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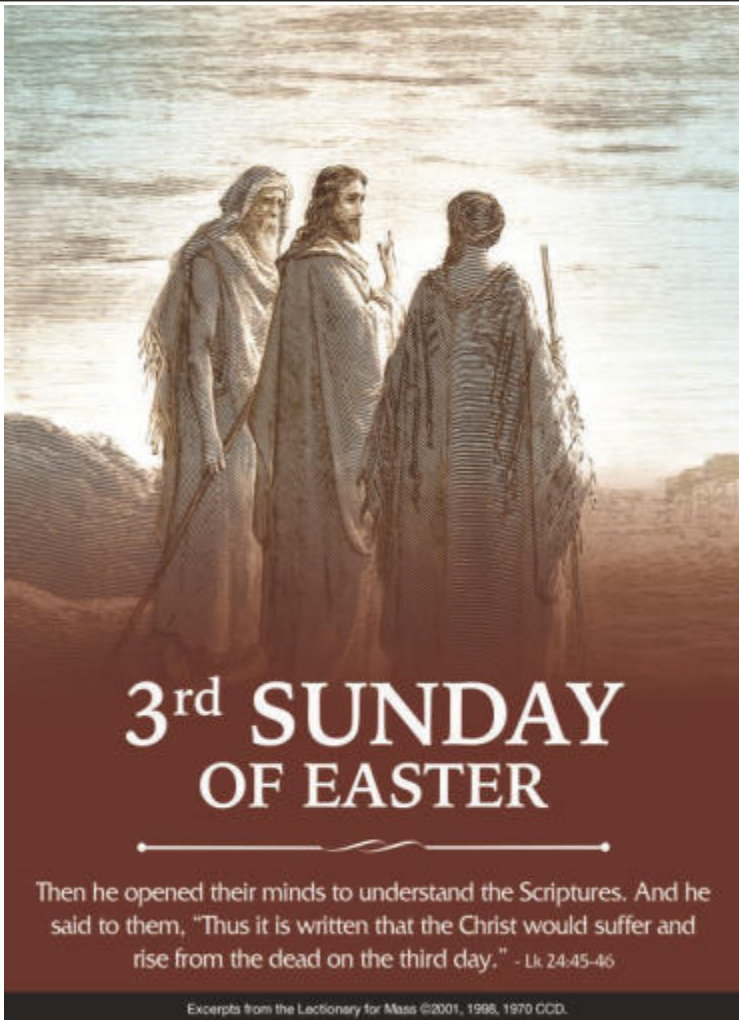
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Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
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4:00pm, and 7:00pm
Spanish Mass: 2:30pm
Daily: 6:30am, 8:30am,
Noon

Masses (Cont.)

Saturdays: 8:30am
Federal Holidays:
6:30am and 8:30am only
Holy Days:
7:30pm Vigil, 6:30am,
8:30am, Noon, and
7:30pm

Adoration

Tuesdays and Thursdays:
12:30pm—6:30pm
First Fridays:
9:00am—11:45am
(Benediction)
Holy Hours
Sundays: 5:00pm
Third Thursdays: 7:00pm

Confessions

Tuesdays and Thursdays:
7:00pm—8:00pm
Fridays:
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Saturdays:
3:30pm—4:30pm and
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On The Way

Catechesis on Creation: Introduction

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* makes this very simple observation: "Catechesis on creation is of major importance" (CCC 282). Now, this is an enormous understatement. Such catechesis has always been of major importance. We need to know where we come from and why we were created. Our origin sheds light on our end. (Perhaps this accounts for the great interest in genealogy: in knowing where we come from we hope to understand ourselves better.)

Questions about our origin have been at the heart of much intellectual debate over the past several centuries. Every major philosopher tries to give an account of where we come from in order to explain his particular theory of how we ought to live. Thomas Hobbes famously described our state of nature as "solitary, poor, nasty, brutish, and short" – such that the government must arise to keep us in place. On the other extreme, Jean-Jacques Rousseau told us that we were "born free" but on account of society we are "everywhere in chains." Really, the only thing these men got right was the intuition that our beginnings tell us about who we are, why we are, and how we ought to live.

Although always necessary, catechesis on creation takes on a greater importance today than ever before. Pope Emeritus Benedict described our era as "the age of sin against God the Creator." That is a sobering line from a man who chooses his words carefully. Every age has its own particular vice and rebellion. Ours is against the most fundamental truth of our relationship to God, as creatures to their Creator. Perhaps never before have we been so alienated from creation, from our own created nature, and therefore from the Creator.

With this in mind, I will dedicate this space over the next several months (with periodic interruptions, no doubt) to a catechesis on creation. My reflections will draw principally from the first three chapters of Genesis and the corresponding paragraphs from the *Catechism* (CCC 279-421).

A few words about words. When describing the world and our place in it, I think it's better to use the word "creation" rather than "nature." The word "creation" immediately indicates that there is a Creator, an Author of all things – which in turn indicates a certain intentionality and design. No one creates without having a purpose or end for his creation. Such intentionality and design in turn indicate our need to observe and, yes, obey the purpose of creation. The word "nature" lacks those important implications.

For our purposes, the word "nature" means something different than just the great outdoors. It indicates what a thing is. God created each thing with a particular "nature" – meaning the characteristics that make it what it is: a rock, a tree, an elephant, a man, or an angel. Thus, we speak of mineral, vegetable, animal, human, and angelic natures.

Our human nature – what makes us human – is the source of what we have come to call our "natural rights." Such rights arise from our created nature, from what God has created us to be. This illustrates how a catechesis on creation and the proper understanding of human nature is not vain but influences things here and now, even our politics.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions For The Third Week of Easter

Saturday, April 17

For the Third Sunday of Easter

5:00 p.m. +Donovan Walsh

Sunday, April 18

The Third Sunday of Easter

7:30 a.m. People of St. James

9:00 a.m. +Alice Zishkau

10:30 a.m. +Vladimir Joseph Rus

Noon +Phyllis Thompson

2:30 p.m. +Julia Espinoza

7:00 p.m. +Helen and Ludie Raines

Monday, April 19

Monday of the Third Week of Easter

6:30 a.m. +Sungwhan Son

8:30 a.m. +Carol Tuttle

Noon +Deanna Dulka

Tuesday, April 20

Tuesday of the Third Week of Easter

6:30 a.m. +Janet Naldo

8:30 a.m. +Ann Smith

Noon +Eileen Kelly

Wednesday, April 21

St. Anselm

6:30 a.m. +Sally Walker

8:30 a.m. +Lewis and Helen Starr

Noon +Eileen Kelly

Thursday, April 22

Thursday of the Third Week of Easter

6:30 a.m. Special Intention

8:30 a.m. +Domingo Urmeneta and Porferia Brazil

Noon +Rosemary Spotts

Friday, April 23

St. George; St. Adalbert

6:30 a.m. +Richard Rouse

8:30 a.m. +Connie Mackay

Noon +Catalino Banez, Jr.

Saturday, April 24

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

8:30 a.m. +Basilio Mushonga

5:00 p.m. +Laura Hicks

Sunday, April 25

Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 a.m. +Gerald C. Brown

9:00 a.m. People of St. James

10:30 a.m. The McWhinney Family

Noon +Phyllis Thompson

2:30 p.m. +Aurea Matos Mercado

7:00 p.m. Special Intention for Travelers

Today's Readings

First Reading: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

“Peter said to the people: The God of Abraham...”

Psalms: Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9

“When I call, answer me, O my just God...”

Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5a

“My children, I am writing this to you...”

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

“The two disciples recounted what had taken place...”

Readings for the Week

Monday: ACTS 6:8-15; PS 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30;
JN 6:22-29

Tuesday: ACTS 7:51—8:1a;
PS 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab;
JN 6:30-35

Wednesday: ACTS 8:1b-8; PS 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; JN 6:35-40

Thursday: ACTS 8:26-40; PS 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; JN 6:44-51

Friday: ACTS 9:1-20; PS 117:1bc, 2; JN 6:52-59

Saturday: ACTS 9:31-42; PS 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;
JN 6:60-69

Remember in Your Prayers...

the sick of our parish family:

Joan Buscher	Prescott Klein	Mike Remshard
Janice Chory	Peggy Kurtzke	John Reyes
Chip Clarke	Kathleen Lemmers	Russell Ross
John Crawford	Mark Matheny	Robyn Stewart
Diane Davis	Stephanie Naski	Lauren Vinci
C. Tutty Fairbanks	Janet Owen	
Peter Halberstadt	Carter Parry	

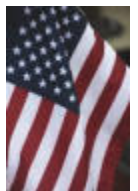
and the deceased of our parish family:

John Cole	Ed Remshard
Anthony D'Erme	Leo Thibodeau
Kristin Regina Kazyak	

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
Captain Michael Conrad	Major Albert C. Young
Veronica Elkins	



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Second Collection for Catholic Home Missions Appeal—April 25

On Sunday, April 25, our second collection will be for the *Catholic Home Missions Appeal*. Over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Each year the agency grants over \$9 million to parishes in need. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States.

Please see their website for more details: <https://www.usccb.org/committees/catholic-home-missions> or donate at: <https://church.faithdirect.net/org/appeals/50/1485>



4:00pm Sunday Mass in English

We will be celebrating the 4:00pm Sunday Mass in English going forward.

Church During COVID-19

In keeping with the Governor's executive orders, please observe social distancing and wear a mask when in the church.

Receiving Communion at the Communion Rail

Since the beginning of the pandemic, we have been distributing Holy Communion at the altar rail. We find this helps us distribute Communion both reverently and safely. As more people return to Mass it also might take some getting used to. Please make note of these instructions.

- There are Crosses six feet apart along the step of the rail.
- When coming forward for Communion, please go to the Cross farthest from you in your section (i.e. in the center or on the sides).
- Stand or kneel at that Cross.
- The minister will bring you Communion.
- If receiving Communion in the hand, please remove your mask first, then receive the Host.
- Consume the Host while at the altar rail and then return to your seat.
- Please remember that members of the same household do not have to practice social distancing and may stand (or kneel) together at the rail.
- Once those in the transepts have received, those coming down the main aisle should use the spaces on the sides of the communion rail as well as the front.

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



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2021 Virtual Cocktail Party & Auction **Please join us on May 15th. Register now!**

All parish and school families are invited to the 2021 Saint James School Virtual Cocktail Party and Auction. There will be a silent auction as well as a special live auction during the event. **Every registration includes two signature cocktail kits and exclusive Saint James cocktail glasses.** You can choose to upgrade your registration with delicious appetizers or even a three-course meal from a local caterer (see below). Can't attend but want to help? Please see page 5 of this week's bulletin for details on sponsorship levels.



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Access to silent auction and live event, 2 signature cocktail kits, 2 glasses, appetizers and three-course meal for 2, name listing on website

Lift Off Sponsor (\$500)

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To register, visit: <https://sjsptova.ejoinme.org/2021Auction>

Questions: email Liz Barry (sbarry@aol.com) or Liz Tobin (liztobin12@hotmail.com)



2021 Virtual Cocktail Party & Auction

Sponsorship Opportunities

The 2021 Saint James School Virtual Cocktail Party and Auction is May 15th, and all school and parish families are invited! Please consider sponsoring our largest annual PTO fundraiser to help ensure it is a big success for our school. Maximize your message – what a great way to say thank you! – or your business's advertising exposure by becoming a sponsor before registration opens the week of March 22.

Swag Bag Sponsor (Exclusive) - \$5,000

The Swag Bag sponsor's name and/or logo/message will appear on the bag containing items for the auction evening that will be given to every attendee! Sponsor's name/logo will be shown prominently on the event registration website and will be included in auction-related communications. The Swag Bag sponsor will also receive complimentary event registration, appetizers for four, and three-course meal for four.

Cocktail Kit Sponsor (Exclusive) - \$4,500

The Cocktail Kit sponsor will choose the name and/or logo/message on the cocktail kit that will be given to every attendee! Sponsor's name/logo will be shown prominently on the event registration website and will be included in auction-related communications. The Cocktail Kit sponsor will also receive complimentary event registration, appetizers for four, and three-course meal for four.

Rocket Sponsors (Multiple) - \$2,500

Sponsor names/logos will appear on the event registration website. Sponsor will receive complimentary event registration, appetizers for four, and three-course meal for four.

Booster Sponsors (Multiple) - \$1,500

Sponsor names/logos will appear on the event registration website. Sponsor will receive complimentary event registration, appetizers for two, and three-course meal for two.

Swag Bag Item Sponsors (Multiple) - Varied

Sponsors will provide 1-2 donated items (200-400 total) for each registration bag. Sponsor names/logos will be listed on the event registration website. Sponsors will also receive complimentary event registration, appetizers for two, and three-course meal for two.

Interested in becoming a sponsor?

Email Liz Barry (sbarry@aol.com) or Liz Tobin (liztobin12@hotmail.com) today!

Deadline for Swag Bag and Cocktail Kit sponsorships is March 26.

News From St. James

Women's Study Beginning April 16

Attention women of Saint James! Are you interested in learning more about the writings of St. Edith Stein with other women in our parish? Join us for an eight week study of Edith Stein's life and work. We will meet Fridays at noon beginning on April 16. Meetings will be outdoors or on zoom depending on the weather. Email Adele Collins at adele1@gmail.com to register and obtain the study book.

To learn more about St. Edith Stein and her writings, visit https://www.vatican.va/news_services/liturgy/

Adult Volunteers Needed for Work Camp—June 20-24

Adult volunteers are needed to be crew leaders and contractors for WorkCamp from June 20-24. If you are handy with home repairs and are available to work at least Monday—Thursday, please consider being a contractor for our team. WorkCamp is local this year, so hours will run from morning Mass until around 7:30pm, when dinner and program are over each night. Crew leaders must be at least 25 years old and will spend the week with a group of five teens working with the contractor on service projects such as painting, home repairs, yard work, etc. Crew leaders do not need to be skilled in repair work but are responsible for the safety and care of their team. Virtus compliancy is required, and training is available if have not yet been certified. Please consider giving your time and energy. Contact Karen Graffam interested, klgraffam@gmail.com.

St. James Creation Care Ministry Garden Planting—April 24

The Creation Care Ministry will be planting the parish garden behind the House of Ministries, 913 Park Ave, Saturday, April 24 at 10:00am. This year, the garden will be much bigger than last year and we'd love your help that morning and all summer! No prior gardening knowledge is necessary.

Produce from the garden is donated to the St. James Food Distribution program, as well as to the Priests and Sisters of the St. James Parish community.

Please say a prayer for the success of the garden, the gardeners and all the recipients of the produce. If you would like to donate seeds, seedlings, plants, tools, compost, or want more information, please email Zoey Maraist at zoeydimauro@gmail.com.

Courage

Courage, is a group that meets regularly to offer fraternal, moral, and spiritual support for those who experience same-sex attractions and desire to live chaste lives according to the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. For more information, please contact Courage@arlingtondiocese.org, or visit www.couragerc.net.



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April Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, April 18

12:00pm—1:30pm	Hispanic RCIA	Knecht Conference Room (Doors 8 & 9)
12:15pm—1:45pm	Hispanic PREP Communion Class	Cafeteria (Door 18)
12:15pm—1:45pm	Hispanic PREP Confirmation Class	Heller Hall (Door 13)
5:00pm—6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church
5:00pm—6:00pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Knecht Conference Room (Doors 8 & 9)

Monday, April 19

No Scheduled Activities

Tuesday, April 20

12:30pm—6:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
6:00pm—7:15pm	PREP Communion Classes	Cafeteria (Door 18)
6:00pm—7:15pm	PREP Confirmation Classes	Heller Hall (Door 13)
7:30pm—9:00pm	RCIA	Knecht Conference Room (Doors 8 & 9)

Wednesday, April 21

7:00pm	High School PREP	Heller Hall (Door 13)
8:15pm	St. James Men's Group Rosary	Statue of Mary (Park Avenue Side)

Thursday, April 22

12:30pm—6:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
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Friday, April 23

11:00am—11:45am	Confessions	Church
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Saturday, April 24

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



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POP-N-GO DRIVE-THRU FOOD DRIVE

Saturday May 15th, 10am-2pm, B-LOT (by the gym)

Drive up, *POP* your trunk, and a volunteer will get the plastic/paper bag(s) (no cloth bags) full of non-perishable food. Then *GO!*

Items Needed:

Please NO Glass Jars

- **Canned Meats**
- **Tuna**
- **Rice (1-2 lb bags)**
- **Canned Veggies**
- **Peanut Butter**
- **Jelly/Jam**
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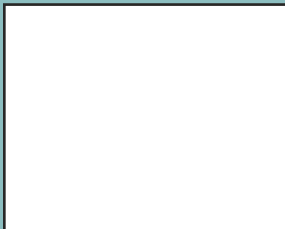
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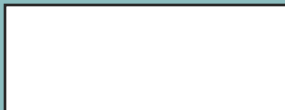
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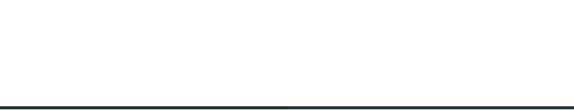
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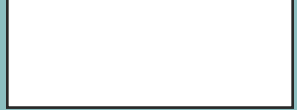
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