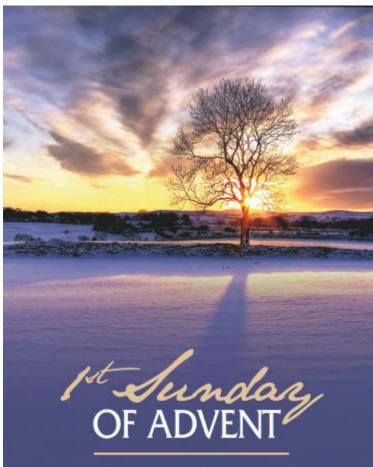


# Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

# November 28, 2021



"Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory." - Lk 21:27

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703-532-8815

#### Clergy

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#### **Mass Schedule** Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Masses (Cont.)

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

Spanish Mass: 2:30pm

Daily: 6:30am, 8:30am, Noon

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

Fridavs: 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: Taming Technology

We're not the first culture to struggle with technology. Plato expressed his misgivings about the invention of writing. In the  $15^{\text{th}}$  century the printing press changed society drastically, especially education. Like today, the sudden change in media required an adjustment of the entire civilized world.

Now, the fact that we've continued as a species and civilization since the advent of writing and the printing press indicates that those inventions were probably okay. Still, they took some discipline and getting used to. The author and media theorist Neil Postman points out that after the printing press the number of schools in Europe skyrocketed in response to all the new literature suddenly flooding society. Schools emerged as the means to manage the glut of information. They filtered out the good and useful from the bad and frivolous.

So, our ancestors show that technology requires discipline. And our discipline must be as superior to theirs as our technology is more advanced. We need to establish rules for ourselves and for our children, so that we can use our technology and not be used by it.

**Boundaries.** Each thing is good in its place. Once a thing is dislocated, it becomes dangerous. A river is good within the riverbank and frightening outside of it. So also, technology is good as a tool and frightening as a way of life (which is how it's sold). To keep it as a tool means that we must restrict its use from certain times, events, and places.

This only happens if we make specific, concrete resolutions: Wait at least one hour after rising before picking up a device; Ban devices from the table; Shut off alerts during meetings (unless, of course, you are on call); Establish a shut down time for the day. For example, at 9 pm all devices are silenced and put away – and not sitting on the nightstand or in the bedroom. Oh, and there is no need for cell phones in church.

**Face time.** Not *using* Facetime but *having* face time. Authentic human communication is in person, face to face. Everything else is just an approximation and/or stop gap. Emailing, texting, zooming, etc. are helpful only until we can be with one another in person. Don't use them as a substitute but visit or even call the person for a conversation. And communicate bad or difficult news in person, not by electronics.

**Children.** There are few things worse for children than unlimited and unmonitored screen time and social media access. For young children, the more time in front of a screen means less time learning how to interact with real people. For adolescents, social media enables them to be elsewhere and live a virtual life. It also opens the door to incredibly dangerous influences. It introduces girls into the world of comparison, envy, competition, insecurity, bullying, etc. It exposes boys to the ubiquitous pornographers who seek to hook them as loyal customers from an early age.

Children don't need smart phones. If you need a way to stay in touch with them, get a "dumb phone" or some other device that limits screen use and social media access (e.g *The Light Phone* or *Gabb Wireless*). And children certainly don't need them after a certain hour. Have a set time (e.g. 9 pm) at which the children's phones are not in their hands or in their rooms but in a common space, turned off, and plugged in.

- Fr. Scalia

#### Mass Intentions For the First Week of Advent

Saturday, November 27 Saturday of the First Week in Advent 5:00pm +Brendan Johnson

# Sunday, November 28The 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

## Monday, November 29

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#### Tuesday, November 30

St. Andrew	
6:30am	+Billi Jones
8:30am	+Fay Childress
Noon	+George Berube

#### Wednesday, December 1

#### Wednesday of the First Week of Advent 6:30am +Brownie Klubek

8:30am	+John F. Kurtzke, Sr.
Noon	+Leonard Michalowski, Jr.

#### Thursday, December 2

Thursday	of the First Week of Advent
6:30am	+Ellen Lyons
8:30am	+Clarice Fingers
Noon	+Mrs. Pat Davis

#### Friday, December 3

St. Francis X	Kavier
6:30am	+Eugene and Doris Carney
8:30am	+Souls in Purgatory
Noon	+Deceased Members of the Fuster Family

#### Saturday, December 4

Saturday of the First Week in Advent 8:30am +Helen Check Saturday of the Second Week in Advent 5:00pm +Helen Pawloski

#### Sunday, December 5

The Second Sunday of Advent		
7:30am	+Dr. Frank Whitesell, III	
9:00am	The List Family	
10:30am	+Ruth Cooray	
Noon	+Leo T. Thibodeau	
2:30pm	Thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary	
7:00pm	People of St. James	

#### **Today's Readings**

**First Reading: Jer 33:14-16** "The days are coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the..."

**Psalm: Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14** "To you, O Lord, I lift my soul."

Second Reading: 1 Thes 3:12—4:2 "Brothers and sisters: May the Lord make you increase..."

**Gospel:** Lk 21:25-28, 34-36 "Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun,..."

#### **Readings for the Week**

Monday:	Is 2:1-5; 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday:	Rom 10:9-18; 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22
Wednesday:	Is 25:6-10a; 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday:	Is 26:1-6; 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	Is 29:17-24; 27: 1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday:	Is 30:19-21, 23-26;147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35–10:1, 5a, 6-8

### **Remember in Your Prayers**

#### the sick of our parish family:

Mary Ann Caruso	Remi Laplace
Martha Catul	Benjamin Mar
Chip Clarke	Vincent McAle
Elizabeth Gibbon	Cecilia Musho
Joan Huff	Janet Owen
Judy Karinshak	Jim Owen
Jessica Kelly	Carter Parry
Patricia Kelly	Barbara Putnar

placeRussell Rossn MartiniAndre Paul SantiniMcAlevyDaniel SchmidtMushongaBen SchwindvenMary SchwindenRobyn StewartarryAna VictoriaPutnamYrausquin

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

Barbara Booker

#### and those serving our country:

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

Major Albert C. Young





#### 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.

Veronica Elkins

# **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 9<sup>th</sup>; 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 <u>rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org</u> 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.

#### Santa's Secret Workshop and Pancake Breakfast

The Saint James PTO is sponsoring a Santa's Secret Workshop and a Pancake Breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 5th from 8:30am-12:30pm. The breakfast, in Heller Hall, will include a chance to get your child's picture with Santa. The workshop, in the cafeteria, is a great opportunity for your children to secretly buy Christmas gifts for everyone on their list. There will be "Elf assistants" to help the younger students make their purchases in secret. Gift items range from \$0.50 to \$25. The gifts will be wrapped, tagged and ready for delivery under the tree. So after Mass and pancakes, be sure to bring the kids to the cafeteria for their Christmas shopping. Email Kelli Edwards, kelli annel@yahoo.com, for questions.

#### **Tuesday PREP Schedule Change**

There will be PREP classes this **Tuesday**, **November 30th**. This is a change from the original calendar.

# Saint James' Gift Card Program BEAT THE RETAIL SHORTAGES! GIVE GIFT CARDS!

Don't worry about the retail shortages this year! Gift cards are always available and Saint James School gets a donation for every purchase!

Order forms and information: https://tinyurl.com/wncrsxb6 (or scan QR code) Drop forms and check at school office or rectory by December 3, 2021. Checks made out to St. James PTO. Questions? Email krocella@gmail.com

#### Adopt-A-Family Christmas 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.

To participate, please call Mary Ann Parker at 702-241-9128 or 202-262-8426.

#### 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. The Social Outreach Committee is collecting gift cards in the suggested amounts of \$25 for Walmart, Target, Giant, and Safeway stores.

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.
  - Make checks payable to St. James.
  - On the memo line, write SOC gift card donation.

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.

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

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.

#### **Monetary Donations for Kairos Christmas Gift Packages for Prisoners**

Each year Kairos volunteers in the Richmond area purchase toiletry items for residents at the Virginia Correctional Center for Women. If you would like to make a donation to brighten the VCCW residents' Christmas please contact Angela Dinkle at <u>Jasamber3@cox.net</u> for more information. Thank you for your generosity and bringing joy, hope and faith into the residents' lives.



## Giving Tuesday is THIS week, November 30th.

Please 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.

# **Give The Gift of A Catholic Education**













## 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**

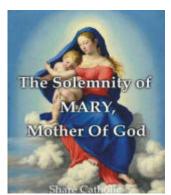
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Please see www.stjamescatholic.org for more information and to sign up for Adoration.

# **December Confession and Mass Schedules**







#### **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception-December 8**

Wednesday, December 8th, is a Holy Day of Obligation for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Masses scheduled for this day:

- 6:30am
- 8:30am
- 12:00pm
- 4:00pm
- 7:30pm

There will be NO Adoration on this day due to the Feast.

#### **Advent Confessions Schedule**

To help you spiritually prepare for the joyous celebration of our Lord's birth, St. James will be offering these additional Confession times during the Season of Advent.

- Monday, December 20
- ◊ 10:00am 12:00pm
   Tuesday, December 21
- ◊ 6:00pm 8:00pm
- Wednesday, December 22
   6:00pm 8:00pm

#### **Christmas Eve and Day Masses**

#### Friday, December 24

- 5:00pm Children's Mass
- 7:00pm Mass
- 9:00pm Mass

#### Saturday, December 25

• 12:00am Midnight Mass

• Thursday, December 23

◊ 10:00am – 12:00pm

◊ 6:00pm – 8:00pm

• Friday, December 24

- 7:30am Mass
- 9:00am Mass
- 10:30am Mass
- 12:00pm Mass
- 2:30pm Spanish Mass

There will NOT be a 5:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday December 26th, the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

## Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Saturday, January 1

- 8:30am Mass
- 10:00am Mass
- 12:00pm Mass

It is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

# **Parish Calendar**

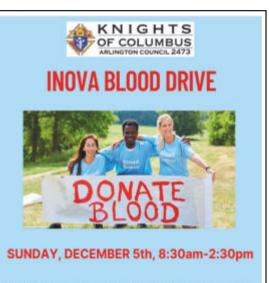
Sunday, November 28		
12:30pm-1:45pm	Spanish PREP	Heller Hall
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Knecht Conference Rm (Doors 8 & 9)
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church
Monday, Novembe	r 29	
	No open meetings scheduled.	
Tuesday, Novembe	er 30	
4:45pm-7:00pm	PREP Afternoon and Evening Classes	School
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	RCIA	Knecht Conference Room
Wednesday, Dec	ember 1	
10:00am-11:30am	Bible Study	Parish House Kitchen
12:30pm-8:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room
7:30pm-9:00pm	Young Mom's Bible Study	Parish House
8:15pm-9:00pm	Men's Rosary	Mary Statue Outside
Thursday, Decemb	er 2	
12:30pm-8:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Ladies Bible Study	Library
Friday, December	3	
9:00am-11:45am	First Friday, Exposition & Benediction	Church
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
12:00pm-1:00pm	Women's Study	Lawn area by Mary statue
5:30pm-7:15pm	Food Distribution	Heller Hall
Saturday, Decembe	er 4	
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

#### Knights of Columbus/INOVA Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus are holding a blood drive on **Sunday**, **December 5th, from 8:30am-2:30pm**, at the Knights of Columbus Council 2473 Main Ballroom, 5115 Little Falls Road, North Arlington. INOVA's five hospitals are experiencing a critical blood shortage for all their patients, including cancer patients, surgeries and emergencies, and need help to replenish their blood supply. Your one blood donation could actually save up to three lives. Our medical staff and their patients need you.

To schedule an appointment **call** 1-866-BLOODSAVES (1-866-256-6372) and use Sponsor Code 6216; **or email/call** Bob Muschamp, <u>bobpatmuschamp@yahoo.com</u> /703-489-2856, with your preferred time to donate between 8:30am and 2:30pm.

For questions, call Len Sese, a Knight and parishioner, at 703-641-4843.



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