



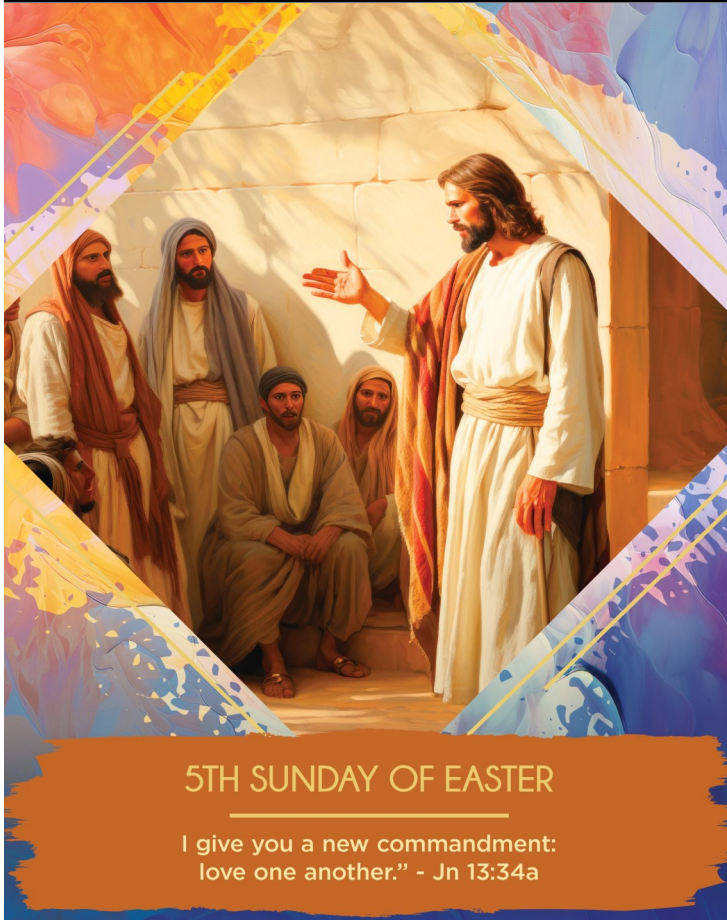
# Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

[www.stjamescatholic.org](http://www.stjamescatholic.org)

703-532-8815

## May 18, 2025



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

I give you a new commandment:  
love one another." - Jn 13:34a

### 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)  
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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, 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:

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 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/](http://stjamescatholic.org/sacraments/).

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**Sister Regina Rosarii McLallen, IHM, Superior of Saint James Convent**

### Parish Registration

To register with the parish or to update your contact information, call the Rectory office or email them at [receptionist@stjamescatholic.org](mailto:receptionist@stjamescatholic.org).

### The Pope's May Prayer Intention

**For working conditions**—Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

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## On The Way

*Figures of the Resurrection: John*

It seems like an unnecessary boast. “They both ran,” John the Evangelist tells us of his Easter morning race with Peter. “[B]ut the other disciple [John himself] ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first.” Similarly, John tells us that he could see better than Peter. In their encounter with the risen Lord at the Sea of Tiberias, it was John who first recognized Him standing on the shore. “It is the Lord!” he cried. But both boasts pale in comparison to the title John gives himself: “The disciple whom Jesus loved.”

That last point is the most important about John. For if Peter represents the virtue of faith, then John represents that of love. Both virtues run to see the empty tomb. Love runs more swiftly. But it still yields to faith, as John awaited Peter at the tomb and didn’t enter until he arrived. Faith precedes love insofar as we cannot love what we do not know. Faith makes known to us the true God precisely so that we can love Him. Without faith, we don’t know Him and cannot love Him.

At the same time, love itself is a form of knowing. Saint Augustine says, “How senseless, therefore, are they who look for God with bodily eyes, since He is seen by the heart.” Or as Pope Benedict puts it, “The organ for seeing God is the heart. The intellect alone is not enough. In order for man to become capable of perceiving God, the energies of his existence have to work in harmony. His will must be pure and so too must the underlying affective dimension of his soul.”

*The organ for seeing God is the heart.* That’s bad biology but good theology. *Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.* For us wayfarers, this means that only the heart that has been purified can see God. A pure heart is singular, whole, and entire. Our failure to know Him comes from our divided hearts, from conflicting desires that blur our vision.

Which brings us back to John’s moniker, *the disciple whom Jesus loved*. It might sound haughty and self-centered, but we should hear it as a transparent childlike statement: *I know that I am loved by Jesus*. Because he knew he was loved, John knew how to love in return and was purified. As he himself would write years later, *We love, because he first loved us*.

*The disciple whom Jesus loved.* Of course, John doesn’t intend this title to imply that our Lord didn’t love the others. Nor does he necessarily mean that Jesus had a special affection for him. He intends rather to describe what it means to be a beloved disciple. After all, we’re all called to be that. Indeed, we are already made beloved disciples...but we need to learn how to live that beloved status. John shows us how.

*The disciple whom Jesus loved.* John first uses that phrase first at the Last Supper, when he describes how he leaned into Jesus’ chest, upon His Sacred Heart. He next uses it to speak of himself standing with the Mother of Jesus at the foot of the Cross. Now, this is what we beloved disciples do. We lean on Christ’s chest and rest our heads on His Sacred Heart. Come to me... We stand with His Mother in her suffering and receive her as Christ’s gift, taking her into our own.

In short, the gifts of the Eucharist and our Lady teach and reveal who we are: beloved disciples. The more we receive these gifts from Christ, the more we can rejoice in His resurrection, recognize His presence, and run to see Him.

— Fr. Scalia

## Mass Intentions for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Saturday, May 17**

**Mass for Fifth Sunday of Easter**

5:00pm +Barbara Cox

**Sunday, May 18**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

7:30am Mary Ann Caruso

9:00am Paul David

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Maria Emilia Pereira

2:30pm +Carlos Juventino Perez and Francisco Varela

7:00pm +Annie Corrigan

**Monday, May 19**

**Monday of the Fifth Week of Easter**

6:30am +Dr. Myhaylo and Sophia Kushnir

8:15am +Robert J. Neville

Noon Kevin and Justin Pope

**Tuesday, May 20**

**St. Bernardine of Siena**

6:30am +Dr. Yaroslav and Bohdanna Geleta

8:15am +Mary Scaria

Noon +Bill Garate

**Wednesday, May 21**

**St. Christopher Magallanes**

6:30am +Yaroslav and Yaroslava Stetsko

8:15am +Elizabeth Scaria

Noon +Alex and Theresa Korbeck

**Thursday, May 22**

**St. Rita of Cascia**

6:30am +Mary Frances Nee

8:15am +Joseph C. Ruddy, Jr.

Noon +Sam and Louise Gerdano

**Friday, May 23**

**Friday of the Fifth Week of Easter**

6:30am +Rita Basque

8:15am +Dan DelBianco

Noon Lisa Kennedy and family

**Saturday, May 24**

**Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter**

8:30am +Howard Meyer

**Mass for Sixth Sunday of Easter**

5:00pm +Donna Casey

**Sunday, May 25**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

7:30am +William G. Teed

9:00am +Ramiro and Flora Lopez

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon Jim Maloney family

2:30pm +Hector Servando Martinez Otero

7:00pm +Cameron Gallegos

## Today's Readings

**First Reading**

**Acts 14:21-27**

"After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news..."

**Psalm**

**Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13**

"I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God." or "Alleluia."

**Second Reading**

**Revelation 21:1-5a**

"Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth."

**Gospel**

**John 13:31-33a, 34-35**

"When Judas had left them, Jesus said,"

## Readings for the Week

Visit [bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar](http://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

Thomas Duncan

Rachel Noonan

Joyce Babiak

Roberta Dunn

Esther Olivos

Beatriz Basso

Clare Dunne

Carter Parry

Cory Bautista

Katherine Garren

Colman Rowan

Mary Ellen Blodgett

Anthony L. Gerena

BJ Salinas

Betty Brunton

Silvia Guevara

Kathleen Seroskie

Patricia Cavasina

Scott Herman

Mary Ann Stasik

Jane C. Checkan

Laura Lareau

Robyn Stewart

Chloe Clagg

Yolanda Machiado

Kathy Thomas

Brendan Collins

Jose G. Martinez

Lauren Vinci

Gene Columbo

Mildred Melmer

Liv Wash

Grace Coipuram

Julie Neil

Anne Marie Willis

Mona Demien

Gloria Mora

Richard Ziegler

Regina DePalma

**the deceased of our parish family**

John Michael O'Brien

Lonnie Jean Patch

Carlos Soliz

**and please pray for all active duty military**

1st Lt. Thomas Canady, USAF

CPL James Murray, USMC

SSgt Joshua Conrad, USAF

2LT Paul Murray, USA

FN Frank (FX) Giaccio, USN

Capt. Theresa Neubig, USMC

Lt. Mathew Hayes, USN

2LT Finn Roou, USA

COL Jay Hildreth, USA



For changes, email [communications@stjamescatholic.org](mailto:communications@stjamescatholic.org).

## 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](http://www.stjamescatholic.org).

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





### May Parish Speaker Series

*"A Heretic, an Emperor, and the God-Man:  
The Story of the Council of Nicaea"*

Guest Speaker: Steve Weidenkopf

This Monday, May 19th

7:00pm, Monsignor Heller Hall

Steve Weidenkopf is a lecturer and author on church history at the Christendom College Graduate School of Theology. He will speak on the First Council of Nicaea, convened by the Emperor Constantine in 325AD.

Our Hospitality Committee will provide light appetizers and drinks.

### Holy Spirit Novena

Saint James will prepare for Pentecost on Sunday, June 8th, by praying the Novena to the Holy Spirit for the Seven Gifts starting **Friday, May 30th, through Saturday, June 7th**. Daily emails will be sent to those who have signed up for Fr. Scalia's parish emails. You will also be able to pray the daily Novena at [bit.ly/HolySpirit7GiftsNovena](https://bit.ly/HolySpirit7GiftsNovena).



**Saint James  
Vacation Bible School**  
July 14-18, 2025 - 9:00am-Noon

**Campers:  
Rising K-5**

**Registration  
Now  
Open**

**Volunteer!  
Adults and Rising  
6th-12th Graders**

**TRUE NORTH**  
Trusting Jesus in a Wild World  
Totally Catholic Edition

**\$75-1 Camper  
\$110-2 Campers  
\$145-3 Campers**

Register through June 6th for Vacation Bible School. Scan the QR code or visit our parish website. Adult and teen volunteers must register as well.

Do you have a child with special needs? We would love to help them join in the fun! Please reach out to Julie Marx, [juliemarx14@gmail.com](mailto:juliemarx14@gmail.com), to discuss options for accommodations.

[StJamesCatholic.org](https://StJamesCatholic.org) for details

## **REMINDER Adoration Ends Early**

**12:30PM-6:00PM**

**WED, MAY 21ST**

**WED, MAY 28TH**

**Due to First Communion  
Practices**

### Life Corner

**Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**—On May 31st, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast commemorates the Blessed Mother's visit to her cousin Elizabeth and the encounter of Jesus and St. John the Baptist while in the wombs of their mothers.



Pray A Novena for Life, <https://www.respectlife.org/visitation>, from May 22nd to May 30th in honor of this special feast day.

Sign up at [respectlife.org/visitation](https://www.respectlife.org/visitation) to have the novena sent directly to your inbox.

## Parish News (Continued)

### Ascension Thursday, May 29th

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord will be transferred from Thursday, May 29th, of the sixth week of Easter to the seventh Sunday of Easter on June 1st.



### Knights of Columbus' June 1st Blood Drive

Thank you to all the blood donors who continue to make the Knights of Columbus' quarterly blood drives so successful. Your acts of charity help INOVA replenish its low blood supply, shared with all area hospitals to save the lives of patients in need. **Did you know that your single blood donation could save or improve the lives of two or more persons in need?** The INOVA doctors, medical staff, and patients are very grateful to you for this "Gift of Life."

The Knights of Columbus welcome all donors to the next blood drive on **Sunday, June 1st, 8:30am-2:30pm** at the Arlington Knights of Columbus, 5115 Little Falls Road, Arlington.

**We hope returning donors and new donors join us on June 1st.**



Schedule an appointment one of three ways:

- **Call** 1-866-BLOODSAVES (1-866-256-6372) and use Sponsor Code 6216
- **Call or email** Bob Muschamp with your preferred time, 703-489-2856 or [bobpatmuscamp@yahoo.com](mailto:bobpatmuscamp@yahoo.com)
- **Visit** <https://bit.ly/KOC0601> or scan the QR code

God bless you for what you do for others, as you do it for Him. Call Len Sese, Knight and parishioner, at 301-793-8184 if you have any questions.

### Memorial Day—Monday, May 26th

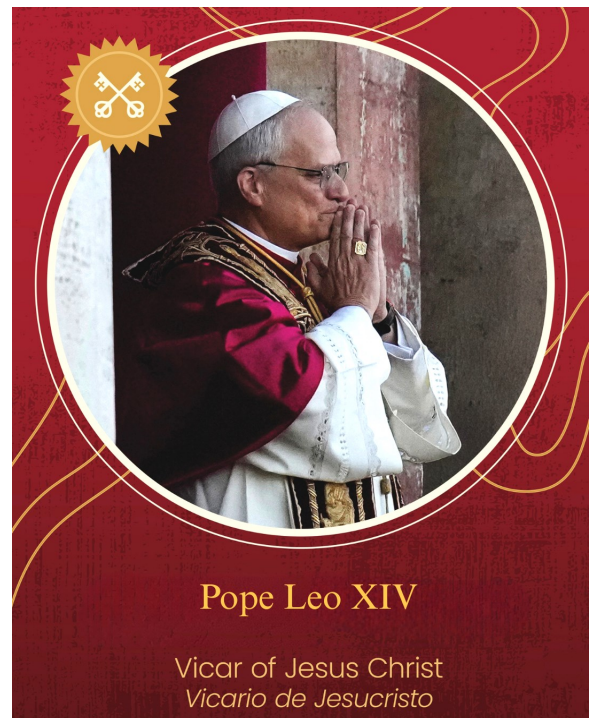
On Monday, May 26th, we will observe Memorial Day. The rectory and school offices will be closed. The rectory will also be closed on Saturday, May 24th.

There will be no noon Mass, only 6:30am and 8:15am Masses.

Memorial Day remembers all those who gave the last full measure of devotion to our nation. On Monday, please take a moment to pray for those who have gone to their rest while serving our country. We thank them for their service of protecting our freedom.

**Parking Notice:** Please note for Memorial Day that Falls Church City will have their annual Memorial Day parade which will have streets around the church closed. **Park Avenue from Little Falls Street to N. West Street will be closed from 11:00am to 5:00pm and there will be no parking from 6:00am-6:00pm.**

Visit Falls Church City website to see all streets impacted, <https://bit.ly/FCCParade>.





## Parish News (Continued)

### Saint James Eagle Scouts

In April, Saint James' Boy Scouts of America (BSA) Troop 681 celebrated seven scouts who earned the highest rank of Eagle: (left to right below with Fr. Scalia) Darius Assadzadeh, Owen McCarton, Henry Behrens, Caleb Wanek, Andrew Christian, Ian Neville, and James Tobin. All scouts are graduates of Saint James Catholic School.

This accomplishment follows years of working on rank advancement which includes completing the 21 Eagle required merit badges, holding a leadership position in the troop, and providing service to the community. The capstone Eagle Projects further contributed to the community with construction of parish garden compost bins, owl nesting, soccer clinic for special needs youth, invasive plant species removal, construction of parish garden shed access, and parish landscaping. This cohort of scouts participated in camping trips around canoeing, hiking, and fishing as well as BSA high adventure camps such as Philmont and Sea Base. These new Eagle Scouts join the over 180 Troop 681 Eagle Scouts since 1952.

A special thank you to Andrew Christian who served as the troop's senior patrol leader and to our Scoutmaster, Alan Harvey and other adult leaders who guided these scouts. Best wishes to these scouts from Saint James' troop on their next adventures as they continue to "do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law".



## Saint James Donut Sunday June 1st

After the 9:00am & 10:30am Masses in Msgr. Heller Hall



This will be the last Donut Sunday for the summer. We hope you will join us. Donut Sunday resumes on October 5th.



## Youth Ministry

**COLLEGE NIGHTS**  
2025  
**SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
RECENTLY GRADUATED SENIORS AND COLLEGE  
STUDENTS HOME FOR THE SUMMER ARE  
INVITED TO JOIN US FOR EVENING PRAYER,  
DESSERT AND DISCUSSION ON MONDAYS THIS  
SUMMER.  
**KICK OFF: MONDAY, JUNE 2**  
7:30 PM  
PARISH HOUSE KITCHEN/GARDEN  
PLEASE RSVP TO  
ABIGART@STJAMESCATHOLIC.ORG

  
SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH  
YOUTH MINISTRY

**WORKCAMP 2025 UPCOMING MEETINGS**  
JUNE 21-27

**MAY 18 (SUNDAY)**  
8:15 PM  
IN THE PARISH HOUSE

**MAY 24 (SATURDAY)**  
TOOL TRAINING

**MAY 31-JUNE 1**  
(SATURDAY & SUNDAY)  
BUCKET DROP FUNDRAISER

### WorkCamp Bake Sale

Our WorkCamp teens held a bake sale after the Masses last weekend to raise needed funds for WorkCamp to help their brothers and sisters in need all while sharing the spirit of Christ. Please note each parish is 100% responsible for supplying their own contractors, youth leaders, and all costs of participation. Thank you to all who supported the bake sale. Our teens baked and decorated the homemade goods to sell including cinnamon rolls and the famous Saint James Fish Fry Carrot Cake.



# Stewardship—The Gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure

## **Diocesan Retired Priests Collection May 17-18**

This weekend there will be a second collection for our diocesan retired priests. This collection is an opportunity for you to give back to our retired priests who have given the greater part of their lives to serve each of you and our diocesan Church.



Many elder religious worked for years for little to no pay, leaving a large gap in retirement savings. At the same time, fewer religious are able to serve in compensated ministry. Like many Americans, religious communities face the monumental challenge of funding eldercare.

Please consider donating to this important collection at [membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/1486](https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/1486). Thank you for your kind support!

## **Contigo Youth Club**

Contigo Youth Club is a Catholic non-profit organization serving under-resourced youth in the Bailey's Crossroads/Seven Corners area of Falls Church. Located on the campus of St. Anthony of Padua, Contigo uniquely combines faith, nature, recreation, and creative exploration. By providing a healthy environment and enriching opportunities to discover and grow, Contigo opens up a world of hope and opportunity to at-risk kids.



While every family contributes, tuition covers less than 25% of costs. It costs \$1500 to give one child the best summer ever for seven weeks—350 hours. Your tax-deductible gift can make this someone's best summer ever and change a life! You can donate via <https://contigoyouth.org/give/> or write a check payable to CONTIGO INC. and mail it to 1617 N. Abingdon Street, Arlington, VA 22207.

## **Special Parish Needs Collection**

Last weekend was our annual *Special Parish Needs collection*. This collection is used by our Pastor for the area of greatest need in the parish. All money raised this year will be given to our vibrant Social Outreach Committee to continue its work on behalf of our parishioners and the broader Falls Church community.

From the time of its founding in 1892, Saint James Catholic Church has always attended to the needs of the poor and suffering. Our Social Outreach Committee puts into action the Corporal Works of Mercy through food, clothing, and personal hygiene donations, monthly Food Distribution, supporting various disaster reliefs, supporting a local homeless shelter in the winter months, and yearly collection of Lenten and Advent gift cards to assist local shelters. To learn more about our Social Outreach Committee and ways you can help or volunteer, visit their web page under the *Service & Fellowship > Parish Groups* menu, [stjamescatholic.org/parish-groups/social-outreach](https://stjamescatholic.org/parish-groups/social-outreach).



**Members of our Social Outreach Committee with Father Scalia.**

You can still make a one-time gift via Faith Direct, visit [membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/28720](https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/28720). Thank you for your support.

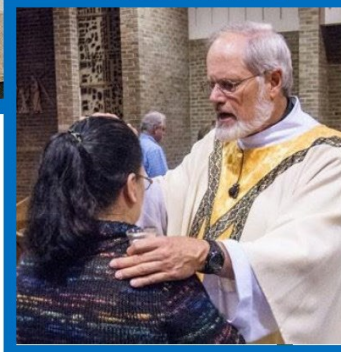


# Please Support Our Retired Diocesan Priests

Special Collection

This Weekend May 17-18

St. Rose of Lima Retirement Villa



## AREAS OF SUPPORT FROM THIS COLLECTION:

- The Saint Rose of Lima Priests' Retirement Villa
- Funds for future needs such as health care during retirement and Nursing Home Care
- The Priests' Pension Fund

## OUR PRIESTS AT A GLANCE:

- 200 Diocesan priests
- 26 are retired
- Another 17 priests will retire in the next ten years.

**YOUR DONATION WILL HELP SUPPORT DIOCESAN RETIRED PRIESTS  
WHO HAVE FAITHFULLY SERVED OUR CHURCH.**



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



Saint James Catholic School is rooted in the IHM charism, where Jesus is the center and Mary is the model. We are committed to educating the whole child through virtue formation, service, and academic excellence.

Recently our school gathered to celebrate a celebrity here in Falls Church City, Mrs. Janet Haines for her 100th birthday! She was our crossing guard on the corner of North Spring Street and West Broad Street for 52 years! She retired in 2019. Prior to the celebration, Mrs. Haines attended the noon Mass where Father John Paul gave her a blessing. After Mass, she was escorted by her son to the Knecht gym for the celebration. Sheriff Cay, retired Chief Gavin, and Chief Fard were also in attendance. Father Scalia shared a video from our previous principal Sister Mary Sue Carwile.

Our student council members led a prayer service before our students presented her with decade posters that listed the events during that time. Thank you Mrs. Haines for your dedication and loyalty to Saint James School!





## DC United Faith and Family Night

Saint James Youth Ministry coordinated Faith and Family night on May 3rd for the DC United soccer game against Philadelphia Union. We had 150 parishioners who attended this event. Our school choir once again sang *God Bless America*. They did a fantastic job. Thank you to Natalie Keffalas, school music teacher, who worked with our students to prepare for this big performance. After the game, DC United players and the team chaplain came out and talked about their faith and answered questions.





## Parish Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

On April 30th, Saint James held its Volunteer Appreciation Dinner for our parishioners whose selfless time and talent make our community so special. More than 500 people volunteer in various capacities (or ministries) at Saint James. Each person has a story about why they step forward to be the hands and feet of Christ. The dinner was a night to celebrate with gratitude. Father Scalia spoke before dinner and thanked the volunteers for their time and talents. Lots of hors d'oeuvres were served followed by a catered dinner with our clergy serving our parishioners. The Hot Wonder Band returned to entertain us. **For those who attended, as well as those who could not, thank you so much for being part of the Saint James community.**

**THANK  
YOU**





## Parish Calendar

<b>Monday, May 19</b>		
7:00pm-8:30pm	May Parish Guest Speaker Series (see page 4)	Msgr. Heller Hall
7:30pm-8:30pm	Creation Care Ministry	Parish House
<b>Tuesday, May 20</b>		
7:00am-7:45am	Saint James Fraternity-Exodus 90	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House
<b>Wednesday, May 21</b>		
12:30pm-6:00pm	Adoration ends early	Church
6:00pm-8:00pm	OCIA Picnic	Rectory Lawn
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	WorkCamp Meeting	Parish House
6:30pm-8:00pm	Spanish PREP First Communion Practice	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Men's Bible Study	Parish House
<b>Thursday, May 22</b>		
10:00am-12:00pm	Divine Mercy Cenacle	Parish House
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
<b>Friday, May 23</b>		
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
<b>Saturday, May 24</b>		
<b>Memorial Day Weekend (see page 5)</b>		
8:30am-12:30pm	WorkCamp Tool Training	Awning outside the Gym
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
<b>Sunday, May 25</b>		
11:30am-1:30pm	Young Professionals Brunch	Parish House
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church

## Saint James Bulletin Notices

## Summer reminders

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