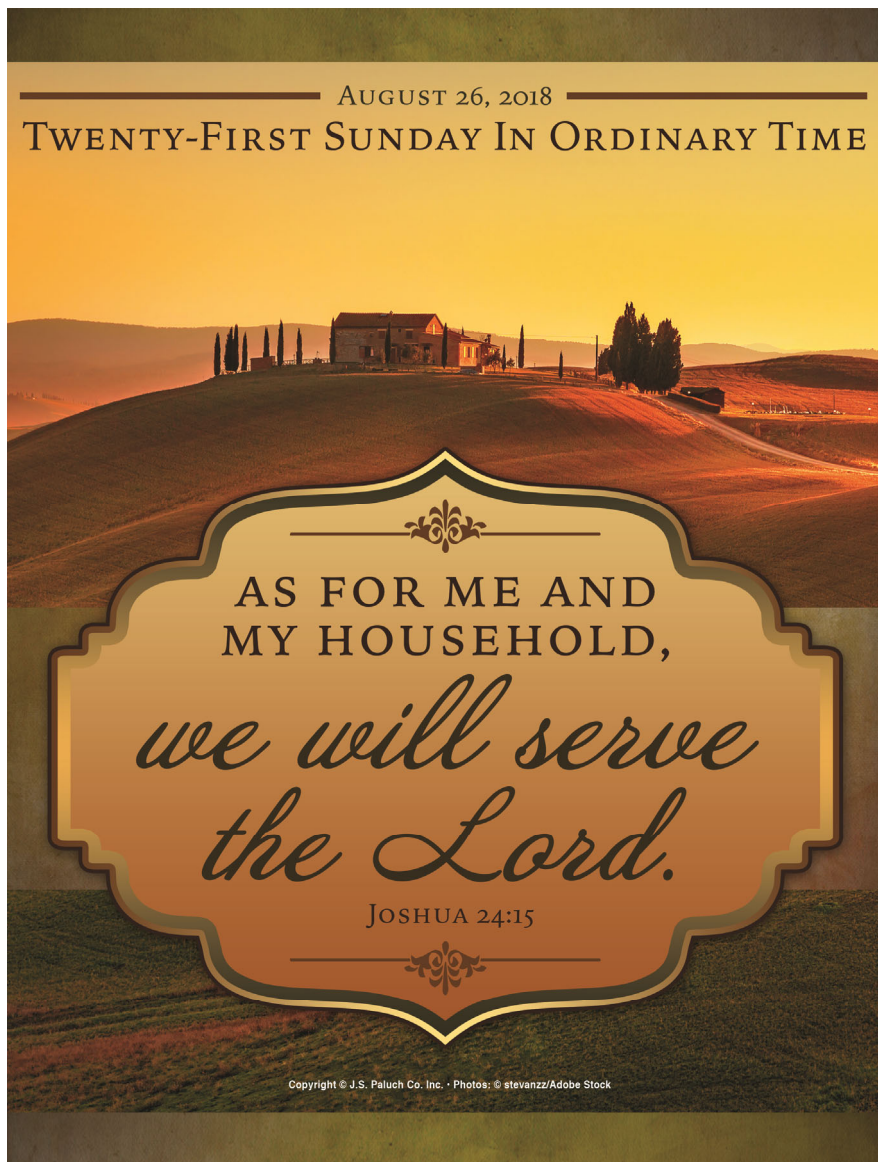




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THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Sunday, August 26

Holy Hour, 5:00pm

Monday, August 27

First Day of Kindergarten

8:00am – 10:00am

Kindergarten Parent Coffee

8:00am – 10:00am

Tuesday, August 28

First Day of School, All Students

11:30am Early Dismissal

Reflection Question: How have you come to believe that Jesus is the Holy One of God?

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

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:

Friday: 11:15 - 11:45am

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30pm & 7:30 - 8:00pm and by appt.

RECTORY HOURS:

Weekdays 9:00am- 9:00pm

(closed 12:45 - 1:30pm)

Saturday 9:00am - 1:30pm



Stewardship: Second Collection to Benefit Bánica Mission August 25 – 26

This weekend, August 25-26, the second collection will benefit the Bánica Mission. Since 1991, the Arlington Diocese has provided clergy to two parishes in the rural highlands of the Dominican Republic. The two parishes, in the neighboring towns of Bánica and Pedro Santana on the Haitian border, minister to over 13,000 souls, most of whom live in extreme poverty. Your generosity will allow the diocese to continue to provide spiritual and material assistance to those who need it most. For more information on how you can support the Bánica Mission, go to <https://bit.ly/2KIpfTy>.

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*Bulletin Deadline: Friday at 9:00am
10 days before Sunday publication date*
**Via website form posted under
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No emails please.**

From Our Pastor



Today's readings call us to a challenge. Who do we love? Where will we place our allegiance, and will this allegiance remain when it becomes hard "to accept?" In our Gospel, John relates that the "saying" so difficult for Jesus' audience to accept is that Christ is the Bread of Life.

Last week we heard: "...unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." (John 6:53). The words make for a nice verse for a Communion song, and they have long stymied theology students of all ages. But what do they mean? Transubstantiation is a heady topic, so maybe we should just accept it and get on with our day.

Yet, Christ does not want blind followers, nor does He require doctorates in Christology to meet Him at the altar or in the street. Rather, He wants those who truly accept Him as their Messiah and His teachings as a way of Life. He wants us to choose life, to choose love, above death and hate. Accepting the entirety of Christ's being through the Eucharist opens us to the change that occurs with grace. It can also mean opening ourselves to the possibility of bias, derision, or even scorn. None of these, or even the sins of others, should deter us from this: we know that above all we serve God; and by serving others we imitate His Son. In the wake of the terrible news from Pennsylvania, we must remember several things: we must continue to pray for the victims of these betrayals and crimes; we must ensure the safety of all children and those whose care we are entrusted; and most importantly, we must not lose hope.

Keep close to your heart the words of Saint Paul, "that neither death nor life... nor principalities ... nor powers... nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:38-39). Let us make the same choice as Joshua, Peter and countless other good men and women; let us serve the Lord!

~Fr. Posey



Welcome Back Students!

This week we welcome our students back from their summer break. The administration, faculty, and staff have been hard at work preparing for their arrival. Today, as we have done every autumn since 1906, we open our doors to a new generation, full of promise and hope. To these young students we owe a great deal, and it remains our mission to educate them to become men and women of faith and service. Please keep them and their families in prayer as they begin a new academic year. God bless them and remember to drive gently around campus!



Know Your Church History – The Council of Nicaea

Held in 325 AD, in the Bithynian city of Nicaea, now part of modern day Turkey, the Council of Nicaea was the Church's first ecumenical conference. It was there, that the first uniform Christian doctrine, The Nicene Creed, was established – in response to the Arian heresy. The Council also codified rules for priests, church construction, and the determination of the date for Easter. For a short video on the Council of Nicaea, and its aftermath, visit: <https://bit.ly/2c1eMIF>.

**Mass Intentions for the Twenty-First Week
in Ordinary Time**

Saturday, August 25

5:00 p.m. +Ellen Fama

Sunday, August 26

7:30 a.m. +Dorothy Carwile

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

10:30 a.m. +Conchita Urmeneta and
+Aquilina Canuda

Noon +Jerry Durand

2:30 p.m. +Luis Enrique Ibanez

7:00 p.m. +Gregory Breen

Monday, August 27

6:30 a.m. +Luke Garrison

8:30 a.m. +Rosario and Beatrice Macalinao

Noon +Bernard Prokopiak

Tuesday, August 28

6:30 a.m. Special Intention

8:30 a.m. Special Intention

Noon +Carol Kapitan

Wednesday, August 29

6:30 a.m. +Bienvenido Urmeneta

8:30 a.m. +Raymond Kovacs

Noon +Patrick McDonough

Thursday, August 30

6:30 a.m. Special Intention

8:30 a.m. +Frank Whitesell, Jr.

Noon +James Mimmagh

Friday, August 31

6:30 a.m. +Fr. Clifford, Fr. Farwell, and
Fr. Kinna

8:30 a.m. +Raymond Kovacs

Noon +Kinsley Jolie Harris

Saturday, September 1

8:30 a.m. +Barbara Flood

5:00 p.m. +Ellen Fama

Sunday, September 2

7:30 a.m. +Jo Ann Tiller

9:00 a.m. +Wally McNamee

10:30 a.m. +Donna Reyman

Noon People of St. James

2:30 p.m. +Alejandrina Penat

7:00 p.m. +Tindaro Agatino Smiroldo "Guy"

This Week's Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Monica

Tuesday: St. Augustine

Wednesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday;
World Day of Prayer for the Care of
Creation

Today's Readings

First Reading -- The LORD, our God, protected us
along our entire journey (Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

Psalm -- Taste and see the goodness of the Lord
(Psalm 34).

Second Reading -- Christ nourishes and cherishes the
church because we are members of his body
(Ephesians 5:21-32 [5:2a, 25-32]).

Gospel -- We have come to believe and are convinced
that you are the Holy One of God (John 6:60-69).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5;

Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13;

Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5;

Mk 6:17-29

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11;

Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21;

Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18,

21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Remember in Your Prayers...

the sick of our parish family:

Frank Amorosi

Virginia Holmes

John Fehr

Kenan Kreiner

Elizabeth Fielder

Laura Lareau

Patricia Gaughan

Ann McDermott

Elizabeth Gibbon

Paulo Molina

Ed Hanley

and the deceased of our parish family – Karen White

Pray for Those Serving Our Country

Please pray for our disabled veterans, military retirees, and those serving overseas in the military and foreign
service, especially **Justin Berg, Capt. Albert C. Young, Michele Petersen, and Roger VanSanford.**

Please send names to bulletin@stjamescatholic.org, and let us know when your loved ones return home.



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

— James 1:22



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PREP Accepting New Registrations – Due by September 7

We are accepting registrations for new students. Classes are held on Tuesday afternoons (4:45 - 6:00 pm) and evenings (7:00 - 8:15 pm). Please call 703-533-1182 ext. 104 to make an appointment. You will need a Baptismal Certificate if your child was not baptized at St. James, a check or cash for tuition (\$135 for one child/\$185 for two or more children), and, if your child was previously in a Catholic School or Religious Education Program, a letter from that school or parish program.

Please note: In order for your child(ren) to begin Religious Education Classes (PREP) on September 18 your Registration Form must be in the PREP Office no later than Friday, September 7. The children of those families who register after that date will begin PREP classes on September 25.



From our Bishop: Seek Help and Healing in the Midst of the Opioid Crisis

The opioid crisis has severely impacted the Diocese of Arlington, where opioid overdose deaths have increased threefold, and statewide, where opioid deaths jumped 200 percent. Join Bishop Michael Burbidge and Catholic Charities as we explore how we in the diocese can respond to this crisis. "Seeking Hope and Healing in the Opioid Crisis" is a free daylong conference on Saturday, September 29, 2018, the Feast of the Archangels, at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 8710 Mount Vernon Hwy, Alexandria. Dr. Michael Horne, Catholic Charities psychologist, will give a keynote address. Bishop Burbidge will lead a prayer service. The daily parish Mass is available at 9 a.m., before the 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. conference. Please help us address this critical issue and invite others to come as well. Register by September 26 at: events@arlingtondiocese.org.



Food Distribution Needs Your Help - Food Request

We had a record summer attendance at our August 3rd Food Distribution. Our cupboards and bins are bare and food is desperately needed. If you are able, please donate any of the following items: canned protein (chicken, Vienna sausages, tuna, etc.), peanut butter, jelly, pasta, pasta sauce, bags of rice, bags of beans, hearty soups. Cans, plastic containers, bags and boxes are preferred. Glass makes our bags heavier. Items may be left in the back of the church and will be delivered by our wonderful volunteers to the Heller Hall kitchen. We sincerely appreciate your help.



New Mass of Special Intentions To Be Offered – Starting September 26

Beginning next month, St. James will offer a Mass of Special Intentions at 6:30pm on the fourth Wednesday. Our first Mass will be on September 26. Designed to meet the needs of our community, this Mass will provide an opportunity to bring spiritual requests to our parish family. We support one another in prayer as well as fellowship. We will have a book in the main vestibule in which you can add your intention. For more information, contact the rectory at 703-532-8815.



Pro-Life Ministry Update

The Pro-Life Ministry asks you to respect life! They will hold a **First Saturday Rosary on September 1 at 10:30am** at the Falls Church abortion clinic: 900 S. Washington Street.

For all of the latest news from our Pro-Life Ministry, including a list of upcoming events, visit: <https://bit.ly/2vODvoE>.

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HELP IMMIGRANTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington – Hogar Immigrant Services, Education Services is currently seeking volunteer ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) and Citizenship preparation volunteer teachers for the upcoming Fall 2018 semester at St. James in Falls Church. Here we offer six ESL levels and two CITIZENSHIP levels of instruction and classes are held Monday and Wednesday in the evenings from 7:00pm – 9:00pm. You only teach once per week as a part of a teaching team. Training and materials are provided. No previous experience or second language required! Please help us demonstrate Christ's love by "welcoming the stranger" in this country. If interested, please call 571-208-1572 ext. 103 or email WReid@ccda.net.

ESL and Citizenship Classes Forming – Register on September 17 or 26

Catholic Charities- Hogar Immigrant Services offers English Classes on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:00pm to 9:00pm in the St. James Catholic School. Register on the 17th or 26th of September from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at St. James Catholic School (please use Door 16). We offer six levels of English instruction and two Citizenship levels of English. The price of the class is \$60 for the semester and this includes the book. Call 571-208-1572 ext. 103 for more information.



Clases ESL y Ciudadanía -Registrar el 17 o 26 de Septiembre

Caridades Católicas – Hogar Immigrant Services ofrece clases de inglés los lunes y miércoles de 7:00pm – 9:00pm en la Escuela de la Iglesia Santiago. Inscribáse el 17 o 26 de septiembre de 7:00pm – 9:00pm en la escuela de la Santiago (St. James School (Puerta 16), 830 West Broad St. Falls Church, VA). Ofrecemos varios niveles de inglés y ciudadanía. El precio de las clases es \$60.00 por el semestre de doce semanas e incluye el libro. Llame a 571-208-1572 ext. 103 para mayor información.



Bible Studies at St. James Starting September 9

Would you like to study the Bible, but don't know how to start? Join a weekly Bible study at St. James in September. We offer studies for men and women, for women only, and for teachers. Times, topics, and start dates are listed below. Don't see something that works for you? Start your own study group!

St. James has over 30 studies to choose from. No experience is necessary, and help is available. For more information on these programs, please contact Jane Harvey at harveyjmc@gmail.com, or at 703-819-5201. To look at the schedule online, visit: <https://bit.ly/2MiS6lx>

Sundays, Co-ed, 1:30pm—3:30pm, School Library, Starting September 9

- Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible (Fall)
- David the King (Winter)
- Wisdom: God's Vision for Life (Spring)

Mondays, Teachers, 3:45pm—5:30pm, Room #26, start TBD

- Galatians (Fall)
- Prophets (Spring)

Wednesdays, Women, 9:15am—11:00am, Knecht Gym Meeting Room, starting September 12

- Follow Me: The Gospel of John (Fall)
- Lectio: Peter (Winter)
- Word on Fire: Pivotal Players (Spring)

Wednesdays, Women, 9:15a m—11:00am, Knecht Gym Conference Room, starting September 26

- Lectio: Philippians (Fall)
- Lectio: Mark (Winter)
- Word on Fire: The Mass (Spring)

Thursdays, Co-ed, 9:30am—11:30am, Knecht Gym Conference Room, starting September 13

- Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance Part 1 (Fall)
- Walking Toward Eternity Part 1: Daring to Walk the Walk (Winter/Spring)

Thursdays, Women, 7:00pm—9:00pm, School Art Room, starting September 13

- Epic: The Early Church (Fall)
- Walking Towards Eternity Part 2: Struggles of the Heart (Winter)
- David the King (Spring)

For studies in the Knecht Meeting or Conference Rooms, please use Door 8. For studies in the Library or Art Room, please use Door 17.



Celebrate Your Silver or Golden Anniversary—Registration Deadline September 14

Were you married in 1968 or 1993? Then join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge for the 2018 Marriage Jubilee Mass, to be celebrated on Sunday, October 14 at 2:30pm at the Cathedral of St. Thomas Moore, 3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington. Contact Ginny Beauchamp in the parish office, at gbeauchamp@stjamescatholic.org or 703-532-8815 x.125, by

September 14 to register for this Mass.



St. James Community Picnic—September 8

Join us on Saturday, September 8, from 5:00pm to 8:00pm for the annual St. James Community Picnic. This year's event will feature food courtesy of the Knights of Columbus, music, a climbing wall, a bounce house for the little ones, and something really special. A zip line will have you whizzing through the air! Be sure to save the date for what promises to be an excellent evening for the whole family!





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Do you want to become more involved in St. James Catholic Church?

Whether you're new to St. James Parish or a long standing member, and you have time to share your valuable talents and resources, we are looking for help! St. James has a number of ministries, projects, and activities where we need volunteers to participate or lead. If you're interested in giving of your time or have questions about our various groups, please contact the rectory at 703-532-8815, visit our website at www.stjamescatholic.org/volunteer, or send an email to volunteer@stjamescatholic.org.

Bereavement Ministry

St. James Catholic Church is forming a Bereavement Ministry to provide spiritual comfort to families and friends of the deceased in our parish. If you are interested in volunteering and/or participating in funeral services, or providing spiritual family consolation on behalf of St. James, please send an email message to volunteer@stjamescatholic.org, or call the rectory at 703-532-8815.



PREP Seeks Catechists

PREP is currently looking for dedicated faith-filled people to teach in our Religious Education Program on Tuesday afternoons (4:45pm- 6:00 pm) and evening (7:00pm - 8:15 pm). We also have a need for assistants in both the afternoon and evening sessions. If you feel you would like to share your faith with our young people as a way of actively participating in the church's mission of evangelization, please contact Sister Regina at 703-533-1182 x.103 or dre@saintjameschool.org for further information.



RCIA: Volunteers Needed

The RCIA Program at St. James will start on September 10, and we need your help. If you are interested in journeying with those who have sought to deepen their faith in God and learn more about the Catholic Faith, please contact Fr. Joseph Vu at fathervu@stjamescatholic.org or 703-532-8815. If you are interested in joining the Support Team, or if you have volunteered as a Catechist teaching RCIA before, please do not hesitate to email or call him. Father Vu thanks you for your consideration.



College Student Job Opportunities at St. James

St. James is seeking college students to provide staff coverage for the Rectory office outside of regular office hours: on Saturdays and during weekday evenings. Duties involve providing courteous assistance to people who visit or call the office, taking detailed messages, and helping with office work.

Please send a cover letter explaining your interest in the position and your hours of availability to Rich Blickendorfer, Business Manager, at rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org.

August Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Universal - The Treasure of Families

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, August 26

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 4:30pm – 6:00pm | Hispanic Legion of Mary | House of Ministries – 913 Park Avenue |
| 5:00pm | Eucharistic Holy Hour | Church |

Monday, August 27 – First Day of Kindergarten

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| 7:00pm – 9:00pm | Prayer and Life Seminar | House of Ministries – 913 Park Avenue |
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Tuesday, August 28 – First Day for All Students, Early Dismissal 11:30am; No Parking in A Lot for Noon Mass

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| 7:00pm – 9:00pm | Legion of Mary | House of Ministries – 913 Park Avenue |
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Wednesday, August 29 – Kindergarten Early Dismissal 11:30am; No Parking in A Lot for Noon Mass

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| 7:30pm – 9:00pm | Charismatic Prayer Group | Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9 |
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Thursday, August 30 – Kindergarten Early Dismissal 11:30am; No Parking in A Lot for Noon Mass

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|-----------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 7:00pm – 9:00pm | Hispanic Choir | Music Room |
| 7:00pm – 9:00pm | CONNECT Night | Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9 |

Friday, August 31 – School Early Dismissal 11:30am; No Parking in A Lot for Noon Mass

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| 11:15am – 12:00pm | Confessions | Church |
| 7:00pm – 9:00pm | Grupo Santiago Apostol Bible Study | Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9 |

Saturday, September 2 – First Saturday

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|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 3:30pm – 4:30pm | Confession | Church |
| 5:00pm – 9:30pm | Hispanic Prayer Group | Heller Hall – Door 13 |
| 7:30pm - 8:00pm | Confession | Church |



Weekly Reflection

Readings: Joshua 24:1-2A, 15-17, 18B; Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2A, 25-32; John 6:60-69

Read the readings: <https://bit.ly/2Mih8Ch>

Reflection Question: How have you come to believe that Jesus is the Holy One of God?



Know the Patron Saints: St. Barbara (3rd Century, A.D.), who lived in Heliopolis of Phoenicia, present-day Baalbek, Lebanon. was an early martyr for the Church. She is the patron saint of "armorers, artillerymen, military engineers, miners and others who work with explosives because of her old legend's association with lightning, and also of mathematicians." For a short video on St. Barbara, please visit: <https://bit.ly/2vRCuMj>



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