000 % Participation: 15.99

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.stjamessav.com and select 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 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.

MILITIA OF THE IMMACULATA ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE & MARIAN CONSECRATION

Join the Savannah MI Village!

The Militia of the Immaculata (MI) is a worldwide evangelization movement founded by St. Maximilian Kolbe in 1917 that encourages total consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary as a means of spiritual renewal for individuals and society. The MI movement is open to all Catholics over 7 years old. It employs prayer as the main tool in the spiritual battle with evil. Members of the MI also immerse themselves in apostolic initiatives throughout society, either individually or in groups, to deepen the knowledge of the Gospel and our Catholic Faith and to spread devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

www.militiaoftheimmaculata.com

Contact Kira King at thehomesteadkings@gmail.com for more information.

The Promise of Divine Mercy

Regarding the Feast of Divine Mercy, Our Lord said to Saint Faustina:

"On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. The soul that will go to Confession [beforehand] and receive Holy Communion [on that day] shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."

The theologian who examined Saint Faustina's writings for the Holy See, Rev. Ignacy Rozycki, explained that **this is the promise of a complete renewal of baptismal grace,** and in that sense like a "second Baptism."

To obtain the extraordinary graces promised by Our Lord, we must:

- † Follow the ABC's given to us by Jesus through Saint Faustina:
 - Ask for His Mercy, sincerely repenting of our sins
 - **B**e merciful to others, through actions, words, and prayers
 - · Completely trust in Jesus
- † Go to Confession (during Lent or Easter Week)

On Divine Mercy Sunday:

- † Receive Holy Communion
- † Venerate the Image of The Divine Mercy



Divine Mercy Sunday April 7

"On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open."

Confessions

Mon.-Fri., 7:45 AM – 8:15 AM Tuesdays, 5:00 PM – 5:45 PM Saturdays, 3:45 PM – 4:45 PM (except Holy Saturday)

Divine Mercy Novena

March 29 – April 6, 3:00 PM (Begins Good Friday, after 3:00 PM liturgy) and after AM mass beginning April 1 Novena Pamphlets in Narthex Chaplet prayed at 3:00 PM on EWTN

Divine Mercy Sunday Devotional Service

Sunday, April 7, 3:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration † Chaplet of

Divine Mercy † Reading/Homily

Followed by Reception

Contributions of finger-sized sandwiches, appetizers, desserts & other reception items are welcome (ready to serve, on disposable dish) Sign form in Narthex or contact Marilyn Stephens, (912) 441-1814, mstep9123@comcast.net



St. Anne Catholic Church 2000 Kay Circle – Columbus, GA 19 – 20 April, 2024

Registration Forms & instructions available online at:

www. https://diosavcursillo.org/

Let the Fire of Friendship Fall

PRAY FOR OUR NEW MEMBERS!



Our St. James Parish family eagerly anticipates welcoming the following individuals into the Catholic Church through the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter!

Please pray for:

The Elect preparing for Baptism

Luke Bradley, Jim Douglass, Justin English, Lindsey Hawk

Candidates for Full Communion

Aaron Douglas, Doug Faircloth, Sharon Hart, Hunter Higgs, Brittany McNamara, Lee Morgan, The Rose Family (Lee, Tracy, Reese & Max), Sarah Traut

Candidates for Completion of Initiation

Justina Iwuala, Eduardo Juarez Arguello



Interested in the RCIA process? Know someone who might be? Contact Sr. Stephanie at SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com or 912-600-2153.

Wednesday Adult faith Series

APRIL 17, 24 & MAY 1, 8

"BEAUTIFUL EUCHARIST":
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Join us as we read and reflect on the beauty of the Eucharist from the perspective of multiple writers featured in the short book, "Beautiful Eucharist," published by Dynamic Catholic.

Cost: Free; copies of the book will be available.

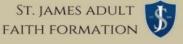
Questions?

Sr. Stephanie Gabriel at SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com or 912-600-2153.



Register online: www.stjamessav.com/ adult-faith-formation/

Paper registration available at the kiosk in the narthex or in the Parish Office.



Council of Catholic Women

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



The CCW will be having their next meeting on Monday, April 8th at 6:30, in the gym. ALL women of the parish are invited to attend.

Mrs. Gail Brown will be speaking about the Martin de Porres Society of Savannah. The Martin de Porres Society was founded in 1985 by Dr. George Negron and his wife Yolanda Negron (parishioners of St. James) to serve disadvantaged youth in Savannah.

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 (40"-50" 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 drop your donations at the church office.

St. James Church Food Pantry Ministry News

Our Food Pantry for the month of April will be April 20th in the school cafeteria from 10:00 am — 11:30 am. 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. Shelf stable complete meals: Beef stew, or chunky soups (preferably cans with pull tops), healthy snacks including nuts, granola bars, pancake mix, canned pork & beans, shelf stable milk, toothpaste & toothbrushes, laundry detergent.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS ALWAYS NEEDED

Oatmeal
Canned chicken
Tuna fish
Jelly & Peanut butter
Dry macaroni
Spaghetti sauce

Breakfast bars Breakfast cereal Canned fruits Kleenex Toilet paper Low sodium soups & Veg

Little Dresses for Africa

St. James will be sponsoring "Little Dresses for Africa" this year and we are looking for your help in sewing dresses or donating supplies from March 1- 31. In some villages little girls are the last to eat or be clothed. By making a dress for these girls it helps to let the girls know how important they are and that they are loved. These dresses are made out of pillow cases. All sizes are good! We have several examples in the Narthex to look at and the information on how to make them will be on the table near the dress. There will be a box for you in which to leave the dresses and we will make sure they are sent to our contact and to these beautiful young ladies. Please, if you cannot sew, consider donating pillowcases or monetary funds so we

can get the products we need. For additional information on this project, visit https://littledressesforafrica.org.



Please note:

There are FREE pillowcases available if needed. Please contact Kelley Miller via email at kmiller291@aol.com.

Thank you all for your support! May God continue to bless you all.







Savannah Care Center is in DIRE need of all size baby 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.



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