



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

June 21, 2026



12th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light; what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul."
Matthew 10:27-28

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)
Saturdays: 9:00am-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: See Parish website

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 June Prayer Intention

For the values of sports—Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

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On The Way

The Apostles: James, Jude, and Simon

In our reflections on the Apostles, we now come to those about whom we know the least. Although that abbreviates our reflections on them, it doesn't make them less important. Indeed, their relative anonymity emphasizes an essential aspect about the Apostles.

But first, James the Less. That title indicates not an inferiority but simply that he was younger than our patron, James the Greater. The Gospels refer to him as "the son of Alphaeus" (Mt 10:3). Tradition also at times calls him "the brother of the Lord." Which might complicate things, because we know that our Lord had no siblings. And because...well, how can James be our Lord's brother and the son of Alphaeus?

Now, we know that James was not Jesus' blood brother precisely because he's the son of Alphaeus, not Joseph. Further, he's also referred to as the son of a *different* Mary (see Mt 27:56; Mk 15:40; 16:1; Lk 24:10). This is the Mary who stood at the foot of our Lord's Cross. So, James is the brother of the Lord, not in the literal sense but in the sense of a close relation, most likely a cousin. Indeed, he was such a close relation that he was said to have had a striking resemblance to our Lord. Finally, James – not Peter or John – was the first Bishop of Jerusalem and the one who presides over the Church's first council (Acts 15). Clearly, he was so well respected by the first disciples that they looked to him for pastoral leadership.

Tradition has it that this James had two brothers, Jude and Simon. Jude or Judas is one of the most popular of the Apostles, not because people know a great deal about him, but because he's the Patron of Hopeless Cases. That's perhaps a dubious honor in the world's estimation, but an important one in heaven. The Gospels tell us nothing about him except that Judas – *not* the Iscariot, as John clarifies – asks our Lord at the Last Supper, "Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?" (Jn 14:22) That one line indicates that this man from the remote region of Galilee was thinking already of the Church's mission to the nations.

Finally, Simon, who is called the Cananaean (Mt 10:4; Mk 3:18) or the Zealot (Lk 6:15; Acts 1:13). The first title tells us where he's from. The second indicates, as it were, his political affiliation. The zealots were an activist group in ancient Israel that sought a violent uprising of the people to expel the Romans. They were behind the rebellions that led to the wars of 66-73 AD and the destruction of the Temple. So, Simon, a political activist, was brought into company with Peter the small business owner and Matthew the tax collector. That's a curious combining. It highlights that the formation of the Church is not a human initiative but our Lord's own doing. He chooses according to divine wisdom and not human reckoning.

It's fitting that this series concludes with three lesser-known Apostles. Again, that we don't know as much about them doesn't decrease their importance. In fact, it has the benefit of emphasizing the apostolic *office* more than the person. And in the end, that's the greater gift to the Church. What is important about the Apostles is not so much their personality or history as simply being instruments of the Lord's own ministry. We don't know much about James the Less, but we know that he served as the first bishop of Jerusalem and so continued our Lord's own pastoring. We don't know much about Simon and Jude, except that they continued our Lord's work and witnessed to it by their martyrdom. That simple witness is one we can and ought to imitate.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Twelfth Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, June 20

Mass for the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Sonia Maria Grebogi, in Thanksgiving

Sunday, June 21

The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Antonieta Morales

9:00am +Howard Meyer and Thomas Russo

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Yolanda Sakata

2:30pm +Jesus Alberto

7:00pm +Edward O'Laughlin

Monday, June 22

St. Paulinus of Nola; SS John Fisher and Thomas More

6:30am +Ann McIntyre

8:15am +Virginia Razon

Noon +Sixto Sergio Lobos Flores

Tuesday, June 23

Tuesday of the Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Sister Mary Sheehan

8:15am The Mullins Family

Noon +President Noy C. Aquino

Wednesday, June 24

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

6:30am +Rev. Philip S. Majka

8:15am +Axel and Andrew Weichert

Noon +Richard G. Sullivan

Thursday, June 25

Thursday of the Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Sister Mary Sheehan

8:15am +Tom Kuehne

Noon Carol Bilello

Friday, June 26

Friday of the Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Sister Mary Sheehan

8:15am Kate Reese

Noon +Laura de Simian

Saturday, June 27

St. Cyril of Alexandria

8:30am +Pat Kihlander

Mass for the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Mary and Rives Tilman

Sunday, June 28

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Concha G. Macaspac

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

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +James Doyle

2:30pm +Ariel Antonio Ayala de Leon and Angel Jose
Aranivar Betancur

7:00pm +James O'Donnell

Today's Readings

First Reading

Jeremiah 20:10-13

"Jeremiah said: 'I hear the whisperings of many:'"

Psalm

Psalm 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35

"Lord, in your great love, answer me."

Second Reading

Romans 5:12-15

"Brothers and sisters: Through one man sin entered the world,"

Gospel

Matthew 10:26-33

"Jesus said to the Twelve: 'Fear no one.'"

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

James Banks

Beatriz Basso

Cory Bautista

Betty Brunton

Charles A. Burke

Jim Buscher

Christopher Butzgy

Patricia Cavasina

Jane C. Checkan

Chloe Clagg

Matthew Coffin

Grace Coipuram

Raul Crespo

Matthew Davis

Mona Demian

Charles Duggar

Thomas Duncan

Roberta Dunn

Dora Dee Estes

Liana Farrell

Katherine Garren

Anthony L. Gerena

Monica Giove

Scott Herman

Susan Jackson

Laura Lareau

Yolanda Machiado

Jose G. Martinez

Patricia McFarland

Mildred Melmer

Julie Neil

Gloria Mora

Francis Neumann, Jr.

Rachel Noonan

Esther Olivos

Jerry Parker

Carter Parry

Charley Roberts

BJ Salinas

Kathleen Seroskie

Robyn Stewart

Lauren Vinci

Liv Wash

Anne Marie Willis

The deceased of our parish family

James Roy Banks

John Patrick Kearns

Albert C. Camacho

Please pray for the members of our parish serving in the military both home and abroad.



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@saintjameschool.org.

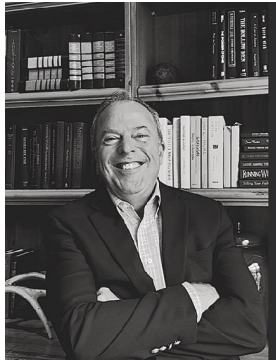


Parish News

June 22nd Parish Speaker

Join us this **Monday, June 22nd, at 7:00pm** in Monsignor Heller Hall for parish guest speaker Matthew Spalding whose talk will be on “Celebrating 250 Years: Catholicism and Our Nation’s Founding.”

He is the Kirby Professor in Constitutional Government and Dean of the Van Andel Graduate School of Government at Hillsdale College. He oversees the Allan P. Kirby, Jr. Center for Constitutional Studies and Citizenship at Hillsdale’s Washington, D.C. campus.



His new book, *The Making of the American Mind: The Story of Our Declaration of Independence*, was released in December 2025.

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

SAINT JAMES Summer College Coffee

JUNE - AUGUST 2026

EVERY FRIDAY THIS SUMMER
6:30AM MASS FOLLOWED BY
A WALK TO GODFREY’S
MASS, COFFEE, & CONVERSATION

ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AND COLLEGE STUDENTS WELCOME

RSVP to ym@stjamescatholic.org

FAITH Y FÚTBOL

SUMMER 2026

SOCCER **Middle School** **PIZZA**

JUNE 28TH 4:00-6:00PM
@ ROCKET FIELD

Join Father Tim for games, food, & faith discussion every last Sunday of the month this summer



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY...

TO ALL OF OUR FATHERS AND FATHER FIGURES

THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF ST. JOSEPH, MAY YOU BE FILLED WITH EVERY GRACE AND BLESSING IN LIVING OUT YOUR FATHERLY VOCATION.



IN ADDITION, WE WANT TO THANK OUR PARISH PRIESTS FOR THE SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE THEY GIVE OUR PARISH. SAINT JAMES IS VERY BLESSED TO HAVE THEM.

Parish News (Continued)

Welcome Seminarian Tyler Boreani

Tyler will be with us until early August. Read his bio below.

By all accounts, I grew up in a normal American-Catholic household. I went to Catholic school through 4th grade before switching to public school, played baseball, and went regularly to mass. We prayed at home like a normal Catholic family as well: before meals, before bed, the occasional rosary, but my faith was never personal. During one of my summers in high school that changed dramatically. We had a fantastic then-seminarian at my home parish of Sacred Heart of Jesus (Winchester) for the summer, you all might know him as Father Oetjen. He gave a lecture series during the summer on Lectio Divina, and this idea of praying in that meditative way with scripture was so new to me that I was immediately attracted to it. That encounter led me to pray more on my own, both in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and in the privacy of my home. It was in my senior year, during a cross-country season that was not going as well as I would have liked, that I felt a call to the priesthood for the first time. It happened in the quiet of the early morning in my parish's adoration chapel. I was shocked. I had never imagined becoming a priest, I did not really want to be a priest (it was not in my plan), and I had never even served at Mass. I had already signed a letter of intent to run for the cross-country and track teams at The College of William and Mary and so, at best, I knew I had to wait; and wait I did. I subsequently attended William and Mary, graduated, worked in politics, coached cross-country and track, taught history and math in my hometown, and got a master's degree. I wanted God to hit me over the head with a sign. What He wanted was to guide me in the quiet moments of prayer. Eventually, I came to a point in my discernment where I knew I could not find more clarity about my vocation without going to seminary. I finished the master's program in December of 2023 and met with then-Vocations Director Father Isenberg; I applied that spring and was accepted to the Diocese of Arlington. After my propaedeutic year at Mount St. Mary's, under the guidance of Father Hanley, the bishop sent me to continue my seminary studies at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary where I will be until, God-willing, I am ordained a priest.



Apply Now—Assistant Director of Facilities

Saint James seeks an Assistant Director of Facilities. This position requires skills in various trades and a proven track record showing strong customer service orientation and the ability to help manage staff and contractors.

This position is full-time with full benefits. Hours are generally Monday through Friday but must be available other times on-call. Some early morning, late night, and weekend hours are required. A diocesan background check will be required.

Send an email expressing interest with a resume to Rich at rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org.



**SAINT JAMES PARISH
IS HIRING**

Assistant Facilities Director

- Full-time
- Requires skills in various trades
- Ability to manage staff and contractors
- Mon. thru Fri. and on-call availability
- Some early a.m., late p.m. and weekend hours required

Life Corner

Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24)—In 2022, on the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, the Supreme Court case Roe vs. Wade, which legalized abortion nationwide, was overturned. St. John the Baptist was the first person to recognize Jesus in the womb of the Blessed Mother. While still in the womb himself, he leapt for joy at the presence of Christ. May we too rejoice in the gift of every preborn child and pray for their legal protection. **St. John the Baptist, pray for us!** (U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops)



On this Father's Day, PRAY that expectant fathers may lovingly support the mothers of their children in welcoming new life.

Every Saturday morning at 6:45am come and pray the Rosary for the protection and sanctity of human life, led by our parish priests in front of 900 S. Washington Street in Falls Church.

Parish News (Continued)

Parish Library Summer Reading Challenge

Join us for the first-ever Saint James Parish Library Summer Reading Challenge now through August 16th! Readers of all ages are invited to participate.

Simply borrow books from the Saint James Parish Library collection, read them, and record each title on your reading log.

The reading log is available on the Saint James website, stjamescatholic.org/faith/parish-library/, in the church vestibules, or at the library (open 1st and 3rd Sundays).

Participants who meet the reading goal for their age group and submit their completed log will be entered into a prize drawing. Please email your log to stjamescatholiclibrary@gmail.com or drop it off at the Rectory Office or Parish Library.

Reading Goals

- **Pre-K – Rising 5th Grade:** Read 7 age-appropriate books (*pre-readers may have books read to them*).
- **Rising 6th–8th Grade:** Read 5 age-appropriate books.
- **High School and Adults:** Read 3 age-appropriate books.

The parish library is open the 1st and 3rd Sundays from 10:00am-2:00pm except in July. **We will be closed July 4th holiday weekend but open the 2nd and 3rd weekends in July in support of the reading challenge.**



A graphic for the Parish Library Summer Reading Challenge. At the top left is a red cross symbol. To its right, the text "PARISH LIBRARY JOIN OUR SUMMER READING CHALLENGE!" is written in bold red letters. Below this, there are four book covers: "The Saint Who Fought the Dragon", "Curse of the Coins", "Mother Teresa: The Private Writings of the 'Saint of Calcutta'", and "Fatima Today". At the bottom, a red oval contains the text "Open Jun 21, Jul 12, Jul 19, Aug 2, & Aug 16 10:00am-2:00pm".



Lay Dominicans

Is God Calling You To Be A Lay Dominican?

You are invited to join the St. Mary Magdalene Lay Dominicans for prayer, fellowship, and discussion on **Sunday, June 21st, from 5:00pm-6:45pm** in the Parish House.

Lay Dominicans are single or married members of the Dominican Order who have responded to a call to live the Dominican way of life in their own families and occupations. The Dominican charism is one of prayer, study, community, and apostolate. Of these, study is perhaps the most distinctive element, as Dominicans are constantly called to study scripture, the teachings of the Church, and contemporary issues in the light of Faith. We are life-long learners who put that thirst for Truth at the service of our apostolic efforts.

For more information, please contact Rose Folsom at InquiryVeritas519@gmail.com.

Calling All Moms of Babies and Toddlers

A reminder for current moms, as well as new moms to the parish, join our Moms Meet Up group to connect with other moms in the parish (with babies and toddlers in tow).

We will continue to meet over the summer with our regular weekly meet ups at playgrounds and coffee shops.

Join us when you can. We would love to meet you.

To learn more, please email Ally at dickmanallyson@gmail.com or Adele at adele1@gmail.com.

Attention Moms of Babies & Toddlers



Join the Moms Meet Up Group



Stewardship—A Gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure

Saint James Legacy Fund

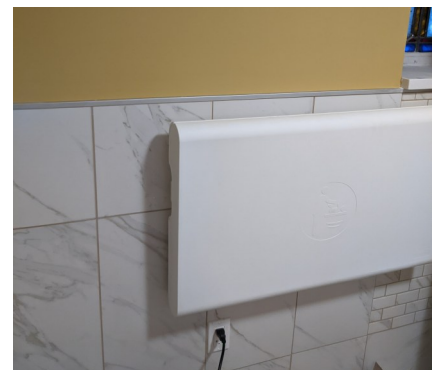
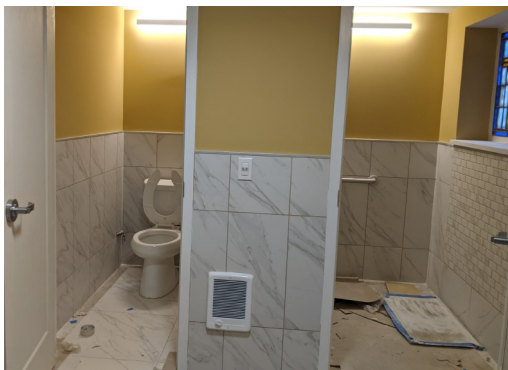
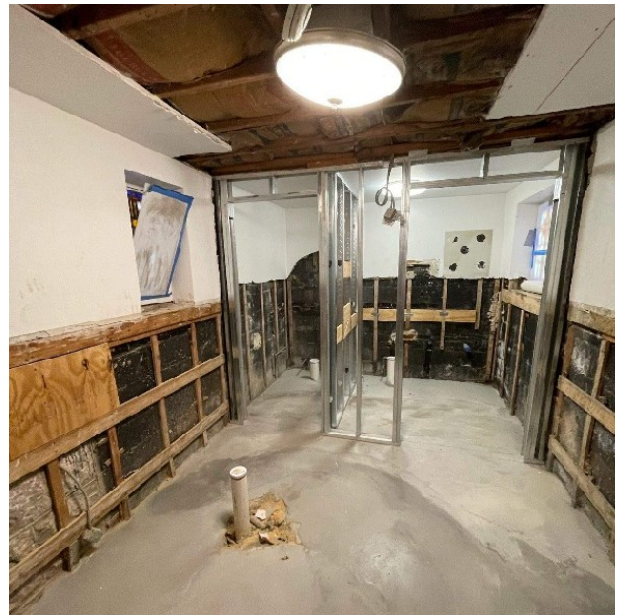
The Saint James annual budget covers all of the parish's normal operating expenses, but it doesn't cover the major capital improvements that are needed from time to time to properly maintain our facilities over time. Periodically we need to replace roofs, heating/cooling systems, windows and doors, flooring, playgrounds, security systems, plumbing systems, and so forth. Our Church's sound system is aging out, as is the shingle roof on the School's main building.

In recent years, we have completed the following improvements:

- kneelers in our Church
- roofs on our Convent
- heating/cooling system in our Middle School building
- renovated the restrooms in the Church and eight of the 17 restrooms in our School
 - See Church restroom renovation pictures below.
- renovated the Convent Chapel

The Legacy of Saint James Capital Fund—otherwise known as our “Legacy Fund” or “Building Fund”—financially supports the preservation of our historic parish and school facilities. These funds can be used by the Pastor for capital improvements, renovations, and/or special projects needed for the parish or school.

You can make a one-time donation or a recurring, weekly, monthly, or quarterly donation via our ParishSOFT link at <https://giving.myparishsoft.io/app/giving/FD-50> or make a check payable to Saint James Catholic Church with “Legacy Fund” or “Building Fund” in the memo line. Questions? Contact Kathleen Anderson, Director of Development, at kanderson@stjamescatholic.org. Thank you for your generosity and support!



WorkCamp Tool Training

Our WorkCamp crew left yesterday for a week of service in Shenandoah County Virginia. Students got to learn the basics of hand and power tool use and safety before putting their skills to work. The training included wearing the proper protection (helmets, work boots, safety glasses, and gloves) as well as how to use the various hand and power tools and ladders. The students were supervised and trained by our experienced contractors and adult volunteers who have accompanied them to WorkCamp this week.

Thank you to the wonderful support from our parish that allowed students to attend WorkCamp. Please keep them in your prayers this week as they help improve the lives of fellow Virginians in need.



Parish Calendar

Monday, June 22

7:00pm-8:30pm	Parish Speaker Series (see page 4)	Msgr. Heller Hall
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Tuesday, June 23

7:00am-8:00am	Saint James Fraternity	Parish House
10:00am-11:30am	Seniors Planning Meeting	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	IHM Conference Room
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House

Wednesday, June 24

12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
6:00pm-9:00pm	Young Professionals Dodgeball	Knecht Gym
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church

Thursday, June 25

10:00am-12:00pm	Divine Mercy Cenacle	Parish House
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church

Friday, June 26

11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
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Saturday, June 27

7:15am-8:15am	Men's Prayer Group	Parish House
9:00am-12:00pm	Hispanic Catechist Training	Msgr. Heller Hall
3:30pm-4:30pm/6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church
6:00pm-9:00pm	Hispanic Prayer Group	Msgr. Heller Hall

Sunday, June 28

11:30am-1:30pm	Young Professionals Brunch	Parish House
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Parish House
4:00pm-6:00pm	Youth Ministry Faith & Futbol (see page 4)	Rocket Field
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church

You're Invited



Survey for the Diocesan Capital Campaign

Bishop Burbidge invites all parishioners to share their input as the Diocese of Arlington prepares for a proposed capital campaign, *One in Christ, Joyful in Mission*. This initiative will support vital projects such as Catholic education, works of mercy, and parish vitality. **Before final decisions are made, your perspective is needed to guide priorities.**

Please take approximately ten minutes to complete a confidential online survey. Scan the QR code below to participate.

Your feedback is important to the success of our shared mission. *Thank you for your prayers and support for your diocese.*

Scan here to complete the survey by June 26



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