



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org 703-532-8815

Sunday
February 9, 2020



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." - Mt 5:14

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1996, 1979 CCO

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am,
10:30am, 12:00 noon, and
7:00pm
Spanish Mass: 2:30pm
Daily: 6:30am, 8:30am &
12:00 noon
Saturday: 8:30am

Federal Holidays:

6:30am and 8:30am only
Holy Days: 7:30pm Vigil
6:30am, 8:30am, 12:00 noon
and 7:30pm

FIRST FRIDAYS:

Exposition: 9:00 - 11:45am
Benediction of the
Blessed Sacrament:
11:45am
Eucharistic Holy Hour:
Sunday: 5:00pm
Third Thursdays: 7:00pm

CONFESSIONS:

Friday: 11:15 - 11:45am
Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30pm &
7:30 - 8:00pm and by appt.

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Weekdays 9:00am- 9:00pm
(closed 12:45 - 1:30pm)
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*Bulletin Deadline: Friday at 9:00am
10 days before Sunday publication date*
**Via website form posted under
Events/Bulletin/Bulletin Submissions.**

On The Way

The Mass in Slowest Motion: Sacred Mysteries

Last week I indicated that this week's reflection would be on the Gloria. But in the meantime, it occurred to me that two observations might be helpful prior to continuing.

First, a clarification on the penitential rite: the Mass does not always have it. Or, at least, not the kind of penitential rite we expect. The priest might choose to do the sprinkling rite. Typically done during Easter, the sprinkling rite serves as a renewal of our Baptism and, like the penitential rite, expresses our separation from sin. Further, certain Masses (e.g., Palm Sunday or last week's Candlemas) can have a procession in place of the penitential rite.

Notice that in those cases, there is still some kind of preparation for the Mass proper. It is the mind of the Church that we don't just rush into things. We need some moments of recollection and preparation. The penitential rite and its companions are a kind of liturgical mudroom. They are the space in which we cleanse ourselves of sin and the world's distractions so that we can better celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Which raises the next point. What does sacred mysteries mean? The first word is somewhat obvious. At Mass, we are dealing with holy realities that transcend profane and secular things. The term mystery is a little more difficult. People typically use that word to describe a who-done-it story, an inexplicable occurrence, or a confusing situation. The Catholic use of the word is different. A mystery of faith, for example, does not mean a riddle that needs to be solved or a problem that needs to be fixed. Rather, it indicates a reality that we can know in part but the complete truth of which will always elude us (e.g., the Trinity, Incarnation, Eucharist).

The liturgical use of the term mystery is slightly different still. It comes from the Greek word *mysterion*, which in Latin is *sacramentum*. A mystery or sacrament conveys a spiritual reality in and through material things. God uses the matter of His own creation – water, oil, bread, wine, man, and woman – to communicate His grace. Holy water is a sacramental because the one who uses it devoutly increases in grace. Saint Paul calls the union of husband and wife a *mysterion/sacramentum* because they represent and communicate the reality of Christ and the Church (cf. Eph 5:32). And so on. Our worship is full of tangible, material things by which God conveys His grace. Of these, the Eucharist is the highest because it not only communicates but is the presence of Christ.

Nevertheless, we still want to keep the sacred mysteries, well...mysterious. We remind ourselves that, although we have access to God through these mysteries, we still do not grasp Him completely. He remains transcendent, the Holy One, neither comprehended nor controlled by us. So by way of the liturgy's vestments, sacred vessels, veils, sacred languages, incense, bells, images, chant, etc. we seek to preserve our awe for the sacred mysteries.

Next week: the Gloria (for real this time)

—Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions For The Fifth Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 8

St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita; Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
5:00 p.m. +Nelly F. Sampang

Sunday, February 9

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. +Ginny Robichaud
9:00 a.m. +Jim Lillis
10:30 a.m. +James and Lillian Meehan
Noon +Ann and Anthony Bott
2:30 p.m. People of St. James
7:00 p.m. +Laverne Maness Drummond

Monday, February 10

St. Scholastica

6:30 a.m. +Dr. Harvey B. Williams
8:30 a.m. +George Altoft
Noon +Deanna Dulka

Tuesday, February 11

Our Lady of Lourdes

6:30 a.m. +Sidney Carwile
8:30 a.m. +John E. Lowe
Noon Marcia and Christopher Wilson

Wednesday, February 12

Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Ordinary Time

6:30 a.m. +Nick Chiara
8:30 a.m. +Carol Wall
Noon +Im Sun Fermoile

Thursday, February 13

Thursday of the Fifth Week of Ordinary Time

6:30 a.m. +Victor Garcia
8:30 a.m. +Emmette Beauchamp
Noon +Leonard Gilleo

Friday, February 14

Saints Cyril and Methodius

6:30 a.m. +Dorothy Carwile
8:30 a.m. +James M. Connellan
Noon +Thomas and Mary Ann Benedett

Saturday, February 15

Saturday of the Fifth Week of Ordinary Time; Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

8:30 a.m. +Souls in Purgatory
5:00 p.m. +Michael Egan

Sunday, February 16

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. People of St. James
9:00 a.m. +Jim Lillis
10:30 a.m. +Norbert and Dolores Rudy
Noon The Del Mar and Ledder Families
Living and Deceased
2:30 p.m. +Eliza Arias
7:00 p.m. +Gervasio Sese

Today's Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10

“Thus says the Lord: Share your bread...”

Psalm: Psalm 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

“The just man is a light in darkness to the upright...”

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

“When I came to you, brothers and sisters...”

Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-16

“Jesus said to his disciples: You are the salt of...”

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10;
Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30;
Ps 84:3, 4, 5, and 10, 11; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40;
Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40
Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19;
Ps 81:10-11AB, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34;
Ps 106:6-7AB, 19-20, 21-22; Mk 8:1-10

Remember in Your Prayers...

the sick of our parish family:

Elizabeth Gibbon	Russell Ross
Joan Huff	Keith Siebert
Janet Owen	Robyn Stewart
Carter Parry	Lauren Vinci
Rosemary Parrette	

and the deceased of our parish family:

Margie Coates	Gail Cullinan Poels
Rizalina Farrales	George Stirling

and those serving our country:

Our disabled veterans, military retirees,
and those serving overseas in the military
and foreign service, especially:

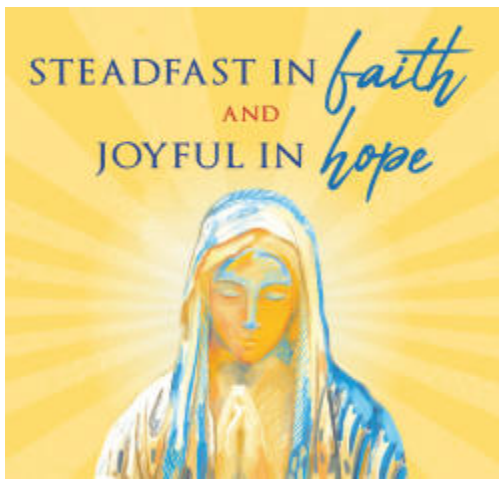
Justin Berg	Michele Petersen
Patrick Egan	Roger VanSanford
Veronica Elkins	Major Albert C. Young
Major Alan Harvey	



Stewardship

The 2020 Bishop's Lenten Appeal Commitment weekend is February 22 & 23

By now, all registered parishioners of St. James Catholic Church should have received a letter from Bishop Burbidge regarding the 2020 Bishop's Lenten Appeal. This year's appeal is entrusted to the care of Our Lady, who, is "steadfast in faith and joyful in hope." Once a year, we are asked to commit to supporting the work of our diocesan programs and ministries, which provide services that no single parish could provide on its own. These programs, which strengthen families, enrich parish life and help the poor & vulnerable of our diocese, are described in more detail in this week's bulletin insert. Please read your bulletin insert and mailing from Bishop Burbidge and prayerfully consider making a sacrificial pledge during Commitment weekend. May God bless you for your generosity and goodness!



“By sharing our unique, God-given talents, gifts, and resources, we reveal the steadfast faith and joyful hope of Mary.”
Bishop Michael Burbidge.

<http://j.mp/2Ur1N54>

The Fruits of the Saint James School Annual Appeal

In last week's Constant Contact, Father Scalia shared a delightful story about his encounter with five college students visiting their elementary school over Christmas break. It's also a testament to the great community created by our school for its students, particularly during the formative years of their early lives. It's a touching reminder of the fruits of Catholic education that not only forms the intellect of the mind, but the soul of the entire human person. Here are Stefano Falcon, Ian Alvano, Andy Borman, Alex White, and Patrick Roney visiting with our wonderful Principal, Sister Mary Sue Carwile, IHM.



In case you missed it, here is the link to Father's "Constant Contact,"
<http://j.mp/399101s>

To sign up for, "Constant Contact," send an email to: rectory@stjamescatholic.org.

Thank you to those who gave to the Saint James School Annual Appeal. We will share the results with you in the next bulletin. If you would like to give, please do so via our website, at <http://bit.ly/2L1ghTF> or by using our Text-to-Give link at 703-584-7023. Thanks again for your prayers, and generous donations.

"Be doers of the word and not hearers only." James 1:22



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Each Child."**



Saint James School Science Fair

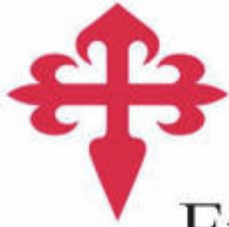
Please congratulate the winners of this year's Saint James School Science Fair. They are: **Second Row:** Mrs. Ott (faculty), James Rinard, Juliana Rugo, Lexie Seroskie, Emma Flanagan, Mrs. Gartner (faculty). **First Row:** Georgia Webb, Owen McCarton, Nicole Soruco-Franco, Erin Kowalski, Makayla Edmunds

Thank You For Making Our Recent Open Houses a Great Success!

Thanks to everyone who either attended or referred new families to our school's Open Houses on Sunday, January 26 and Tuesday, January 28. Sister Mary Sue reports that they were the busiest in recent years. Thanks for taking the time to see why Saint James Catholic School is the place for your child to grow! And, don't forget—our new preschool is accepting applications. Please visit <https://www.saintjameschool.org/saint-james-preschool> for more information.

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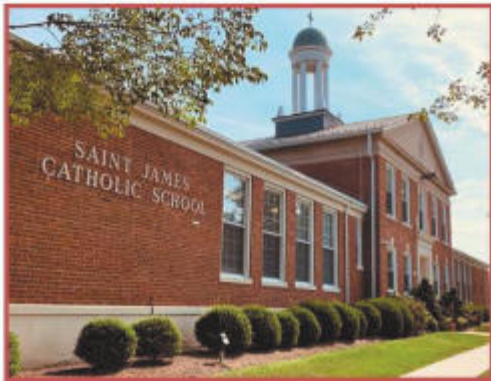
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**Partial and full-week programs available.
9:15am to 12:15pm plus optional “lunch bunch” add-on**



For More Information

E-Mail

preschool@saintjameschool.org

or call 703-533-1182 x.182

The 2020 Emerald Gala & Auction Needs Your Help!

The annual Gala & Auction is Saint James Catholic School's largest fundraiser, supporting our students and teachers. This special night of fun and fellowship will take place on March 14 at the Knights of Columbus, 5115 Little Falls Road, Arlington, and will include a reception, dinner, and both live and silent auctions. To make this year's Emerald Gala & Auction a success we are calling on the support of our amazing parishioners. Our ability to offer one-of-a-kind items during our auction inspires generous bidding. Would you consider donating a unique item or experience to help us achieve our goals? Examples of past donations include:

- Tickets to a premiere sports event, concert or theatre tickets
- Specialty tours or “behind the scenes” access
- A week at a beach condo or lake home
- Jewelry & designer handbags, sports memorabilia/autographed items
- Or a unique on-the-job experience (such as “firefighter for a day”)

If you own a business, would you consider placing an ad in our keepsake program?

To donate an item or place a business ad, please contact Dawn Behrens at dawnyschiller@hotmail.com. Links to donation and business ad forms can be found online at <https://www.saintjameschool.org/saint-james-2020-emerald-gala-and-auction>. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Save The Date

**Your Presence is Requested at the
Saint James Annual Gala**

Saturday, March 14, 2020

at

**The Knights of Columbus, Edward Douglas White Council
5115 Little Falls Road, Arlington**



Lenten Days of Recollection

The men and women of Saint James are invited to a day of recollection to begin the sacred season of Lent.

Each day will consist of

- Mass
- Two Reflections
- Adoration & Quiet Prayer
- Confessions

The day will begin with the 8:30 AM Mass and conclude at 1 pm. A light breakfast and sit-down lunch are included in the price.

Day of Recollection for men — February 29th

Day of Recollection for women — March 7th

Open to the entire Parish

Sponsored by Saint James School PTO

The fee is \$15 per person

Sign-up via PayPal- JulieMarx14@gmail.com please make a note that this is for the retreat

Cash/check can be dropped off at the rectory c/o Julie Marx

If you have any questions please email JulieMarx14@gmail.com

St. James Volunteers

Throughout our parish, over 400 individuals generously share their time and talent in over 20 ministries, serving the people of St. James, of Falls Church, and BEYOND, but WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE! If you feel called to serve others, to help with Mass, or to engage in projects that bring Christ to all who we serve, please join us. For more information on volunteering at St. James, and our many Ministries, visit our webpage at <https://www.stjamescatholic.org/community/parish-ministries>, or please contact our Volunteer Coordinators at volunteer@stjamescatholic.org, or contact THE RECTORY AT 703-532-8815. Thank you!

The Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is a world-wide organization of the lay apostolate, in which Catholic men and women sanctify themselves through prayer and spiritual works in union with Mary, the Mother of God, under the guidance of a spiritual director. Membership is open to practicing Catholics age 18 and older.

Some of our works are Nursing home visits, visiting parish families to foster the daily rosary, Marian Devotions, and Sacred Heart Enthronements.

Join us in the House of Ministries Tuesday evenings from 7:30pm—9:00pm. For more information on the Legion of Mary, contact Margaret Morrissey at pmorrissey@verizon.net.

Notices From St. James

All Saints Church Annual Car Raffle—Get Your Tickets Now

Each year when our parishioners are invited to participate in a five-car raffle hosted by All Saints Church in Manassas. Prizes include five 2020 vehicles from Koons of Manassas (Honda Civic, Buick Encore, GMC Canyon Truck, Honda CRV Sport Utility and Honda Odyssey Van). One \$5.00 ticket offers the purchaser a chance to win one of five vehicles plus \$20,000 in cash prizes. As a result of last year's Car Raffle, St. James received \$14,000 in support to our various outreach ministries. Hopefully, you have received your tickets in the mail. Please consider selling/purchasing the tickets mailed to you. If you need additional tickets, you can purchase them in the rectory until April 21.



GMC Canyon Truck

Happenings at St. James and in the Diocese of Arlington

Girl Scout Cookie Sales Before and After Mass All Through February—Support our Girl Scouts!

The Girl Scouts of St. James will be selling Girl Scout Cookies before and after all Masses on February 8 and 9, February 15 and 16, and February 29 and March 1. Cookies available at the sale will be the: Do-Si-Dos, S'mores, Samoas, Lemon-Ups, Tagalongs, Thin Mints, Toffee Tastic, and Trefoils. Boxes will be priced at \$5.00 and \$6.00, depending on the cookie type. Be sure to buy some pre-Lenten treats and support our Girl Scouts and all they do for the St. James community!

Guided Children's Adoration—February 15

Have you wanted to introduce your children to Adoration of the Eucharist, but were afraid that that they might not "get it?" If so, make plans to attend our monthly "Guided Children's Adoration" program with Father Oetjen on Saturday, February 15 at 10:00am in the Church. The program is an Eucharistic Holy Hour with prayers, guided meditation, and sacred music. Families, and children of all ages, are welcome. For more information on the "Guided Children's Adoration" program, contact Fr. Oetjen at fatheroetjen@stjamescatholic.org.

Another "Guided Children's Adoration" session will be held on March 14.

St. James Food Distribution in Immediate Need of Donations—Please Help

St James Food Distribution program is always in need of non perishable food items such as tuna, peanut butter, jelly, tomato sauce, pasta, rice, dried beans, canned soups and cereal. Currently we are in great need of cereal, rice and dried beans. Please be sure to donate only non-expired foods. Food may be left in boxes at the front and side doors of the church. The program thanks you for your generosity as you help our community.

St. James Seniors Young in Spirit Celebrate Mardi Gras—February 20

Calling all Seniors who are young in spirit to come to a Mardi Gras party in Heller Hall on February 20, from 5:30pm - 7:00pm. Wear purple, green, or gold clothing and beads if you have them.

A delicious feast of food will be served including Louisiana shrimp and ham jambalaya, red rice, and a king cake. Beverages and condiments are included. Guests are asked to bring decadent desserts, salads, and vegetable sides to share.

Please RSVP by February 18th to Cae Gilley at 703-533-3845 or Mary Anne Stallings at 703-237-1768.

Social Outreach Committee is Seeking Used Furniture to Furnish an Apartment

The Social Outreach Committee initiated a new outreach program this year where they are helping a family become self sustained in their quest for permanent asylum. Recently this family of two adults and four children moved into an unfurnished three bedroom apartment. They could use the following items: three chest of drawers (dressers) for each bedroom, throw rugs or carpet, end tables with lamps, and a floor lamp. For more information on what is needed or how to donate a large item of furniture, please contact Barbara Hannigan at barbhannigan@gmail.com Thank you for your generosity.

spread **LOVE** not **GERMS**
let's stay healthy this season



Cover your cough.



Wash your hands.



Stay home when sick.

difundir **AMOR** no **Gérmenes**
vamos a permanecer saludables esta temporada



¡Tápese al toser!



Lávese las manos.



**Quédese en su casa si
está enfermo.**

“Health is one of the most valuable gifts desired by all, and that in the biblical tradition the closeness between salvation and health has always been highlighted, along with their many and mutual implications...” Pope Francis

St. James Scout Mass, Reception, and Candlemas

February 2, Candlemas, was a busy day at St. James. At the 9:00am Mass we celebrated the achievements of our parish's American Heritage Girls, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Girl Scouts with a "Scout Mass," followed by a reception in Heller Hall. At the Noon Mass we celebrated Candlemas with a blessing of candles. Here are a few pictures from those events. To see more go to <https://www.stjamescatholic.org/photos/2020-photo-highlights/index>



February Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Listen to the Migrants' Cries

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, February 9– Girl Scout Cookie Sales After All Masses

10:15am—11:15am	Baptism Class	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
11:30am—2:00pm	Hispanic RCIA	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
1:00pm—2:15pm	Spanish PREP	School—Door 16
1:30pm—3:30pm	Bible Study	School Library—Door 16
4:30pm—6:00pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue

Monday, February 10—No Scheduled Activities

Tuesday, February 11

4:45pm / 7:00pm	PREP	School—Door 16
7:00pm—8:30pm	High School PREP	School Library—Door 16
7:30pm—9:00pm	RCIA	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:30pm—9:00pm	Legion of Mary	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue

Wednesday, February 12

9:30am—11:30am	Women's Bible Study	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
9:15am—11:0am	Women's Bible Study	Knecht Meeting Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm—8:00pm	Children's Rosary	Church
7:30pm—8:30pm	PTO Meeting	School Library—Door 16
7:30pm—9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9

Thursday, February 13

9:30am—11:30am	Bible Study (Co-Ed)	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm—9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	School Library—Door 16
7:00pm—9:00pm	Social Outreach Committee Meeting	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:30pm—9:00pm	First Communion Parents Meeting	Heller Hall—Door 13
7:30pm—9:00pm	St. James Young Professionals Group	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue

Friday, February 14—School Early Dismissal at 11:30am, No Parking in Lot "A" For Noon Mass

11:15am—11:45am	Confessions	Church
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Saturday, February 15—Girl Scout Cookie Sales After Mass

10:00am—11:00am	Guided Children's Adoration	Church
12:00pm—3:00pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	House of Ministries
3:30pm—4:30pm	Confessions	Church
5:30pm—9:00pm	Hispanic Prayer Group	Heller Hall—Door 13
7:30pm	Confessions	Church

Virginia March For Life—February 13

The Virginia March For Life will take place on Thursday, February 13, 2020 in Richmond, Virginia. The day will kick-off with a Mass at 9:15am, followed by a rally at the State Capitol building (Capitol Square), followed by the March at 12:45pm. For more information, contact Rich Hunter at stjameslife@gmail.com or 571-423-6482. To learn more about the Virginia March for Life itself, visit <http://j.mp/2LzkUVi>.



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