



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

August 30, 2026



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Mt 16:24b-25

Clergy

Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia, Pastor
Rev. Charles Pavlick, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Timothy D. Banach, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Mauricio Pineda, In Residence
Rev. Daniel Reuwer, 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,
Noon, 2:30pm (Spanish),
and 7:00pm

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

Saturdays: 8:30am

Federal Holidays: See Parish website

Holy Days: 6:30am, 8:15am, Noon,
5:00pm, 7:00pm, and
8:30pm (Spanish)

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:
10:00am-Noon
7:30pm to 8:00am 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 six-month program. No date will be set for the wedding until a priest has met with the couple.

Visit our Worship menu for more details,
stjamescatholic.org/sacraments/.

Saint James Catholic Church Rectory Staff

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Parish Registration

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 August Prayer Intention

For evangelization in the city—Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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On The Way

Virginia Voting 2026: The Truth of Marriage

“Then the Lord God said, ‘It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him’” (Gen 2:18). Scripture reveals those inner thoughts of God for our sake. They contain two essential truths of the Church’s social doctrine that have particular importance today.

First, *It is not good that the man should be alone*. This divine observation runs contrary to those modern philosophies that see us as essentially alone – and see society as foreign to us. Jean-Jacques Rousseau lamented, “Man is created free, but is everywhere in chains.” By which he meant that our original condition is a blissful freedom that we lose when we enter the slavery of society’s rules and laws. This view remains with us in the romance of the loner or “rugged individualistic.”

Thomas Hobbes proposed another view, that our original isolated state is pitiful: “solitary, poor, nasty, brutish, and short.” We’re not naturally good and therefore in need of a strong government to impose order and keep us from hurting one another. So, whether you go with Rousseau or Hobbes, you end up with a negative view of society, as either a concession or an imposition.

The truth is that society is neither a concession on our part nor an imposition from without. Divine revelation confirms common sense: *It’s not good for us to be alone*. We are created for relationship. We can only realize the fullness of our humanity in relationship with others. Those relationships blossom into society.

Then the second part: *I will make him a helper fit for him*. Those words introduce the account of God’s creating woman and bringing her to man. When he sees her, man rejoices: “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.” God’s design for society begins with marriage, the union of man and woman.

The first and fundamental society is marriage itself. All human society is founded on and begins with the union of man and woman. We know this from divine revelation. But we also know it from science and, well, common sense. The union of man and woman is the only society that can make new members – that is, children.

As the entire world faces a birth dearth, we are discovering that when that making of new members declines, all of society suffers. We will see enormous social upheaval in the coming years precisely because we’ve thought that society could be established on something other than man, woman, and child.

All this brings us to this fall’s Virginia ballot Question 2, which seeks to codify so-called “gay marriage” in the state Constitution. In a sense, this initiative seeks nothing new, because the 2015 *Obergefell v. Hodges* decision already imposed this on all states. Still this ballot question asks us to be complicit in the approval of an evil that undoes the fundamental cell of society. Thus, it’s an opportunity for us to do what *Obergefell* doesn’t allow us to do – to proclaim by our vote that the truth of marriage is essential to society.

No one can licitly vote for this measure, as to do so would contradict a truth written by God into our very nature and for our happiness. Either marriage is a thing, or it’s whatever we want it to be. And if it’s whatever we want it to be, then why marry? Indeed, many people have concluded precisely that, which is why the rate of marriage has plummeted.

Any talk of social justice must begin with the truth about marriage. If we cannot get that fundamental society right, then we shouldn’t expect better for the broader society. As the family goes, so goes society.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Twenty-Second Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 29

Mass for the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Jean Komski

Sunday, August 30

The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Lucille Ciarlone

9:00am +Margaret P. Long

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Judy Willis

2:30pm +Rosa Elena Coronado de Garcia

7:00pm +Ronald Fagan

Monday, August 31

Monday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Jeff Thomas

8:15am +Becket More Connolly

Noon Jeannie Baxter Scully

Tuesday, September 1

Tuesday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am Arthur Stevenson

8:15am +Vivian Page

Noon +Rita Meyer

Wednesday, September 2

Wednesday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am Merrie Dawn Morgan and Glenn Morgan

8:15am Maya and Sajini Thomas

Noon Maureen Scully

Thursday, September 3

St. Gregory the Great

6:30am +George and June Jennings

8:15am +Patricia Keenan Colevas

Noon +Patrick Maguire

Friday, September 4

Friday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am The Mullins family

8:15am +All Souls in Purgatory

Noon Liam Burgess

Saturday, September 5

St. Teresa of Calcutta

8:30am +David Temeles

Mass for the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Richard G. Sullivan

Sunday, September 6

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Kathy Bell

9:00am +Terrell Blodgett

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Joseph Colavita

2:30pm +Deceased members of the Doherty and
Donne families

7:00pm +Catalino Banez, Sr.

Today's Readings

First Reading Jeremiah 20:7-9

"Thus says the LORD: Observe what is right, do what is just;"

Psalms

Psalms 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

"My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God."

Second Reading Romans 12:1-2

"I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God,"

Gospel

Matthew 16:21-27

"Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go..."

Readings for the Week

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

Remember in Your Prayers

The sick of our parish family

Juan Alarcon

James Banks

Beatriz Basso

Cory Bautista

Betty Brunton

Charles A. Burke

Jim Buscher

Patricia Cavasina

Jessica Toye Clark

Jane C. Checkan

Chloe Clagg

Matthew Coffin

Grace Coipuram

Raul Crespo

Matthew Davis

Mona Demian

Charles Duggar

Thomas Duncan

Roberta Dunn

Dora Dee Estes

Liana Farrell

Katherine Garren

Anthony L. Gerena

Monica Giove

Scott Herman

Laura Lareau

Yolanda Machiado

Jose G. Martinez

Patricia McFarland

Mildred Melmer

Julie Neil

Gloria Mora

Francis Neumann, Jr.

Rachel Noonan

Kathy Oddenino

Esther Olivos

Jerry Parker

Carter Parry

Charley Roberts

BJ Salinas

Kathleen Seroskie

Robyn Stewart

Lauren Vinci

Liv Wash

Anne Marie Willis

The deceased of our parish family

Christopher Butzgy

Mary Flora Goodson

Louise Terwilliger

John Abu Turay

Please pray for the members of our parish serving in the military both home and abroad.



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 www.stjamescatholic.org.

- Sign up to be a praying member at <http://eepurl.com/gURddD>.
- Submit a request to PrayerChain@saintjamescatholic.org.



Parish News

Parish Picnic Volunteers Needed

Mark your calendars and join us for our Annual Parish Picnic on **Saturday, September 26th, Noon-3:00pm**. It is a parish community event with food, fellowship, live music, carnival games, moon bounce for the younger children, and a chair swing for older children. This event draws over 600 parishioners and requires a lot of volunteers for setup, service, and cleanup.

If you would like to volunteer to help before, during, or after the picnic, we would greatly appreciate your time to ensure its success. Visit bit.ly/SJPicnic2026 or scan the QR code. For any questions, email Susan Ramsel, sramsel@stjamescatholic.org.



It's Back to School...for everybody!

From Father Scalia, "We should continue to study and learn our faith. Take a look at the various options for study groups and bible studies in the parish."

Scan the QR code or visit our **Bible & Faith Formation Studies** web page, <https://stjamescatholic.org/faith/bible-study-groups/>, to see all the options for men, women, young mothers, and co-ed which will be held in the daytime, evening, and even Saturdays beginning after Labor Day.



Catechists Needed

The Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) is currently looking for dedicated, faith-filled people to teach in our Parish Religious Education Program on Tuesday afternoons (4:45pm-6:00pm) and evenings (7:00pm-8:15pm).

We also need assistants and substitutes in both the afternoon and evening sessions. If you would like to volunteer in other ways, let us know. Share your faith with our young people as a way of actively participating in the Church's mission of evangelization. Contact Sister Regina at 703-533-1182 x103 or dre@saintjamesschool.org.

PREP Registration Forms (Late Registrations)

The registration forms and PREP calendars are on our website on the home page (click the PREP Registration button) or scan the QR code to visit the PREP web page.

In order for your child(ren) to begin PREP classes on September 22nd, your registration deadline was August 28th. Contact the PREP office with any questions at 703-533-1182 x104.



Guest Speaker: Olivia Gans Turner on August 31st

The Saint James Respect Life Group invites you to hear Olivia Gans Turner speak on the proposed VA constitutional amendment on abortion that will appear on the ballot this fall, September 18-November 3.

**This Monday, August 31st
7:00pm-8:30pm
Monsignor Heller Hall**

Olivia Gans Turner is president of the Virginia Society for Human Life, the nation's first state pro-life organization, founded in 1967 and affiliated with the National Right to Life.

Build the culture of life and safeguard the future of Virginia by pledging NO to this amendment.

Please visit catholicsvoteno.com or arlingtondiocese.org/vote or scan the QR code to pledge NO.



Parish News (Continued)

Adult Faith Formation Classes Begin Soon

A reminder that the full OCIA program for the 2026-2027 year **begins on Wednesday, September 9th, 7:00pm-8:30pm** in the IHM Conference Room at the school and continues weekly through April. We ask that people who intend to enter the Church attend the classes regularly, live in a manner consistent with the faith, and discern prayerfully their calling. If one cannot attend the regular classes on a consistent basis, please call the parish for other arrangements.

To register or speak with Father Pavlick about the OCIA program, contact him by phone at 703-532-8815 or by email at frpavlick@stjamescatholic.org.

Keep Our Vestibule Clutter Free

Please note that the food baskets in the vestibule of the church are only for **non-perishable food items** for Food Distribution. Saint James Catholic Church does not accept donations of books, toys, clothing, furniture, or any other household items.

If you have any of those items you wish to donate, the following places will accept them:

- Local Thrift, 1049 W. Broad Street, Falls Church (near the parish)
- Falls Church Community Services, 7416 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church
- Any Goodwill store

Thank you for keeping our vestibule clutter free.



Sunday, September 20th, Road Closures

The Falls Church Education Foundation's Run for the Schools is scheduled for **Sunday, September 20th**. The race begins at 8:00am and should be over by 10:00am. Due to this event, there will be road closures in Falls Church City that may impact getting to church. The police will begin blocking the route which goes down by Park Avenue at 6:30am. Access to the Saint James parking lots from Route 7 will not be impacted. View the course map at <https://www.fcdf.org/run-for-the-schools.html>.

Life Corner

KNOW BEFORE YOU VOTE. The VA Right to Reproductive Freedom Amendment will establish a fundamental right to abortion in the state constitution. Don't be misled by the question on the ballot as it does not reflect the actual content of the proposed amendment.



The question on the ballot asks "*Should the Constitution of Virginia be amended to protect personal decisions about prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, birth control, abortion, miscarriage management, and fertility care?*"

Proponents of abortion crafted the question in such a way to elicit a positive vote with the sole intention to adopt "abortion as a fundamental right" into our state constitution. Tragically, Virginia law already permits abortions, even up to birth and makes this amendment change unnecessary. As Catholics, we know right from wrong. Don't be fooled by this question. To be continued.

Build the culture of life and safeguard the future of Virginia by pledging **NO** to this amendment.



Inova Blood Donor Services

Blood Drive

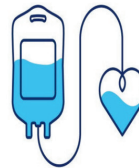
Knights of Columbus Arlington Council 2473

Sunday, September 13, 2026

8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

5115 Little Falls Rd., Arlington, VA

Inova Blood Donor Services will be in the Main Hall.



Donors will receive a donor appreciation gift. *

Your single blood donation could save or improve the lives of two or more persons in need.



Book your appointment today!

Visit <https://tinyurl.com/KOC0913>

OR

Contact: Len Sese
Email: lbsese@msn.com
Phone: (703) 536-9656

Photo ID required. Allow 1 hour for your donation.

*While supplies last. Quantities are limited. Must complete screening process to receive giveaway.

Saint James Catholic Church First Friday All-Night Adoration (Labor Day Weekend)



7:30PM ON FRIDAY,
SEPTEMBER 4TH
TO
8:30AM ON SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 5TH

Please sign up to spend an hour with Him.

Sign-up at
<https://bit.ly/FriAdoration>



Parish Business Manager Position

Saint James Catholic Church seeks a dynamic, experienced Business Manager to manage all financial functions and oversee risk management, human resources, facilities, and IT for the parish.

We require a BS/BA in accounting/finance and at least five years' experience in business management, including supervisory experience; MBA and CPA highly desired.

Position is full-time, in-person only, and requires some evening and weekend work.

Salary range is \$80K to \$110K, depending on experience. A comprehensive benefits package is provided, including medical, dental, vision, life and disability insurance coverage as well as 403b and pension plan.

Email cover letter explaining your interest in the position and resume to Rich Blickendorfer at rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org.

The Triumph of the Immaculate Heart

September is the month the Church remembers the Seven Sorrows of Mary. Place yourself alongside her and each of her sorrows, then ponder her love. **Make the First Saturday devotion on September 5th.**

"I promise to assist at the hour of death, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall

- Go to confession and receive Holy Communion;
- Recite the Rosary;
- And keep Me company for a quarter of an hour while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary;
- With the intention of making reparation to Me. I promise to assist them at the hour of their death with all the graces necessary to save their souls."



At Fatima, Our Lady said that the final attack of Satan will be against the family. This September commit to make the First Saturday devotion as you remember Our Lady's Seven Sorrows.

In the end, my Immaculate Heart will Triumph.

Saint James School Hiring Extended Day Staff

Saint James Catholic School is seeking part-time extended day staff to join our team. The hours of employment are 2:40pm-6:00pm Monday through Friday and 11:00am-6:00pm on early dismissal school days.

Duties include supervising students during outdoor recess and during indoor activities that include snack time, homework help, playing games, and arts and crafts. Applicants must be available Monday-Friday.

Qualifications: The Extended Day Counselors must be able to pass all required background checks and trainings for licensing and diocesan requirements.

Pay Range and Benefits: The pay range for the Extended Day Counselor is \$17 to \$18 per hour, based on experience. The position is part time. Anticipated work time is 20 hours per week. This is not a benefit eligible position.

Interested applicants contact the principal, Sister Beth Bartholomew, IHM, sisterbeth@saintjamescatholic.org.

Social Outreach

Join Our Social Outreach Committee

The Saint James Social Outreach Committee (SOC) is **welcoming new members** to their first meeting of the year on **Thursday, September 10th, at 7:00pm** in the Parish House Conference Room. There is a parking lot to the right of the house.

The Social Outreach Committee provides a wide variety of opportunities for parishioners to put into action the Corporal Works of Mercy. You can volunteer at home, at the church, or other sites. Any amount of time you can contribute will benefit those in need in our community, from one hour to longer periods of time. **Everyone has a talent to share.** Attend our first meeting to see how you can best serve those in need. Visit the Social Outreach page to learn more, stjamescatholic.org/parish-groups/social-outreach/.



Contact Laura Stricker, laurastricker@hotmail.com, with any questions.

St. Lucy Food Drive

Our Social Outreach Committee is hosting their Annual Fall Food Drive for the St. Lucy Project on **Saturday, September 26th, from 10:00am-2:00pm** in front of the church on Spring Street.

If you stop by between 12:00pm and 2:00pm, you can drop off your donations and then attend the parish picnic in Monsignor Heller Hall and B Lot!

Put your bag in your trunk, drive up, pop your trunk, and they will do the rest!

A list of food items is on the right and on our website. Please donate only the items on this list. To donate virtually, scan the QR code.

Empty blue St. Lucy bags will be available at several Masses the weekend before, September 19-20. Fill your bag and bring it back on September 26th.

Thank you for your generosity in alleviating food insecurity in our area. Any questions? Please email Kate Altmeyer at thealtmeyers@gmail.com.

Support Families Affected By Domestic Abuse

Our Social Outreach Committee has partnered with Shelter House/Fair Ridge, www.shelterhouse.org, for years to help the homeless and/or victims of domestic violence.

The shelter can always use our assistance for everyday essential items including hygiene items, formula, diapers, detergent, and especially bedding (full and twin bed sheets). You can support the shelter via their Amazon link below.

Shelter House relocated to Fair Ridge in late Spring 2025 which allowed 85 residences versus 9 in the old location. Families can stay for up to one year and are given bed linens and cleaning supplies when they move in.

Your support allows families of domestic abuse to be in a safe environment like this house. To support this shelter, visit their Amazon Wishlist, scan QR code or visit <https://amzn.to/4fnM525>.





St. Lucy Food Project FOOD DRIVE

Serving **24%** more client visits than last year

294,530 individuals in the diocese don't have enough to eat.

Source: Feeding America 2022

Sponsored by:
Saint James Social Outreach

**September 26
10 AM – 2 PM**

**Spring Street
(front of Saint James)**

**Drive up; Pop your trunk;
and we do the rest!**

**Blue Bag Distribution-
Sept. 19-20 (after
Mass), Return filled on
Sept. 26th!**

FOOD ITEMS NEEDED

(please use this list)

- ☐ Jam and Jelly*
- ☐ Cooking Oil*, Sugar, Flour, and Masa*
- ☐ Tortillas
- ☐ Canned Meat and Tuna*
- ☐ Rice and Dried Beans: 1-2 lb. bags
- ☐ Canned Beans (Dark, Kidney, Garbanzo)
- ☐ Canned Corn* and Green Beans *
- ☐ Canned Fruit *
- ☐ Tomato products*
- ☐ Shelf Stable Milk
- ☐ Cereal/Oatmeal packets
- ☐ Canned Pasta
- ☐ Condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayo)

NO GLASS JARS PLEASE!

*Most Needed

**To DONATE FOOD
Virtually**





SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH
YOUTH MINISTRY

FELLOWSHIP, FAITH, & FOOD

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE INVITED
TO JOIN US FOR COMMUNITY, PRAYER,
AND A SHARED MEAL

NEXT MEETING
WED.
SEP 9

2ND WEDNESDAY
OF EVERY MONTH
7:00PM-9:00PM
PARISH HOUSE

ALL ARE WELCOME

FAITH Y FÚTBOL

SUMMER 2026

SOCCER **Middle School** PIZZA

OUR FINAL SUMMER EVENT
AUGUST 30TH
4:00-6:00PM@ ROCKET FIELD

Join Father Tim for games, food, & faith
discussion at our last summer event.



SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH
YOUTH MINISTRY



Reminder 6th & 9th Graders

You are entering middle and high school!



SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH
YOUTH MINISTRY

Join Youth Ministry! Sign up with Flocknote to learn
about Youth Ministry Events for 2026-27.



Contact Youth Ministry with any
questions at
ym@stjamescatholic.org



MIDDLE SCHOOL
GRADES 6-8

SUNDAY, MONTHLY
4 - 6 PM
KNECHT GYM

SCAN TO
RSVP



DODGEBALL, DOCTRINE, & DESIGN



JOIN FATHER TIM FOR
FRIENDLY COMPETITION,
FAITH DISCUSSION,
& CRAFTS.
PIZZA WILL BE SERVED!

SEPT 22
NOV 22
DEC 13
FEB 7
MARCH 14
MAY 23

Stewardship—The Gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) Second Collection

Our next second collection will be on **September 12-13** in support of our Parish Religious Education Program, affectionately known as “PREP.” Under Sister Regina Rosarii’s leadership, our PREP program continues to thrive with a team of dedicated catechists and assistants who diligently work to prepare our parish children to receive the Sacraments and increase their knowledge of our Catholic faith so that they may “know, love, and serve the Lord” more fully in this life. Please be as generous as you can and keep our PREP teachers and children in your prayers.



If you have any questions or would like to volunteer in some capacity to support PREP, contact Sister Regina, 703-533-1182 x103 or dre@saintjameschool.org.

Catholic University Second Collection

On **September 19-20**, the diocese will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Located in the heart of the nation's capital, Catholic University, founded in 1887, offers graduate and undergraduate courses in more than 180 academic programs. By giving to the National Collection, you will help support more than 6,000 students who are seeking a faith-filled education at an institution that supports cutting edge research in multiple fields. It will also support their service-oriented cultural and community outreach and improve their campus environment.



Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Please help us fight food insecurity in our community



First Friday Food Distribution September 4th



List of donations needed. Please donate only the items listed and not others.

Reusable shopping bags also needed.

Items in black are a critical need

Rice (1-2 lb bags)

Canned Hearty Soups

Canned Tomato Sauce

Mac 'n Cheese (small boxes)

Canned Fruit

Cereal (boxes)

Peanut Butter



Beans (dried, 1 lb bags)

Canned Chicken & Tuna

Pasta (plain, boxes)

Canned Ravioli

Canned Spaghetti

Canned Green Vegetables

Jelly

All donations may be placed in the baskets in church vestibules. We can accept only non-perishable items. Please Note: No produce or fresh items, no expired items, no glass containers, no large or bulk-sized items. (All items must be in original packaging. No items packaged at home.)

ADULTS & TEENS

Food Distribution Needs Your Help



Friday,
September 4th



Scan QR or visit
StJamesCatholic.org

Welcome Back!

We are excited to begin another school year. Our teachers returned to set up their classrooms and attend teacher trainings. Our new safety patrols completed their training and received their safety patrol belts. Then we welcomed back our students, along with our priests who greeted students on the first day, attended our parent meet-and-greets, and blessed our classrooms. Now we are adjusting to the routine of school once again. It's going to be a great year!



Cub Scouts and American Heritage Girls Registration

★ PACK 681 ★

CELEBRATES 75 YEARS

of Cub Scouting at St. James



PACK 681 75TH ANNIVERSARY



ADVENTURE ★ FRIENDSHIP ★ FUN ★ SERVICE ★ CHARACTER

ALL YOUTH IN GRADES K-5 WELCOME TO JOIN!

KICK OFF OUR 75TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR!

COME TO OUR FALL EVENTS

 SEPTEMBER 13 - BACK TO THE PACK New and returning members are encouraged to join us for some outdoor fun and games!	4:00-5:30 PM Falls Church Scout House 128 S. Spring St.
 SEPTEMBER 27 - FALL HIKE Join us for an easy hike at Wolf Trap National Park.	3:00 PM - LOT 1 Behind the Filene Center
 OCTOBER 4 - PACK FALL CAMPFIRE	6:00 PM Tentatively at Lacey Woods Park
OCTOBER 23-25 - 2026 SCOUT-TOBER FEST Our fall campout at Camp Snyder in Haymarket <i>Must be registered to attend.</i>	

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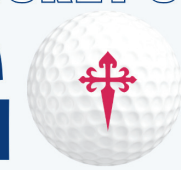
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Comunidad Hispana

Bautismos

Para bautizar a su hijo, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial al 703-532-8815 preferiblemente antes de la llegada del bebe. La familia debe estar registrada en la parroquia y ambos deben asistir a la clase prebautismal, preferiblemente también antes de la llegada de su bebe. Para más información sobre los bautizos y clase de preparación para dichos bautizos, comuníquese con Víctor Méndez al 571-239-5772.

Enfermos de la Comunidad

Cada domingo podemos llevar la Sagrada Comunión a los feligreses que viven en los límites de la parroquia y que están enfermos, confinados en sus hogares o que están en hogares de ancianos. Si es necesario, un sacerdote puede visitarlo para ofrecerles la Reconciliación y la Unción de enfermos. Para más información, comuníquese con Patricia Flores al 703-371-5695.

Matrimonios

Para aquellos interesados en matrimonio, comuníquese con Frances Wilson al 703-626-7771 para recibir información y comenzar la preparación matrimonial con uno de nuestros sacerdotes. Dicha preparación es un programa de seis meses y no se fijará una fecha para la boda hasta que un sacerdote haya tenido una reunión con la pareja.

Confesiones Adoración

- Miércoles y jueves 7:00pm-8:00pm - Primeros viernes: 10:00am-12:00pm
- Viernes 11:00am-11:45am - Primeros viernes (Adoración Nocturna): 7:30pm a 8:30am de sábado
- Sábados 3:30pm-4:30pm y 6:30pm-7:30pm - miércoles y jueves: 12:30pm-8:00pm

Página web parroquial en español

Haga clic en el código QR para visitar la página de la comunidad hispana, stjamescatholic.org/hispanic-community/, y obtener más información, incluyendo próximos eventos, sacramentos, misas, servicios religiosos, confesiones y contactos ministeriales. El boletín hispano quincenal también está disponible en la sección "Español" del sitio web de la parroquia.



Mass for Jubilarians

Contact Ginny Beauchamp in the Rectory Office at gbeauchamp@stjamescatholic.org with questions or to register no later than Monday, September 28th.

Mass for Marriage Jubilarians

Married in 1976 or 2001?
All golden and silver jubilarians are welcome!
Contact your parish office today to register!



Sunday October 18, 2026
Cathedral of St. Thomas More | 2:30 pm
3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington, VA

The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington | Principal Celebrant & Homilist

Misa para Jubileos Matrimoniales

¿Casados en los años 1976 o 2001?
¡Todas las parejas celebrando bodas de oro y plata están invitadas!
¡Contáctense con sus oficinas parroquiales para registrarse!



Domingo 18 de octubre, 2026
Catedral de Santo Tomas Moro | 2:30 pm
3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington, VA

Monseñor Michael F. Burbidge
Obispo de Arlington | Celebrante Principal & Homilista

Parish Calendar

Monday, August 31		
7:00pm-8:30pm	Guest Speaker Olivia Turner (see page 4)	Msgr. Heller Hall
7:00pm-9:00pm	Presidio #2 Legion of Mary	IHM Conference Room
Tuesday, September 1		
7:00am-8:00am	Saint James Fraternity	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	IHM Conference Room
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House
Wednesday, September 2		
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:15pm-8:45pm	Mothers of Young Children Bible Study	Parish House
Thursday, September 3		
9:30am-11:45am	Co-ed Bible Study	IHM Conference Room
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:30pm	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	Msgr. Heller Hall
7:00pm-9:30pm	Young Professionals Women's Formation	Parish House
Friday, September 4		
10:00am-11:45am	First Friday Exposition and Benediction	Church
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
5:30pm-6:30pm	Food Distribution	Lot B
7:00pm-8:30pm	Hispanic Prayer Group Formation	Parish House
7:30pm-11:59pm	First Friday All-Night Adoration	Church
Saturday, September 5		
12:00am-8:15am	First Friday All-Night Adoration	Church
10:00am-12:00pm	Co-ed Bible Study	Parish House
3:30pm-4:30pm/6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church
6:00pm-8:30pm	Hispanic Prayer Group	Msgr. Heller Hall
Sunday, September 6		
10:00am-2:00pm	Parish Library Open	Parish House
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church

Visit Christendom College—Fall Open Houses

Learn how Christendom College is helping students learn the Truth, live the Faith, and thrive as Catholics, by attending one of our fall visit days! Attend a **Saturday Open House on November 21st** or take advantage of the federal holidays to visit for a Crusader Afternoon on Columbus Day (October 12th) or Veterans Day (November 11th). Visitors will tour campus, attend a sample class, and learn more about Christendom's unique academic program, outstanding alumni employment rates, financial aid, and how our graduates are carrying out the mission "to restore all things in Christ." Christendom College is the only Catholic College in the Arlington Diocese on the Newman Guide for Choosing a Catholic College. To register, please visit www.christendom.edu/visits.

