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26th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'" - Lk 16:31

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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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On The Way

Practical Holiness: Lectio Divina

Essential to growth in the Christian life is the regular reading of Sacred Scripture. Now, we read Scripture differently than we read anything else. Many people become frustrated with the Bible because they try to read it as they would a history book, novel, or user's manual. The Bible, while coming to us in human poetry and prose, differs from all other literature because it is the very Word of God. So we *should* study the Bible. But God has given us Scripture most of all for spiritual growth not merely intellectual interest.

The best way to use Scripture for this growth is the ancient practice of *lectio divina* (literally, "divine reading"). As the name indicates, *lectio divina* is not reading the Bible for interest or study. Rather, it is the slow and deliberate *praying* with Scripture. It involves choosing a passage of scripture (perhaps one of the readings for the day's Mass; nothing too long) and reading through it according to four steps: *lectio*, *meditatio*, *oratio*, and *contemplatio*.

Lectio (reading) is the first and most straight forward step. In Scripture God's message is communicated through the words, images, phrases, and genres of human writing. The spiritual meanings of Scripture all flow from this literal sense — that is, what the human author intends. In *lectio* we read over the passage several times simply to grasp this most immediate, surface meaning. In this regard a trustworthy biblical commentary can be helpful.

Meditatio (meditation) is the thorough reflection on what we have read. This process is sometimes likened to a cow chewing its cud. Granted, not the most flattering image. But it gets to the point: we are to turn the words over in our mind again and again as we try to understand their meaning more deeply. Here we can also engage our imagination, to "see" the scene in our mind. This brings us from the surface, immediate meaning of the passage to a deeper, more interior one.

Oratio (prayer) is the logical next step. Meditation makes us appreciate God's truth, goodness, love, mercy, beauty, etc. Prayer is our response to what we have learned. This can include prayers of gratitude for what has been revealed, sorrow for our sins, and petition for the grace to respond better.

Contemplatio (contemplation). Our words, because they are insufficient, must come to an end. Then we realize that even more important than our response of prayer is simply resting in the Lord Himself. Contemplation is being present to God and at peace in His presence.

Of course, this spiritual practice takes discipline and planning. A specific time should be set aside when we can give 15 to 30 minutes to it. The church is always a good place for this kind of prayer. But when possible it is good to set aside a specific place in the home where one can peacefully and without interruption.

Next Week: The Rosary - Fr. Scalia

Stewardship

The Poor Man Named Lazarus

In today's Gospel, through the story of the poor man named Lazarus, Christ reminds us that our faith should not be dependent on physical signs, such as a dead person appearing to us to urge us to repent our ways, but rather that we have all we need, in scripture and in Church teachings to enable and sustain our faith. He urges us to read scripture, to learn from it, and to live our lives according to it. Christ also reminds us that those of us who have more should charitably give to those who have less. That we must not ignore the suffering in our midst, but, if we wish to find salvation, we must take steps to help alleviate it. Each of us can make the difference in the life of another, whether by giving food to our food pantry or taking time to volunteer for our Meals on Wheels program or by taking an active role in one of our over 20 ministries that serve St. James parish and the residents of Falls Church. Get involved! Give generously of yourselves! Read and follow the scriptures. But, most of all, put your unshakeable faith in Christ.



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Notices from St. James

2019 Annual Report Arriving This Week

Our 2019 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. At the Masses on October 5 and 6, Father Scalia will speak to us about the important role we all play in supporting our parish as well as the mission of the Church.

Rosary to Be Prayed After 8:30am Masses on Fridays and Saturdays

Starting Friday, October 4, and Saturday, October 5, and on all Fridays and Saturdays thereafter, the Rosary will be recited after the 8:30am Mass. Please attend and engage in this powerful prayer to Mary for her intercession for us sinners.

New Bulletin Look Coming - Weekend of October 5

Starting next weekend, October 5, our weekly bulletin will have a new look as we are switching publishers from J.S. Paluch to LPi Inc. With the new publisher you will see a higher paper quality and sharper graphics. We hope that you will enjoy the new look. If you have any questions about the new bulletin, please contact Duane Hyland at dhyland@stjamescatholic.org.

The Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 28

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

Monday, September 30

Saint Jerome

6:30 a.m. +Father of Joseph Smith
8:30 a.m. +Barbara Rodriguez
Noon +Eileen McCarthy

Tuesday, October 1

Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus

6:30 a.m. +Fabian Mushonga
8:30 a.m. +Mary and Alexander Adamski
Noon +Giovanni and Maria Bernardone

Wednesday, October 2

The Holy Guardian Angels

6:30 a.m. +Larry Purdy
8:30 a.m. +Daniel A. O'Donohue
Noon +Thomas and Mary Ann Benedett

Thursday, October 3

Twenty-Sixth Thursday in Ordinary Time

6:30 a.m. +H. J. Michalski
8:30 a.m. +Deceased Members of the Bushell Family
Noon +Andy Prishack

Friday, October 4

Saint Francis of Assisi

6:30 a.m. +Dana Wilson
8:30 a.m. +Mike Egan
Noon +Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, October 5

Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos and Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

8:30 a.m. +Marvin Conway
5:00 p.m. +Harry Shovlin, Sr.

Sunday, October 6

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. +Stephen and Jean McTeague
9:00 a.m. +Zacharia T. Coipuram
10:30 a.m. People of St. James
Noon +Julia Marie D'Erme
2:30 p.m. +Lidia Caballero
7:00 p.m. +Ron EagleBoy

Today's Readings

First Reading — Woe to the complacent, stretched comfortably on their couches! (Amos 6:1a, 4-7).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness (1 Timothy 6:11-16).

Gospel — There was a rich man who dined sumptuously each day. Lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23;
Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6, 10-11; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11;
Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;
2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

Remember in Your Prayers...

the sick of our parish family:

Laura Lareau
Rob Lemmers
Jim Lillis

Stephan Richards
Russell Ross
Barry Tindall

and the deceased of our parish family:

Fr. Cornelius O'Brien

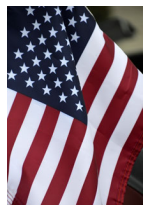
Jackie Gibbs

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





Saint James Catholic School

EXCELLENCE IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY



White Elephant Spotted!

On October 12 we will begin collecting items for the White Elephant sale that is a big part of the St. James School Bazaar, "The Greatest Show on Broad Street!" More information will follow next week, but start gathering your items for donation today!

This year's Bazaar will be held from October 23 to October 26, join us for what promises to be a great time for the whole family!

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Office Hours:
Monday, Wednesday to Friday: 9:30am—Noon
or by appointment
Tuesdays 2:30pm—8:00pm

Announcements from PREP

Confirmation Parent/Candidate Meeting
Thursday, October 10, 2019
7:30 - 8:30 pm in Heller Hall (Door 13)
This meeting is for those who will be confirmed this Spring 2020.
The candidate and at least one parent are expected to attend.

The PREP staff also respectfully asks that all PREP registrations for this school year be received in the PREP office by October 1.
The staff thanks you for your cooperation.

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!



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.

Thirty-Second Annual Life Chain Event — Sunday, October 6

On Sunday, October 6, the St. James Pro-Life Ministry invites you to take part in the 32nd annual Life Chain program. We will gather from 2:00pm to 3:30pm at the corner of Broad Street (Route 7) and N. Spring Street, by St. James School, to pray along both sides of Broad Street, spreading out to maximize visibility. Pro-Life signs will be available. We invite you to bring your entire family. You are also welcome to bring water, lawn chairs, umbrellas, and strollers—but please be mindful not to block pedestrian traffic.

The Life Chain event will be taking place in over 1,500 communities across North America. It may well be the simplest pro-life witness event ever conceived, and is one of the most popular. By gathering for 90 minutes at a busy intersection, holding pro-life signs, and praying, participants form a veritable chain of life in solemn witness for the preborn individuals lost to abortion every day of the year.

If you have any questions, contact Rich Hunter at stjameslife@gmail.com or call him at 703-571-6482.

Join your fellow parishioners and take a stand for life!

High School Youth Ministry Interest Meeting—October 6

Are you a high school aged student? Do you want to get involved with the St. James’ High School Youth Ministry? If so, Fr. Oetjen is hosting an interest meeting for the ministry on Sunday, October 6, from 2:00pm to 3:00pm, at the House of Ministries, 913 Park Avenue. All parents and teens interested in hearing about youth ministry opportunities for high schoolers are welcome!

First Saturday Pro-Life Rosary

Going forward, on the first Saturday of the month, a St. James priest will lead the faithful in praying the Rosary outside the abortion clinic at 900 S. Washington Street, following the 8:30am Mass. Please join us this coming Saturday, October 5, for this peaceful pro-life witness. For more information, contact Rich Hunter at stjameslife@gmail.com or call him at 703-571-6482.

St. James Prayer Partners Here For You! *As We Know Prayer Can Move Mountains*

The St. James Prayer Partners is a Ministry of our sick and homebound parishioners who offer prayers for special requested intentions of the parish. There are three petition boxes inside the Church, one at each entrance or vestibule. Anyone wishing to submit a prayer request can fill out one of the prayer request forms located in the pocket on the right side of the petitions box. Once a month, Sr. Margaret John compiles the list of prayer requests and mails the list to each of our Prayer Partners, who truly appreciate this opportunity to contribute to the parish through prayer. For more information on the ministry, please contact Sr. Margaret John Stichter, IHM, at visitingministry@stjamescatholic.org, or at 703-532-8815 x.130.

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 7:30pm—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.

Take Part in 40 Days for Life

This fall's 40 Days for Life campaign runs from September 25 - November 3 (7:00am—9:00pm 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 hour. Join us, and take a stand for life! For more information on how to get involved, contact Rich Hunter at stjameslife@gmail.com or call him at 703-571-6482.

Get involved and, “Take a Stand for Life!”

Join the Girl Scouts at St. James

St. James Catholic Church sponsors multiple Girl Scout troops, grades kindergarten through 12. Girl Scouts is the first and largest girl-led organization in the world and for over a century has been preparing 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. If you know someone who is interested in Girl Scouts, please contact Kelli Edwards, St. James Girl Scout coordinator at kelli_annel@yahoo.com.

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. Please note, all registrations for the Mass must be received by Ginny on or before Monday, September 30.

Discernment 101 with the Daughters of St. Paul—October 12 and November 9

Single young women are invited to join the Daughters of St. Paul for a monthly discernment gathering that includes: Mass, coffee with the Sisters, a talk on discernment, and an Hour of Adoration. The program will be offered on Saturday, October 12 and Saturday, November 9 from 9:00am to 12:00pm at the Daughters of St. Paul Convent in Old Town Alexandria. Come to one, or to all...and bring a friend! For more information, contact Sr. Emily Beata at vocations@paulinemediamedia.com or 703-549-3806.

Single? Then Prime Time Single Catholics is For You!

Prime Time Single Catholics serves single Catholics 40 and over, are cordially invited to our Annual Dinner Dance on November 9 in Fairfax. Also, meet us for: golf (every Monday); lunch (every Thursday); and much more. For our complete schedule of events, visit: bit.ly/ptsc. For more information contact Tom Palumbo at ptscnva@gmail.com.

Come Learn English or Take Citizenship Preparation Classes at St. James Catholic School Through Hogar Immigrant Services

Catholic Charities offers Adult English classes and Citizenship Preparation classes on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7-9pm, starting on October 2nd, 2019. Registration for classes will be held on September 30th and October 2nd from 7-8:30pm. Various class levels are available. The cost is \$60.00 for English and \$100 for Citizenship for 12 weeks and includes the textbook. Cash or credit card payments accepted. For more information call Hogar Immigrant Services at (571) 208-1572.

Venga Aprender Inglés o Ciudadanía en la Escuela Católica Santiago

Caridades Católicas ofrece clases para adultos de inglés y clases para preparar el examen de ciudadanía los lunes y miércoles de 7- 9pm comensando el 2 de octubre. Inscripción para estas clases será el 30 de septiembre y el 2 de octubre entre las 7:00pm - 8:30pm. Ofrecemos varios niveles de clases. El precio es \$60.00 por la clase de Inglés y \$100 la clase de ciudadanía por 12 semanas e incluye el libro. Aceptemos efectivo y tarjeta de credito. Si requiere más información, llame a Hogar Immigrant Services al (571) 208-1572.

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.

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!
Meeting every Tuesday at 7:00 PM in the St. James School Library
For More Information Contact Deacon Ed at dcned@stjamescatholic.org

October Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

A Missionary "Spring" in the Church

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, September 29

8:00am—Noon	Social Outreach Donut Sunday	Heller Hall—Door 13
11:30am—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 (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 30

7:00pm—9:00pm	Hogar English/Citizenship Classes Registration	School—Door 16
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Tuesday, October 1

4:45pm/7:00pm	PREP	School—Door 16
7:00pm—8:15pm	High School PREP	Library—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, October 2

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
7:00pm—9:00pm	Hogar English/Citizenship Classes Registration	School—Door 16
7:30pm—9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9

Thursday, October 3

9:30am—11:30pm	Bible Study (Co-Ed)	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm—9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	Knecht Meeting Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm—9:00pm	Pro-Life Meeting	Knecht Conference Room—Doors 8 & 9
7:00pm—9:00pm	CONNECT Young Professionals Community	House of Ministries—913 Park Avenue

Friday, October 4—First Friday, 9:00am—11:45am Exposition and Benediction

9:00am—11:45am	Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction	Church
11:15am—11:45am	Confessions	Church
6:30pm—8:00pm	Food Distribution	Heller Hall—Door 13
6:30pm—8:30pm	Junior High Fusion	Knecht Gymnasium

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

9:00am—3:00pm	Diocesan Workshop	Church and Heller Hall—Door 13
Noon—4:00pm	St. James Parish Picnic	B Lot
3:30pm—4:30pm	Confessions	Church
7:30pm	Confessions	Church

Know Your Patron Saints: St. Bernard of Menthon

If you are hitting the slopes this winter, or just sitting inside contemplating why it is people willingly strap boards on their feet and go hurtling down mountainsides, take a minute to remember St. Bernard of Menthon, the Patron Saint of Skiers. Born in 1020 AD, St. Bernard was a missionary Priest to the remote villages in the Alps. In 1050 AD he established hostels for pilgrims traversing the Alps on their way to Rome. The Priests of each hostel fed, healed, and ministered to the pilgrims. These hostels also gave rise to the St. Bernard dogs, used to rescue travelers from drifts, that sometimes reach the height of 40 feet. Saint Bernard performed several miracles, including persuading two feuding noblemen to put aside their differences and avert a war. Pope Innocent XI canonized Bernard in 1681. St. Bernard's feast day, ironically, falls on May 28.

For more on Saint Bernard, visit: <http://j.mp/2m3WRnK>

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