



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

October 19, 2025



29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?” - Lk 18:7-8

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

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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,
Noon, 2:30pm (Spanish),
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:
10:00am-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/.

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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 October Prayer Intention

For collaboration between different religious traditions—Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

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On The Way

Saint Augustine: Faith and Reason

One of the great modern objections to faith is the perceived opposition to science. This is part of the broader conflict that many see between faith and reason (which we confine to science). This is so characteristic of our modern techno-industrial world that we might think it's exclusive to it. In fact, Saint Augustine also struggled to understand the relationship of faith and reason.

We see this in his intellectual journey from Manichaeism to philosophy to neo-platonic philosophy and finally to Christianity. It was shaped by the desire to live both faith and reason. He initially dismissed Christian scriptures (particularly the Old Testament) as too rough and anti-intellectual. He eventually soured on the Manichees because they couldn't satisfactorily answer his questions.

More than anyone else, Saint Ambrose brought faith and reason into harmony for Augustine. In him Augustine found a man he could respect for his eloquence and teaching but who was also pious and faithful. Ambrose's regard for Augustine's mother made an impression: "[H]e would often, when he saw me, burst forth into her praises, congratulating me that I had such a mother." That someone as learned as Ambrose could appreciate Monica's piety indicated that faith and reason were not opposed.

Years later Augustine would address this issue with his faithful, always wanting them to have a reasonable faith and faithful reason. In one sermon, he takes up and in effect settles this issue with two pithy phrases: *Crede ut intelligas*; *Intellige ut credas* – Believe so that you can understand; Understand so that you can believe.

First: *Crede ut intelleges* – Believe, so that you can understand. Faith is a participation in the knowledge of another. When we deem a person to be trustworthy and take him at his word, then we grow in knowledge and the capacity to reason. Such trust in another is called *natural* faith and we exercise it all the time.

A student must have natural faith in order to reason. Johnny learns to read and write because he trusts his teacher, not because he's proven everything himself. If he doubts his teacher ("Hey, are those *really* the ABCs? Prove it!"), then he will never learn to read and write. Students of science don't insist on proving the great discoveries of the past all over again. They have faith in their teachers and trust that what is being handed down is true. That kind of faith doesn't stunt their reason but enables it. When a student lacks natural faith and insists that everything be proven to his satisfaction, then he cripples his ability to know and to reason.

By *supernatural* faith we accept as true what *God* has revealed. When we believe in Him, we participate in His knowledge. We know Him and His works and then, by applying our reason, we can appreciate and understand them more. The refusal to believe, on the other hand, means that His truths remain closed off to us. Our human reason is crippled, confined to this world alone.

Then there's the second part: *Intellige ut credas* – Understand so that you can believe. Theology is defined as "Faith seeking understanding." Not all of us should be theologians, but we should seek to understand our faith as we are able. When we apply our human reason to the content of our faith, then we come to appreciate its beauty, structure, and reasonableness. We see the interrelation of various teachings and become better at applying them to worship and to our daily life. We thus grow in our faith, our ability to trust. Failure to do so imperils our faith, as our Lord warns us: "The seed sown on the path is the one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart" (Mt 12:19).

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Twenty-Ninth Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 18

St. Luke

Mass for Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Kathy Pedati

Sunday, October 19

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Joseph C. Ruddy, Jr.

9:00am +Mr. and Mrs. Richard Winslow

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Elizabeth and Robert Schoenberger

2:30pm Special Intention

7:00pm +Rigoberto Amas

Monday, October 20

St. Paul of the Cross

6:30am +Tom Kuehne

8:15am +Joseph Ruddy

Noon +Lena and Edward Sugalski

Tuesday, October 21

Tuesday of the Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Virginia Razon

8:15am +Susan Sullivan

Noon +Susan Sullivan

Wednesday, October 22

St. John Paul II

6:30am Mary Bernard

8:15am +Virginia Calabrese Gaeto

Noon +Lynn Gallagher

Thursday, October 23

St. John of Capistrano

6:30am +Erminia and Umberto Romano

8:15am +Trent Caswell

Noon +Tony Bilello

Friday, October 24

St. Anthony Mary Claret

6:30am +Norma De La Rosa

8:15am Stephen H. Shinock

Noon +J. Walter Greer

Saturday, October 25

Saturday of the Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time

8:30am Thanksgiving for the Arciaga and Sheppard families

Mass for Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Tekla Salapata

Sunday, October 26

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Brian and Donna Norton

9:00am +Gary Curtin

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Therese and Bernard Kramer

2:30pm Special Intention

7:00pm +Peggy Trainor

Today's Readings

First Reading

Exodus 17:8-13

"In those days, Amalek came and waged war against Israel."

Psalms

Psalms 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

"Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth."

Second Reading

2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

"Beloved: Remain faithful to what you have learned and..."

Gospel

Luke 18:1-8

"Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for..."

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

Joyce Babiak

James Banks

Beatriz Basso

Cory Bautista

Betty Brunton

Jim Buscher

Patricia Cavasina

Jane C. Checkan

Chloe Clagg

Grace Coipuram

John Cormany

Mona Demien

Thomas Duncan

Roberta Dunn

Katherine Garren

Anthony L. Gerena

Monica Giove

Silvia Guevara

Scott Herman

Laura Lareau

Yolanda Machiado

Jose G. Martinez

Gloria Mora

Mildred Melmer

Julie Neil

Rachel Noonan

Esther Olivos

Carter Parry

Colman Rowan

BJ Salinas

Kathleen Seroskie

Robyn Stewart

Lauren Vinci

Liv Wash

Anne Marie Willis

Mary Winslow

the deceased of our parish family

Carol Marie Keister

James Loren Waddick

and please pray for all active duty military

2nd Lt. James Canady, USAF

1st Lt. Thomas Canady, USAF

Maj. Michael Conrad, USA

LTJG William Conroy, USN

CDR Thomas Dixon, USN

FN Frank (FX) Giaccio, USN

Lt. Mathew Hayes, USN

Col. Jay Hildreth, USA



Capt. Sierra Lancaster, USAF

Cmdr. Bruce Lee, USN

Cpl. James Murray, USMC

2nd Lt. Joseph Murray, USMC

2LT Paul Murray, USA

Capt. Theresa Neubig, USMC

2LT Finn Roou, USA

1st Lt. Mario Suarez, USAF

For changes, email 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.



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

Parish Speaker Series

Next Monday, October 27th, 7:00pm

Monsignor Heller Hall

Father Carter Griffin
“Sanctity in the Family”

Father Carter Griffin is the rector of Saint John Paul II Seminary in Washington. He is also a graduate of Princeton University and a former naval officer. He published and will be speaking on his Catholic parenting manual called *‘Forming Families, Forming Saints.’*

Father Griffin will offer valuable wisdom, structure, and encouragement for those striving to raise faithful children, including:



- The four formation pillars: human, spiritual, intellectual, and apostolic
- Insights into how each of these pillars can be adapted and applied in family life
- Encouragement for navigating the joys and challenges of forming children in the faith

Our Hospitality Committee will provide light appetizers and drinks for the event.

Christ House Hat/Glove/Sock Drive

American Heritage Girls (AHG) Troop 681 is collecting new or gently used hats, gloves, and socks as a Thanksgiving gift for the homeless people (men, women, and children) at Christ House.

If you would like to make a donation, AHG will be collecting these items **now through the Noon Mass on November 2nd.**

There will be a box in the back of the church to donate the clothing items. Please donate only the items listed.

FINISHING THE RACE
THE CATHOLIC APPROACH TO END-OF-LIFE ISSUES
THREE-PART SERIES

**PART 2:
MEDICAL, LEGAL, & PRACTICAL
CONSIDERATIONS**

**SPEAKER: JAMIE TOWEY, PRESIDENT OF
AGING WITH DIGNITY**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025
9:00AM-NOON IN MSGR. HELLER HALL**

**PART 3:
PROVIDING FOR THE FUTURE: PLANNED GIVING SEMINAR**
RSVP WILL BE REQUIRED
**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2025
9:00AM-NOON IN MSGR. HELLER HALL**



Saint James Catholic School
ALUMNI RECEPTION
FOR ADULTS 21+

Reconnect with classmates, take a tour, and relive cherished memories.

For more information & to RSVP, visit  bit.ly/SJSAlumni

Thursday, October 23, 2025
6:45pm-8:15pm
Msgr. Heller Hall-Entrance 13

- Tours by current SJS students
- Light appetizers, beer, & wine
- Background music
- Slide show with memories from the past
- Closing remarks



Parish News (Continued)

All Saints Day November 1st

This year All Saints Day falls on Saturday, November 1st. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

However, there will be **one additional Mass at Noon on Saturday, November 1st**, for All Saints Day.

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day Mass)

This year All Souls' Day falls on **Sunday, November 2nd**. All Masses that weekend will commemorate the faithful departed.

We will honor those who have died since November 2024 with a special insert in the bulletin that weekend.

We will include those who had funeral Masses and memorials here at Saint James as well as the names that were submitted to us the past couple of weeks.

World Mission Sunday Second Collection

This weekend, **October 18-19**, 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.

Mission Sunday is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity. This collection will support over 1,000 local churches in Asia and Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe.

Donate one of two ways:

- Make checks out to Saint James Catholic Church
- Make a one-time gift via Faith Direct at <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/1492>.

For both donations, please note "World Mission Sunday" on the memo line. Thank you for your generosity and support.



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 Sunday, November 2nd**, through November 10th.

During the nine days, November 2-10, the Novena will be held at the noon Mass except on Saturday, November 8th, when it will be at the 8:30am Mass.

Prayer Box for the Nine Day Novena

There will be a prayer box in the main and Park Avenue vestibules starting **this weekend, October 18-19**.

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.

Improving the Safety of our IHM Sisters

We are in the final planning phase for installation of a new fire alarm system in our Convent on Spring Street.

The now \$250,000 (originally \$135,000) project has already had to negotiate a number of hurdles. The latest hurdle was the discovery of asbestos on all four floors of the Convent. Rather than attempt to contain and work around the asbestos, we have decided to remove it altogether, thus adding another safety benefit to the project.

This means, however, that the Sisters might have to relocate temporarily while the work is being performed.

Please pray for our IHM Sisters as they deal with the inconvenience and disruption of asbestos removal and construction activity in their home.

Parish News (Continued)

Knights of Columbus/INOVA Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus Arlington Council 2473 invites all donors, new and returning, to our next blood drive on **Sunday November 9th, 8:30am-2:30pm** in the Knights' Main Hall in Arlington.

To sign up for your preferred time,

- call 1-866-BLOODSAVES (1-866-256-6372) and use Sponsor Code 6216,
- Call/email Bob Muschamp with your preferred time at 703-489-2856 or bobpatmuschamp@yahoo.com,
- or visit <https://bit.ly/KOC0601>.

Walk-Ins are also most welcome! We had a record number of donors in September—let's keep this live-saving momentum going!

Support Falls Church Homeless Shelter

Saint James' Social Outreach Committee provides support for the winter hypothermia Falls Church Homeless Shelter located at 217 Gordon Road in Falls Church. The shelter's mission is to provide shelter, food, and counseling services for 12 adults in need during the winter season. **This year, the shelter will open on November 15, 2025, through March 31, 2026.** Members of our parish serve on the board and volunteer their time to help the shelter.

How can you support the shelter? In addition to monetary support, parishioners can donate food, personal hygiene items, paper supplies, meals, and their time to work with our residents. Our website, www.fcshelter.org, provides all the information regarding volunteer work and how to sign up for the different opportunities. As in previous years, you have the option to donate your time and spend an evening at the shelter. Volunteers are needed from Thursday to Sunday evenings from 5:30pm to midnight, and will be working hand in hand with the residents and professional staff. Training is provided for those who volunteer.

The website also provides the opportunity to go to the Falls Church Homeless Shelter Amazon Wish list and order items to be delivered directly to the shelter. Church ministries that want to help the shelter are welcome to show their support through volunteer work to prepare for this year's open season or to share time with our residents by doing crafts, playing cards, and other activities. If you have questions, email Luis Frontera at luismifrontera@gmail.com and put 'FC Shelter' in the subject line. Thank you in advance for your continuous support of our shelter!

Families Helping Families

Our parish Social Outreach Committee has been partnering with ShelterHouse, now Fair Ridge Shelter for years to help the homeless and/or victims of domestic violence. They can house up to 85 people and they are about 60% full and still accepting families.

The shelter needs our assistance now with more bedding, cleaning supplies, and personal hygiene items. Every new family receives these items upon their arrival. In addition, the food cupboards also need replenishment.



If you are able to donate, visit their Amazon site at <https://amzn.to/4fnM525> or scan the QR code.

Email Susan Jackson, jacksonsusan765@gmail.com, with any questions.

Thank you for your support!

CYO Basketball Starts Soon

The St. James CYO Basketball Program is for grades 4 through 8. Our program provides a safe and healthy environment for kids to participate in sports where faith and sportsmanship is emphasized.

Specific information on your team's practice schedule will be provided by your coaches. However, teams generally practice one or two times per week and play one game per weekend. Practice begins after the bazaar and weekend games are played from December until mid-March, with a break for the Christmas holiday season.

Registration fees are \$130. Uniforms must be purchased separately (please contact your coach for info).

Register now! The deadline to register is October 24th. **Due to league rules, no late registrations can be accepted**, so make sure to register today.

Register at <https://reg.sportspilot.com/106543>. All credit cards are accepted.

Parish News (Continued)

Our New Youth Ministry Coordinator

Please welcome our new Youth Ministry Coordinator, Colleen Sullivan! You can reach her at ym@stjamescatholic.org or 703-532-8815 x204. She will be the main point of contact for any questions regarding Youth Ministry.

Colleen and her husband, Dan, have been Saint James parishioners for nearly a decade. They have three school-aged children (Nora, Kieran, and Molly) and can usually be found enjoying fellowship after the 9:00am Sunday Mass. A longtime volunteer with a number of parish programs, including our School, American Heritage Girls, Vacation Bible School, and Reach More, Colleen looks forward to working with Father Tim and our young people in Youth Ministry.



Left to right: Amy Bigart and Colleen Sullivan

A big Thank You to "retiring" Youth Ministry Coordinator, Amy Bigart, who joyfully served in this role for the past three years. Amy will continue serving as the Reach More coordinator for the Parish and the School.

Father Scalia's Financial "State of the Union"

Next weekend, Father Scalia will speak at all the Masses about the FY25 Annual Report and the financial health of the parish. Each Saint James family will be invited to make or renew their Sunday offertory commitment for the upcoming year. Father asks everyone to *prayerfully* approach this task. As stated in Father's Annual Report letter, your regular financial support "reflects God's goodness to you and your gratitude to him" so "please pray and reflect on your offertory commitment for the coming year".

Faith Direct Transitions to Parish Soft

One of the best ways you can support our Parish financially is by enrolling in E-giving, since it ensures consistent donations to our parish. This truly helped keep us financially solvent during the pandemic in 2020. Since that time, E-giving has continued to outpace donations received via checks.

If you are currently enrolled in Faith Direct for your offertory giving, please note that on November 5, 2025, Faith Direct will transition to a new online giving platform called ParishSOFT.

- It will be an automatic, secure migration that will transfer your current giving data and payment information.
- *No action is required from you—your gift schedules and payment details will carry over seamlessly.*

What are the benefits of our new ParishSOFT giving platform?

1. **Weekly Giving:** If you selected weekly giving, your gifts will now be deducted each week instead of in one monthly batch.
2. **More Flexibility:** You can adjust your giving schedule to any date that works for you—not just the 4th or 15th of the month.
3. **More Ways to Give:** You can donate using PayPal, Venmo, Apple Pay, or Google Pay.

Our goal is for the transition to be seamless.

Please call the Faith Direct customer service at 866-507-8757 or email Kathleen Anderson at kanderson@stjamescatholic.org if you have any questions.

Arlington Diocese Service Week—Join Us

Bishop Burbidge invites all members of the faith to participate in the inaugural Arlington Diocese Week of Service from **November 9-16, 2025**. The theme is “*Love in Action – Service in Community*”. Join us in being the hands and heart of Christ to others. Let’s serve with purpose, pray with hope, and grow together in the love of God. These projects are based on the seven corporal works of mercy. **Please visit <https://stjamescatholic.org/diocesan-week-of-service/> or scan the QR code below to see how you can support the Diocesan Service Week (DSW) service projects.**

There is also a section at the bottom of the DSW page where parishioners can post service they have completed with their parish ministry, family, or friends.

Diocesan Week of Service November 9-16				
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON				
Love in Action – Service in Community				
Day	Focus/Corporal Work of Mercy	Tier I-Focused Service Projects	Tier 2-Parish Groups	Tier 3-Ideas for Individuals & Families
Sunday (Nov. 9)	 Intercession Day	Attend Mass, Pray, Give Thanks to God Visit StJamesCatholic.org for more details and other service opportunities		
Mon. (Nov. 10)	  Clothe the Naked	COAT & GABRIEL PROJECT COLLECTIONS-SJS	Saint James School (SJS), all ministries	Catholic Charities, Food for Other (FFO), donate to a drive, reach out to another in need.
Tues. (Nov. 11) Veterans Day	     Clothe the Naked; Care for the Sick; Bury the Dead; Pro-Life; Visit the Imprisoned	BLOOD DRIVE (Red Cross) @Heller Hall NEWCOAT DRIVE @B Lot (11:30am-6 pm) GABRIEL PROJECT DRIVE @B Lot (11:30am-6 pm) CEMETERY ROSARY PRISON COOKIE DRIVE @B Lot (Noon-5 pm)	Scouts, SJS, Creation Care Ministry, Legion of Mary, CWV, Social Outreach Committee (SOC), Pro-Life Volunteers needed for all events	Pray for the sick, pray for veterans, and pray for all souls. Learn about tissue & organ donation. Participate in a Rosary.
Wed. (Nov. 12)	 Feed the Hungry	CHRIST HOUSE DINNER SCHOOL FOOD DRIVE	Young Professionals, SJS	Learn about local food donation needs and sign up to volunteer (FFO, Food Distribution). Pray for others.
Thurs. (Nov. 13)	  Care for the Sick; Visit the Imprisoned	HOMEBOUND OUTREACH PRISON OUTREACH	SJS, PREP, AHG, SOC, Youth Ministry	Visit a neighbor; visit a nursing home. Write a letter to an elderly friend or family member. Pray for the lonely and imprisoned.
Fri. (Nov. 14)	 Care for Creation	TREE PLANTING, DISTRIBUTION	SJS, Creation Care Ministry	Explore nature; learn about the benefits of planting a tree and native species; Pray for world leaders.
Sat. (Nov. 15)	 Love Thy Neighbor	RAKE FOR OTHERS Bonfire and Movie Night (The Wild Robot)	All Ministries	All Parishioners!
Sun. (Nov. 16)	 Day of Praise	Attend Mass, Pray, Reflect, Give Thanks to God		
Serve with purpose  Pray with Hope  Grow Together in the love of God				

Youth Ministry

WorkCamp

WorkCamp is a week-long service opportunity for high school youth of our parish to serve those in need throughout the diocese. It is held in late June. We will begin the preparation process by holding interest meetings for teens and their parents as well as adult volunteers later this fall.

Initial WorkCamp Interest meeting will be held in the Knecht Conference Room this **Thursday, October 23rd, at 7:30pm** for high school teens and their parents.

The number of teens able to participate in WorkCamp from Saint James is determined by the number of adults who volunteer. Please consider volunteering as an adult leader! It is a very rewarding experience. Email workcamp@stjamescatholic.org with any questions.

WORKCAMP 2026

JUNE 20- 26, 2026

GENERAL INTEREST MEETING

Join us! Teens & Adults interested in learning more about the Diocesan Summer WorkCamp



**Thursday, October 23
7:30pm
Knecht Conf. Room**

Join Father Tim and our WorkCamp Stakeholders to learn about WorkCamp 2026 and how you can sign up.

● ● ● **RSVP to
workcamp@stjamescatholic.org**



Scan QR code to visit the Youth Ministry page under the FAITH FORMATION menu for more information on these events and more.

RALLY

Bishop Burbidge invites all high school students of the Arlington Diocese to join him at RALLY 2025! This annual event is an opportunity for the high school students in the Diocese of Arlington to gather each year to pray, learn, and celebrate the Catholic faith. RALLY includes Mass with Bishop Burbidge, Eucharistic Adoration, inspirational speakers and entertainers, breakout sessions, inflatable games, music, and more!

Sunday, October 26, 2025

Bishop O'Connell High School in Arlington

Registration check-in will begin at 11:30am

The day will finish by 8:00pm

\$25 per person includes dinner and t-shirt

Email ym@stjamescatholic.org with any questions. Visit our Youth Ministry page to download student & adult forms that must be completed/returned to ym@stjamescatholic.org.



RALLY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025

ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE INVITED!



A DAY FILLED WITH FAITH AND FUN!

Mass with Bishop Burbidge
Keynote Speaker Ali Hoffman
Illusionist Giancarlo Bernini
Breakout Sessions, Confessions, Adoration,
Inflatable Games, Pizza, Ice Cream, and more!!

Sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Arlington

Saturday, October 4th—What A Day!

Saint James Pet Blessing

It was a beautiful morning for our pet blessing. Father Pavlick presided over the blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi, whose feast day is October 4th. The event was attended by many happy animals and their humans. St. Francis, pray for us!



Over Six Tons of Food Donated!

Catholic Charities asked us to thank the parishioners of Saint James for a record breaking amount of food donations at our St. Lucy Project Food Drive. **Catholic Charities weighed 12,200 lbs. of food from our food drive** and were so grateful for our parish's support. The constant flow of cars was a great sight to see. Catholic Charities said the donations could not have come at a better time. This food will be donated to food pantries at parishes throughout the diocese. A special thanks to our Social Outreach volunteers and our Boy Scout Troop 681 who worked non-stop for the drive. Saint James is truly blessed with wonderful parishioners.

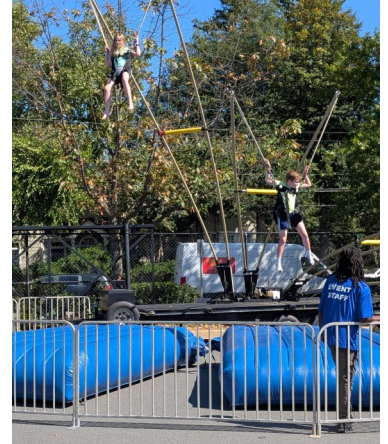


Thank You Saint James Parishioners!



Saturday, October 4th—What A Day! (Continued)

Once again, Saint James was blessed with good weather for our parish picnic. It was a family affair with games and activities for all ages, from the moon bounce to the extreme Air Jumper to many fun carnival games. **A big thank you to all the volunteers who made the picnic a success and worked hard all day. We had over 600 people!** A special thank you to members of the Knights of Columbus who worked the grill all day, our musical entertainment Ben-David Warner (who had support from Fr. Tim), and the Arlington County Station 6 fire engine who came and talked with the children, gave tours of the fire engine, and had fire safety information packets for the children. It was a great day of fun and fellowship.



Saint James Catholic Church
Social Outreach Committee

and



Present...



Catholic

TRIVIA

night



Come show your knowledge of all things Catholic! Impress your family, amaze your friends! And support the important work of Catholic Charities!

Adults Only. Teams of 8-10 encouraged. Registration **REQUIRED** by November 14th.

Minimum Entry fee/person (must bring to event): a hygiene pack or several bulk hygiene items containing (no trial sizes):

- Dish Soap (14+ oz)
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Baby Wipes
- Std. Size Laundry Detergent

Goods will be taken at Check-in. Thank you for your generosity!

Can't come but want to donate



November 21st | 6:45-8:45pm

Doors open @6pm | Bring food and beverages to share!

Heller Hall @ Saint James Catholic Church

830 West Broad Street, Falls Church, VA 22046

To Register: <https://forms.gle/dKkgEx8gNrUscRhFA>

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Parish Calendar

Monday, October 20

7:00pm-8:30pm Creation Care Ministry Parish House

Tuesday, October 21

7:00am-7:45am Saint James Fraternity-Exodus 90 Parish House
 10:00am-11:30am Seniors Planning Meeting Parish House
 4:45pm & 7:00pm PREP Classes School
 7:00pm-8:15pm High School Theology School Library
 7:30pm-9:00pm Charismatic Prayer Group Knecht Conference Room
 7:30pm-9:00pm Legion of Mary Parish House

Wednesday, October 22

9:30am-11:30am Women's Bible Study Knecht Conference Room
 12:30pm-8:00pm Adoration Church
 7:00pm-8:00pm Confessions Church
 7:00pm-8:00pm Men's Bible Study Parish House
 7:00pm-8:30pm OCIA Msgr. Heller Hall

Thursday, October 23

10:00am-12:00pm Divine Mercy Cenacle Parish House
 12:30pm-8:00pm Adoration Church
 6:45pm-8:15pm Saint James School Alumni Reception Msgr. Heller Hall
 7:00pm-8:00pm Confessions Church
 7:00pm-8:00pm Holy Hour Church
 7:00pm-8:30pm Workcamp Interest Meeting (see page 9) Knecht Conference Room
 7:00pm-9:00pm Women's Bible Study School Reading Room

Friday, October 24

11:00am-11:45am Confessions Church

Saturday, October 25

7:15am-8:15am Men's Prayer Group Parish House
 9:00am-12:00pm Finish the Race Series Part 2 (see page 4) Msgr. Heller Hall
 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, October 26

10:15am-11:00am PREP Special Needs Classes Knecht Conference Room
 11:30am-1:30pm Young Professionals Brunch Parish House
 12:00pm-2:00pm Spanish PREP Confirmation Parent Meeting Msgr. Heller Hall
 1:00pm-2:15pm Spanish PREP School
 4:00pm-5:30pm Hispanic Legion of Mary Parish House
 5:00pm-6:00pm Holy Hour Church

