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September 22, 2019

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25th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?" - Lk 16:11

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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: Regular Confession

Mother Teresa went to confession weekly. So did John Paul II. Either they were tremendous sinners...or they knew something about the Sacrament of Penance that we need to appreciate. Now, most Catholics view confession as a safety net that keeps us from falling to spiritual death. That's good as far as it goes. But we want to do more than avoid spiritual death; we want to *grow* in our spiritual life. So we should see confession also as a ladder by which we ascend and grow closer to God. Regular — at least monthly — confession is a necessary practice in the striving for holiness.

There are certain benefits to regular confession even in the natural order. A regular examination of conscience, admission of sins, and plea for forgiveness can only benefit us. If everyone did this monthly, our society would be much healthier psychologically.

Confession also provides accountability. Our use of reason can easily become rationalization. We can convince ourselves that...*Well, it wasn't really a sin...or wasn't that bad...or not as bad as others...* In confession the priest serves as an external auditor, checking our work and keeping us honest. He is there to ensure that we neither excuse ourselves too quickly nor accuse ourselves too harshly.

But penance is not just a psychological exercise; confession is not counseling. It is a Sacrament — a channel of divine grace — given by Christ so that His life can be restored to us and His Spirit can breathe more freely through our souls. *Confession* of sin differs from mere *admission*. We might admit our sins to anyone, just to get them off our chest. By confession, however, we hand over our sins to the Lord; we *confess* Him as Lord and give Him authority over our sins. For only He can free us from the eternal guilt that mortal sin incurs.

Confession also brings our sorrow to perfection. The Sacrament unites our sorrow with Christ's own sorrow for sin. Our imperfect contrition is perfected by union with His perfect sorrow.

There are two principal benefits to regular confession. First, it produces a clearer knowledge of what keeps us from spiritual growth. Confession is necessarily *specific*: we must confess particular sins, not just vague feelings or attitudes. And it is by way of those *specific* failures that our relationship with Christ is disrupted or grows cold. Regular confession might at first frustrate us, because we see the same sins again and again. But it also zeroes our sights and enables us to focus on what needs to be corrected. Second, we grow in what the Church calls the *virtue of penance* — the spiritual muscle that enables us to be sorrowful for our sins in the right way and for the right reason. By way of this virtue we neither exaggerate nor trivialize our guilt. Most importantly, our sorrow for sin becomes more precise, more focused on Him Whom we have offended and less on ourselves.

Fr. Scalia

Stewardship

In Jesus' parable of the Unjust Steward, we encounter a steward who has wasted his master's wealth and faces dismissal from his position. To overcome the crisis confronting him, the man reduces some very considerable debts owed by poor neighbors to his master in order to help them out. Though the steward has sinned against God and his master by squandering what belongs to someone else, both the prudent way in which he goes about resolving the crisis coupled with relieving people who are in need can be seen as a way to steward the gifts entrusted to us by God. Although each of us as good stewards today may acknowledge that we do not always use our God-given gifts in a way that completely conforms to the demands of the Gospel, a commitment to using our gifts with prudence and for the purpose of helping our neighbors wins God's favor. Could we be better stewards of the blessings we have been given?



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Notices from St. James

St. James Webpages Updated

You will find a link to the Diocese of Arlington's Office of Child Protection on the top right-hand corner of the St. James Church and School webpages. We pray that nobody will ever have a reason to use it, but it is there if needed, and to remind us that we all play a role in protecting our children. To visit the office's homepage, go to: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Child-Protection/>.

Mass for Fr. O'Brien on September 27 At the Cathedral of St. Thomas More

Father Cornelius O'Brien served as Pastor of St. James from 1999 to 2006. Since his funeral was in Ireland, Bishop Burbidge will offer a Memorial Mass for him at 10:00am on Friday, September 27 at the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More, 3901 Cathedral Lane in Arlington.

Advocate for Life on September 24

Please attend the 40 Days for Life Kick-Off Event on the sidewalk in front of the abortion clinic at 900 S. Washington Street (Rt. 29) at 7:30pm on Tuesday, September 24. This fall's 40 Days for Life campaign runs from September 25 to November 3 (7am-9pm daily). Our parish's goal is to maintain the vigil on Wednesdays, but you are encouraged to also pray in front of the clinic on other days of the week. Please see our webpage, <https://www.40daysforlife.com/falls-church>, for more information, as well as to sign up for vigil hours.

The Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 21

St. Matthew

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 Ulincy

Noon People of St. James

2:30 p.m. Peter and Kaley Jones

7:00 p.m. Deacon James and Nancy Fishenden

Monday, September 23

St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

6:30 a.m. +Angeles and Bonifacio Obejera

8:30 a.m. +Barbara Fahey

Noon +Polk Childress

Tuesday, September 24

6:30 a.m. +Dr. Peter V. and Mary A. Caruso

8:30 a.m. +Mary and Ann D. Lescavage

Noon +JoAnn K. Maietta

Wednesday, September 25

6:30 a.m. +Sidney Carwile

8:30 a.m. +Thomas T. Coipuram, Sr.

Noon +Mary McGlone

Thursday, September 26

Saints Cosmas and Damian

6:30 a.m. +Barbara Klubek

8:30 a.m. +Mike Egan

Noon +Robert McGinn

Friday, September 27

St. Vincent dePaul

6:30 a.m. +Michael Reilly

8:30 a.m. +Patrick McCauley

Noon +Narcisa Tiro

Saturday, September 28

St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

8:30 a.m. +Irene Ulincy

5:00 p.m. +Dr. Jose T. Garcia and the
Deceased Members of the
Garcia Family

Sunday, September 29

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. +Ambrosio Tacaraya

9:00 a.m. +Thomas McVey

10:30 a.m. Ntengwe Bagenda Family

Noon +Fred Graham

2:30 p.m. +Guillermina Amurrio

7:00 p.m. People of St. James

Today's Readings

First Reading — The Lord never forgets the sins of those who take advantage of the poor (Amos 8:4-7).

Psalm — Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor (Psalm 113).

Second Reading — God our savior wills everyone to be saved (1 Timothy 2:1-8).

Gospel — The one who is trustworthy in small matters is also trustworthy in great ones (Luke 16:1-13 [10-13]).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5;
Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8;
Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13;
Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16;
Lk 16:19-31

Remember in Your Prayers...

the sick of our parish family:

Janice Chory
Laura Lareau
Rob Lemmers
Jim Lillis

Russell Ross
Robyn Stewart
Barry Tindall

and the deceased of our parish family:

Fr. Cornelius O'Brien
Jackie Gibbs

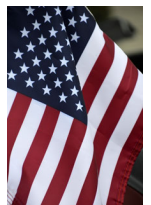
Mary Jo Lamb

and those serving our country:

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

Justin Berg
Major Alan Harvey
Michele Petersen

Roger VanSanford
Major Albert C. Young



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



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Nun Fun Run - Next Saturday!

Get your running or walking shoes on and report to "Lot B" at St. James School on Saturday, September 28, to help our IHM Sisters at the annual Nun Fun Run. Warm ups at 7:30 and Race Start at 8am. The proceeds from this Run/Walk support Camilla Hall, the convent home and health care center for the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Register online at: <https://sjsptova.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/NunFunRun2019>



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or by appointment
Tuesdays 2:30pm—8:15pm**

Join the St. James Girl Scouts!

The St James Catholic Church sponsors multiple Girl Scout troops, grades K-12. Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place. Girl Scouts prepares girls for every day leadership by providing rich experiences for them to explore new interests, face challenges, form new friendships and make lasting community contributions. please contact Kelli Edwards, St James Girl Scout coordinator at kelli_annel@yahoo.com.

St. James Parish Picnic Saturday, October 5 12:00pm—4:00pm

**Join Us!
Celebrate Your Parish!**

**¡Únete a Nosotros!
¡Celebra Nuestra Parroquia!**

There Will Be/Habrá

Food! ¡Comida! Music! ¡Música!

A Climbing Wall ¡Un Muro de Escalada!

A Bounce House! ¡Un Casa de la Despedida!

Games for the Kids! ¡Juegos Para Los Niños!

A Trackless Train! ¡Un Tren Sin Vías!

See You There! ¡Te Veo Allí!



St. Lucy Food Drive Update—September 22—Return Your Bags Today

Please return the Catholic Charity, St. Lucy Food Drive blue bags today. Monetary donations as well as gift cards are also greatly appreciated and can be given to a social outreach member at the St. Lucy truck after each mass. For more information, contact Kate Altmeyer at: thealtmeyers@gmail.com.

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!

Donut Sunday in Heller on September 29

To kick off the fall season, the Social Outreach Committee is hosting a Donut Sunday in Heller Hall on Sunday, September 29. Please join us for food and fellowship following the Masses at 9:00am and 10:30am. Come learn more about our Social Outreach programs, including our new "Walk with a Family" initiative, and ways that families can get involved in ministering the corporal works of mercy to those less fortunate. Fair Trade coffee and chocolates will be for sale.

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.

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.

New Bible Study for Young Mothers

A special invitation for young mothers: St. James presents "Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother." This 8-part Catholic Bible study will meet monthly every third Thursday evening from 7:30-9:00pm beginning October 17, 2019 in the Knecht Conference Room (Doors 8 & 9). This study will deepen your devotion to Mary as you discover her in a personal way, and as she leads you to a more profound and personal relationship with her Son. For more information or to register, please contact Emily Zlatos at 512-820-4357 or emily.robbyns24@gmail.com.

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.

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? 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.

Separated? Divorced? Widowed?

The Coping Program helps people who are separated, divorced, or widowed who are dealing with the loss of their spouse. The six-week program starts Sunday, October 20 and meets Sunday evenings 6:00-8:00pm at St. Philip Catholic Church in Falls Church. Please contact facilitator@copingrebuilding.com for more information or go to <http://www.copingrebuilding.com>.

Teens, You Can Understand the Bible!



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 24th at 7:00 PM in the St. James School Library
For More Information Contact Den Ed at dened@stjamescatholic.org

Celebración del 35 Aniversario de Su Ordenación del Padre José Hoyos

El domingo 1 de septiembre, la Comunidad Hispana de Santiago sorprendió Padre José Hoyos, Director del Apostolado Español en la Diócesis de Arlington y celebrante regular de nuestras 2:30pm Domingo, Misa Española, con una recepción y pastel en Heller Hall. El evento celebró el 35 aniversario del Padre Hoyos de su ordenación como Sacerdote. Aquí hay algunas fotos del evento bien atendido y animado. Ver más en <http://j.mp/2jXfN6R>.

On Sunday, September 1, the Hispanic Community of St. James surprised Father José Hoyos, Director of the Hispanic Apostolate of the Diocese of Arlington and regular celebrant of our 2:30pm Spanish Mass here at St. James, with a reception and cake. The event celebrated the 35th anniversary of Father Hoyos' ordination as a Priest. Here are some pictures from the well attended and spirited event. See more at <http://j.mp/2jXfN6R>.



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 22

11:30am—2:00pm	Hispanic RCIA	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
1:00pm—2:15pm	Hispanic PREP	Heller Hall—Door 13
1:30pm—3:30pm	Bible Study (Co-Ed)	School Library—Door 17
3:45pm—6:00pm	Grupo 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 23

7:00pm—9:00pm	National Junior Honor Society Inductions	Heller Hall—Door 13
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Tuesday, September 24

9:00am—10:00am	St. James' Seniors' Steering Committee	Knecht Meeting Room—Doors 8 & 9
4:45pm/7:00pm	PREP	School—Door 16
7:30pm—9:00pm	RCIA	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:30pm—9:00pm	Legion of Mary	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue

Wednesday, September 25

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 26

9:00am—11:00am	Janet Haines' Retirement Celebration	Heller Hall—Door 13
9:20am—11:40pm	Bible Study (Co-Ed)	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm—8:30pm	Diocesan Scout Meeting	Heller Hall—Door 13
6:30pm—9:00pm	Social Outreach Committee Meeting	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm—9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	Knecht Meeting Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm—9:00pm	CONNECT Young Professionals Community	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue

Friday, September 27— School Early Dismissal at 11:30am, No Parking in "A" Lot for Noon Mass

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

Saturday, September 28

7:30am—9:00am	Nun's Fun Run	B Lot
9:30am—10:30am	Blessing of Pets	Corner of Park Avenue and N. Spring St.
8:30am—4:00pm	Arlington Legion of Mary Congress	Heller Hall—Door 13
3:30pm—4:30pm	Confessions	Church
7:30pm	Confessions	Church

Open House for Secular Franciscan Order on October 6

Tau Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order invites you to "come and see" if you have a vocation as a Secular Franciscan! Join us for our Annual Open House on Sunday, October 6 at 1:30pm in Room 205 of the St. Joseph Catholic Church Parish Hall (750 Peachtree St., Herndon, VA 20170). Please visit our website for further details, <https://tauofs.org/>, or contact Kimberley Heatherington at taufranciscans@gmail.com. Spend an hour – stay a lifetime!

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!

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