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24th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance." - Lk 15:7b

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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 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.

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Weekdays 9:00am- 9:00pm (closed 12:45 - 1:30pm)
Saturday 9:00am - 1:30pm

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On The Way

Practical Holiness: The Examination of Conscience

Last Monday the Redskins watched the video of their loss to the Eagles. That's not surprising. But the victorious Eagles did the same thing. In fact, every team and every athlete examines the game tapes to see where they did well and where they failed, what they should continue and what they should change. No undertaking of any worth can go without such regular examinations. Winning teams are those that can recognize their errors and make adjustments. Successful corporations have audits and evaluations.

We never become good or proficient at anything without undergoing scrutiny and evaluation. A sign of life is the desire for such an examination and necessary corrections. A sign of decay is the avoidance of any evaluation or correction. So also we, who want to become proficient in living Christ's life, must subject ourselves to a regular and rigorous examination.

The Catholic tradition calls this the *examination of conscience*, or the *examen* for short. By way of it we assess our thoughts, words, and actions of given period of time (usually the past day) to see how they accord with Christ's. It is a kind of spiritual self-audit.

The examination of conscience should always begin with thanksgiving. We first consider God's *goodness* to us, concretely and specifically. What were the blessings? Where? When? The greater reality in our lives is not our sinfulness but God's goodness. If we examine our conscience in the wrong context — that is, without a consideration of God's goodness — then our sins will appear out of place and out of proportion. For our sins are not the mere violation of a commandment but the failure to respond to God's goodness.

Then the examen proceeds to identify not vague feelings ("I haven't been a good person") but *specific* failings ("I snapped at my spouse"). There are various instruments to assist in this: the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, the dual commandment to love God and neighbor, the Seven Deadly Sins. Each of these can help. But in the end the standard for the examination of conscience is not this or that list or formula. It is Christ Himself. The examen seeks to identify when and how we departed from His example and failed to His life.

The examination of conscience is something that should be done once a day (at least). The most obvious time for it is the end of the day. That's traditionally when a businessman will close out the books and take account of the day's activities. We should be at least as serious about spiritual profits. So strive to make the examination of conscience daily. Taking five to ten minutes to reflect on God's goodness, identify our failures, and say an act of Contrition — that's a good way to conclude the day.

Of course, there are times when an external auditor is needed. That's why our Lord gave us Confession. But more on that next week.

Fr. Scalia

Stewardship

But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.”

In today’s Gospel, Jesus reminds us of the importance of forgiveness. The son who had left home and abandoned his father’s love to the pursuit of vice returns home, and his father forgave him for his disrespect and wild ways and celebrated his homecoming; the same way that God celebrates our “homecoming” when we repent of our sins and turn back toward Him. He reminds us that no matter how “lost” we are, we can always come back to the loving arms of our Father and that He will be waiting to celebrate our return.



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continue while you’re away...and when
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Notices from St. James

Update on the Convent Field

We made some improvements to our Convent field this summer. We removed the old, under-utilized playground equipment to extend the size of the field, and we regraded the entire field to mitigate our longstanding drainage problems there. We are now studying the feasibility of replacing the eroded walking path around the field. We look forward to a time when we can offer the field as an improved resource to our parish and school communities. In the meantime, due to its proximity to the neighboring construction project, we anticipate keeping the field closed for much of the school year.

Director of Advancement Wanted

St. James Catholic Church seeks a Director of Advancement to devise and implement a strategic plan of public relations, marketing, fundraising, and special events promoting involvement and investment in both the Parish and School. Must have outstanding organizational and communication skills. For a complete job description, visit <http://bit.ly/2JypBwE>. Please send a letter of interest and a resume to rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org.

School Technology Coordinator Wanted

St. James Catholic School seeks a full-time Technology Coordinator to manage electronic student records and provide technical support to teachers and students. Familiarity with technology needs in an educational setting is desired. Send resume and cover letter to rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org.

The Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

5:00 p.m. + John F. Kurtzke, Sr.

Sunday, September 15

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. +Prokopes (Peter) Colevas
9:00 a.m. People of St. James
10:30 a.m. +Ruperto and Agripina Obejera
Noon +Giuseppe D'Ernes
2:30 p.m. +Matthew Thomas
7:00 p.m. +John Robinson

Monday, September 16

Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

6:30 a.m. +Margaret Arcaro
8:30 a.m. +Consuelo Sese
Noon +John Corrado

Tuesday, September 17

St. Robert Bellarmine

6:30 a.m. +Kay Melia
8:30 a.m. +Ed andCarolynn Scheid and
Suzann Scheid Southworth
Noon +Deacon Tom Bello

Wednesday, September 18

6:30 a.m. +Mildred Ferrell
8:30 a.m. +Ron Audet
Noon +Jack Farrell

Thursday, September 19

St. Januarius

6:30 a.m. +Richard Catalina, Sr.
8:30 a.m. +Mike Egan
Noon +Deceased Members of the
Hogan Family

Friday, September 20

SS. Andrew Kim Tae-gõn and Paul Chõng Ha-sang and Companions

6:30 a.m. +H.J. Michalski
8:30 a.m. +Santina Costanzo
Noon +Msgr. Frank E. Mahler

Saturday, September 21

St. Matthew

8:30 a.m. +Clarence R. Dauer
5:00 p.m. Special Intention

Sunday, September 22

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Jane C. Checkan
9:00 a.m. +Nancy Lee
10:30 a.m. +John Uliny
Noon People of St. James
2:30 p.m. Peter and Kaley Jones
7:00 p.m. Deacon James and Nancy Fishenden

Today's Readings

First Reading — “Why should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of Egypt?” (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).

Psalm — I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — The grace of our Lord has been abundant (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

Gospel — There is great rejoicing in heaven and among the angels when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6;
Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20;
Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Sunday: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8;
Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]

Remember in Your Prayers...

the sick of our parish family:

Janice Chory	Jim Lillis
Jessica Kelly	Russell Ross
Laura Lareau	Robyn Stewart
Rob Lemmers	Barry Tindall

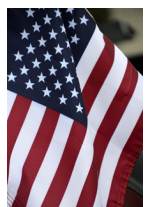
and the deceased of our parish family:

Robert Baird	Mary Jo Lamb
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and those serving our country:

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

Justin Berg	Roger VanSanford
Major Alan Harvey	Major Albert C. Young
Michele Petersen	



"Be doers of the word and not hearers only." James 1:22



Saint James Catholic School

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The Nun Fun Run Is Coming!

Get your running or walking shoes on and report to "Lot B" at St. James School at 7:30am on Saturday, September 28, to help our IHM Sisters at the annual Nun Fun Run. The proceeds from this 5K (3.1 mile) Run/Walk support Camilla Hall, the convent home and health care center for the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Look for complete details in the September 22 bulletin.



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**Monday, Wednesday to Friday: 9:30am—Noon
or by appointment**

Tuesdays 2:30pm—8:15pm

First Class - September 17

Our PREP classes will begin this week, September 17, for all children who are registered by September 6. Registrations received after September 6 will begin class on September 24.

St. James Parish Picnic

Saturday, October 5

12:00pm—4:00pm

Join Us!

¡Únete a Nosotros!



St. Lucy Food Drive Update—Bags Distributed Today!

Please pick up a St. Lucy blue grocery bag distributed by the St. James Social Outreach Committee today at the doors of the church. Catholic Charities' St. Lucy Project provides greater access to free, healthy food for the 200,000 food insecure people throughout the Diocese of Arlington. One million pounds of food was distributed in 2018 to the 21 counties of the diocese. Last year St. James donated 6,526 pounds of food to help reduce hunger and food insecurity in the diocese. Please drop your donations at the St. Lucy truck in front of the church next weekend. For more information about the St. Lucy Project, contact Kate Altmeyer at thealtmeyers@gmail.com

St. James Seniors' Pizza Party— September 19

St. James seniors are invited to a pizza party on Thursday, September 19 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in Heller Hall (Door 13). Please bring a salad or dessert to share. Amelia Kyker, Spanish teacher at St. James School and Kathie DeGeorges, the school's recently retired librarian will speak about their spiritual El Camino Walk in Spain. Those who have made this trip are invited to share their experiences.

Please RSVP no later than September 17 to Mary Anne Stallings at 703-237-1768 or Cae Gilley at 703-533-3845.

Social Outreach Committee Fundraiser to Benefit "Walk With a Family"

The Social Outreach Committee will have a table with homemade goods to sell at the September 29, "Donut Sunday Open House." Proceeds from the sale will be used towards the sponsorship of "Walk With A Family," a program in which the parish is assisting a working family as they pursue self-sustainment. If you have any homemade items to donate, please give them to Susan Jackson at the St. James Seniors' Pizza Party on September 19. Thank you!

Blessing of Pets—September 28 at 9:30am

We will have our annual Pet Blessing on Saturday morning, September 28, outside the Church following the Nun Fun Run. This event honors St. Francis of Assisi's observation that "All things of creation are children of the Father and thus brothers of man." It is open to all the pets of our parish.



**St. James Library Open Today From 10:00am—2:00pm in the House of Minsitries
Stop By and Get Something Good to Read!**

Support Our IHM Sisters—Take a Chance on the Camilla Hall Raffle

Our IHM Sisters are conducting their annual raffle to help support our retired and infirm Sisters at Camilla Hall, Immaculata, PA.

Chances are available for \$1 each or \$5 for a book of six, in the school and church offices through September 27. The drawing will take place at Camilla Hall's Annual Octoberfest, Saturday, October 5. Fifty winners ranging from \$5,000 to \$100 will be drawn. Be assured of daily prayer of our Sisters in Camilla Hall!

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Program Needs Volunteers

The RCIA Program at St. James will start on Tuesday, September 24, 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.

Courage

Courage...is a group that meets regularly to offer fraternal, moral, and spiritual support for those who experience same-sex attractions and desire to live chaste lives according to the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. Meetings are for men and women, and strict confidentiality is maintained. For more information, please contact Courage@arlingtondiocese.org or visit www.couragerc.net.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) Begins Tuesday, September 24

Would you like to discover Christ and His Church? Have you thought about becoming Catholic? Were you baptized Catholic but haven't completed the other sacraments? Do you want to help others find their spiritual home in the Catholic faith? Do you, or someone you know, fit the above description, and have the same questions? Desire the same grace? If the answer is yes, then the Rite of Christian Initiation as Adults is for YOU! Classes will be held on Tuesdays this year, starting on September 24, from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in the Knecht Conference Room (Doors 8 & 9).

To register, or for more information about R.C.I.A., contact Father Joseph Vu at fathervu@stjamescatholic.org or 703-532-8815.

2019 Mass for Marriage Jubilarians — Sunday, October 13

The Arlington Diocese's annual "Mass for Marriage Jubilarians" will be held on Sunday, October 13, 2019 at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More, 3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington, VA. The Mass is for jubilarian anniversary couples celebrating their silver (25 years) or golden (50 years) wedding anniversaries in 2019. Please contact Ginny Beauchamp at gbeauchamp@stjamescatholic.org or at 703-532-8815 x.125 for more information or to register.

Don't Forget to Get Your Song Requests for the Parish Picnic in to Duane Hyland at dhyland@stjamescatholic.org. As long as the request is from a movie, and the song is appropriate, we will play it!

Adult Faith Formation

Bible Studies at Saint James

September, 2019—May, 2020

Six on-campus Bible Studies for adults will begin next month. Each group meets weekly to view a DVD teaching, followed by discussion and prayers. Contact the Bible Study coordinators for information about starting a new Bible Study group or if you have questions about joining an existing group.

Sundays (Co-Ed), 1:30pm—3:30pm
School Library, September 8
Moderators: DonnaMaria Duatschek, Yari Rivera
 Lectio: Philippians (Fall)
 Lectio: Mark (Fall/Winter)
 No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through the Passion (February/March)

Mondays (Teachers), 3:45pm—5:30pm
School Room #19, TBD
Moderator Janet Purdy
 Untold Blessings: Three Paths to Holiness (Fall)
 Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance (Spring)

Wednesdays (Women), 9:15am—11:00am
Knecht Meeting Room, September 11
Moderator Jane Harvey
 Epic: Early Church History (Fall)
 No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through the Passion (Winter)

Wednesdays (Women), 9:15am—11:00am
Knecht Conference Room, September 18
Moderator: Katie Greenhalgh
 Genesis to Jesus (Fall)
 Romans: The Gospel of Salvation (Winter)

Thursdays (Co-Ed), 9:30am—11:30am
Knecht Conference Room, September 26
Moderator: Estela Arciaga
 Galatians: Set Free to Live (Fall)
 Walking Toward Eternity: Engaging Struggles of Your Heart (Spring)

Thursdays, (Women) 7:00pm—9:00pm
Knecht Meeting Room, September 12
Moderator: Patti Valancius
 Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John (Fall)
 Consoling the Heart of Jesus (Winter)
 Catholicism: A New Evangelization (Spring)

“To get the full flavor of an herb, it must be pressed between the fingers; so it is the same with the Scriptures. The more familiar they become, the more they reveal their hidden treasures and yield their indescribable riches.” –St. John Chrysostom

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Location Guide for Meeting Spaces:
 Knecht Meeting Room and Conference Room,
 Doors 8 & 9
 School Library, Door 17

September Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

The Protection of the Oceans

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, September 15—St. Lucy Food Drive Bag Distribution at all Masses

10:00am—2:00pm	St. James Parish Library Open	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue
1:30pm—3:30pm	Bible Study (Co-Ed)	School Library—Door 17
3:45pm—6:00pm	Grupo de Oración Emmanuel	Heller Hall—Door 13
4:30pm—6:00pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue
5:00pm	Rosary and Benediction	Church

Monday, September 16

No Scheduled Activities

Tuesday, September 17

4:45pm & 7:00pm	PREP	School—Door 16
7:30pm—9:00pm	Legion of Mary	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue

Wednesday, September 18

9:15am—11:00am	Women's Bible Study	Knecht Meeting Room—Doors 8 & 9
9:15am—11:00am	Women's Bible Study	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:30pm—9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9

Thursday, September 19

3:15pm—4:00pm	Children's Rosary Group	Church
5:30pm—7:30pm	St. James' Seniors	Heller Hall—Door 13
6:00pm—7:30pm	Listening Session With Bishop Burbidge	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm—8:00pm	Holy Hour	Church
7:00pm—9:00pm	CONNECT Young Professionals Community	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue
7:00pm—9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:30pm—8:30pm	Home School Parent's Meeting	School—Room 17—Door 17

Friday, September 21

11:15am—11:45am	Confessions	Church
7:30pm—9:00pm	St. James Men's Group	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue

Saturday, September 22—St. Lucy Food Drive Bag Return After All Masses

12:30pm—3:30pm	Hispanic Baptism Seminar	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
3:30pm—4:30pm	Confessions	Church



The Teen Bible Timeline: The Old Testament

Are you having trouble seeing the relevance of the Bible to your life today in Falls Church?

Do you want to see the "Big Picture" of salvation history?

All St. James Students Grades 9-12 are invited for this new Catholic Bible Study!

Starting Tuesday, September 24 at 7:00pm in the St. James School Library

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