



Saint James Catholic Church

1892–2017

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THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Sunday, August 6

Parish Library Open
10:00am – 2:00pm

Monday, August 7

RCIA, 7:30-9:00pm
in Knecht Conference Room
(see page 6 for details)

Thursday, August 10

7:30pm
Pro-Life Committee
Monthly Meeting
Knecht Conference Room

Reflection:

Ask God if there are any areas in your life where something is getting in the way of simply being present with Him.

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

August 6, 2017



Peter said,
“Lord, it is good that we are here.
If you wish, I will make three tents here,
one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.”

Matthew 17:4

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RECTORY:

905 Park Avenue
Falls Church, VA 22046

Hours:

Monday-Friday 9:00am-9:00pm
closed for lunch 12:45-1:30pm

Saturday 9:00am-1:30pm

Phone: 703-532-8815

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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, 8:30am

Holy Days: 7:30pm Vigil

6:30am, 8:30am, 12:00 noon and

7:30pm

CONFESSIONS:

Friday: 11:15 - 11:45am

Saturday: 3:30-4:30pm & 7:30-8:00pm

or by appointment

Eucharistic Holy Hour:

Sunday: 5:00pm

Third Thursdays: 7:00pm

First Fridays :

Exposition: 9:00am - 11:45am

Benediction of the

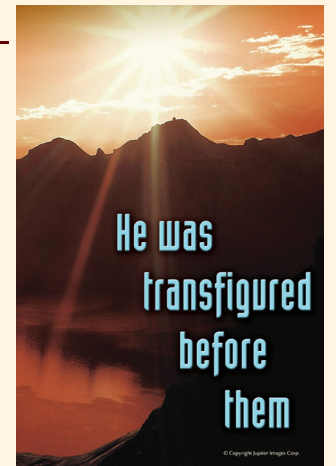
Blessed Sacrament: 11:45am

Stewardship

The Transfiguration of the Lord

“And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light.” - Matthew 17:2

Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, we should reflect Christ's light to the world. When we receive the Eucharist, the body and blood of Jesus, we are called to be supernatural to reflect His love, mercy and forgiveness to others. When we are grateful for all that God has given us, generosity flows through us because we are made in God's image.



CLERGY

Very Rev. Patrick L. Posey, V.F., Pastor
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Rev. Steven Oetjen, Parochial Vicar
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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.
No emails please.*

From Our Seminarian



In today's Gospel we find Peter, James, and John seeing God in His glory. Through the Transfiguration God's glory is made perceptible creating a powerfully vivid memory. In the second reading, Peter reflects in his old age on this experience. "We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty." This is not the ravings of an old man seeking to relive some past glory; this is a truth-inspired recollection of his experience with the Lord so powerful it transfigured his life.

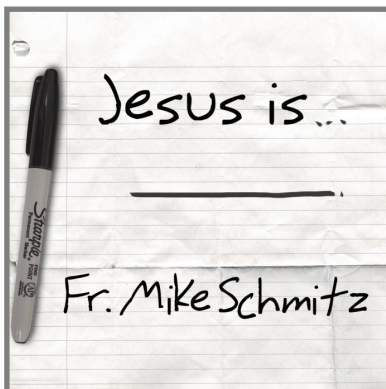
However, our society does not dispose us to this type of self-reflection. I have noticed myself falling into a sort of trap recently: using my phone, computer, or cleaning and reorganizing my desk for no particular reason except to be doing something. This vice is known as *acedia* (uh-Chay-dia), a lack of concerted effort towards a goal. It can manifest itself by over-activity or laziness. In Dante's *Purgatorio* those that lived the vice of *acedia* are strengthened by running back and forth following a flag, becoming a kind of antidote to their actions on Earth. They are no longer aimless, but actively pursuing a goal of reaching that flag. There are many things which distract us from our goals. Today, we can see this in our overuse of our cell phones.

This is not to say that technology is the only distracting factor but it does habituate our minds to this vice. It is an easy way to procrastinate. We can 'swipe' what amuses us without any intention other than to fill our attention. The greater evil can seep in when we let this habit infect the rest of our life. When our minds become used to interacting with an app we begin to understand the world only as if it were an app: constantly looking for the next bit of entertainment or insightful article without really digesting it. It is like perpetually being in a waiting room rather than working on our mission.

Our life mission usually begins with a particular event, like Peter, James, and John at the Transfiguration. Today, I think we rarely take the time to sit back and reminisce to remember these events that set us on our mission. The event when our love for something became so great, we made a commitment. I can remember the evening after I asked the Vocations Director to begin the application process for seminary and the great peace I experienced meditating on the Blessed Mother and discernment. When my life in seminary ebbs and flows, I can revisit that one moment where it all began, as well as the many others since.

For me, the best way to experience deep recollection and renewal is on a retreat to the wilderness. A regular retreat would work well, too, but personally I enjoy and experience the most reflection in the woods. In solitude and silence I can reflect, "Where have I been and where am I going?" This is the simple question for both the periodic retreat and a daily afternoon *examen* to help us be more mindful. A commitment to daily undistracted prayer, to visit or (re)visit how Jesus is working in your life is the perfect way to answer: what is getting in the way of my relationship with Jesus and how can I do better?

~Robby Renner



This Week on FORMED.org

Fr. Mike Schmitz, a renowned and beloved speaker and spiritual guide to the youth and young adults, discusses the all-important topic of God's existence. Armed with his usual repertoire of lively humor and sound philosophy, Fr. Mike reveals the incredible implications of the question which Christ asks all of us: "Who do YOU say that I Am?"

For more great highlights, visit our website at www.stjamescatholic.org/formed.

To register for FREE, visit www.formed.org and click on **Register**. Then enter our parish code (**8D4687—case sensitive**) and create a user name and password.

Mass Intentions for the Eighteenth Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 5

5:00 p.m. +John F. Corrado

Sunday, August 6

7:30 a.m. +Peter C. Munley

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

10:30 a.m. +Edward Kunec

Noon +Carmen Terry and Three Sons

2:30 p.m. Rodrigo Coimbra

7:00 p.m. Vanda and Jonas Butkai

Monday, August 7

6:30 a.m. +Arthur Sehrer

8:30 a.m. Father Posey's Silver Jubilee

Noon +Joseph Coneys

Tuesday, August 8

6:30 a.m. +Elena DePalma

8:30 a.m. +Zacharia T. Coipuram

Noon +Miguel Longo

Wednesday, August 9

6:30 a.m. Jeff Colliani and Family

8:30 a.m. +Elena DePalma

Noon +Yvonne Zamer

Thursday, August 10

6:30 a.m. +James O. Conlin

8:30 a.m. +Anne Marie LaVelle

Noon +John and Katherine Cuming

Friday, August 11

6:30 a.m. +Albert Augustyniak

8:30 a.m. +Deacon Joe Benin

Noon +Anthony and Ann Bott

Saturday, August 12

8:30 a.m. +Im Sun Fermoile

5:00 p.m. Tony Cripps

Sunday, August 13

7:30 a.m. +Edith J. Cook

9:00 a.m. +Thomas Craddock

10:30 a.m. +Rebecca Steele

Noon +Jerry Guerette

2:30 p.m. People of Saint James

7:00 p.m. +Annie F. Battle

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Monday: Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time;
St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan

Tuesday: St. Dominic

Wednesday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
(Edith Stein)

Thursday: St. Lawrence

Friday: St. Clare

Saturday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal;
Blessed Virgin Mary

Today's Readings

First Reading – I saw one like a Son of man coming on the clouds of heaven (Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14).

Psalms – The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth (Psalm 97).

Second Reading – Be attentive to the prophetic message, as to a lamp shining in a dark place (2 Peter 1:16-19).

Gospel – Jesus was transfigured, and his clothes became white as light (Matthew 17:1-9).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13;
Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 – 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35;
Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14;
Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Remember in Your Prayers...

the sick of our parish family:

Aida Bravo	Pauline Hunter
Maddie Cabatic	Shannon MacMurtrie
Michele Clair	Kathy Patterson
Dorra Dee Estes	Joan Nelson
Maria Hamnes	Tina Ward

and the deceased of our parish family:

John H. Day

Pray for Those Serving Overseas

Please pray for those serving in the military and foreign service, especially **Justin Berg, James Hoy, Michele Petersen, and Capt. Albert C. Young**. Send names to bulletin@stjamescatholic.org. Let us know when your loved ones return.

PREP

Parish Religious Education Program
703-533-1182 x104, 830 W. Broad St., Falls Church, VA 22046
religioused@saintjameschool.org Website Shortcut: j.mp/StJamesPREP

Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:30am - 12:00pm
or by appointment

New families are invited to call the religious ed office to register. Contact the office for more information.

Interested in sharing your faith with others? We are looking for catechists and assistants for the EVENING program in grades 1,2,3 and 4. Please contact Sister Regina Rosarii if interested.

“Be doers of the word, and not just listeners”

— James 1:22



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**SAVE THESE
DATES!**

- August 17: Middle School Picnic, 5:30-7:00pm
- August 23: PTO New Parent Wine & Cheese, 7:00-8:30pm
- August 25: Meet n' Greet/Uniform Exchange, 11:00-1:00pm
- August 25: Kindergarten Orientation, 1:00-2:00pm
- August 28: First Day for Kindergarten ONLY, 8:00-10:00am
- August 29: First Day of School ALL GRADES, 7:55-11:30am
- August 30: First Full Day, Grades 1-8; 11:30am Early Dismissal Kindergarten ONLY
- August 31: Full Day, Grades 1-8; 11:30am Early Dismissal Kindergarten ONLY
- September 1: Early Dismissal ALL STUDENTS



Don't forget those school supplies! It can get really crowded at Staples.

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Weekly Reflection

August 6

Readings: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14,
Psalms 97:1-2, 5-6, 9, 2 Peter 1:16-19,
Matthew 17:1-9

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/080617.cfm>



Reflection:

Ask God if there are any areas in your life where something is getting in the way of simply being present with him. Surrender those obstacles to God in prayer. Each day this week, try to be more aware of God's glorious presence with you.

Pro-Life Ministry Update

There are ongoing opportunities for prayer and sidewalk counseling each weekday morning (8:00am – 12:00pm) at the Falls Church Health Center, 900 South Washington Street. Please join us.

NOVA for Life encourages everyone to spend an hour in adoration and pray the rosary in silence before the Blessed Sacrament in intercessory prayer for an end to abortion, for the protection of the lives of the unborn and for the conversion of all those involved especially within our diocese. You may also join prayer novenas with Priests for Life (<http://www.priestsforlife.org>).

Participate in the monthly tri-lingual Rosary (English/Spanish/Latin) the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm in front of the Falls Church Health Center.

We will be praying for the closing of Falls Church Center, an end to abortion, the protection of the lives of the unborn and for the conversion of all those involved. We hope to see you there!

The next meeting of the St. James Pro-Life Committee is this Thursday, August 10, 2017 at 7:30pm in the Knecht Conference Room.

Marriage Encounter Weekends Coming Soon

"Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart." Help encourage our own understanding hearts by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend. The next weekends are: September 15-17, 2017 in Herndon, VA and Oct 27-29, 2017 in Gaithersburg, MD. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: RenewMarriage-VANorth.org or contact us at 703-646-1521 or applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org.

Preborn Baby Facts: At week 28, an unborn baby has only has about 12 weeks to go until birth! The baby keeps gaining weight to prepare for life outside of the womb, and her head is growing very quickly to make room for her rapidly-growing brain!

RCIA 2017 - 2018 "Inquiry"

7:30pm - 9:00pm Knecht Conference Room (Doors 8 & 9) Mondays, August 7 & 21

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

The Journey of Faith begins with your questions. What is faith? How does faith grow? What do Catholics believe and why is it different from other faith traditions?

Sessions for the R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) are available for anyone who wants to learn more about the Catholic faith. The process begins this summer with an "Inquiry" period, when questions lead to exploration. Drop in - no obligation, no commitment.

Questions? Contact: Fr. Phillip Cozzi, (703) 532-8815 or fathercozzi@stjamescatholic.org.

Food Drive for the Father McKenna Center in Washington D.C.

On the weekend of August 12 and 13 there will be a table set up outside of Church after all Masses to collect food for the Father McKenna Center in Washington D.C. The Father McKenna Center serves about 30,000 meals a year in Ward 6 of Washington D.C. The collection is designed to collect certain items of food that are hard for the McKenna center to obtain during the summer months. These items include canned fruit, canned meats, hearty soups, syrup, and squeezable jelly. This project is being run by Edward Vasquez, a graduate of St. James Catholic School and a member of Boy Scout Troop 681 and will serve as Edward's required Eagle Scout Project. If you would like to donate, then please drop off food at the table outside of Church that weekend. Thanks for your generosity.

English and Citizenship Classes

Starting on September 18th, we will offer English and citizenship classes on Mondays and Wednesdays here at St. James. Registration for classes will take place on September 11th and 13th from 7pm to 9pm in St. James' School (through door 16) English classes cost \$60, citizenship classes cost \$100, and they will go for 12 weeks. A text book is already included in this fee. We only accept cash or money orders. For more information please call Hogar Immigrant Services at (571) 208-1572.

Comenzando el día 18 de septiembre, ofreceremos clases de inglés y ciudadanía aquí en St. James. Las inscripciones para el nuevo semestre serán el lunes 11 y miércoles 13 de septiembre de 7 a 9pm en la escuela de St. James (entrando por la puerta 16). Las clases de inglés costarán \$60, las de ciudadanía \$100 y durarán 12 semanas. El libro de texto ya viene incluido en ese precio. Solamente aceptamos efectivo o giro postal. Si requiere más información, por favor llame a Hogar Immigrant Services al (571) 208-1572.

YOUTH MINISTRY OUTING SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Nationals vs. Phillies
7:05 Game Time

Contact Fr. Oetjen
703-532-8815 or
fatheroetjen@stjamescatholic.org or
for more details or visit
www.stjamescatholic.org/youth



Thank you for your patience during the replacement of our pew seats and kneelers. Aren't they beautiful? Painting and repairing the walls continues this week. We are very grateful for your flexibility during these important projects. Moreover, we are thankful for your prayers and gifts of financial sacrifice which enabled these projects to move forward so quickly.



1892–2017

This year we are celebrating our 125th anniversary with events, our oral history project and a weekly history lesson in our bulletin. Return here to relive our growth from a small frame church to our present iconic building which is home to thousands of parishioners. Visit the archive of articles at www.stjamescatholic.org/current-events/125th-anniversary

1955 - GOLDEN AGE CLUB

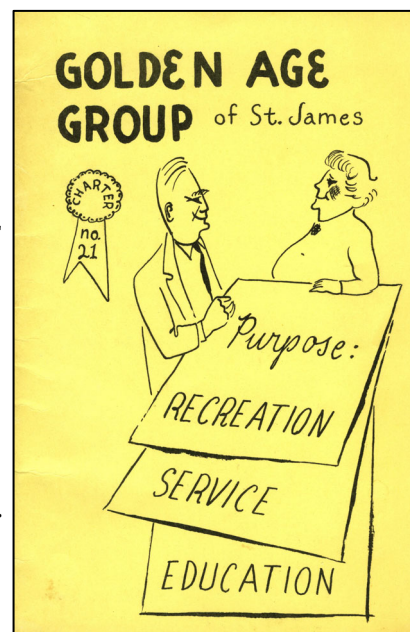
In 1955, more than one older parishioner of St. James was looking for a way to socialize with others while family members were away at work or school. And so the Golden Age Club was born, fostered by a handful of parish women with the backing of Father Heller. Among the founders were Irene Bannach, Marie Carrasco, Mary Winters, Ann Guida and Simone McCauley.

Seniors gathered in what is now Heller Hall for weekly card games and bingo. With their own by-laws providing for annual elections, the Golden Age Club prospered. They eventually moved operations to the Falls Church Community Center in 1969. The Golden Age Bingo Club continues to meet there weekly.

Howard Herman, retired Director of Parks and Recreation for Falls Church, remembers: "When I first started to work for the department while I was a student at George Mason, my main task on Tuesday mornings was to set up the gym for the Golden Age Club. The club was very active and vibrant with over 100 members. It was a good time and a great group of people."

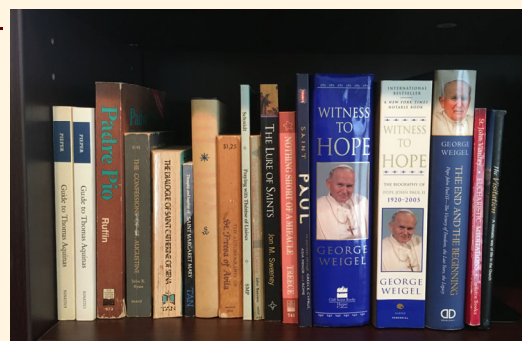
Now St. James Seniors meet monthly for fellowship – still in Heller Hall. Each meeting features a program and meals or desserts. Begun in the early 1990s for widows and widowers, now St. James Seniors welcomes all parishioners who claim the designation "senior citizen." Meetings are on the third Thursday, even in the summer. Watch the Bulletin for the next gathering!

Looking to get involved? Contact Mary Anne Stallings at 703-237-2768, Cae Gilley at 703-533-3845, or Susan Jackson at 703-533-3482.



Check it Out! Parish Library Open in Today!

Stop by the House of Ministries to visit the Saint James Parish Library today between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. More than 600 books are available for checkout in a variety of categories. The library is staffed by volunteers and currently is open on the first and third Sundays of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Books may be checked out for one month and returned only when the library is open. To volunteer, stop by during open hours for more information or email StJamesCatholicLibrary@gmail.com



St. James Bible Study Programs 2017-2018



<u>Group Day/Time/Location:</u>	<u>Study:</u>
1. Sunday 1:30pm-3:30pm (co-ed) St. James Library /start 9-10-17	Lectio:Peter/Ephesians/Gospel of John
2. Monday 3:20pm-5pm (teachers) School classroom/start TBD	Epic: Early Church History/Lectio:Peter
3. Tuesday 9:30am-11:30 am (co-ed) Knecht Conf. Rm /start 9-19-17	Prophets/ Biblical Walk through the Mass
4. Wednesday 9:15am-11am (women) Knecht Conf. Rm /start 9-20-167	Wisdom/James
5. Wednesday 9:30-11:30am (women) Knecht Meeting Rm/start 9-13-17	Bible and the Sacraments/Walking towards Eternity Part 2
6. Thursday 7pm-9pm (women) School Art Rm. /start 9-14-17	Epic: Journey through History/ Priest, Prophet, King
7. Fridays (Women and Children) Members Homes	Ignatius Bible Study

New members are strongly encouraged to join! Or start a new group!

For more information please contact the Coordinators, Donnamaria Duatschek at dmduatschek@gmail.com / 703-241-2616 or Jane Harvey at harveyjmc@gmail.com /703-819-5201

August Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, August 6

10:00am – 2:00pm	Parish Library Open	House of Ministries – 913 Park Avenue
3:30pm – 6:30pm	Hispanic Charismatic Young Adults	Heller Hall – Door 13 by Mary Statue
5:00pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour	Church

Monday, August 7

Following 8:30am Mass	Rosary	Church – Convent Side
7:30pm – 9:00	RCIA	Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9

Tuesday, August 8

7:30pm – 9:00pm	Legion of Mary	House of Ministries – 913 Park Avenue
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Wednesday, August 9

7:30pm – 9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9
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Thursday, August 10

7:00pm – 9:00pm	Young Adult Focus Group	House of Ministries – 913 Park Avenue
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Pro-Life Committee Meeting	Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9

Friday, August 11

11:15am – 12:00pm	Confessions	Church
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Saturday, August 12

3:30pm – 4:30pm	Confession	Church
7:30pm	Confession	Church

Sister Helen Maureen & Sister Marlene Bid Farewell and Thank You!

Sister Marlene and Sister Helen Maureen wish to express their appreciation for the many good wishes they received at the time of being transferred. We pray that God may continue to bless you and your families and all of the great St. James parish.

Saint Peter Movie Screenings

Come see Saint Peter, a film starring Omar Sharif, which tells the story of the key event in European and World history, the spread of Christianity throughout the Roman Empire, focusing on the leader of that new religion. Upcoming showings: Sat Aug 12 at Noon, Tues Aug 15 at 10am. All showings at St. Ann Church, Room 106, 5300 N. 10th St., Arlington. Running time: 197 min. Donations will go to Catholic Relief Services. Suggested donation: \$5 per person/\$10 per family. Sponsored by Catholic Daughters Court Queen of Peace, as part of Ignatius Press Night at the Movies. RSVP to CDA1872@gmail.com or Teresa at 703-573-1582.

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