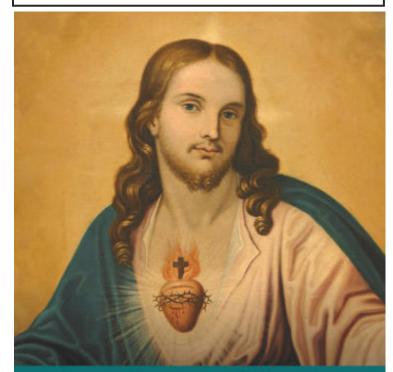


Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

November 21, 2021



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." - Jn 18:37 www.stjamescatholic.org

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Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, Noon, 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

Wednesdays and Thursdays: 12:30pm—8:00pm

First Fridays: 9:00am—11:45am (Benediction)

Holy Hours Sundays: 5:00pm

Third Thursdays: 7:00pm

Confessions

Wednesdays and Thursdays: 7:00pm—8:00pm

Fridays: 11:00am—11:45am

Saturdays: 3:30pm—4:30pm and 6:30pm—7:30pm

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On The Way

Technology and the Tree: The Cult of Technology

The word culture comes from cult, meaning worship. A culture always arises from its form of worship and devotion; from those things to which people dedicate themselves and by which they fashion their lives. The cult of Christ produced Christendom, the cult of Allah produced Muslim culture, the cult of Hindu another culture, and so on. The technological culture comes from the cult of technology.

Now, "cult of technology" doesn't mean that we bow down before our iPhones and burn incense to our laptops. It means that our technology has become the organizing principle of our lives. The instrument has become the master. We're rarely ever without our devices. I've heard that the original iPhone was designed according to the shape and size of the human hand, adapted to human existence. Now the opposite seems to be true, that we are expected to fashion and adapt our lives to technology.

Every culture in history has had some form of technology, and technology itself is not bad. Ours, however, is a culture determined by technology, not a culture with technology but a technological culture. Technology really is the new cult that forms the culture. So, what does that look like? What are some characteristics of this culture?

Efficiency in place of maturation. As the most primitive tools indicate, man has always sought how to do things more efficiently. But now efficiency has an outsized importance. We take it to be an end in itself. And this is at the cost of deeper human values. The most important things to the human person – relationships, virtues, prayer (not to mention good cheese and wine) – all take time. Trying to speed them up only ruins them. In many regards, we need to be slower and more deliberate, not more efficient.

An essential part of this efficiency is availability, the ability to be reached at any time. Which means that the space reserved for friends, family, and God is drastically reduced. It's hard to be present to others when you're willing to be interrupted by something else.

Data in place of wisdom. We live in the "information age." The amount of raw information available to us is staggering. But with all our "Big Data" and information, we haven't become any wiser. That's not technology's fault; it's not designed to make us wise. Information, data, and the empirical sciences in general can only tell us what and how. They cannot tell us why.

Problem is, the easy availability of all this information gives us the impression of being more learned and advanced. But the more important dimensions of human life – truth, charity, justice, mercy – cannot be captured by an algorithm. They cannot be gauged or measured by any technology. Only wisdom – that form of knowledge that receives and contemplates truth – can perceive them. And without such wisdom, all the information in the world is not only useless but dangerous.

Novelty in place of tradition. The rate of technology's advance in the past one hundred years is staggering. Now we receive regular and frequent updates to every device we own. Thus, we have come to equate new with better. This manner of thinking is hostile to anything that has come before. Our exaltation of the latest thing creates a hostility to the wisdom of the past. In the guise of increasing our knowledge, our technology actually reduces it.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions For the Thirty-Fourth Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, November 20 Saturday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time 5:00pm +Natividad D. Piczon

Sunday, November 21

The Last Sur	nday in Ordinary Time
7:30am	+Cynthia Mernagh
9:00am	+Donna Hain
10:30am	+Henry and Helen Rackowski
Noon	+Christine Gorbach
2:30pm	People of St. James
7:00pm	+Shirley Grayson

Monday, November 22

+Frank Roberts
Steven Whitehead
+Carlos Infante

Tuesday, November 23

	SS Clement	I & Columban
8:30am +Jo-Ellen Zawada	6:30am	+Mildred and Edith Visnic
	8:30am	+Jo-Ellen Zawada
Noon +Lorraine Bouffard	Noon	+Lorraine Bouffard

Wednesday, November 24

St. Andrew	Dũng-Lạc
6:30am	+Marilynn Elizabeth Klubek
8:30am	Mass of Thanksgiving
Noon	+Elizabeth Hartlove

Thursday, November 25

St. Catherine	e of Alexandria
6:30am	+Joseph B. Knecht
8:30am	+Joseph and Frances Shantz

Friday, November 26Friday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time6:30am+Abbot Xavier Connelly, OSB8:30am+Gabor F.L. HarissNoon+Pedro and Teofista Guadamor

Saturday, November 27Saturday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time8:30am+Gabor F.L. HarissSaturday of the First Week in Advent5:00pm+Brendan Johnson

Sunday, November 28

The First Sunday of Advent7:30am+Gabor F.L. Hariss9:00am+Lily O'Brien10:30am+Joseph B. KnechtNoonPeople of St. James2:30pm+Jesus Martinez7:00pmSpecial Intentions of Sandra Kovacev

Today's Readings

First Reading: Dn 7:13-14 "As the visions during the night continued, I saw one like a Son..."

Psalm: Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 "The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty."

Second Reading: Rv 1:5-8 "Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the ..."

Gospel: Jn 18:33b-37 "Pilate said to Jesus, 'Are you the King of the Jews?""

Readings for the Week

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Daniel 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 126:1-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt 10:17-22

Thursday: Readings from a votive Mass of the Eucharist

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Daniel 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Daniel 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87; Lk 21:34-36

Remember in Your Prayers

the sick of our parish family:

Mary Ann Caruso Martha Catul	5	Andre Paul Santini Daniel Schmidt
Chip Clarke	Vincent McAlevy Cecilia Mushonga	Ben Schwind
Joan Huff	Janet Owen	Mary Schwind
Jessica Kelly	Jim Owen	Robyn Stewart
Kevin Kelly	Carter Parry	Ana Victoria
Patricia Kelly	Russell Ross	Yrausquin

and the deceased of our parish family:

Barbara Booker

Amelia Oliveros de Lara

Major Albert C. Young

and those serving our country:

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







November Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

People Who Suffer from Depression-We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

Parish News

Car Raffle Volunteer Liaison

St. James is looking for a volunteer to serve as our liaison with All Saints Catholic Church for the upcoming annual Five-Car Raffle. Duties include attending a virtual training on December 9th; serving as the main email contact with All Saints for St. James; and overseeing Car Raffle activities performed by St. James staff. Email Rich at rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org if you are interested.

Boy Scout Christmas Tree Sale

Due to a nationwide supply shortage, Boy



Scout Troop 681 regrets that we will not be selling Christmas trees this year. We thank all of our loyal patrons for 40+ years of support. We hope to see you next year. We wish your family a merry Christmas.

Social Outreach Advent Season Gift Card **Donations**

The number of requests for gift cards has tripled from last year. Part of the reason for this is that Afghanistan refugee families will be helped with this effort as well. Gift cards can be accepted from Walmart, Target, Giant, and Safeway. However, Walmart and Target are strongly preferred. The options for contributing to our Social Outreach Gift Card Project are donate \$25 gift cards or send a **check** so gift cards can be bought on your behalf.

Make checks payable to St. James. On the memo line, write SOC gift card donation. Place a card or check in an envelope marked Social Outreach Gift Card Project. Put 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 Pandemic period.

New Ecumenical Event Planning and **Study Group Forming**

At the Last Supper, Jesus prayed for his disciples, "Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are" (John 17:11). The unity of all Christians continues to be the will of our Lord. We are forming a group at St. James to pray for and study ecumenism (Christian unity) and to plan prayer services and ecumenical events with other churches. Email Julie Conroy, jmtconroy@gmail.com, with questions.

Youth Ministry—Devotion, Dine, and Decorate

Come to the Holy Hour with Father John Paul for some Advent Reflection, then dine together and decorate cookies on Sunday, December 5th from 5:00pm-7:00pm. Youth Ministry will start in the church and then go to the Parish House.

To sign up for any event or if you have questions, email Karen Graffam, klgraffam@gmail.com. Follow Youth Ministry activities on the parish website, https://www.stjamescatholic.org/youth as well as on Instagram at *astjamescatholic*.

Seeking 2022 Calendars & Note Cards

The Social Outreach Committee is collecting donations for 2022 calendars, all sizes, for the Kairo Project for Women Prisoners and for families enrolled in Food Distribution. Note cards are also needed by prisoners. No calendars with spiral metal binding or note cards with glitter please. Drop off the calendars in the food collection baskets at the Church entrances or box in the rectory office before Thanksgiving. Email Angela Dinkle, jasamber3@cox.com, with questions.

Parish News (Continued)

School Extended Day Counselors

Our School is hiring Extended Day Counselors for our Extended Day program which cares for our students after school. The hours for these positions are 15 hours a week, 3:00pm-6:00pm. On half days, hours are 11:00am-6:00pm. Experience working with children and committing to the entire school year is required as is completing a background check. Interested applicants can email their resume to the school principal, sistermarysue@saintjamesschool.org.

St. James Weekend Maintenance Assistant

St. James seeks an energetic and reliable individual to join our maintenance team. The position involves custodial and light maintenance duties on evenings and weekends, 10-20 hours per week. A flexible personal schedule and the willingness to work regularly on weekends are required. Anyone interested in applying for the position may call our Rectory office at 703-532-8815.

Assistant to the Pastor and Office Manager

Our Pastor's Assistant, Jean Gliot, is moving away in early 2022. To fill her position, we are seeking a faithful Catholic, familiar with the Church's teachings, liturgy, and sacraments to provide administrative support to the Pastor and manage the Rectory office. Fluency in English and Spanish is a plus. This full-time position requires a flexible schedule for events.

The full job description is in the LATEST NEWS & EVENTS section on www.stjamescatholic.org.

If interested, please send a cover letter explaining your interest and qualifications and a resume to <u>rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org</u>.

<u>Seven Corners Children's Center</u> <u>Christmas Drive</u>

Again this year, the Social Outreach Committee is asking for your support for the Seven Corners Children's Center. The center is a private, non-profit organization that partners with Fairfax County to provide childcare and pre-school for working families who require financial assistance. The children range in age from 2 to 5. We are asking for clothing in sizes 3T, 4T, 5T, 5, and 6/7 including:

- Shirts and pants
- Gloves, Hats and Scarves
- Winter Jackets
- Books, games and puzzles for ages 2 to 5

New this year: The Center has also asked for winter jackets and other clothing items in sizes 8 to 12 to allow parents to choose presents for older siblings.

Items should be new and not wrapped. Please drop off donations in the bins in the back of the Church **by December 12th**. Call or text Caroline Sparks, 703-862-2074, for more information.

Adopt-A-Family Christmas Program

The Social Outreach Committee is once again sponsoring this program. Parishioners can provide much needed holiday cheer by sponsoring a specified family and ensuring

they have gifts and a holiday meal for Christmas. Many of these families were previously homeless and need to



conserve their income for rent, food, and other necessities. If you would like to participate, please call Mary Ann Parker at 702-241-9128 or 202-262-8426.

Stewardship—The Gift of Time, Talent and Treasure

Giving Tuesday is November 30th, 2021. Support the 2021-2022 SJS Annual Appeal Established in 2012, the SJS Annual Appeal keeps our 100+ year old school competitive and affordable to all who desire a Catholic education.

\$40,000 Challenge Match!

A generous couple has come forward and offered to kick off this year's Annual Appeal with a \$40,000 challenge match. This couple fervently believes in the importance of Catholic education and has a particular love for our award-winning parish school. They believe that our teachers are the finest educators they have ever encountered and that through them, our students are able to not only thrive academically but grow in the virtues of service.

By providing this matching gift, this couple hopes to inspire many donations to Saint James Catholic School. **Every dollar you donate will be matched up to \$40,000.** It is our hope that this matching gift will help us achieve our \$80,000 goal in record time.

To donate online, please visit our website: <u>https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/</u> <u>VA50/22645</u> or mail a check to the Rectory Office to the attention of Kathleen Anderson, Director of Development. Please include "Annual Appeal" in the memo line of the check. Thank you for your generosity and support!

Give The Gift of A Catholic Education





November 30th

Please Donate

SAINT JAMES PARISH 40 HOURS DEVOTION

In honor of MARY MOTHER OF THE EUCHARIST

DECEMBER 5-7, 2021

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

 7:00pm
 Mass to begin 40 Hours

 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the end of Mass

 10:00pm
 Compline

Adoration throughout the night

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6

6:00am Morning Prayer 6:30am Mass 7:00am Confessions 8:30am Mass 9:00am Rosary-Joyful Mysteries School classes visit throughout the morning 12:00pm Mass 12:30pm Rosary-Luminous Mysteries 3:00pm Confessions Chaplet of Divine Mercy 5:00pm Rosary-Sorrowful Mysteries 6:00pm Rosary in Spanish—Glorious Mysteries 6:30pm Confessions 7:30pm Solemn Vespers & Homily 10:00pm Compline Adoration throughout the night

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7

6:00am Morning Prayer 6:30am Mass 7:00am Confessions 8:30am Mass 9:00am Rosary—Joyful Mysteries School classes visit throughout the morning 12:00pm Mass 12:30pm Rosary—Luminous Mysteries 3:00pm Confessions Chaplet of Divine Mercy 5:00pm Rosary—Sorrowful Mysteries 6:00pm Rosary in Spanish—Glorious Mysteries 6:30pm Confessions 7:30pm Solemn Vespers & Homily Benediction to Conclude 40 Hours

Please see www.stjamescatholic.org for more information and to sign up for Adoration.

THE PRIESTS, DEACONS, SISTERS, FACULTY, AND STAFF OF ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL WISH EACH OF YOU A

Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving

"IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES GIVE THANKS, FOR THIS IS THE WILL OF GOD FOR YOU IN JESUS CHRIST." 1 THESSALONIANS 5:18

Parish Calendar

Sunday, Novem	ber 21	
10:00am-2:00pm	Parish Library Open	Parish House
12:30pm-1:45pm	Spanish PREP	School
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Knecht Conference Rm (Doors 8 & 9)
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church
Monday, Novemb	er 22	
	No open meetings scheduled.	
Tuesday, Novemb	er 23	
4:45pm-7:00pm	PREP Thanksgiving Prayer Service	Church
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	RCIA	Knecht Conference Room
Wednesday, No	vember 24	
12:30pm-8:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room
Thursday, Novem	ber 25—Thanksgiving Break. School & Recto	ory Offices Closed. No Noon Mass.
	No Scheduled Activities.	
Friday, November	r 26—Thanksgiving Break. School & Rectory	Offices Closed. Noon Mass will be held.
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
Saturday, Novem	ber 27	
6:45am-7:15am	Pro-life Prayer at Falls Church Clinic	900 S. Washington St. Falls Church
3:30pm-4:30pm	Confessions	Church
6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:30pm	Hispanic Prayer Group	Heller Hall

Early Bulletin Submission Dates

Due to the upcoming holidays, submission for bulletin notices for the rest of the year will be much earlier than the normal 10-day deadline. Some issues will have limited space.

Submit all notices via our bulletin submission form on the parish website, <u>www.stjamescatholic.org/</u><u>leader-resources/bulletin-submissions-form</u>. See the deadlines below for the upcoming bulletins.

Date of Bulletin	10:00am Deadline
November 27-28 December 4-5 December 11-12 December 18-19	Mon, 11/15 Mon, 11/22 Wed, 12/1 Mon, 12/6



Please note that the content of the bulletin is at the discretion of the parish. Content size may be adjusted due to space. Any questions, contact Tina Doak at <u>communications@stjamescatholic.org</u>.



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