

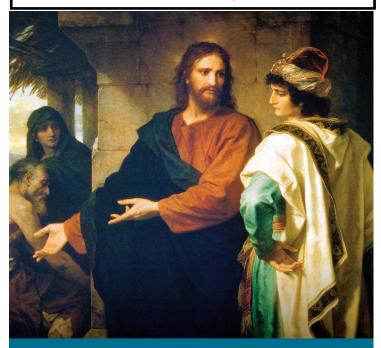
Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

October 13, 2024



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They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:26-27

Clergy

Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia, Pastor Rev. John Paul Heisler, Parochial Vicar Rev. Charles Pavlick, Parochial Vicar Rev. Peter M. McShurley, In Residence Rev. Mauricio Pineda, In Residence Rev. Raymond Emedo, In Residence Deacon Marvin Muhat

Rectory Office Hours

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

Saturdays: 9:00am-1:30pm

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am,

2:30pm (Spanish), Noon,

and 7:00pm

Daily: 6:30am, 8:15am, and Noon

Saturdays: 8:30am

Federal Holidays: 6:30am and 8:15am

Holy Days: 6:30am, 8:15am, Noon,

5:00pm, and 7:00pm

Low-Gluten Hosts

Those who need low-gluten hosts are asked to come stand at the Sacred Heart statue for Communion.

Adoration

Wednesdays and Thursdays:

12:30pm-8:00pm

First Fridays:

9:00am-Noon

7:30pm to 8:30am on Saturday (All

Night Adoration)

Holy Hours

Sundays: 5:00pm

Third Thursdays: 7:00pm

Confessions

Wednesdays: 7:00pm-8:00pm Thursdays: 7:00pm-8:00pm

Fridays: 11:00am-11:45am

Saturdays: 3:30pm-4:30pm and

6:30pm-7:30pm

Baptisms

Baptisms are done every Sunday. Please contact the Rectory office to begin making arrangements prior to the child's birth. Registration in the parish is required prior to scheduling. Both parents are required to attend a pre-baptismal program and are encouraged to do so before the birth of their child.

Marriage

Contact the Rectory office for information and to begin marriage preparation with one of our priests. Marriage preparation is a sixmonth program. No date will be set for the wedding until a priest has met with the couple.

Visit the Worship menu on our website for more details, <u>stjamescatholic.org/</u>

sacraments/.

Saint James Catholic Church Rectory Staff

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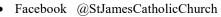
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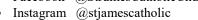
To register with the parish or to update your contact information, call the Rectory office or email them at receptionist@stjamescatholic.org.

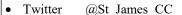
The Pope's October Prayer Intention

For a shared mission—We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

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On The Way

The Anima Christi: forever and ever. Amen.

The Anima Christi ends as many prayers do: "Forever and ever. Amen." This is a common end to Catholic prayers. We hear it often at Mass. The Glory Be ends the same way, at least in the Latin. The English has "and ever shall be" and then adds the clunky "world without end. Amen." Other translations render it "For ages unto ages." Which isn't much clearer.

Forever and ever. Amen. This ending is so common as to come across as perfunctory, perhaps even trite. It's Catholicese for "The Prayer is Over." It's precisely because this ending is so familiar that we should strive to understand it and appreciate its significance.

It's practically impossible for us to think about eternity. We exist in time and for us to think about anything we need...time. As a result, we think of eternity as a really, really, really long time - a "world without end." And it's true that eternity will not end. But it's also true that eternity has no beginning. Because eternity isn't a lot of time but the absence of time. Even to say that eternity is the "eternal present" or an "eternal now" isn't accurate.

Anyway, Saint Augustine spent four books of his *Confessions* trying to explain this, so there's no way to do it in one bulletin column. Point is, we're meant to live and to rejoice and to worship God eternally - beyond this world and its time, schedules, calendars and so on. Ecclesiastes says that that God has "put the timeless into [our] hearts" (Eccl 3:11). Indeed, our constant attempts to memorialize the past and anticipate the future indicate that we are temporal beings meant to exist beyond time.

Which brings us to one advantage of thinking about eternity: it makes sense of time. "What we do in life, echoes in eternity!" I'd like to say that line is from scripture or some saint. But it's from Maximus Decimus Meridius...Russell Crowe's character in Gladiator. Still, it's a great line - and true. The import of our actions here is that they shape us into who we will be in eternity. A more noble way of saying this is, "[L]ay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Mt 6:20-21).

This orientation towards eternity helps us here and now because it properly situates the meaning of time. We live in a timebound culture. We think that this time is all we have and thus enslave ourselves to it. Because we have no concept of eternity and the eternal worth of our life here, we think we have to fit everything into this life, racing around from thing to thing, trying to "create memories," and leaving little time for just being together. Time has become our master rather than an opportunity.

Of course, time does have great importance, but only in relation to eternity. Living for eternity means that we don't have to do absolutely everything this side of heaven. Making the most of our time doesn't mean filling it with activity but doing what is before us well and with charity.

Forever and ever. Amen. This mention of eternity refers to the prior petition of the *Anima Christi*, that we come to praise Christ with his saints. We want to do that not just for a really, really long time, but eternally. The Eucharist is a "slice" of eternal worship here and now. It is what Thomas Aquinas calls a "Pledge of future glory." We hope and pray one day to receive the full inheritance of which the Eucharist is a pledge.

- Fr. Scalia

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Mass Intentions for the Twenty-Eighth Week of **Ordinary Time**

Saturday, October 12

Mass for the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Pilar Mata Tanganivan

Sunday, October 13

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

+Deceased members of the Childress family 7:30am

9:00am +Ramiro and Flora Lopez

10:30am Pro Populo +Arlene A. Tate Noon

2:30pm +Joseph Gerald Guerette

7:00pm +Robert Scully

Monday, October 14

St. Callistus

6:30am +Robert Scully

Marian Barton and godchildren, living 8:15am

and deceased

Tuesday, October 15 St. Teresa of Jesus

6:30am +Robert Scully

8:15am +Maria Cristina Granda +Veronica Hunter Noon

Wednesday, October 16

St. Hedwig; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque +Reverend Albin Neverauskas 6:30am 8:15am +Harry and Judy Shovlin +Peter G. Wambach, Jr. Noon

Thursday, October 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch

Susan Sullivan 6:30am

+John Michael McDade 8:15am

Noon +Veronica Hunter

Friday, October 18

St. Luke

6:30am +Bernard Krawczyk 8:15am +Brendan Sheedy Noon +Jack Murphy

Saturday, October 19

SS John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues

+Mr. and Mrs. Richard Winslow 8:30am

Mass for the Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

+John Mehok 5:00pm

Sunday, October 20

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30am Jane and Michael Checkan

9:00am +Lillian Ross Lauer

10:30am Pro Populo

+Tara Flanagan and Nicole Flanagan Ayers Noon

+Fernando Cardona 2:30pm 7:00pm +Robert Scully

Today's Readings

First Reading Wis 7:7-11

"I prayed, and prudence was given me;"

Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17

"Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!"

Heb 4:12-13 **Second Reading**

"Brothers and sisters: Indeed the word of God is living and..."

Gospel Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

"As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up,"

Readings for the Week

Visit www.bible.usccb.org/readings for the daily readings, responsorial psalms, and gospels for the upcoming week.

Remember in Your Prayers

the sick of our parish family

Juan Alarcon Katherine Garren Phillip Perot Joyce Babiak Laura Lareau Linda Reid Conley Rohall Beatriz Basso Alex Lohman Cory Bautista Jose G. Martinez Russell Ross Betty Brunton Nicholas McDonough Kathleen Seroskie Carmine Carosella Mildred Melmer Robyn Stewart Jane C. Checkan Gloria Mora Kathy Thomas Julie Neil Chloe Clagg Mary Traynor Brendan Collins Rachel Noonan Julia Umana Christopher Deloye Esther Olivos Lauren Vinci Mona Demien Janet Owen Liv Wash Anne Marie Willis Mike Dudzik Jim Owen

Roberta Dunn Erik Funk

the deceased of our parish family

Vincent Fausset John Ronald Novak Loredana Giamporcaro Mary Louise Novak

Carter Parry

and those serving our country

This includes veterans, military retirees, and those serving overseas in the military and foreign service. For changes or updates, email communications@stjamescatholic.org.

CDR Thomas Dixon 1st Lt. Thomas Canady, USAF SSgt Joshua Conrad, USAF Lt. Mathew Hayes, USN

CPT William H. Johnson, USA 1st Lt. Charles Molineaux, USA



Richard Ziegler

Saint James Prayer Chain

Become a praying member of the Saint James Prayer Chain. We are dedicated to praying for the intentions of our parish families and their loved ones. For more information, visit the Saint James Prayer Chain page under Faith Formation on <u>www.stjamescatholic.org</u>.

To sign up to be a praying member, visit http://eepurl.com/gURddD

To submit a request to the Prayer Chain, email PrayerChain@saintjamesschool.org



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Parish News

October Parish Speaker Series

Professor Helen Alvaré will be our guest speaker on Wednesday, October 23rd, at 7:00pm in Monsignor Heller Hall. She will discuss "Religious Freedom after the Sexual Revolution."

She is a Professor of Law at Antonin Scalia Law School at George Mason University, teaching Family Law, Law and Religion, and Property Law. She serves as a Member of the Holy See's Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life, a board member of Catholic Relief Services, and an ABC news consultant. Professor Alvaré received her law degree from Cornell University School of Law and her master's degree in Systematic Theology from the Catholic University of America.

All Day Adoration on Election Day

On **Tuesday, November 5th**—Election Day—we will have all-day Eucharistic Adoration, after the 8:15am Mass until the Noon Mass and then again until 8:00pm.

Come pray before our Lord for unity in our nation, the common good, the protection of the unborn, and the defense of religious liberty.

Please sign up for an hour or more to pray, www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4AABAE23A13-50659676-

Part-time Custodian Position

Looking for some extra work? Our parish seeks a custodian to clean campus buildings, set up for events, and perform light maintenance tasks three nights a week—

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 6:00pm-10:00pm—plus additional hours as needed. Salary is \$18 per hour. The custodian will also secure all buildings at the end of their shift—must be 100% reliable.

If interested in this position, please email Rich, <u>rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org</u>, or stop by the Rectory office to complete an application.

Nine Day Novena for All Souls

Saint James will pray a daily Novena for nine days for all souls starting at the **Noon Mass** on **Saturday, November 2nd, through November 10th**. During the nine days, the Novena will be held at the noon Mass except on Saturday, November 9th, when it will be at the 8:30am Mass.

There will be a prayer box in the main and Park Avenue vestibules starting next weekend,
October 19-20. The remembrance envelopes will be beside the prayer boxes to list the names of your deceased loved ones for our Novena. Fill out and place the envelope in one of the prayer boxes to have prayers offered for your loved ones.

All Saints Day November 1st

All Saints Day **Friday, November 1st**, is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule will be as follows:

- 6:30am
- 8:15am (will be livestreamed)
- Noon
- 5:00pm
- 7:00pm
- 8:30pm (Spanish)

Mass of Remembrance November 2nd

Join us for our Mass of Remembrance on Saturday, November 2nd, at a special noon Mass. This Mass remembers all those who have gone before us and who we hope to see again.

If you have lost a loved one in the past year since November 2023 and would like to have his or her name listed in the Mass of Remembrance program, email communications@stjamescatholic.org.

We will include all of those who were remembered at funeral Masses and memorials here at Saint James.

Due to space limitations in our program, please follow these guidelines:

- Limit your request to only those loved ones who have passed away since November 1, 2023.
- Submit first name, last name, and suffix, if applicable (i.e., Jack Johnson, Sr.), and the month/year of their passing.
- Email <u>communications@stjamescatholic.org</u> by Friday, October 18th.

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Parish News (Continued)



Due to the Saint James Bazaar the week of our meeting, there will not be an October's Senior Dinner. As an alternative, we are planning to see the movie, "White Bird" with Helen Mirren, on Wednesday at noon that week at the Cinema Arts Theater at Fair City Mall. The price is \$6.00.

Mamma Lucia's Restaurant is next to the theater for those who would like to have lunch before or after the movie.

RSVP to one of the following to ensure you are emailed:

- Susan Jackson, jacksonsusan765@gmail.com
- Kathleen McPhilomy, kmcphilomy2@gmail.com

Wednesday, October 16th Movie "White Bird" @ noon Fair City Mall 9650 Main Street, Fairfax

Columbus Day Holiday Schedule

This Monday, October 14th, the Rectory and administrative offices will be closed in observance of the federal holiday. There will be two Masses at 6:30am and 8:15am.

Life Corner

Catholic Diocese of Arlington
Safe Haven Baby Box Initiative—
Monica Kelsey founded Safe
Haven Baby Boxes, Inc., after
learning she was abandoned as an
infant and seeing a "baby box" in operation at a
church in South Africa. Monica has made it her
mission to educate others on the Safe Haven
Law and to do whatever it takes to save
innocent babies from being abandoned. Monica
gave a presentation on this effort at the recent
diocesan Respect Life Conference.

Virginia has Safe Haven Laws that allow parents to safely surrender infants within the first 30 days of life. However, we still hear the tragic news of a baby being abandoned, underscoring the urgency of strengthening our area safety net for parents in crisis. Safe Haven Baby Boxes allow a parent to anonymously and safely surrender a baby and can reduce the chances of a tragic loss of life.

Currently there are no Baby Boxes in our area. Learn more about the Catholic Diocese of Arlington initiative to bring a Baby Box to Northern Virginia and how you can help by visiting www.arlingtondiocese.org/family-life/respect-life/ or search Northern Virginia Baby Box Initiative/Catholic Diocese of Arlington. Click on Northern Virginia Baby Box Initiative on the left.

To get on the parish email list for Life News, email stjameslife@gmail.com.

Important Notice: School Zone Speed Safety Program

The City of Falls Church launched its inaugural School Zone Speed Safety Program on September 16, 2024, with a new speed safety camera on the 800 block of West Broad Street (Rt. 7) within the designated school zone of Saint James Catholic School.

The purpose of this new transportation safety tool is to protect students as they go to and from school as well as other pedestrians who cross Broad Street.

A warning period runs through Friday, October 25, 2024, to allow drivers a chance to adjust to the new enforcement method. At the conclusion of the warning period, vehicles exceeding the posted speed limit while the speed safety cameras are active will be issued a \$100 citation (civil fine) per speeding violation.



For more information about the School Zone Speed Safety Program, visit <u>fallschurchva.gov/speed-safety</u>.

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Stewardship—The Gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure

Humanitarian Relief Effort for Hurricane Helene

This weekend, **October 12-13**, we will have a second collection for Catholic Charities' humanitarian relief efforts for Hurricane Helene.

Catholic Charities USA is accepting donations to support and assist in humanitarian relief efforts in response to the devastation wrought by Hurricane Helene across the southeastern part of the United States. These resources will be utilized as a response to immediate emergency needs for such necessities as water, food, shelter, medical care, and aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts.

To make a donation, please make your checks out to Saint James Catholic Church with "Hurricane Helene" in the memo line or make a one-time gift via our Faith Direct Give Now link at https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/57427.



World Mission Sunday October 19-20

Next weekend, **October 19-20**, our second collection will be for World Mission Sunday. In 1926 Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church with the first worldwide Mission Sunday collection taking place in October 1927. Each year, the Mission Sunday collection is taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. Mission Sunday is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity. The goal is for all Christians to recognize their common responsibility to evangelize the whole world.

This collection will support over 1,000 local churches in Asia and Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe.

To make a donation, please make your checks out to Saint James Catholic Church with "World Mission Sunday" in the memo line or make a one-time gift via our Faith Direct Give Now link at https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/1492.



Porto Charities Special Kids/Special Needs Campaign

Thank you for your generous response last weekend to our Porto Charities special collection in support of their Special Kids/Special Needs Campaign. If you missed the special collection, you can still make an online donation online at membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/44791 or send a check made out to Saint James Catholic Church with "Porto Charities" written in the memo line.

The mission of Porto Charities is to provide grants to Catholic schools and organizations in Northern Virginia that serve children and young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. One of the biggest challenges for Catholic Schools is having enough resources—such as specialized teachers, training, and curriculum—to support our children with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We want our special needs students to attend school with their siblings and have access to the beauty of a Catholic education, but this

Special Kids/Special Needs

requires financial resources and support. Since 2009, Porto Charities has given more than \$1.2 million in grants to all four of our Catholic high schools and more than fifteen elementary schools, including our parish school which received another \$10,000 grant last fall. To learn more, visit www.portocharities.org.

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Youth Ministry News

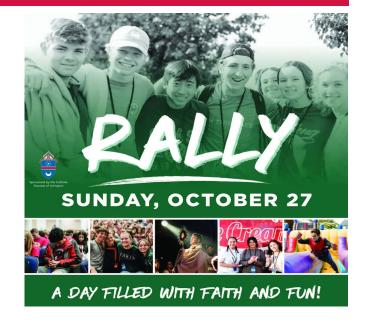
Calling All High School Students

Join the Arlington Diocese's annual RALLY at Bishop O'Connell High School to pray, learn, and celebrate the Catholic faith. The event will be held on **Sunday, October 27th, from 12:00pm-8:00pm.** The cost is \$25.

RALLY includes Mass with Bishop Burbidge, Eucharistic Adoration, inspirational speakers and entertainers, breakout sessions, inflatable games, music, and more! RALLY is open to any high school-aged youth wanting to attend, at any stage in their faith journey.

Please contact Amy Bigart, our Youth Ministry coordinator, at ym@stjamescatholic.org if your student is interested in attending.

Virtus-trained adult volunteers are also needed.



Youth Ministry Communications

Signup for Flocknote. Get the latest news and updates from Saint James Youth Ministry by signing up. You can receive email and text messages. Scan the QR code to sign up.

Email our Youth Ministry Coordinator Amy Bigart, ym@stjamescatholic.org, with any questions.

You can also check out our webpage under the FAITH FORMATION menu on our website, https://stjamescatholic.org/faith/youth-ministry/.



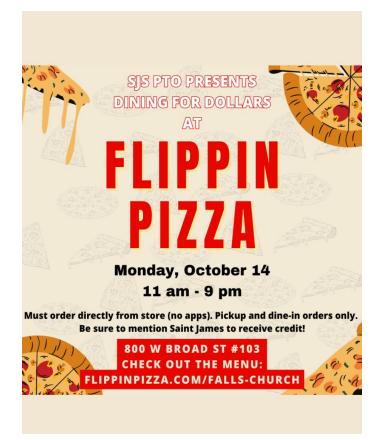


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	Parish Calendar	
Monday, October 14	Columbus Day Federal Holiday (see page 5)	
	No scheduled activities	
Tuesday, October 15		
7:00am-7:45am	Saint James Fraternity-Exodus 90	Parish House
4:45pm & 7:00pm	PREP Classes	School
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House
Wednesday, October 16	White Elephant Sale begins (see page 8)	
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:30pm	OCIA	Spanish Class-Door 15
7:00pm-8:00pm	Men's Bible Study	Parish House
Thursday, October 17	Bazaar begins (see page 8)	
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Holy Hour	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	School Reading Room
7:00pm-9:00pm	Young Professionals	Parish House
Friday, October 18		
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Men's Study Group	Parish House
Saturday, October 19	White Elephant Sale & Bazaar end (see page 8)	
10:00am-12:00pm	Co-ed Bible Study	Parish House
3:30pm-4:30pm & 6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church
Sunday, October 20		
10:00am-2:00pm	Parish Library Open	Parish House
3:30pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Youth-Girls	Parish House
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church
5:00pm-6:45pm	Lay Dominicans	Parish House

Catholic Trivia Night Returns

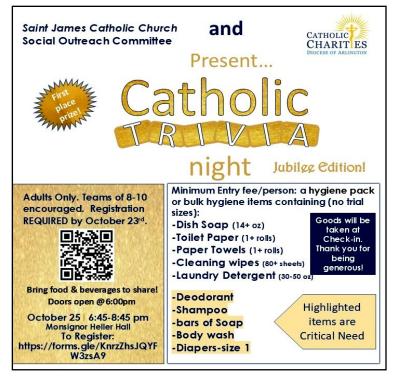
Want to celebrate your Catholic Faith and help Catholic Charities?

Join us for Catholic Trivia Night on **Friday, October 25th, 6:45pm-8:45pm** in Monsignor Heller Hall. Doors will open at 6:00pm. It is co-sponsored by our Social Outreach Committee and Catholic Charities. This is an adults-only event. Teams of 8-10 are encouraged. Bring food and beverages to share. Registration is required by October 23rd, so register soon!

For more information or to register, scan the QR code or visit https://forms.gle/KnrzZhsJQYFW3zsA9. This information is posted in the NEWS section on the parish website, www.stjamescatholic.org, as well.

Please note the highlighted items in beige which are a "critical need" for Catholic Charities.

Contact Karen Bushaw-Newton at <u>littlek@hxr.us</u> with any questions.



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