



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

November 2, 2025



THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

"For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day." - Jn 6:40

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
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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 November Prayer Intention

For the prevention of suicide—Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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On The Way

Redeeming Word and Body: God's Communication

We have two principal ways of communicating with one another. I don't mean the mere imparting of data, facts, statistics, etc. It's increasingly clear that you don't need to be human to do that. No, I mean the communication of our thoughts, ideas, feelings, etc. The communication of our very *selves*.

First, and most obviously, we communicate by our words – in poetry, prose, songs, letters, notes, etc. Second, by our bodies – in our expressions, gestures, postures, paintings, sculptures, dance, etc. These two modes of communication are intimately connected. Indeed, they should be one organic whole. So, we ask people if they can “see” what we're saying, as if our words could take shape and become visible, like a body. We say that someone can “paint a picture” with his words. We refer to “body language,” acknowledging that we communicate physically every bit as much as, if not more than, we do verbally.

It's worth reflecting on these means of communication – word and body – because they are central to who we are. They are intrinsic to our nature as those created in the image and after the likeness of God, but also as fallen and redeemed creatures. The whole arc of salvation history can be understood through this lens of word and body. And since these are not incidental to our everyday lives, it's good for us to appreciate their role in who we are, how we've fallen, and how we are redeemed.

We communicate in this way because God did so first. We who are created in His image, after His likeness, simply follow His example. We image Him. He created the world “to show forth and communicate his glory” (CCC 319). Although He completely transcends the world, He has created it to manifest His glory and to be a place where His creatures can share in his truth, goodness and beauty (see CCC 319). He created the world to communicate Himself and to commune with His creatures.

In His act of creation, there is a profound union of word and body. He speaks a word – “Let there be light...Let the earth bring forth vegetation...Let the earth bring forth living creatures” (Gen 1:3,11, 24) – and a physical thing comes into being. By His words He speaks into being the physical, bodily world.

In turn, that bodily world speaks of Him. “The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world” (Ps 19:1-4). “Ever since the creation of the world his invisible nature, namely, his eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made” (Rom 1:20).

He manifests Himself in the world most of all by the one He creates in His image and after His likeness. He speaks man into existence: “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness” (Gen 1:26). This image and likeness has a body: “[T]he LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being” (Gen 2:7).

God began creation, began to reveal Himself, by word and body. And most of all in the creation of man as His own image and likeness. The revelation of God that began then is later fulfilled in the same way, but also in a manner never imagined: “And *the Word became flesh* and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father” (Jn 1:14).

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Thirty-First Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, November 1

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

5:00pm +Edward O'Laughlin

Sunday, November 2

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

7:30am +Jack and Marilyn Manion

9:00am +Zacharia T. Coipuram and Thomas T. Coipuram, Sr.

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +All Souls in Purgatory

2:30pm +The deceased members of the Legion of Mary

7:00pm +Alex and Theresa Korbeck

Monday, November 3

St. Martin de Porres

6:30am +Kevin McCarthy

8:15am +Joan Marie O'Connor

Noon +All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 4

St. Charles Borromeo

6:30am Mary Ann Caruso

8:15am +Gene Columbo

Noon +All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, November 5

Wednesday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Bernard & Virginia Donnelly and deceased family members

8:15am Emma Boyle

Noon +All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, November 6

Thursday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Henry & Helen Rackowski and deceased family members

8:15am +Carmine Carosella

Noon +All Souls in Purgatory

Friday, November 7

Friday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Patrick J. Kelly

8:15am +Souls in Purgatory

Noon +All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, November 8

Saturday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time

8:30am +All Souls in Purgatory

Mass for the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

5:00pm +Carmine, Rose, and Joseph Mattiello

Sunday, November 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

7:30am +Jack and Marilyn Manion

9:00am +Thomas Boland

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +All Souls in Purgatory

2:30pm +Pope Francis

7:00pm +Emel Angel Zapata

Today's Readings

First Reading

Wisdom 3:1-9

"The souls of the just are in the hand of God,"

Psalm

Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want." or
"Though I walk in the valley of darkness, I fear no evil, for..."

Second Reading

Romans 5:5-11 or Romans 6:3-9

"Brothers and sisters: Hope does not disappoint," or
"Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were..."

Gospel

John 6:37-40

"Jesus said to the crowds: 'Everything that the Father gives...'"

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 Demian

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

Jerry Parker

Carter Parry

Phillip Perot

Colman Rowan

BJ Salinas

Kathleen Seroskie

Robyn Stewart

Lauren Vinci

Liv Wash

Anne Marie Willis

Mary Winslow

the deceased of our parish family

Lorraine Caroline Hammer

James Loren Waddick

and please pray for all active duty military

CPT Sean D. Brocato, USA

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 News

Last Parish Speaker Series for 2025

Monday, November 17th, 7:00pm

Monsignor Heller Hall

Tom Shakely

“The Cure of Nations: Leo XIII’s Vision for the Church and our Political Happiness”

Tom Shakely is the Chief Communications Officer for the Arlington Diocese. He is a strategic communications expert and human rights advocate with more than 10 years of experience in the nonprofit sector. He holds a B.A. in Political Science from The Pennsylvania State University, M.S. in Bioethics from the University of Mary, and M.A. in Human Rights from The Catholic University of America.



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

Nine Day Novena for All Souls

Our All Souls Novena of Masses will **begin with the noon Mass on November 2nd** and continue at all noon Masses through November 10th (except for Saturday, November 8th, it will be at the 8:30am Mass). These Masses will be offered for our deceased loved ones.

Earlier Deadlines for Bulletin Notices

As we approach the holidays, starting with the November 23rd bulletin through New Year’s, bulletin deadlines will be earlier than normal.

Now on our bulletin web page, we have posted the early submission dates through New Year’s, <https://stjamescatholic.org/bulletin-submissions/>. We encourage everyone to check that page so that you know when your notices must be submitted. **Everyone is encouraged to submit your notice via this online form to ensure your notice is not missed.**

The bulletin fills up before the deadline, so the earlier you send your notice, the better. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Doak at communications@stjamescatholic.org. Full-page flyers cannot be guaranteed to be inserted.

Life Corner

Our actions as Faithful Citizens should flow from prayer—When we pray, we

experience God and we remember that He is in us and in all people, who are created in His image and have inherent dignity.



If we want to truly be faithful citizens, we must know how to come to God in prayer, experience God in ourselves and others, and listen to the ways God is calling us to respond.

-- The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)

- Know the candidates' position on the proposed Abortion Amendment before you vote.
- Pray that your decisions are guided by faith.

This extreme Abortion Amendment is in opposition to our Catholic faith which teaches us to respect the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death. Stop this Abortion Amendment. Be informed.

Attention Law Enforcement Professionals

Saint James seeks current or retired law enforcement professionals to join our volunteer church security team. **Your experience and knowledge are needed.**

The security team works closely with Father Scalia, our ushers, and the Falls Church Police Department to raise awareness and monitor concerns related to the peace and safety of all who attend Mass at Saint James.

If interested, please contact Rich Blickendorfer at rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org.



Parish News (Continued)

SENIORS YOUNG AT HEART THANKSGIVING FEAST

Join us for a Thanksgiving feast with turkey, stuffing, potatoes, and cranberries.

Each guest is asked to bring traditional sides for Thanksgiving (potatoes, sweet potatoes, green beans, corn bread, beets, or dressing) to share with 6-8 people.

Father Tim Banach will be our guest speaker. We will also have a sing-a-long accompanied by Ricki Krivijanski on piano and a trivia game.

Please donate 1 lb. bags of dried beans, 1-2 lb. bags of rice, plain pasta (box), canned tuna or chicken for our December Food Distribution.

RSVP by November 16th to one of the following and let them know what you are bringing:

- Kathleen at kmcphilomy2@gmail.com
- Susan at jacksonsusan765@gmail.com

Thursday, November 20th

5:00PM-7:30PM IN MSGR. HELLER HALL

Join Us in Our Mission

Remember ★ Honor ★ Teach



★ Help St. James American Heritage Girls Troop VA0681 honor local heroes on ★

National Wreaths Across America Day

St. James' AHG Troop will be outside after Masses on November 15 & 16 to sell wreath sponsorships.

You can also donate online:



www.wreathsassamerica.org/VA0027P

#LiveWithPurpose

WHAT IS THE REACH MORE PROGRAM I KEEP HEARING ABOUT?

REACH MORE IS A 12-WEEK PROGRAM CREATED BY THE EVANGELICAL CATHOLIC THAT GUIDES LAY PEOPLE IN DISCIPLESHIP AND DEFINING PERSONAL APOSTOLATES. THE HABIT-BASED PROGRAM INCLUDES DISCUSSION, DAILY PRAYER, AND ONE ON ONE SHEPHERDING TO ENABLE PARISHIONERS TO LIVE OUT THEIR APOSTOLATES IN EVERYDAY LIFE.

PARISHIONERS THAT HAVE COMPLETED THE COURSE HAVE ENJOYED LEARNING HOW TO PURPOSEFULLY SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS OF OUR LORD.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE, CONTACT AMY BIGART AT ABIGART@STJAMESCATHOLIC.ORG.

Stewardship—The Gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure

Faith Direct Transitions to ParishSOFT This Week

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.

If you are currently enrolled in Faith Direct for your offertory giving, please note that this Wednesday, November 5th, Faith Direct will transition to a new online giving platform called ParishSOFT. Visit our Stewardship page, <https://stjamescatholic.org/stewardship/>, or scan the QR code for more details.



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

Saint James Annual Report for FY2025

Please take a look and review our Annual Report, which was in our October 26th bulletin and mailed to all registered parishioners. You can also find it on our website.

“Thanks be to God, there is plenty of good news—all due to your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure. We maintain a strong financial position, even after several significant capital projects. The Annual Report also shows that it’s not all dollars and cents! The review of parish activities shows the generosity of our parishioners in prayer and action as well.” —Fr. Scalia



Archdiocese for Military Services USA Second Collection November 8-9

Next weekend, our parish will take up a collection to benefit the AMS, Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA. **This collection, approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, is taken up every three years.**

The AMS receives no funding from the U.S. government or U.S. military and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. Instead, it must rely on the generosity of those whose values and priorities align with its mission, programs and services, to meet its costs. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women, and their families, including those from our own parish.

To donate online, visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/49603>.



November 2, 2025
The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed
All Souls' Day

Please pray for All the faithful departed.

Robert Curt Alberi
Decederio Amor
Christopher William Arias
Ariel Antonio Ayala de Lion
Donald Bauman
Eleanor Bromley
Carmine Anthony Carosella
Thomas Stephen Claffy
Robert Charles Cowan
Terence Michael Patrick Devine
Mary Clare DeWeid
Mary Durand
Nancy Jean Fishenden
Oscar Rene Fuentes
Renato Tambungui Garcia
Patsy Jean Guditus
Lorraine Caroline Hammer
Tyler James Hering
Kathleen Mary Hurley
Mary Frances James
Thomas Cahill Johnson
Carol Marie Keister
Louis P. Kraay
Thomas Lambert Kuehne
Sebastian Kurian
Richard Charles Lavelle
Steven Torres Leita
Julia Malcolm
James Vincent McGettrick, Jr.
Jaime A. Ponce Morales
Catherine Morrison

John Michael O'Brien
Joan Marie O'Connor
Louise Valerie O'Rourke
Diane Emily Paar
Lonnie Jean Patch
Antonio Guiseppe Pavia
Victoria Perez
Katharina Perryman
Norman Philion
George Arthur Quadrino
Angel Luis Rodriguez
Russell Ronald Ross
Ataya Zakhia Saade
Maria Zoila Salvador
Daniel Sanchez
Michael Sapp
Patricia M. Schneeman
Ana V. Silva
Carlos Soliz
Michael Joseph Stewart
Peruvamba Ramnathan Sundaresan
William (Bill) Teed
Kathleen Biehl Thomas
Roberto James Tomonto
Joan Mihalcik Toohey
Steven Torres
Dorothy Ann Troy
Fred R. Ubinger
James Loren Waddick
Michael Ward
Edward Robert White

Diocesan Service Week—November 9-16

Join us next week as we participate in the inaugural Diocesan Service Week, **November 9-16**. The theme is “*Love in Action – Service in Community*”. Join us in being the hands and heart of Christ to others. We are asking parishioners to try to serve in some capacity if you can. **Scan the QR code or visit our parish’s Diocesan Service Week page <https://stjamescatholic.org/diocesan-week-of-service/> with more details on helping our community.** In addition to these service opportunities or if you cannot volunteer next week, pages 9 and 10 offer additional opportunities to serve and help others in our community.



**SAINT JAMES PARISH
OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT**
NOVEMBER 15, 2025 | 6:30 PM

Celebrate Our Diocesan Week of Service!

Good Film & Good Company!

FEATURING THE MOVIE: THE WILD ROBOT

Popcorn, Hot Chocolate & Cookies!

Green space between the Parish House and the Rectory
Heller Hall - if weather is bad

**BRING YOUR OWN
LAWN CHAIRS
AND BLANKETS**

Cookie DRIVE for Kairos Prison Ministry

November 11th B-Lot Drop off by 5 pm!

Acceptable Cookie Types

- Oatmeal
- Peanut Butter
- Molasses
- Chocolate Chip
- Ginger
- Sugar

Guidelines

- 2-2.5" in diameter
- NO more than ½ " thick
- NO icing, powdered sugar, or coatings
- NO fruit, nuts, or mix-ins
- Place 12 cookies in a qt-sized Ziplock Bag; Label each bag with cookie type

**DRIVE IS ONLY
NOV. 11th**

NO EARLY OR LATE DROPOFFS

"Cookies carry more than flavor—they carry hope, healing, and the presence of Christ." So please pray for the prisoners, the Kairos team, and that the Holy Spirit may open all of our hearts to His love.

Cookies will be distributed to the prisoners of block S3 of the Greenville correctional facility in Jarret, Virginia.

**SIGN UP TO
DONATE:**



Serve with purpose



Pray with Hope



Grow Together in the love of God

Diocesan Week of Service Love in Action—Service in Community

BLOOD, COATS, & BABY ITEMS DRIVE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11th @ Saint James Catholic School Grounds
Donate new coats (kids & teens up to age 18), baby diapers (all sizes), diaper wipes, formula, and/or give blood

BLOOD DRIVE

**Monsignor Heller Hall
10AM – 3PM**

Benefiting The American Red Cross
Co-Sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 681/Cub Scout Pack 681
Sign up to donate!

COATS & BABY ITEMS

**B-Lot (Gym lot) Drive-Thru
11:30AM – 5:30PM**

Benefiting The Gabriel Project and Clothesline
Sign up to help collect and sort donations!

RAKE for Others!

Diocesan Service Week (Nov. 9-15)

We are asking Families, Teens & Parents, and able-bodied adults to help older members of our parish by raking and cleaning up the leaves in their yards. Groups of 2-4 or Families are encouraged to sign up.

Fill out the form to be matched with a senior.
(<https://forms.gle/R22yvediRUSG8Vqd6>)

Thank you for your service to Christ!

Opportunities for individuals, families, & parish ministries to serve

Other Ways to Serve Our Community

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 preferred time, 703-489-2856/bobpatmuschamp@yahoo.com,
- 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 luisfrontera@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 Fair Ridge Shelter (formerly named ShelterHouse) 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. Your support allows families of domestic abuse to be in a safe environment. Contact Susan Jackson at jacksonsusan765@gmail.com with any questions.

Thank you for your support!



 **Saint James**
CATHOLIC CHURCH

First Friday Food Distribution

List of donations needed by November 7th
Donate only the items listed and not others.

*****Black items needed*****

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 (includes bread), no expired items, no glass containers, no large or bulk-sized items

(All items must be in original packaging. No items packaged at home.)

Adult and teen volunteers are always needed to set up, fill/distribute the bag sets and crates, clean up, and help those who need groceries. There are many time slots open. Scan QR code to volunteer.



Other Ways to Serve Our Community (Continued)

Catholic Trivia Night

'Tis that time again to show your knowledge of all things Catholic! Join us on **Friday, November 21st, from 6:45pm-8:45pm** in Monsignor Heller Hall for Catholic Trivia Night. **Entry fee is a hygiene pack or several bulk hygiene items.**

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. Visit <https://forms.gle/dKkgEx8gNrUscRhFA> to register or scan this QR code. If you can't come and want to donate, scan the QR code in the ad to the right. This information is posted on the parish homepage (www.stjamescatholic.org) as well.

Impress your family, amaze your friends! And support the important work of Catholic Charities! Faith, Fun, Fellowship, and Helping Others!

What is not to love?



Saint James Catholic Church
Social Outreach Committee

and



Present...



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.

Can't come but want to donate, scan the QR code.



Minimum Entry fee per 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!

Advent Gift Cards

During Advent, the Social Outreach Committee will be collecting gift cards to dispense to Catholic Charities' Emergency Assistance Program and persons in homeless shelters (Home Stretch, Falls Church Winter Shelter, Fair Ridge Shelter, New Hope Housing, and Christ House). Thank you for your generosity in bringing joy to families in need of assistance.

Two options for contributing:

- Donate **\$25 cards** for Giant, Safeway, Target, or Walmart stores
- Send a check payable to Saint James Catholic Church with **SOC gift card donation** on the memo line



Options for delivery:

- **Gift Cards**—Place them in an envelope marked **SOC Gift Card Project**
 - ⇒ Place the envelope in the collection basket
 - ⇒ Hand deliver to the Rectory Office
- **Checks**—Place them in an envelope marked **SOC Gift Card Project**
 - ⇒ Place the envelope in the collection basket
 - ⇒ Hand deliver to the Rectory Office
 - ⇒ Mail the envelope to Saint James Catholic Church, 905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA 22046

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

COLLECTING FOOD TO HELP OTHERS IN NEED

Scouting America

Saturday, November 8, 2025

Help Pack/Troop 681 restock our local pantries and help our neighbors by participating in Scouting for Food! On Nov 8th, Scouts will be in your neighborhood collecting non-perishable food items (no glass). You can help by placing your food donation on your front porch **before 9:00am on Sat, Nov 8th** for a no-contact pick up that day. Please ensure donation is clearly visible from the street.

Thank you for your help and generosity.

Youth Ministry

WORKCAMP 2026

JUNE 20- 26, 2026

**ADULT VOLUNTEER
INTEREST MEETING** ...

**Adults interested in volunteering at
WorkCamp as crew leaders or
contractors.**



**Saturday, November 22
9:15 am
Knecht Conf. Room**

WorkCamp takes many
volunteers to be successful.
Adults interested in working
with teens, join us to learn how
you can help!

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



WORKCAMP SCHEDULE

2026

**Teen & Parent
Interest Meeting**



**Thursday, October 23 at 7:30 pm
Knecht Conference Room**

**Saturday, November 22nd at 9:15 am
Knecht Conference Room**



**VOLUNTEER
INTEREST
MEETING**

**Teen
Meeting**



**Sunday, January 11 at 8:15 pm
Parish House**

**Sunday, February 22 at 8:15 pm
Parish House**



**TEEN
MEETING**

**Teen
Meeting**



**Sunday, March 8 at 8:15 pm
Parish House**

**Friday, April 3
Saint James Catholic Church**



**VIA
CRUCIS**

**Tool
Training**



**Saturday, May 30 at 9:00 am
B-Lot**

**Saturday, June 20 at 2:00 pm
B-Lot**



**DEPART FOR
WORKCAMP 2026!!**

WorkCamp is a week-long service
opportunity for youth of our Parish to serve
those in need throughout the Diocese.

Visit our website for more details. Or email
workcamp@stjamescatholic.org



Visit our new WorkCamp web page, <https://stjamescatholic.org/faith/workcamp/>, or scan QR code.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

**SCAN TO
REGISTER**



**DODGEBALL,
DOCTRINE,
& CRAFTS**



**SUNDAY NOV. 23
4 - 6 PM IN THE GYM**

***CRAFT CARDS FOR
SERVICE HOURS**

SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH YOUTH MINISTRY

**MIDDLE SCHOOL
SCHEDULE 2025**



DODGEBALL & DOCTRINE

Date	Time	Event	Location
September 28	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: JESUS AS TRUE GOD AND TRUE MAN			
November 23	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: DISCIPLESHIP			
December 14	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball & Cookie Decorating	SJS Gym
TOPIC: TYPOLOGY BETWEEN THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT			
January 25	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: UNIVERSAL CALL TO HOLINESS AND VOCATIONS			
February 22	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: POVERTY, CHASTITY AND OBEDIENCE			
March 22	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: EVANGELIZATION: THE CHURCH'S MISSION			
April 25	3:30 pm	BASH	Bishop O'Connell
May 31	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: FORMS AND CHALLENGES OF PRAYER			

****GRADES 6-8****

Scan QR code to sign up or volunteer



FROM LIFE TO EVERLASTING LIFE

Join the Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of
Arlington for a free seminar on preparing your will
and funeral mass arrangements.

****Registration is required for this event.****

**ST. JAMES PARISH
MSGR. HELLER HALL**



905 PARK AVE
FALLS
CHURCH,
VA 22046



TIME
9:15 - 11:15 AM



SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 22, 2025

OUR SPEAKERS



**VERY REVEREND PAUL
SCALIA**
EPISCOPAL VICAR FOR
CLERGY AND DIRECTOR OF
DIACONATE FORMATION
PROGRAM



SAMANTHA DONOHUE
SENIOR DIRECTOR OF
DEVELOPMENT,
DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON



DOUG MCCARTHY
ATTORNEY & CEO,
MCCARTHY &
AKERS P.L.C.



LUC SEBRECHTS
VICE PRESIDENT,
MORGAN STANLEY

Prominent Catholic attorneys, financial planners, funeral home directors, priests,
and diocesan staff will be available to assist you so that you have the peace of
mind that your wishes are carried out professionally.



**CATHOLIC
FOUNDATION**
ARLINGTON

REGISTER AT
catholicarlington.org/parishseminars
OR SCANNING THE QR CODE >>



**QUESTIONS? CONTACT SAMANTHA DONOHUE, SENIOR DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, AT
703-778-8600 OR BY EMAIL AT DEVELOPMENT@ARLINGTONDIOCESE.ORG**

Parish Calendar

Monday, November 3

3:35pm-5:15pm	American Heritage Girls	Monsignor Heller Hall
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Tuesday, November 4

7:00am-7:45am	Saint James Fraternity-Exodus 90	Parish House
4:45pm & 7:00pm	Catechist Meetings	School
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House

Wednesday, November 5

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
7:00pm-9:00pm	Mother's Bible Study	Parish House

Thursday, November 6

9:30am-11:30am	Co-ed Bible Study	Knecht Conference Room
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	School Reading Room

Friday, November 7

10:00am-Noon	First Friday Exposition and Benediction	Church
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
5:30pm-6:30pm	Food Distribution	Msgr. Heller Hall/Lot B
7:30pm-11:59pm	First Friday All-Night Adoration	Church

Saturday, November 8

12:00am-8:30am	First Friday All-Night Adoration	Church
7:15am-8:15am	Men's Prayer Group	Parish House
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, November 9

11:30am-1:30pm	Young Professionals Coffee	Parish House
1:00pm-2:00pm	Religion Classes for Spanish PREP Parents	Cafeteria
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church

Diocesan Vocational Program Survey

In November 2022, Bishop Burbidge presented 23 strategic initiatives to the People of God in the Diocese of Arlington. Among those 23 initiatives was one exploring the interest of a Catholic-based Vocational Program in the diocese. Recently, the diocese completed a first survey, and in that survey over 92% of respondents enthusiastically supported such a program.

This overwhelming response prompts the effort to advance to the next step: to survey for preferences on the model (or kind) of school and the location of that school. This is a momentous idea, and parishioners are asked to take the survey out of personal interest or for the good of the diocese.



The survey is available in English and Spanish. **The online survey will be available until November 23rd at** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CTEVOTECH> or scan the QR code.