

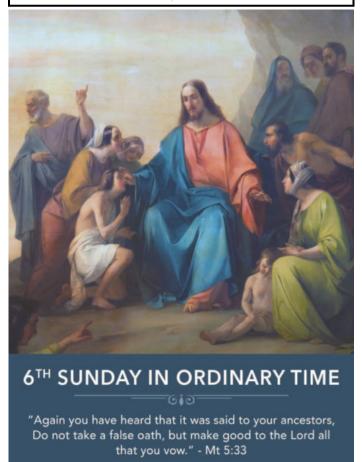
Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

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703-532-8815

February 12, 2023



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Deacon Marvin Muhat

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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, stjamescatholic.org/sacraments/.

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

February Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

For Parishes — We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity, and welcome towards those most in need.



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: Children

Suppose you go to a wedding and at the exchange of vows the bride says to the groom, "I take you to be my husband...but I refuse to have children with you." Now that would be a shocking thing to hear. Most couples desire to see their love embodied in a child, the union of their love. Part of their discernment in dating is whether the other would make a good father or mother. So, we rightly sense that one of the purposes for marriage is the birth of children.

The union of man and woman cannot be fully understood without this purpose. The union of their bodies, by which they give themselves to each other, is designed for the conception and birth of children. The gift-of-self in marriage must include that part of the self that is procreative. Spouses don't fully give themselves to one another if they withhold from or deny to one another the other their capacity to procreate.

So crucial is this dimension of marriage that it's a cause of two other elements, permanence and fidelity. Divorce and infidelity are wrong not only because they violate the full gift-of-self in marriage but also because they do an injustice to children, who have a right to mom and dad together.

But it's not all about the children. The Second Vatican Council teaches, "Children are the supreme gift of marriage and contribute greatly to the good of the parents themselves" (emphasis added). Children contribute to their good not by being convenient or financially beneficial. After all, children are always an inconvenience. They contribute to the good of the parents by calling forth from them sacrifice, love, generosity, patience, and all the other virtues. They are — or should be — a cause of growth in virtue.

Openness to children also strengthens the *union* of the spouses. Consider the *esprit de corps* of a military unit when every member of that unit is willing to give his life for every other. Such willingness to sacrifice one's life knits individuals together as a strong fighting force. Well, a similar but more extraordinary thing occurs in marriage. By their openness to life, spouses express their willingness not only to sacrifice their lives for one another but also to bring new life into the world with one another — which is a far greater thing.

Now, what all this means *isn't* that a couple must have children in order to have a valid marriage. Those couples unable (but not unwilling) to have children of course have true marriages. It's rather that every union of spouses in the marital act must be open to life. Sometimes new life comes about, sometimes it doesn't. The essential point is that the spouses respect the marital act's proper design for procreation. Any frustration of its procreative power (by contraceptive barriers, chemicals, or surgery) is a violation of the truth of marriage. Natural Family Planning, on the other hand, shows that proper reverence for the design of sex. By way of it, couples use the design of the woman's body to discern when and when not to come together.

The union of Christ and the Church is spiritually "procreative." That union of the Bridegroom and the Bride is ordered toward the rebirth of the children of God. "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly" (Jn 10:10). By openness to life and even more by generosity with life, couples witness to the life-giving union of Christ and the Church.

— Fr. Scalia

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Mass Intentions for the Sixth Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 11

Mass for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Margaret Stepro

Sunday, February 12

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Jane and Michael Checkan 9:00am People of Saint James

10:30am +Mr. and Mrs. Michael Seyman

Noon +Im Sun Fermoile 2:30pm For the end of abortion

7:00pm +Robin O'Hara

Monday, February 13

Monday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am Niengue Bagenda family

8:15am +Emil Kovacev Noon +Emmette Beauchamp

Tuesday, February 14 SS Cyril and Methodius

6:30am +Dorothy Carwile 8:15am +Jack Heston Noon +Patricia Massey

Wednesday, February 15

Wednesday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Matthew Thomas 8:15am +Rose Marie Wiegand Noon +Mary Connery

Thursday, February 16

Thursday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Amy Libby Buxton 8:15am +Gervasio Sese Noon +Nancy C. Toscani

Friday, February 17

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

6:30am +Yen Sau Nguyen 8:15am +Genevieve Starkweather Noon +Lena Sugalski

Saturday, February 18

Saturday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

8:30am +Francis Riordan Clark

Mass for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Betty Lane

Sunday, February 19

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Special Intention of the Johnson family

9:00am +Anna Maria Mullins 10:30am +Carol Verneuille Noon Theresa Thibodeau 2:30pm Wilma Hurdado Banegas 7:00pm People of Saint James **Today's Readings**

First Reading Sir 15:15-20

"If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will..."

Psalm Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34

"Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!"

Second Reading 1 Cor 2:6-10

"Brothers and sisters: We speak a wisdom to those who are..."

Gospel Mt 5:17-37

"Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not think that I have come..."

Readings for the Week

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21;

Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and

9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19;

Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23;

Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 8:34—9:1

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Remember in Your Prayers

the sick of our parish family

Beatriz BassoFrances McDonaldRussell RossTerrell BlodgettRachel NoonanBen SchwindChip ClarkeJanet OwenRobyn StewartWill ConsovoyJim OwenRichard Ziegler

Peggy Kurtzke Phillip Perot Laura Lareau Joe Poels

the deceased of our parish family

Joan Huff Henry Schiller, Jr.

and those serving our country

(this includes veterans, military retirees, and those serving overseas in the military and foreign service)

CDR Thomas Dixon Mary Kenney

Veronica Elkins Major Albert C. Young

Email <u>bulletin@stjamescatholic.org</u> for changes/updates.

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

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

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



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Parish News

Welcome Deacon Marvin Muhat

Saint James would like to welcome our newly ordained Deacon Marvin Muhat. He was one of five men ordained to the permanent diaconate on January 28th. Deacon Marvin, a parishioner of St. John the Beloved Church in McLean, will serve at Saint James. He will begin his ministry here in the coming weeks. He and his wife, Ruth Grace, have two children, Samantha, a sophomore at GMU, and Aidan, a 10th grader at Potomac School, where Deacon Marvin is the Director of Facilities.



Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

While Ash Wednesday is not a holy day of obligation, it is still an important day in the Church calendar as it marks the start of Lent and our season of sacrifice and spiritual preparation to joyously celebrate the Resurrection of Christ. This year, Masses will be celebrated, and ashes distributed, on **Wednesday, February 22nd**, after all Masses listed to the right. Please make a concerted effort to attend one of these Masses to prepare yourself for the 40 Days of Lent ahead.

Note the following reminders for Ash Wednesday.

- 1. Evening confession will be cancelled due to the Mass schedule.
- 2. All Masses will be held in the Church on this day.

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule February 22nd 6:30am 8:30am Noon 4:00pm 7:30pm

Lenten Season—Days of Recollection

The men and women of Saint James are invited to a *Day of Recollection* for the sacred season of Lent. Both retreats will begin at 8:30am with Mass, followed by breakfast and end with lunch at noon.

- The Day of Recollection for Men is Saturday, February 25th
- The Day of Recollection for Women is Saturday, March 25th

The fee for the day is \$20, if you want to participate in the meals, otherwise it is free. Payment can be made via:

- PayPal-JulieMarx14@gmail.com
- Venmo-@Julie-Marx-7 (Last 4 digits: 4938)
- Cash or check may be dropped off at the rectory, marked c/o Julie Marx.

With any payment method, please note it is for the retreat. The full Day of Recollection schedule will be posted in our next bulletin as well as on our Lent 2023 link, stjamescatholic.org/worship/lenten-2023.

All Saints Church Annual Car Raffle - Tickets are Here!

Parishioners should have their raffle tickets for the four-car raffle hosted by All Saints Church in Manassas. Prizes include four 2023 vehicles from Ourisman Ford of Manassas:

- Escape
- Mustang
- Bronco Sport
- Ranger Truck







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

One \$5 ticket offers the purchaser a chance to win one of these four vehicles plus 21 cash drawings totaling \$40,000. Last year's Car Raffle netted Saint James \$10,197 in support of our various outreach ministries. The proceeds from this annual Car Raffle helps Saint James serve the needs of our wonderful parish. If you need more tickets to sell, contact the Rectory office, 703-532-8815. Please consider selling/purchasing the tickets mailed to you.

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Parish News (Continued)

Sanctuary Restoration & Renewal Project Update

Good News! As shared in a recent Pastor email from Father Scalia, we are pleased to announce that we have reached our \$500,000 goal for the Sanctuary Restoration & Renewal Project. Thank you to all who contributed! May God reward your goodness and generosity.

In terms of the start date, there have been some delays so work will not begin until the end of the month. Please note that this project will not disrupt Sunday Masses. We will continue to keep you all updated on the sanctuary restoration via the bulletin and our website. For real time updates, we recommend that you sign up to receive Father Scalia's weekly emails by sending your name and email address to <u>communications@stjamescatholic.org</u>.

As a reminder, registered parishioners received a mailing in November about the Sanctuary Restoration and Renewal Project. Further information can be found on our website, under the Worship menu:

stjamescatholic.org/saint-james-sanctuary-restoration-renewal.

Thank you all again for your generous response. We are so grateful!

President's Day-Monday, February 20th. Rectory/School Offices Closed. No Noon Mass.



Volunteer for Our Hospitality Committee

Enjoy serving others? Looking for a way to get more involved or to meet more people in the Church? If so, consider joining our Hospitality Committee. We 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 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 dawnyschiller@hotmail.com.

We believe "there are no strangers here, just friends you haven't yet met." (William Butler Yeats)

SAVE THE DATE: Next Parish Speaker Series is Wednesday, March 15th, at 7:00pm

Join Our Divine Mercy Cenacle at Saint James

Saint James Parish has a Divine Mercy Cenacle which is dedicated to praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet for the sick and dying. We aim to delve deeply into the Divine Mercy message by studying scripture, the Catechism, and the Diary of St. Faustina. Cenacle members participate in works of mercy for the parish, as well.

Our group meets twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays from 10:00am-12:00pm at Saint James. To learn more about Divine Mercy Cenacles, visit https://www.thedivinemercy.org/eadm/about-eadm.

If you are interested or have questions, email Yvonne McCool at YMMcCool@outlook.com.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The theme for this year's Bishop's Lenten Appeal is shared with the second preparatory year of our diocesan Golden Jubilee, My Soul Rejoices in the Lord, and draws our attention to our Blessed Mother. Each of us can seek to imitate the perfect example of Mary by proclaiming the greatness of the Lord each day as we live our faith and share our blessings.

When we support the BLA, we help to bring the glorious gift of Christ Jesus to thousands of people in need of spiritual, charitable, and educational assistance across our diocese. I respectfully ask that, if your circumstances allow, you prayerfully consider a sacrificial pledge to this important appeal. Your gift will be used to enrich and improve the lives of others and will be an instrument of the joy and peace that only Christ can give!

I am grateful to all of you who have given in the past to this appeal. In a few moments, your pastor will guide you through the pledging process.

Please be assured of my prayers for you. Through the intercession of Mary our Mother, may Our Lord Jesus bless you abundantly now and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge

Michael F. Burlidge

Bishop of Arlington

Pastor's Lenten Appeal 2023

Suggestions on how to know, love, and serve Christ more deeply this Lent

Download this form from our website for your personal use and to access links.

Knowing Christ - How can I know my Lord more deeply?

- Spend 15 minutes a day reading scriptures or read one chapter a day of the Gospels.
- Select a book from Father's recommended reading list on our website.
- Check out a spiritual book from our 1000+ volume Parish Library.
- Join FORMED via our website for family movies and Tim Gray's Daily Reflections.
- Sign up for <u>2Minutes2Virtue</u> on the diocesan website.
- Join a Parish Bible Study group.

Praying to Christ - How can I grow closer to my Lord through prayer?

- Attend our Parish Day of Recollection (Men-2/25 and Women-3/25).
- Attend an extra Mass each week.
- Commit to monthly confession and a nightly examination of conscience.
- · Visit our Lord in the Tabernacle each day.
- · Attend the Stations of the Cross each Friday.
- Pray a daily Rosary or Divine Chaplet with friends or family.
- Use a print or online daily devotional (e.g. Magnificat or Give Us This Day).

Fasting with Christ - How can I grow in sacrifice and the virtue of temperance?

- Fast on Wednesdays and/or Fridays.
- Avoid screens, including for work, after a certain hour each night.
- Give up sweets, alcohol, tobacco, and/or coffee.
- · Give up eating out.
- Give up shopping for things other than necessary items.
- Give up or cut back on social media.
- Make a sacrificial gift to the Bishop's Lenten Appeal.

Serving Christ - How can I serve my Lord and others more generously?

- Volunteer at Christ House.
- Join a Parish Group (see our website for volunteer opportunities).
- Pray outside of an abortion clinic (visit the Respect Life page for more details).
- Donate to our Social Outreach drives (food, clothing, or gift card collections).
- Invite a friend or family member back to Mass.
- Call or write your goddaughter or godson.
- Take an elderly person to church or visit the sick or homebound.
- Bring a friend or family member to the Fish Fry followed by Stations of the Cross.

Visit our Lent 2023 page: StJamesCatholic.org

Parish Events



Saint James/Catholic Charities

Families Helping Families Drive

Feb 18TH 10:00am-1:00pm Gym Parking Lot

830 W. Broad St, Falls Church, VA 22046

Drive up-Pop the Trunk-We will do the rest!

We need standard size containers of:

Personal Hygiene (no travel sizes):

- Shampoo
- Bath soap
- Deodorant
- Shaving Cream
- Mouthwash
- Kids toothbrushes (ind. wrapped)
- Kid-friendly toothpaste
- · Adult incontinence products (L & XL)

Baby/Toddler:

- · Diapers (All sizes; critical need for 5 & 6)
- · Baby wipes

Household Cleaning Supplies:

- Laundry detergent (30-50 oz--free of dyes and perfumes)
- Liquid dish soap
- · Dish sponges
- 13-gallon trash bags
- · Multi-purpose cleaners



Inflation and the pandemic have hit families in our area very hard. Catholic Charities distributes to communities throughout the Northern Virginia area (~6500 miles) serving all regardless of background, faith, or circumstance. For more info contact: Karen Bushaw-Newton (littlek@hxr.us) or Liana Alvarez (lianamalvarez@gmail.com)

SENIORS YOUNG AT HEART

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH 5:00PM - 8:00PM

MOVIE NIGHT-"QUEEN BEES"

Dinner: lasagna, salad, and bread Attendees: bring a salad or dessert to share.

Please RSVP to one of the following

- Mary Anne Stallings, 703-244-2610
- · Cae Gilley, 703-533-3845



Cherry Blossom Father-Daughter Dance

Cadette Girl Scout Troop 50048 presents the 2023 Cherry Blossom Father-Daughter Dance on **March 11th**. There will be two different times for the dance: elementary grades 5:30pm-7:00pm and middle school 7:30pm-10:00pm. Please join the troop for a special evening with your dad, grandfather, uncle, or any special male role model in your life. The event will include multiple surprise raffles, DJ dancing with contests, snacks/desserts/punch/water, and more. Ticket pricing: \$30 per couple, \$35 1 adult/2 girls, \$40 1 adult/3 girls, \$45 1 adult/4+ girls, and \$25 for an additional adult.

Visit https://sjs2023.ticketleap.com/st-james-2023-father-daughter-dauce to register and for more details. You can also call/text or email Mary Oliva, 202-725-5292 or maryeolivia@icloud.com.

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	Parish Calendar	
Monday, February 13	Church restrooms remain closed due to renovations.	
7:00pm-9:00pm	Young Professionals Men & Women's Small Groups	Parish House
Tuesday, February 14		
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 15	5	
10:00am-11:30am	Women's Bible Study	Knecht
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:30pm	Men's Bible Study	Parish House
7:00pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht
Thursday, February 16		
9:30am-11:30am	Co-ed Scripture Study	Knecht
5:00pm-8:00pm	Seniors Young at Heart (see page 8)	Monsignor Heller Hall
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Holy Hour	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Young Professionals	Parish House
7:00pm-9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	Library
Friday, February 17	School Early Dismissal 11:00am	
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Men's Study (third Fridays)	Parish House
Saturday, February 18		
10:00am-12:00pm	Co-ed Bible Study	Parish House
10:00am-1:00pm	Families Helping Families (see page 8)	Gym Parking Lot
3:30pm-4:30pm	Confessions	Church
4:00pm-5:30pm	Spanish Legion of Mary	Parish House
6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church
Sunday, February 19		
10:00am-2:00pm	Parish Library Open	Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church
5:00pm-7:00pm	Lay Dominicans	Parish House



What is a Lay Dominican
The Dominican charism is to contemplate the truth and then share the fruits of contemplation. You could say that Dominicans get to be both Mary and Martha! Prayer and study are two ways of contemplating the truth. How we share the fruits of contemplation is different for each Lay Dominican, depending on time, talent, and circumstances. We strive to increase our love of God and his mercy and become more joyful Christians by sharing it with others.

We invite you to join the St. Mary Magdalene Lay Dominicans on Sunday, February 19th, at 5:00pm in the Parish House to pray with us and taste the Lay Dominican life. For questions, email <u>InquiryVeritas519@gmail.com</u>.





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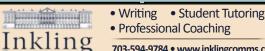
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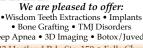
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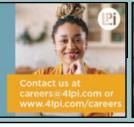
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