



Saint James Catholic Church

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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September 30, 2018

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“There is so much indifference in the face of suffering. May we overcome indifference with concrete acts of charity.” Pope Francis

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



Our parish continues to thrive

because of the great generosity in service, support and sacrifice. Hundreds of volunteers assist in bringing Christ to all within our parish and throughout our neighborhoods. Our faculty and parents work together, helping their children to learn the Word with each day, our catechists bring Christ to the classroom with energy and devotion. Liturgical ministers and servers welcome the faithful, sing God's praises and reverently share their faith before the altar. We were blessed this year with numerous families through our children which saw a 4% increase. This provided opportunities for new activities and campus improvements, which we could not have done without your generous support. Our school minister also to discuss the PTO and Parish fundraising efforts. We have joined hands in prayer we have had the happy grace confer to the serving and related in fellowship. I remain grateful for your commitment to Saint James. Read on to see how we continue to be Doers of the Word.



Stewardship:

Our 2018 Annual Report will be arriving in your mailboxes this week and will be published in its entirety in next week's bulletin. Take time to read how your support, service and sacrifice impacted the lives of our parish family as well as our brothers and sisters beyond Park Avenue. YOU are the hands and feet of Christ; YOU reveal His face and His mercy. YOU are the reason why Saint James will always be "doers of the Word and not hearers only."

At the Masses next weekend you will hear from parishioners like yourselves speak of the important role we all play in the mission of the Church.

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Via website form posted under
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No emails please.*

From Our Pastor



*"Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!
Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!" (Numbers 11:29)*

Jesus continues to teach his disciples about His divinity, His mission and their calling in this week's Gospel. We've seen Jesus patiently correct their misconceptions and their bouts of egotism. The Messiah cannot die! Who is the greatest? Who can rightly perform "mighty deeds" in His name?

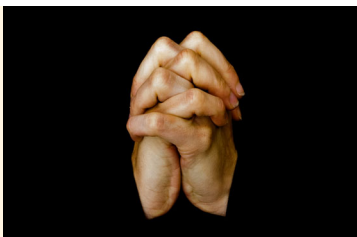
This week, He uses language that is at once harsh and even somewhat jarring. Cut off a hand? Pluck out an eye? We are not supposed to take these words literally. Christ is not advocating mutilation as a means to avoid sin. Instead, this language is meant to awaken us, to jolt us out of a false sense of pride. "Let anyone with ears listen!" Christ's heavenly kingdom (alive, though imperfectly, on earth) is meant for all – no one is greater than the other, and no one has cornered the market on love.

It is this love for one another that Mark tries to impress upon us. What is a sin but a lack of love? For God and each other. The two greatest commandments are to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind; and to love our neighbor. Caring for each other, supporting each other, makes our journey easier to traverse. When we arrive at the gates of heaven, I believe Jesus will ask just one question: "[D]id you love me?" Hopefully, we will be able to respond, "Yes Lord, I did love you by being there for a friend, caring for a sick neighbor, and living my life in such a way that I reflected your Gospel, Lord, in my actions and words. As a result, those around me encountered goodness, justice, kindness, and truth.

Jesus' harshest examples of punishment are given when the Pharisees, Scribes and even his disciples were more focused upon their place at the table, instead of being of service to the table. Leaders are not always the sole repository of God's goodness, mercy, and compassion. The Pharisees and Scribes were blind to their hypocrisy. Christ reveals that we are all disciples worthy of a place at the table. We are all called to share His word and His love.

This weekend we shared our love for our IHM Sisters at our annual Nun Fun Run/Walk. I am grateful to all who came and supported those who have given their lives in service to others. Thank you to the PTO and especially Denise Mullin who organized this year's event. We also shared our love for our animal friends with our Pet Blessing. Look for photos of both events next week. God bless.

~Fr. Posey



Weekly Prayer Intentions

As you pray this week, please include these intentions:

September 30: Sister Helen Dolores

October 4: For the People of St. James

October 1: Our School Staff

October 5: For Deacon Jim and his wife Nancy

October 2: Our PREP Families

October 6: For Our Homebound Parishioners

October 3 :Engaged Couples

Mass Intentions for the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 29

5:00 p.m. +Sharyn Toman

Sunday, September 30

7:30 a.m. +Robert Schoenberger

9:00 a.m. +Judi Mecsecs

10:30 a.m. People of St. James

Noon +Ms. Annie F. Battle

2:30 p.m. Jessica Duron

7:00 p.m. +Paulina De Jesus and Tony Frontera

Monday, October 1

6:30 a.m. + Mary and Alexander Adamski

8:30 a.m. + H. J. Michalski

Noon + Sr. Sheila Kerns, O.S. U.

Tuesday, October 2

6:30 a.m. + Fabian Mushonga

8:30 a.m. + Barbara and George Schmidt

Noon + Janice Reidy

Wednesday, October 3

6:30 a.m. William George Reese

8:30 a.m. + Martha McPherson

Noon +Andy Prishack

Thursday, October 4

6:30 a.m. +Basilio Mushonga

8:30 a.m. Andrea Bukowski

Noon + Sr. Sheila Kearns, O.S.U.

Friday, October 5

6:30 a.m. Eryka D'Herron

8:30 a.m. + Fr. Peter Fehlner O.F.M. Conv.

Noon + Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, October 6

8:30 a.m. + Souls in Purgatory

5:00 p.m. + Cathy Bellor

Sunday, October 7

7:30 a.m. +Brownie and Barbara Klubek

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

10:30 a.m. +Julia Marie D'Erme

Noon +Earl Peterson and James Ayers

2:30 p.m. Special Intention

7:00 p.m. +Mr. Ron Schuetter

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.

This Week's Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Tuesday: The Holy Guardian Angels

Thursday: St. Francis of Assisi

Friday: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos;
First Friday

Saturday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher;
First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

Today's Readings

First Reading – Moses said, "Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!" (Numbers 11:25-29).

Psalm – The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart (Psalm 19)

Second Reading – Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud (Jason 5:1-6).

Gospel – Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8;
Mt 18:1-5, 10

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15;
Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5;
Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17;
Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11;
Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

Remember in Your Prayers...

the sick of our parish family:

Frank Amorosi

Ann McDermott

Elizabeth Fielder

Paulo Molina

Patricia Gaughan

Rita Roszel

Lydia Gorman

Ann Smith

Jeannie Hunt

Laura Lareau

and the deceased of our parish family:

Mary Boland

Richard Qualters

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Carrie Lee Rothgeb

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

— James 1:22



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Winter is not the only thing that's coming!

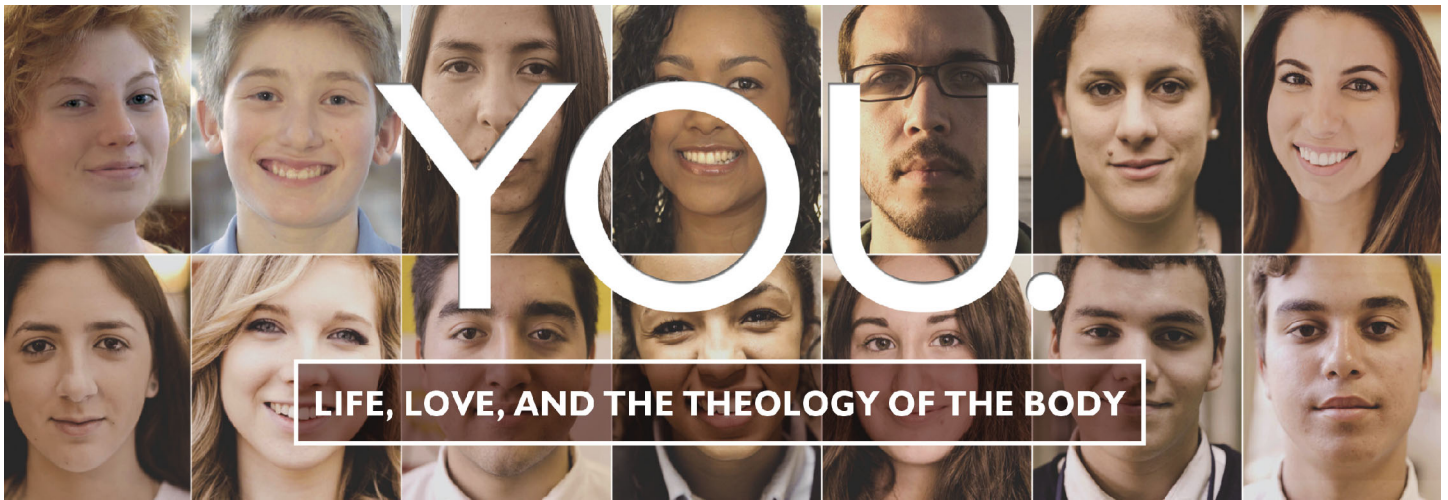


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For an important announcement from PREP concerning their inclement weather policies during the winter months, visit <https://bit.ly/2OOKDZr>



Are you a teen in grades 9–12?

Do you feel lost in a world where moral values seem ultra-flexible?

Wondering what the Church's positions are on Life, Love, and the Theology of the Body?

Feel confused about relationships or sexuality?

Wondering what Love means in a Catholic context?

If you are, then St. James will be offering a new, ten-week, series: "You: Life, Love, and the Theology of the Body," that will help answer your questions, anchor your faith, and remind you that you are a "unique, unrepeatable creation of God."

Led by Deacon Ed Gliot, and a team of adult catechists, the series will be held on Tuesday nights, from 7:00pm–8:00pm in the School Library. There is no enrollment cost for the series other than a small fee for program workbooks that are recommended, but not required.

"You: Life, Love, and the Theology of the Body" **Schedule of Sessions**

- "You Part I: Human Dignity, Love, and Mercy" October 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd
- "You Part II: Truth and the Language of the Body" November 27th, December 4th and 11th
- "You Part III: Friendship, Marriage, and Religious Life" January 8th, 15th, and 22nd

To register for the course, or if you should have questions about it, please contact Deacon Ed at dcned@stjamescatholic.org.

Annual Mass of Remembrance – November 2



St. James will celebrate our annual Mass of Remembrance at Noon on Friday, November 2. This Mass remembers all those who have gone before us and who we hope to see again. Email the Rectory Office at rectory@stjamescatholic.org if you would like to arrange a candle to be placed at the altar in memory of your deceased loved one. Please note, that as the Mass falls on a First Friday, Eucharistic Adoration will end at 10:00am to allow us to prepare for the Mass of Remembrance.



St. James Bereavement Ministry Begins Service on September 30

In order to further meet the needs of our parishioners, St. James has established a Bereavement Ministry. The volunteers that form this ministry are lay members of the parish faith community who embrace the words and example of Jesus when he said: "Blessed are they who mourn; they shall be comforted." - Matthew 5:4

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The Bereavement Ministry's mission is to console parishioners and family members of parishioners who have suffered the loss of a loved one, by praying with and for them, and to be the face of the parish in Christian friendship during their difficult time.

Volunteers in the Bereavement Ministry extend condolences on behalf of the St. James Community by:

- Praying for the soul of the deceased and for his/her family.
- Presenting a card to the bereaved.
- Attending the Funeral Mass or Memorial Service at St. James Church
- Providing practical information on vendors and venues in the vicinity for people seeking ideas for a reception or meal.
- Providing contact information of professional grief counselors, and online and in-print grief and bereavement resources.
- Attending the annual Mass of Remembrance in November.
- Acknowledging the anniversary of a death of a loved one with a card or phone call, as appropriate.

For more information on the St. James Bereavement Ministry, or if you would like to join the Ministry, contact Katie Greenhalgh at katiebgreenhalgh@gmail.com or visit: <https://bit.ly/2NXIIEI>.



Four Part Series: Engaging Sacred Scripture – Starts October 2

Father Steven Oetjen will be leading a four part series: "Engaging Sacred Scripture," on Tuesday evenings during the month of October, from 7:00pm to 8:15pm in Knecht Conference Room (Doors 8 & 9). The program is aimed at helping you get more out of your study of Scripture, and at helping you gain a deeper understanding of Scripture study. For more information on the program, please visit: <https://bit.ly/2QDVWFm>, or contact Father Oetjen at fatheroetjen@stjamescatholic.org.



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You are Invited to a Catholic Estate and Personal Planning Seminar

This Seminar will discuss the importance of creating and establishing the following:

- **Will** – explains how your estate should be distributed when you die. Without a Will, the state of Virginia will make those decisions and may not be in line with your wishes or the wishes of your family.
- **Trust** – can minimize probate and distributes your assets as you wish. You can name someone to manage your affairs if you become ill or incapacitated.
- **Advance Medical Directive** – an Advance Medical Directive (AMD) is the legal document that makes known what type of health care you would or would not want should you become incapacitated or unable to express these wishes for yourself.
- **Power of Attorney** – the person who is legally responsible to sell property, manage your finances and manage your medical care.

**Thursday
October 4, 2018**

9:15am – 10:45am
7:00pm – 8:30pm
Heller Hall

Snacks and refreshments
will be provided

RSVP by September 28 to
Christine Hughes at
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St Lucy Project Food Drive Concludes This Weekend

Please drop off the St Lucy blue food bags today at the Catholic Charities truck. Thank you for helping to reduce hunger in our diocese. Monetary donations and gift cards are also appreciated and can be given to a social outreach member at the truck.



Save the Date for the St. James Bazaar, October 24 – 27

“The Biggest Show on Broad Street” for over the last 60 years is returning with its 2018 edition, October 24 – 27. Food, fun, games, and incredible bargains in the White Elephant sale are right around the corner. Save the dates so you don’t miss out! Look for further information in the weeks ahead and follow us on Twitter @St_James_CC to get all of the latest information on the St. James Bazaar! See

you there!



Pro-Life Ministry – Life Chain

There will be a Life Chain event on Sunday, October 7, from 2:00pm to 3:30pm. Join your fellow community members praying at the corner of Broad Street (Route 7) and Spring Street for an end to abortion. If you have any questions, please contact pro-life coordinator Richard Hunter at 703-241-1424 or at stjameslife@gmail.com. Be sure to check out <https://bit.ly/2vODvoE> for all of the details on this event, and for all of the news from our Pro-Life Ministry.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



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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 Special Education Catechist

The Religious Education Program has a need for a catechist with experience working with Special Needs children. The time commitment would be for about a half hour during the Tuesday afternoon session of PREP (4:45pm - 5:15pm) and would involve working with one child. Materials will be provided. Please contact Sister Regina at 703-533-1182 or dre@saintjameschool.org.



PREP Seeks Assistants

We are presently in need of two assistants in our afternoon session (4:45 - 6:00pm) and one assistant in our evening session (7:00 - 8:15pm). If you feel you would like to help in this capacity, please contact Sister Regina at 703-533-1182 ext. 103 or dre@saintjameschool.org. We will be grateful for your help.



Children's Choir Welcoming New Members

The St. James Parish Children's Choir resumed rehearsals on Thursday, September 13 at 5:30pm in the school music room. The choir will sing at the 9:00am Sunday Mass twice a month. Singers in grades 2-12 are invited to join the choir. Please contact Natalie Keffalas for more information: nkeffalas@saintjameschool.org.

October Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Evangelization - The Mission of Religious

That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, September 30

11:30pm – 2:00pm	Hispanic RCIA	Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9
1:00pm – 2:15pm	Hispanic PREP	School – Door 16
1:30pm – 3:30pm	Bible Study	School Library – Door 17
4:00pm – 7:00pm	Grupo de Oracion Emmanuel	Heller Hall – Door 13
4:30pm – 6:00pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	House of Ministries – 913 Park Avenue

Monday, October 1

7:00pm – 9:00pm	Hogar English Classes	School – Door 16
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Prayer Life Seminar	House of Ministries – 913 Park Avenue
7:30pm – 9:00pm	RCIA	Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9

Tuesday, October 2

4:45pm & 7:00pm	PREP	Heller Hall/School
7:00pm – 8:15pm	High School PREP	School Library – Door 16
7:00pm – 8:15pm	Engaging Sacred Scripture	Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Legion of Mary	House of Ministries – 913 Park Avenue

Wednesday, October 3

9:15am – 11:00am	Scripture Study – Women	Knecht Meeting Room – Doors 8 & 9
9:15am – 11:00am	Scripture Study – Women	Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Hogar English Class	School – Door 16
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9

Thursday, October 4

9:15am – 11:15am	Planned Giving Seminar	Heller Hall – Door 13
9:30am – 11:30am	Bible Study	Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Planned Giving Seminar	Heller Hall – Door 13
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Scripture Study – Women	Art Room – Door 17
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Pro-Life Meeting	Knecht Conference Room – Doors 8 & 9

Friday, October 5 – First Friday Exposition and Benediction

9:00am – 11:45am	First Friday Exposition and Benediction	Church
11:15am – 12:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Food Distribution	Heller Hall – Door 13
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Fusion	Knecht Gymnasium

Saturday, October 6

3:30pm – 4:30pm	Confession	Church
5:30pm – 9:30pm	Grupo Santiago Apostol Prayer Group	Heller Hall – Door 13
7:30pm – 8:00pm	Confession	Church



Readings: Numbers 11:25-29; Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14; James 5:1-6;
Mark 9:38-43; 45, 47-48

Read the readings: <https://bit.ly/2NHvJH0>

Reflection Question: What acts have you done in the name of Jesus?

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