

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

# January 29, 2023



# **4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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"Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." - Mt 5:10-12a www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

# Clergy

Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia, Pastor Rev. Joseph Vu, Parochial Vicar Rev. John Paul Heisler, Parochial Vicar Rev. Joel Kwame, In Residence Rev. Peter M. McShurley, In Residence

### **Rectory Office Hours**

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

### **Rectory Office**

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### Mass Schedule Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, Noon, and 7:00pm

Spanish Mass: 2:30pm

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

Saturdays: 8:30am

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

Holy Days: 6:30am, 8:30am, Noon, 4:00pm, and 7:30pm

Weekday Mass changes in red until Church renovation ends. Noon Mass moved to Monsignor Heller Hall. Adoration Weekday Adoration suspended during renovation.

First Saturdays All Night Adoration: 7:30pm to 8:30am on First Saturdays

### Holy Hours Sundays: 5:00pm Third Thursdays: 7:00pm

**Confessions** Wednesdays and 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 the Worship menu on our website for more details, <u>stjamescatholic.org/sacraments/</u>.

### Saint James Catholic Church Rectory Staff

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To register with the parish, update your contact information, or request Fr. Scalia's email communications, email the office at <u>receptionist@stjamescatholic.org</u>.

January Prayer Intention of Pope Francis For Educators — We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.



Follow Us on Social Media

Social media is a quick, effective way for the parish to communicate reminders and time-sensitive notices.

- Facebook-@StJamesCatholicChurch
- Instagram-@stjamescatholic \_
- Twitter-@St James CC



### On The Way

A Catechesis on Marriage: Indissolubility

Suppose you go to a wedding and at the exchange of vows the bride looks lovingly at the groom and says, "I take you to be my husband...for the next five years, after which time we will assess our assets and debts, come to an equitable arrangement, and go our separate ways." Would you rejoice in her practicality and shrewdness? Probably not. You would recognize immediately that what was happening was not a marriage but some other kind of contractual arrangement.

We all intuit that marriage is for life, and with good reason. Permanence or indissolubility is of the very nature of conjugal love and of marriage. It's not a uniquely Catholic teaching, not some added requirement of the Church, but simply the truth about what marriage is. If a bride and groom don't intend permanence, then they don't intend to marry. They want some other kind of union instead. Permanence is a consequence of the spouses giving themselves to one another. A gift cannot be conditionally or temporarily given. If the gift of self in marriage isn't permanent, then it's not a gift at all but a loan.

The romance and beauty of marriage and married love come from the fact that a man and woman, not knowing what the future holds, commit themselves to one another for better or for worse, for richer or for poorer, in sickness and in health, until death. Remove permanence, and marriage becomes just another arrangement "until further notice." And that's not so romantic.

Permanence in marriage is also for the sake of the children. The union of husband and wife brings children into the world. That union also provides the best environment for the children's development and success. That is, the union of mom and dad is not just the source of the children's life once, at conception, but also the continuing source of strength and nourishment for them. As should be obvious by now, divorce is dreadful for children. It is, in effect, the putting asunder of their source of life.

Remember, this teaching is the Church's because it is Jesus's first. His words on the permanence of marriage are as shocking now as they were then: "Have you not read that from the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female' and said, 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, no human being must separate" (Mt 19:4-6; cf. Mt 5:31–32; Mk 10:2–12). Divorce was permitted under the Mosaic law as a concession to their "hardness of heart." Christ restores the original meaning of marriage as indissoluble because he brings to spouses the grace to live that truth.

Christ the Bridegroom proclaims the indissolubility of marriage not only because it brings some temporal benefits but also because it points to a supernatural reality. The indissoluble bond of husband and wife points to the *eternal* covenant between Christ and the Church. The proclamation of the Gospel depends on people's having some lived experience of stable and lasting love. Unfortunately, because of divorce fewer and fewer people have such an experience. By persevering in marriage – through better and worse, richer and poorer, sickness and health – spouses become an icon of that everlasting love. They make it, in a certain sense, present and real. Thus, they witness to the everlasting love with which God loves us.

- Fr. Scalia

aturday, January 28 <i>Jass for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 00pm +Steve Phillips		Today's ReadingsFirst ReadingZep 2:3; 3:12-13"Seek the LORD, all you humble of the earth,"		
inday, January 29	<b>Psalm Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10</b> "Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!"			
the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 30am People of Saint James				
00am +Bill Pollock 9:30am +Hugh O'Hara	Second Readin "Consider your	ng 1 Cor 1:26-31 own calling, brothers and sister	s."	
bonNatalie Kelly and family30pmFor the end of abortion00pmVera Ernst	<b>Gospel</b> Mt 5:1-12a "When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain,"			
onday, January 30	Readings for the Week			
Soundary of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time30amShirley Terry	Monday:	Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20, 21, 22	2, 23, 24;Mk 5:1-20	
15am +Emil Kovacev 50on +Herbert Francis Kenny, Jr.	Tuesday:	Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-27, 28 a Mk 5:21-43	and 30, 31-32;	
uesday, January 31 . John Bosco 30am The McWhinney family	Wednesday:	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; 103:1-2, 1 Mk 6:1-6	3-14, 17-18a;	
15am Tony Cripps bon +Antonio Romualdez	Thursday:	Mal 3:1-4; 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32	2:14-18;	
ednesday, February 1 Ednesday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time	Friday:	Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc; Mk 6:14-29		
30am+Maria Fabian Mushonga15am+George Mouchahoir0on+Richard L. Winslow	Saturday:	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mk 6:30-34		
hursday, February 2	Domomhous	n Vour Drovorg		
he Presentation of the Lord      30am    +Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bauer		<b>Remember in Your Prayers</b> the sick of our parish family		
15am +Michael Fritz				
oon +Angela Baric	Beatriz Basso	Laura Lareau	Joe Poels	
riday, February 3	Terrell Blodget Chip Clarke	t Frances McDonald Rachel Noonan	Russell Ross Ben Schwind	
S Blaise and Ansgar	Will Consovoy		Robyn Stewart	
30am +All Souls in Purgatory	Joan Huff	Jim Owen	Richard Ziegle	
15am +Phillip Graham +Kathleen McKeon	Peggy Kurtzke	Phillip Perot		
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30am +John P. Holback				
Tass for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time00pm+Elizabeth McAvey	Stephen Donne Mildred Popels			
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30am+Deceased members of the White family00amIsabela Aguilar		(this includes veterans, military retirees, and those serving overseas in the military and foreign service)		
+Shiena Roas Goco Poso	CDR Thomas I	CDR Thomas Dixon Mary Kenney		
oon +Rogelio Migoya 30pm People of Saint James 00pm +Andrew Weichert	Veronica Elkin		g 🏼 🎜	
00pm +Andrew Weichert	Email bulletin@	Email <u>bulletin@stjamescatholic.org</u> for changes/updates.		

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. Prayer requests are sent by the coordinator via email along with suggested prayers for each intention.

- Sign-up to be a praying member—<u>http://eepurl.com/gURddD</u> •
- Prayer requests or questions-PrayerChain@saintjamesschool.org

You can also access the Prayer Chain via our home page, www.stjamescatholic.org.



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# **Parish News**

# "The Virgin Mary - and the Role of Women in the Church" Parish Speaker Series with Sister Marie Benedict Elliott, FSE Monday, January 30th, 7:00pm in Monsignor Heller Hall

What is a woman? That has become the controversial question over the past several years. Our Lady provides the definitive and lasting response. Join us for our next parish speaker this Monday evening, January 30th at 7:00pm, to discuss the meaning of woman, as exemplified by the Blessed Virgin Mary, in the Church and the world today.

Sister Marie Benedict Elliott is a Franciscan Sister of the Eucharist living with her Community at St. Philip Parish in Falls Church. She earned a Master's degree in theology from Holy Apostles College and Seminary. After teaching at a Catholic high school for six years, Sister Marie Benedict is pursuing further study in theology at the Catholic University of America and working in St. Philip Parish's Youth Ministry.

# **Candlemas Celebration February 2nd**

This **Thursday, February 2nd, at the 8:15am and noon Masses**, we will celebrate Candlemas, the Presentation of the Lord. If you are attending this Mass, please **bring a candle from home that our priests can bless**, so that you may use it in your home on important Feast Days and other days of celebration. There will be a limited supply of candles available. In this way, we will keep the seasons of the year together in the Light of Christ, a Light no darkness can overpower.

# Feast of Saint Blaise February 3rd

Saint James will celebrate the Feast of St. Blaise this **Friday**, **February 3rd, after each Mass, 6:30am, 8:15am, and noon**. Our priests will bless the throats of all who desire a blessing .

St. Blaise was the Bishop of Sebastea, a doctor who was noted for his ability to cure his patients of afflictions of their throats. Later in his life, he retreated from society and took up a life of contemplative prayer.

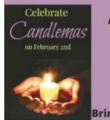
# Natural Family Planning (NFP) Group

Way of Life, the Saint James Natural Family Planning (NFP) group, will meet next **Sunday, February 5th, at 6:30pm** in the Knecht Conference Room. The discussion for this meeting will be centered around infertility and pregnancy loss, exploring the notion that "if you are open to life, you are also open to loss." As always, other NFP questions and topics will be addressed in small groups as well.

Please feel free to bring an appetizer, dessert, or beverage to share. For more information, contact Susan Baumert, 703-946-8432 or <u>susanbaumert@gmail.com</u>, or Laura Kirchgraber, 716-913-4774 or <u>LFKirch@gmail.com</u>.



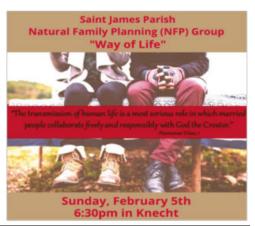
# **Candlemas** Thursday, February 2nd



After these Masses: 8:15am Noon

Bring a candle to be blessed.





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# **Parish News (Continued)**

# **Be Part of Our Welcoming Hospitality Committee**

One volunteer opportunity you might consider joining is the Saint James Hospitality Committee. They coordinate Donut Sundays with other parish groups, provide light appetizers and drinks for our parish speaker series, and host special parish receptions.

The goal of the Hospitality Committee is to make every Saint James parishioner feel welcome and part of our community. If you enjoy these social gatherings and would like to be part of this fun group charged with celebrating Church events and encouraging fellowship, contact Dawn Behrens at 703-628-3296 or <u>dawnyschiller@hotmail.com</u>.



# Wednesday Confessions, February 1st, cancelled due to PREP's First Penance.

# Food Distribution Needs Your Help

Our monthly Friday Food Distribution needs your support for this coming **Friday**, **February 3rd**. **Their cupboards are bare**. Donations can still be left in the back of the church during the renovations. Thank you in advance for your support.

Thank you for supporting Saint James Food Distribution

# Preferred Food Donations:

Rice (1-2 lb bags)	
Canned Hearty Soups	1
Mac 'N Cheese (small boxes)	
Pasta (plain, boxes)	
Cereal (boxes)	
Canned Fruit Peanu	t

Beans (dried, 1 lb bags) Canned Meats (Chicken/Tuna) Canned Tomato Sauce Canned Ravioli/Spaghetti Canned Green Vegetables t Butter Jelly

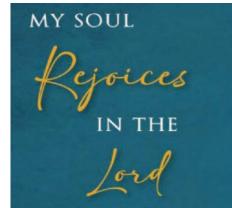
All donations may be placed in the baskets in church vestibules

# We can only accept non-perishable items

Please: No produce or fresh items (includes bread), No expired items, No glass containers, No large or bulk-sized items, No items packaged at home (all items in original packaging)

Donut Sunday, February 5th, after the 9:00am and 10:30am Masses. Join us.

# Stewardship—The Gift of Time, Talent and Treasure





# 2023 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) Begins

The 2023 BLA is underway! The BLA theme this year is "My soul rejoices in the Lord," which is shared with the second preparatory year of the Diocesan Jubilee.' After reflecting upon the blessings God has given you, please prayerfully consider a pledge. The BLA funds programs and ministries that serve thousands of people in our diocese. Through the inspiration of this year's BLA theme, let us joyfully make a pledge to support God's Kingdom in our diocese! You can make a gift by scanning the QR code to the right or visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA.



# **Arlington Catholic Herald Second Collection February 4-5**

Next weekend, February 4-5, our second collection is for the Arlington Catholic Herald. It is the official newspaper of the Catholic Diocese of Arlington and has a weekly circulation of over 100,000 covering the news from a Catholic point of view. It is distributed locally, nationally, and internationally. The paper has received almost 150 awards from the Catholic Press Association. In 2019, they won first place as the Best Catholic Newspaper in the United States and Canada. To check out our diocesan newspaper, visit www.catholicherald.com/.

Donate online via Faith Direct, membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/1480.



# All Saints Church Annual Car Raffle Begins in February

All Saints Church in Manassas has invited our parishioners to participate in their multi-car raffle again this year. Prizes include four 2023 vehicles from Ourisman Ford of Manassas:

- Escape
- Mustang
- Bronco Sport
- Ranger Truck







One \$5 ticket offers the purchaser a chance to win one of four vehicles plus \$40,000 in cash prizes. As a result of last year's car raffle, Saint James netted \$10,197 in support of our various outreach ministries that serve the needs of our parish and community. Tickets will be mailed to parish families the first week in February. Please consider selling/purchasing the tickets mailed to you.

Note that pictures are representative of the raffle vehicles; model and styling of the actual vehicles may differ.

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



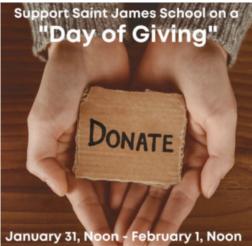
"Where We Ignite the Potential in Each Child."

# **Celebrate National Catholic School's Week**

# Support Our 24-Hour *Day of Giving* January 31-February 1

Each year, the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) sponsors a nationwide "*Day of Giving*" during National Catholic Schools Week—January 29 through February 4—to help foster awareness and support of local Catholic Schools.

This year's "Day of Giving" begins at Noon on Tuesday, January 31st, and ends at Noon on Wednesday, February 1st. Last year, we raised almost \$23,000 in 24 hours for our School's Annual Appeal. This year, as an added incentive, a generous parishioner has offered to match up to \$5,000 for any gifts received. Our award-winning parish school is administered by the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. They have educated thousands of students for almost a century. We need to continue to make Catholic education affordable and accessible to all who desire it. Please consider supporting our award-winning parish school during this 24-hour period.



You can donate three ways:

- Mail a check to the Rectory
  ⇒ If received during Catholic Schools Week, it will count toward the donor match.
- Donate online via Faith Direct <u>https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/22645</u>.
- Text-to-Give your gift at 703-584-7023.

For more information, contact Kathleen Anderson at kanderson@stjamescatholic.org.



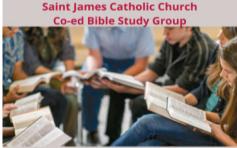
# **Faith Formation**



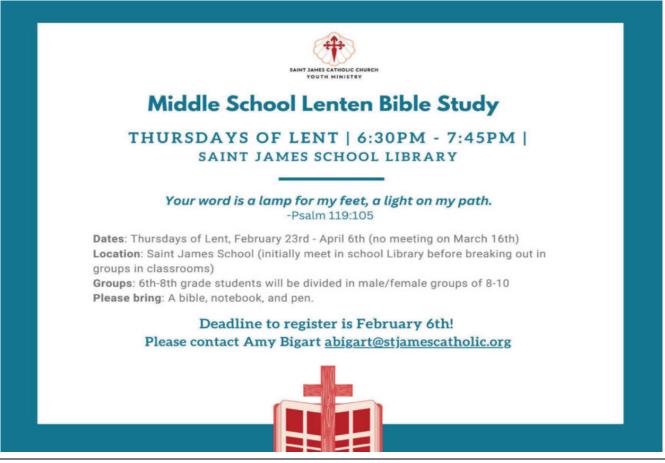
# Join Our Saturday Co-ed Bible Study

Let's get together to examine and discuss the Bible readings for the Sunday Mass ahead of time. A new co-ed Bible Study group will meet every Saturday morning from 10:00am-12:00pm at the Parish House. Space is limited!

Please email Jeremy, <u>prayingevangelist@gmail.com</u>, for more information.



Saturdays @ 10:00am-12:00pm Parish House



Parish Calendar			
Monday, January 30	Reminder—Church restrooms are closed due to renovations.		
7:00pm-8:30pm	Parish Speaker Series (see page 4)	Monsignor Heller Hall	
7:00pm-9:00pm	Young Professionals Men & Women's Small Groups	Parish House	
Tuesday, January 31			
9:00am-11:00am	School Open House	School Library	
4:45pm & 7:00pm	PREP Classes	School	
7:00pm-8:15pm	High School PREP	School Library	
7:30pm-9:00pm	RCIA	Knecht	
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House	
Wednesday, February 1			
10:00am-11:30am	Women's Bible Study	Knecht	
6:00pm-7:00pm	EXODUS 90	Parish House	
7:00pm-8:00pm	PREP First Penance Group B	Church	
7:00pm-8:30pm	Men's Bible Study	Parish House	
7:00pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht	
Fhursday, February 2	Candlemas at 8:15 and noon Masses (see page 4)		
9:30am-11:30am	Scripture Study	Knecht	
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church	
7:00pm-8:00pm	Young Professionals Holy Hour	Church	
7:00pm-9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	Library	
Friday, February 3	Throat Blessing at all Masses (see page 4)		
1:00am	School Early Dismissal		
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church	
5:30pm-6:30pm	First Friday Food Distribution	Monsignor Heller Hall	
7:30pm-11:59pm	First Saturday Overnight Adoration	Church	
Saturday, February 4			
2:00am-8:30am	First Saturday Overnight Adoration	Church	
0:00am-12:00pm	Co-ed Bible Study	Parish House	
0:00am-1:00pm	Boys' Confirmation Retreat	Monsignor Heller Hall	
3:30pm-4:30pm	Confessions	Church	
4:00pm-5:30pm	Spanish Legion of Mary	Parish House	
5:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church	
5:30pm-8:30pm	Hispanic Prayer Group	Monsignor Heller Hall	
Sunday, February 5	Donut Sunday after 9:00am & 10:30am Masses	-	
0:00am-2:00pm	Parish Library Open	Parish House	
2:00pm-2:00pm	Hispanic RCIA	Knecht	
:00pm-2:15pm	Hispanic PREP	School	
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church	
5:30pm-8:30pm	Natural Family Planning Group (see page 4)	Monsignor Heller Hall	

# **Girl Scout Cookie Sales after Mass**

The Saint James Girl Scouts will be selling Girl Scout Cookies before and after the Saturday 5:00pm and Sunday Masses the **first two weekends in February, Feb. 4-5 and 11-12**. Cookies available at the sale will be: Do-Si-Dos, S'mores, Samoas, Lemon-Ups, Tagalongs, Thin Mints, Toffee Tastic, Adventurefuls, and Trefoils. Boxes are priced at \$5 and \$6, depending on the cookie type.





