



# Saint James Catholic Church

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November 8, 2020

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32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'" - Mt 25:11-12

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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  
**RECTORY HOURS:**  
Weekdays 9:00am- 9:00pm (closed 12:45 - 1:30pm)  
Saturday 9:00am - 1:30pm

### 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:

**Tuesdays and Thursdays**  
7:00pm – 8:00pm  
**Fridays**  
11:00am – Noon  
**Saturdays**  
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6:30pm – 7:30pm

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## ***On The Way***

### *Indulgences*

If most people know anything about indulgences, it is about their abuse: some priests and even prelates sold indulgences in the middle ages and early Renaissance. Of course, the abuse of something does not eliminate its use. The Church never approved of the abuses. The Council of Trent decreed that "all evil gains for the obtaining of indulgences be wholly abolished." Indeed, people might be surprised to learn that the Church still grants indulgences. Nor is this some dark secret; there's an entire section in the Catechism on it (CCC 4171-1479).

The reality of indulgences rests on two truths. First, that sin has a double consequence: guilt and disorder. Sin not only makes us guilty before almighty God, it also introduces a certain disorder into our souls. It twists us out of shape and turns us away from God. Now, the prayer of absolution in Confession frees us from guilt. But the disorder from sin remains. We still need to be purified – banged back into shape – by way of penances and sacrifices. This is what the Church calls the "temporal punishment due to sin." Thus, the priest assigns a penance in the confessional, so that by making some sacrifice your soul will be healed of sin's disorder. Then the sufferings and trials we encounter in life become occasions (if we let them) of further purification. Finally, purgatory is the "place" where God, in both mercy and justice, purifies us from any remaining effects of sin.

Indulgences also rest on the truth that the Church is the dispenser of the merits of Christ and his saints. She possesses what is called the "treasury of merit," from which she confers on individuals particular graces. In a sense, we draw from this treasury every time we go to Confession. There the Church opens the wealth of grace and merit and through her ministry frees us from sin.

An indulgence is the partial or total remission of the temporal punishment due to sin extended to us by the Church. We can obtain an indulgence either for ourselves or for a deceased person. The Church attaches the granting of indulgences to some charitable work or act of devotion (e.g. praying the rosary with others, reading scripture for 15 minutes, etc.) When we do such things, the Church opens the treasury of merits to us or to the deceased for whom we pray. Of course, it's not automatic. That line of thinking would lead us back to purchasing indulgences. No, an indulgence is obtained as an act of devotion. Thus it requires not only the act itself, but complete detachment from sin, Sacramental Confession, Holy Communion, and prayer for the Holy Father's intentions (one *Our Father*, *Hail Mary*, *Glory Be*).

During the month of November, when we give special attention to praying for the dead, we should also strive to obtain indulgences for them. This year, because of the Covid restrictions, the Vatican has new norms. Thus, the plenary indulgence normally obtained by visiting a cemetery between November 1 and November 8 can be obtained on any day in November 2020 and even by those who visit a cemetery "even if only mentally."

Please remember the dead in your prayers and seek to obtain indulgences for them, to hasten their journey to glory.

– Fr. Scalia

**Mass Intentions For The Thirty-Second Week in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, November 7**  
**For the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
5:00 p.m. +Ben Adams

**Sunday, November 8**  
**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
7:30 a.m. +Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary  
9:00 a.m. People of St. James  
10:30 a.m. +Bernard and Virginia Donnelly  
Noon +Mario D’Isa  
2:30 p.m. Maria E. Navarro  
7:00 p.m. +Judith Elena Anson

**Monday, November 9**  
**The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**  
6:30 a.m. +Jovencio G. Apostol  
8:30 a.m. +Anniversary of Castulo Urmeneta  
Noon +P. J. Boyer

**Tuesday, November 10**  
**St. Leo the Great**  
6:30 a.m. Kelsea Mauer  
8:30 a.m. +Nancy Cook  
Noon +Ann and Anthony Bott

**Wednesday, November 11**  
**St. Martin of Tours**  
6:30 a.m. +Frank Creel  
8:30 a.m. +Joseph Coneys

**Thursday, November 12**  
**St. Josaphat**  
6:30 a.m. +Alexandra Taweel  
8:30 a.m. +Kenneth R. Burnett  
Noon +Corrine Nylander

**Friday, November 13**  
**St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**  
6:30 a.m. +Frank X. Ferris  
8:30 a.m. For Students of St. James School both Living and Deceased, Especially those in the Graduating Class of 1983  
Noon +Angelina Santoro

**Saturday, November 14**  
**Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday**  
8:30 a.m. +Marie Louise Chang  
5:00 p.m. +Susanne Neyland

**Sunday, November 15**  
**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
7:30 a.m. +Elisha Creech  
9:00 a.m. +Caroline Grondelski  
10:30 a.m. +Henry and Helen Rackowski  
Noon +Giacomo D’Isa  
2:30 p.m. People of St. James  
7:00 p.m. +George Lewis

**Today’s Readings**

**First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16**  
“Resplendent and unfading is wisdom...”

**Psalm: Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8**  
“O God, you are my God whom I seek...”

**Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**  
“We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters...”

**Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13**  
“Jesus told his disciples this parable...”

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday:** EZ 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; PS 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 COR 3:9C-11, 16-17; JN 2:13-22

**Tuesday:** TI 2:1-8, 11-14; PS 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29; LK 17:7-10

**Wednesday:** TI 3:1-7; PS 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6; Lk 17:11-19

**Thursday:** PHMN 7-20; PS 146:7, 8-9A, 9BC-10; LK 17:20-25

**Friday:** 2 JN 4-9; PS 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18; LK 17:26-37

**Saturday:** 3 JN 5-8; PS 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; LK 18:1-8

**Remember in Your Prayers...**

**the sick of our parish family:**

Kim Chapman	Peggy Kurtzke
Janice Chory	Mark Matheny
Chip Clarke	Janet Owen
Greg Gonsalves	Carter Parry
Donna Hain	John Reyes
Peter Halberstadt	Russell Ross
William Hardy	Ann Smith
Jessica Kelly	Robyn Stewart
Kevin Kelly	Lauren Vinci
Patricia Kelly	

**and the deceased of our parish family:**

Teague Guy	Phyllis Thompson
Alfredo Sakata	

**and those serving our country:**

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

Justin Berg	Roger VanSanford
Veronica Elkins	Major Albert C. Young
Michele Peters	



# *Stewardship*

## *The Gift of Time, Talent, Treasure*

### **Retired Religious Fund – November 7-8**

This week's second collection is for the Retired Religious Fund. St. James takes this collection up annually for our retired priests and religious. Sadly, changing demographics, rising health care costs, and lack of funding are making it increasingly difficult for religious orders to care for those who have given their lives to God.

Please consider donating to this important fund. For more information, go to: <https://www.usccb.org/offices/national-religious-retirement-office>.

To donate via Faith Direct, go to: <https://church.faithdirect.net/org/appeals/50/1493>.



### **Spring Garden Planning**

This year, the St. James Creation Care Ministry was able to provide fresh produce from the parish garden to the hungry of Falls Church. Now, we're in the midst of planning for a new garden in the spring, and we need green thumbs and newbies alike to join us in making next year's garden a success. Please contact Zoey Maraist for more information by e-mailing [zoeydimauro@gmail.com](mailto:zoeydimauro@gmail.com) or calling 571-241-9244. Thank you!

### **Volunteer Wedding Coordinators Needed**

Wedding coordinators work with the celebrant at the wedding rehearsal and the wedding by assisting with the set-up of the church, and the organization of the wedding party regarding the order of the procession, seating, and order of events as they will take place during the wedding.

If you are interested or have additional questions please email Elizabeth Hatch at: [ehatch72@gmail.com](mailto:ehatch72@gmail.com). Thank you!

### **Ushers Needed—Please Help**

Because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we are currently short on ushers and in need of volunteers, especially for the upcoming seasons of Advent and Christmas.

If you can help with this vital role, please email our head usher, John Vrablik: at [jvrablik@cox.net](mailto:jvrablik@cox.net).

Please prayerfully consider giving the gift of your time and talent to one of these volunteer opportunities. Ushers are especially in need from the start of Advent through Christmas Day.

### **Next Week's Second Collection— The Maintenance Fund**

Next week's special collection will be for our Maintenance Fund. We take this collection up four times a year to help support the maintenance needs of our historic parish and school. You can donate via your offertory envelopes or online via Faith Direct. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support!

We Wish All Those Serving and  
Who Have Served our  
Nation's Armed Forces  
a Happy and Peaceful Veterans Day



“That the Lord may preserve the  
members of our Army, Navy, Marines,  
Coast Guard, and Air Force  
From all harm;  
We Pray to the Lord!”

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



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## News from St. James

### Scouting For Food—November 15

Pack/Troop 681 will be participating in Scouting for Food this year to benefit Saint James Social Outreach. We will accept non-perishable food donations (no glass) outside of Saint James Catholic Church on Sunday, November 15, during all Masses between 7:30am to 5:00pm.

Alternatively, donors who wish to schedule a Scouting For Food pickup anytime can email the Pack/Troop at:

[681scoutingforfood@gmail.com](mailto:681scoutingforfood@gmail.com) to provide your address and date/time for earliest pickup. Thank you for your help and generosity to help those in need.

### Farewell to Dan Day on November 22, Christ the King Sunday

Join us on Sunday, November 22, at the 10:30am Mass to say farewell to Dan Day, and to celebrate his 30 years of service to St. James as our Director of Music. Right after the Mass, we will present our parish gift memory book to Dan. Please join us for this presentation.



### Preparation for Total Consecration according to Saint Louis Marie de Montfort

Have you been considering doing St. Louis Marie de Montfort's Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary? Join the parish as we make this consecration together! We will begin the 33 days of preparation on November 5 in order to make the consecration on December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Fr. Oetjen will give a talk to begin each phase of the preparation and lead the prayers of the preparation for that day:

- Tuesday, November 17 at 6:30pm — Part II: Knowledge of Self
- Tuesday, November 24 at 6:30pm — Part III: Knowledge of Our Lady
- Tuesday, December 1 at 6:30pm — Part IV: Knowledge of Jesus Christ
- Tuesday, December 8 at 7:30pm — Mass with the Consecration to follow

For the 33 days of preparation, we will use the readings and prayers from Preparation for Total Consecration according to Saint Louis Marie de Montfort by Montfort Publications, which can be found here: <https://www.amazon.com/Preparation-Total-Consecration-Louis-Montfort/dp/0910984107>. These readings and prayers can also be downloaded here: <https://bit.ly/3elsMqt>.

All sessions of the Preparation will be held in the Church and will be viewable by live stream as well at our “Mass Live Stream” portal on the website.

## Social Outreach Christmas Gift Card Donations

As we approach the Christmas season, several of the special projects that we have supported over time have needed to be reformatted given the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. Among the activities on pause for this year are the December Donut Sunday Work of Human Hands sale and the new clothing and toy initiatives for homeless shelters. The “Adopt A Family” program will continue as will the “Gift Cards for Catholic Charities” drive.

For safety reasons, homeless shelters request ONLY gift cards so that residents can shop for their families. The amount given will depend upon the family member size. We have been told that \$25 gift cards for Walmart and Target are the most requested.

Starting in November, the Social Outreach Committee will collect gift cards to support BOTH the homeless shelter residents AND Catholic Charities. The options for contributing to our **Social Outreach Gift Card Project** are:

- Donate \$25 gift cards
- Send a check so gift cards can be purchased by the Social Outreach Committee, on your behalf. On the memo line, write “**SOC gift card donation.**”

Please place a card or check in an envelope marked **Social Outreach Gift Card Project**. Place the envelope in the collection basket, hand deliver to the Rectory Office, or mail the envelope to:

**St. James Catholic Church, 905 Park Avenue, Falls Church VA 22046**

Thank you for your generosity in bringing joy to families during this difficult Pandemic period.

## Donations Needed to Support St. Lucy Diocesan Warehouse

The Catholic Charities Diocesan St. Lucy Warehouse is in desperate need for food donations. Donor fatigue has set in with recent collections down 28% and demand for food up 90% from this time last year. The donated food supports multiple food pantries and lunch packs for children.

The St. Lucy truck came to our parish in May and will return in the Spring. In the meantime, due to the serious lack of food available to program participants, please consider making food donations online using the Amazon Gift Wish List Link: [ccda.net/SLPAmazonWishList](https://ccda.net/SLPAmazonWishList). The food will be sent directly to the warehouse and St. James parish will be recognized for any online donations.

The social outreach committee endorses this easy way to donate food, and we thank you for your generosity.

**In Preparation for Advent, Spiritual Reading Ideas Can Be Found At:  
<https://www.stjamescatholic.org/current-events/readings-spiritual-life>**



**November Prayer Intention of Pope Francis**

**Artificial Intelligence**

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

***This Week in Our Parish***

**Sunday, November 8**

12:15pm—1:45pm	Spanish PREP Communion Classes	Cafeteria
12:15pm—1:45pm	Spanish PREP Confirmation Classes	Heller Hall (Door 13)
5:00pm—6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church

**Monday, November 9**

No Scheduled Events

**Tuesday, November 10**

12:30pm—6:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
6:00pm—7:15pm	Tuesday PREP Communion Classes	Cafeteria
6:00pm—7:15pm	Tuesday PREP Confirmation Classes	Heller Hall (Door 13)
7:00pm—8:00pm	Confessions	Church

**Wednesday, November 11—Veterans Day—Rectory Offices Closed, No Noon Mass, School Closed for Students, School Parent Teacher Conferences as Scheduled**

8:15pm	St. James Men’s Group Rosary	Statue of Mary on Park Avenue Side
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**Thursday, November 12—School Early Dismissal at 11:00am, School Parent Teacher Conferences as Scheduled**

12:30pm—6:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
7:00pm—8:00pm	Confessions	Church

**Friday, November 13**

11:00am—Noon	Confessions	Church
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**Saturday, November 14**

3:30pm—4:30pm	Confessions	Church
6:30pm—7:30pm	Confessions	Church



*On behalf of Catholic Charities, St. James Catholic Church is welcoming Advent with a*

**POP-n-Go Drive Thru for the WEE ONES!**

**Saturday Nov. 28**

**10am-1pm, B-Lot (by the gym)**

830 W Broad St, Falls Church, VA 22046

- Diapers of all sizes & wipes
- Baby hats and blankets (handmade & store bought accepted with gratitude)

Drive up, **POP** your trunk, and a volunteer will get the donated items.

**Then Go!**



*Advent is a journey towards Bethlehem.*



*“May we let ourselves be drawn by the light of God made man.”  
—Pope Francis*



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