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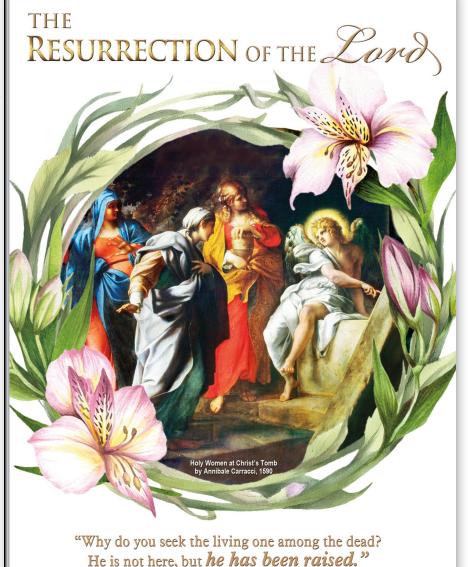
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Sunday:
WeekdaysMonday-Friday 7:00am & 8:30am; Saturday 9am Wednesday additional Mass at 5:30pm
Isle of Hope:8:00 am - First Sunday only
Holy Days of Obligation:TBA Pro-Life Holy Hour:Tuesdays 5:00–6:00pm (Rosary, Adoration and Benediction) Sacraments
Reconciliation: Weekdays Mon-Fri: 7:45 - 8:15am; Tues-5pm, Saturday: 3:45-4:45pm, and by other times by appt. 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
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April 20th, 2025 Easter Sunday



Luke 24:5-6

#### Saint James 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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# The St. James Council of Catholic Women is sponsoring

## Roses for Mother's Day

CCW will be selling roses to honor or remember our mothers, grandmothers, sisters and aunts.

These roses will be placed on the altar on Mother's Day, May 1 1th.

Those being honored or remembered will be listed in the bulletin Mother's Day weekend.

CCW members will be collecting orders after all the masses

on

April 26th, 27th & May 3rd, 4th.

Orders can be turned in to the church office no later than

May 5th.

Checks payable to St. James Church Funds raised will be used to support CCW charities.

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	ROSES (\$5 each)
Please print :	name(s) of loved ones honored/remembered:
Your Name: _	
Amount Encl	osed:

#### PASTOR'S CORNER EASTER SUNDAY

#### **EASTER**

CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS TRULY RISEN!

IN GREEK: CHRISTOS ANESTI!

**ALITHOS ANESTI!** 

IN LATIN: CHRISTUS RESURREXIT!

RESURREXIT VERE!

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! And be prepared for the Latin and the Greek!

After 6 weeks of Lent, we celebrate 8 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! St. Paul writes to the Colossians and to us, "If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." Our lives should be focused, fixed, and founded on what awaits us in heaven. Every choice before us chosen in light of eternal life with Christ in glory. Jesus has conquered sin and death by his own death and resurrection. He has opened the way to eternal life where every tear will be wiped away and every pain healed. So, my brothers and sisters, we seek what is above.

We live in the hope, the life, the freedom, the light He gives us! In these 8 weeks of Easter, I challenge us, our St. James family, to do things that will open our hearts and lives to Jesus in a deeper way so that we can then share Him with others. For these next 8 weeks until we celebrate Pentecost (and beyond if you want to continue), I encourage each of us to spend 10 minutes every day reading the Gospel of the day. Read it once slowly. Read it again. Put yourself in the scene as a character or as an extra character. Think about a word or a phrase that struck you.

Where can you find the Gospel of the Day? Here are a few resources online or on your phone: Magnificat, the Word Among Us, Hallow, USCCB (<a href="www.usccb.org">www.usccb.org</a>), EWTN (<a href="www.ewtn.com">www.ewtn.com</a>), and other websites. If you want something to hold in your hand, you can get Magnificat (visit <a href="www.magnificat.com">www.magnificat.com</a>), The Word Among Us (we have a limited supply each month so it might be good to subscribe at <a href="www.wau.org">www.wau.org</a>), or Give Us This Day (visit <a href="www.giveusthisday.org">www.giveusthisday.org</a>).

May the Lord Jesus abundantly bless you this Easter Season! A Blessed Easter to you all! Christ is Risen! He is truly risen! St. James the Less, pray for us!

~ Fr. Daniel Firmin

## Make a Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Good Hope Chapel!

Jubilee Year 2025



Note: Chapel will be closed April 12 and April 20

### Schedule for the Jubilee

March 2025 ~ January 2026

1st Sundays Mass at 8 a.m.

3rd Sundays
Holy Hour & Vespers at 4 p.m.
Mass for Hope at 5 p.m.

2nd & 4th Saturdays
Mass at 10 a.m.
Open for prayer: 10 a.m.~1 p.m.
Docents will be available
to answer questions

Join our St. James Parish family this year and be a pilgrim of hope! Visit Our Lady of Good Hope Chapel on Isle of Hope to pray and visit one of several special jubilee sites in the Diocese of Savannah.

#### **Mass Schedule & Intentions**

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

#### 4/20 The Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-

8; Jn 20: 1-9

7:30 am + Wright & Ruth Powers ~ Fr. King 9:30 am + Margaret Dalrymple ~ Fr. Gabriel

9:30 am (Overflow) Fr. King

11:30 am For the People ~ Fr. Firmin

\*\*Thomas Nellis, Kim Son Nguyen, Martino Nguyen, Peter Hung Nguyen | Noah Pace | Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso

#### 4/21 Monday

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

7:00 am + Doris Aiklin ~ Fr. King 8:30 am + Bill Schmitt ~ Fr. Gabriel

\*\*Fred Nijem, Patrick O'Brien, Daniel O'Connell, Paul O'Connell | Fred Williams | Sr. Rachael Elizabeth Wilson

#### 4/22 Tuesday

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

7:00 am + Ed Filson ~ Fr. Firmin

8:30 am + Dominador & Mitsue Monterola ~ Fr. King

\*\*Kevin O'Keefe, Paulinus Okpala, Keith O'Neill, Barnabas O'Reilly | Stephen Owusu Dwamena | Samantha Scharf

#### 4/23 Wednesday

Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Ps 118:24; Lk 24:13-35

7:00 am Fr. King

8:30 am + Sharon Russell ~ Fr. Firmin

5:30 pm Fr. King

\*\*Brian O'Shaughnessy, Patrick Otor, Peter Oyenugba, Ronald Pachence | Gilbert Ofori Mensah | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

#### 4/24 Thursday

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

7:00 am Fr. King

8:30 am + Jack Kouvel ~ Fr. Firmin

\*\*Francis Patterson, Steven Patti, Steven Pavignano, Saimel Perdomo | Benjamin Aler | Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso

#### 4/25 Friday

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

7:00 am TBD

8:30 am + Maryanne Aliotta ~ TBD

\*\*Thomas Peyton, Robert Phillips, Carlos Pinzon, Stephen Pontzer | Benjamin Harper | Sr. Rachael Elizabeth Wilson

#### 4/26 Saturday

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

9:00 am + Jerry Hipp ~ Fr. King

10:00 am (IOH) Fr. Gabriel

5:00 pm + Louise Basso ~ Fr. Firmin

\*\*John Quang, Gerald Ragan, Carlos Rivero, Luis Rosado, Mark Ross | Matthew Aondofa Nyikwagh | Samantha Scharf

#### 4/27 Sunday of Divine Mercy

Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

7:30 am + Frank & Margie Dobson ~ Fr. Gabriel 9:00 am + Thomas & Jody Moran~ Fr. Firmin

11:30 am For the People ~ Fr. Gabriel 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Service ~ Fr. Firmin

\*\*Rudy Roxas, Christopher Schreck, J. Gerard Schreck, Jude Shayo, Deacon Lou Santore | Samuel Imoter Terkura | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

#### 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, JoAnn Faust, Hope Fuller, Jim McBride, Ed Carey, Lynn Shinal, Vicky Reyes, Fran Kane, Dick Buchner, Brian DeRouen, Monica & Pamela De Guzman, those listed in the book of the sick and all caregivers 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:

Jerry Hipp, Patrick Fier, and all our deceased family and friends.



#### Welcome to our new members

Jim and Kathy Corcoran

Jason and Meghan Jue & Family

The Nursery is available for children 4 and under during the 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses. The Nursery is located in the Early Learning Center, Classroom #2.

#### 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.

4/20 Easter Sunday

The Resurrection of the Lord

**2nd Collection Priests' Retirement** 

8:00-11:15am SJC Choir-Mercy Conference Rm

No PREP

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

4/21 Monday

Church office Closed

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Fr. Gabriel-Office

9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet /Rosary-PC/gym

11:00am Baptism-IOH Chapel-Fr. King

1:00-2:30pm Contemplative Prayer Group-MCR

4/22 Tuesday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Fr. King Office

9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet/Rosary-MCR

4/23 Wednesday

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

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Office-Fr. Firmin

9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet-Rosary-MCR

4/24 Thursday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Office-Fr. Firmin

9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet/Rosary-MCR

4/25 Friday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Office-TBD

9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet/Rosary-MCR

6:00-8:00pm DOI General Mtg-PC/gym

4/26 Saturday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Office-Fr. Gabriel

8:30am Rosary-MCR

10am-1:00pm Open Prayer-IOH Chapel 9:30am Divine Mercy Chaplet

4/27 Divine Mercy Sunday

8:00-11:15am SJS Choir-Mercy Conference Rm

10:15-11:15am PREP-SJS

3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotional Service-PC

Reception to follow in breezeway

#### **ABUSE HOTLINE**

PROTECT 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

April 13, 2025 \$25,760.75 **YTD Offertory: July 1st through April 13**2023-24 Actual \$1,298,615.59
2024-25 Budget \$1,307,820.29
2024-25 Actual \$1,218,834.78

#### **2024 ACA Final Report as of 1/10/2025**

Thank you to all who gave to last year's Appeal!
Total Given & Pledged \$195,058.21
ACA Parish Goal: \$134,000
% Participation: 29.16

(Fiscal Year runs from July 1 to June 30)

The 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal will kick off after August 1 and more information will be shared later this year. See Bishop Parkes' latest video on the diocesan or parish Facebook page more information.

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.

#### MEMORIAL CROSSES HONORING DECEASED VETERANS

The Catholic War Veterans of Savannah will once again be placing Memorial Crosses in the Catholic Cemetery, (1720 Wheaton Street). The Crosses will be put in place on May 21st and will remain in place through Memorial Day. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 PM Thursday, May 22nd, at the Catholic Cemetery. If you would like to honor a deceased Veteran in this manner, contact Melissa King at 912-572-3299

or <u>CWVmemorialcrosses@gmail.com</u> no later than <u>May 6th</u>. Request forms are available in the church office. Interment at the Catholic Cemetery is not required. There is a one-time fee of \$30 for initial supplies. The Crosses will continue to be maintained and placed in the Cemetery each year thereafter.



#### MEMORIAL MASS TO HONOR DECEASED VETERANS

A Memorial Mass, to honor deceased Veterans, will be celebrated at 6:00PM Thursday, May 22nd, at the Catholic Cemetery, 1720 Wheaton St. The Service will be held at the base of the Holy Cross, at the rear of the Cemetery. The Memorial Service will begin promptly at 6:00PM. This Service is open to the public. Participants should allow time for parking and may bring a lawn chair.

May is Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month

## **AAPI Month Mass** with Bishop Parkes

April 26, 2025, 11 am Sacred Heart Church, Warner Robins Reception to follow

> Optional: Bring a dish to share Optional: Wear your culture's traditional outfit



Theology on Tap: Wednesday, April 23

Adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to Theology on Tap on Wednesday, April 23 in Regina Coeli Hall at the Cathedral. To celebrate the Octave of Easter we welcome soprano, Kristi Bryson, and pianist, Cameron Fuhrman, as they present a lecture-recital entitled "The Restless Heart: Listening for God in the Concert Hall." The doors open at 7:30 PM and the lecture-recital begins at 8:00 PM. Beverages and snacks are provided. To learn more, follow us on Instagram (theologyontapsavannah) or email us (ToTSavannah@gmail.com).



Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate May 31, 10 am

Ordination to the Priesthood June 7, 10 am

Savannah Cathedral

#### Diocese of Savannah Vocations Summer Camps 2025

Registration opens Easter Monday, April 21 SAVANNAHVOCATIONS.ORG

This year's theme is Anchored in Hope.

Call to Holiness is June 22-25

For rising 7th grade through graduating senior girls

Vocatio Dei is June 25-28

For rising 7th grade through 10th grade boys

Please note that 11th and 12th grade boys can apply to be junior counselors at Vocatio Dei. Senior counselors – college-aged young adult men and women – are needed for both camps. The camps will be at George Primitive Baptist Camp in Claxton.

### Alleluia! He is risen!

As a St. James Parish family, we celebrate with all those who entered into full communion with the Catholic Church this Easter! Welcome to our parish family!

Manny Hores

Werek Wangai

Interested in learning more about becoming Catholic?

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## 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 27
"On that day the very depths of My

tender mercy are

open."

#### Confessions

Mon.-Fri., 7:45 AM – 8:15 AM

Saturdays, 3:45 PM – 4:45 PM *(except Holy Saturday)* 

#### Divine Mercy Novena

April 18 – April 26, 3:00 PM
(Begins Good Friday,
after 3:00 PM liturgy)
and after AM mass beginning
April 21
Novena Pamphlets available
outside of Conference Room
Chaplet prayed daily at

#### Divine Mercy Sunday Devotional Service

3:00 PM on EWTN

Sunday, April 27, 3:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration †

Chaplet of Divine Mercy †

Reading/Homily



**Start each day off right!** Receive brief reflections from the Diary of St. Faustina every morning. Sign-up at <a href="https://doi.org/dmdsignup">TheDivineMercy.org/dmdsignup</a>



## The Message of Divine Mercy

given to us by Jesus through Saint Faustina

### **† DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**

### Beginning Good Friday

By this Novena (of Chaplets), I will grant every possible grace to souls (Diary, 796). I desire that during these nine days you

bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw therefrom strength and refreshment and whatever grace they have need of in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death (Diary, 1209).

**Opening Prayer** (optional): You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us (Diary, 1319).

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You! (three times) (Diary, 84).

For each of the nine days, our Lord gave Saint Faustina a different intention:

- Day 1: All mankind, especially sinners
- Day 2: The souls of priests and religious
- Day 3: All devout and faithful souls
- Day 4: Those who do not believe in God and those who do not yet know Jesus
- Day 5: The souls who have separated themselves from the Church
- Day 6: The meek and humble souls and the souls of little children
- Day 7: The souls who especially venerate and glorify His mercy
- Day 8: The souls detained in purgatory
- Day 9: Souls who have become lukewarm (Dairy, 1210-1229)

#### Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Closing Prayer (optional): Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless, and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us, and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments, we might not despair, nor become despondent, but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy Itself. Amen (Diary, 950).

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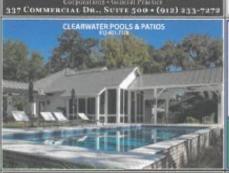


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