



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

February 23, 2025



7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." - Lk 6:38

Clergy

Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia, Pastor
Rev. John Paul Heisler, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Charles Pavlick, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Peter M. McShurley, In Residence
Rev. Mauricio Pineda, 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,
2:30pm (Spanish), Noon,
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:
9:00am-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 the Worship menu on our website 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 February Prayer Intention

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life—
Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

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- Facebook @StJamesCatholicChurch
- Instagram @stjamescatholic
- X @St_James_CC



On The Way

The Theological Virtues: Love/Charity

Definitions can seem like boring things. Heck, they can be boring things. But they also prevent a lot of confusion. And since we use the word “love” in so many different ways, it’s important to be precise about what is meant by the *virtue* of love or (more precisely) charity. The Dominican theologian Jordan Aumann defines charity as “a supernatural habit infused by God into the will, by which we love God for himself above all things, and ourselves, and our neighbor for God.” What’s this all about?

First, charity is *supernatural*. Which means that this virtue enables us to love as God loves. Now, it only makes sense that God should give us this ability because he himself commanded us, “Love one another as I have loved you.” Note that God never commands what he doesn’t give us the grace to do. Rather, when he gives a command, he also gives the grace to fulfill it. Thus Saint Augustine’s wonderful prayer: *Da quod iubes et iube quod vis* – Give what you command and command what you will.

Second, it’s a *habit*. Which means that charity (like every virtue) is a stable disposition of the soul. It’s not a random act of kindness or senseless act of beauty. It is something that inheres in the soul, i.e., becomes inherent in us.

Third, charity is *infused by God*. We don’t create charity in our soul. We can’t. We must receive the capacity to love as God has commanded. Saint Thomas Aquinas describes charity as *friendship with God*. Now, friendship means that we possess something in common with God and that we communicate with Him. What we share is nothing short of His divine life. Essentially, charity is a participation in what God is from eternity, a share in the very love of God. *God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.* (Romans 5:5)

God is the One who enables us to enter into this friendship. Because it is a share in Who He is, charity demands sanctifying grace. We must possess divine life in order to communicate with Him as a friend. Thus, a sinner, the one who has killed the sanctifying grace in his soul, no longer enjoys a friendship with God.

Fourth, charity is infused *into the will*. Even in the natural order, the virtue of love is a choice, an act of the will. The feeling of love, as we all know, comes and goes. Our various relationships – with family, friends, spouses – depend on something more, on our choosing to love the other continuously and constantly. Our intellect, enlightened by faith, informs the will about God. But by an act of the will, we love God for Himself.

Finally, it is by charity that *we love God for himself above all things, and ourselves, and our neighbor for God*. Divine goodness is the motive of charity in *all* its forms. But (as we saw last week) there is a hierarchy in charity. This is clear from our Lord’s formulation of the commandments: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind... You shall love your neighbor as yourself” (Mt 22:37-38). But “hierarchy” doesn’t really get to the point. It’s not just that we love God first, then ourselves, then others. Rather, we love God and love others because of Him and in Him. We do not love (*agape*) ourselves for our own sake or others for their own sake. We love them in God and because of God. God loves them first. And since we love God we love what He loves and because He loves.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 22

Mass for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Tony Iweagu

Sunday, February 23

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Tony Antenucci

9:00am +Marjorie and Robert Lynn Canady

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Gabor F. L. Hariss

2:30pm +Sonia Maria Mello, Altair Tozzo, and Paulo Miqueleto

7:00pm +Anacleto B. Liguez, Jr.

Monday, February 24

Monday of the Seventh Week of Ordinary Time

6:30am +Erminia and Umberto Romano

8:15am +Elizabeth and Robert Schoenberger

Noon +Gabor F. L. Hariss

Tuesday, February 25

Tuesday of the Seventh Week of Ordinary Time

6:30am +Mike Cheslar

8:15am +Roger De Silva

Noon +Gabor F. L. Hariss

Wednesday, February 26

Wednesday of the Seventh Week of Ordinary Time

6:30am +James Major, Jr.

8:15am +Susan Sullivan

Noon Siegfried Fuster

Thursday, February 27

St. Gregory of Narek

6:30am +Larry and Irene Krell

8:15am +Ngoc-Tran Le

Noon +Esther Arevalo

Friday, February 28

Friday of the Seventh Week of Ordinary Time

6:30am +James H. Major

8:15am Margaret McGahon

Noon +Getulio Fuster, Sr. and Julieta Fuster

Saturday, March 1

Saturday of the Seventh Week of Ordinary Time

8:30am +Marianne Hoag

Mass for the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Vaughn De Lee Jarred

Sunday, March 2

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Lawrence and Agnes Krell

9:00am +Thomas Benedett

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon Celine Mihal and family, living and deceased

2:30pm +Valdir Costa and Cesar Machado

7:00pm +Joseph Froio

Today's Readings

First Reading 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
"In those days, Saul went down to the desert of Ziph..."

Psalm Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13
"The Lord is kind and merciful."

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:45-49
"Brothers and sisters: It is written, The first man, Adam,"

Gospel Luke 6:27-38
"Jesus said to his disciples: 'To you who hear I say,'"

Readings for the Week

Visit www.bible.usccb.org/readings for the daily readings, responsorial psalms, and gospels for the upcoming week.

Remember in Your Prayers


the sick of our parish family

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| Juan Alarcon | Clare Dunne | Janet Owen |
| Joyce Babiak | Erik Funk | Jim Owen |
| Beatriz Basso | Katherine Garren | Carter Parry |
| Cory Bautista | Scott Herman | Colman Rowan |
| Mary Ellen Blodgett | Laura Lareau | Kathleen Seroskie |
| Betty Brunton | Alex Lohman | Robyn Stewart |
| Patricia Cavasina | Yolanda Machiado | Kathy Thomas |
| Jane C. Checkan | Jose G. Martinez | Julia Umana |
| Chloe Clagg | Mildred Melmer | Lauren Vinci |
| Brendan Collins | Gloria Mora | Liv Wash |
| Mona Demien | Julie Neil | Anne Marie Willis |
| Mike Dudzik | Rachel Noonan | Richard Ziegler |
| Roberta Dunn | Esther Olivos | |

the deceased of our parish family

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| Christopher William Arias | Mary Clare DeWeid |
| Carmine Anthony Carosella | Oscar Rene Fuentes |

and please pray for all active duty military

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| 1st Lt. Thomas Canady, USAF | CPL James Murray, USMC |  |
| SSgt Joshua Conrad, USAF | 2nd Lt. Paul Murray, USA | |
| CDR Thomas Dixon | Capt. Theresa Neubig, USMC | |
| Lt. Mathew Hayes, USN | CPT Jack Sinko, Army | |
| COL Jay Hildreth | | |

For changes or updates, 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.



Take the Parish Disability Inclusion Committee Survey!



The Parish Disability Inclusion Committee is conducting a survey of parishioners to better understand and support the needs of those in our parish with disabilities.

If a disability prevents you or a family member from participating in the Mass, Religious Education, parish activities, or accessing the Sacraments, please consider taking the survey!



The survey is open through March 17th via the QR code or at:

bit.ly/SJParishSurvey

40 Days for Life Vigil

Our local 40 Days for Life Campaign will be taking place at the Falls Church abortion facility, at 900 S. Washington St., from **Ash Wednesday, March 5th, through Palm Sunday, April 13th, from 7:00am-7:00pm**. Our parish's designated day for keeping the vigil is Wednesday. If you can come any other time, you are welcome to do so. Sign up at www.40daysforlife.com/en/fallschurch. Come and pray the Rosary on the sidewalk in front of the building for an end to abortion.

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and peaceful vigils in front of abortion businesses. Attributed to this campaign since 2007: 25,308 lives saved, 263 abortion workers quit, and 159 abortion centers closed. Can our prayers add 900 S. Washington Street to the list of closed centers? Please do not walk in the building's parking lot or block driver's right-of-way. You can walk on the grassy strip next to the main street.

Email Rich Hunter, stjameslife@gmail.com, with any questions.

Life Corner



Understanding the Ramifications of the Proposed VA Constitutional Amendment on Abortion

—What is at stake and how radical and dangerous is this measure? The proposed amendment is broadly written and will be left to judges to interpret its meaning in the future. This opens the door for harmful interpretations of the wording by our courts. Each week we will be shining a spotlight on a different danger in the VA abortion amendment.

This week's spotlight: This amendment could overturn VA law protecting parental consent over a minor regarding an abortion. The amendment begins right off stating, "That every individual has the fundamental right to reproductive freedom." The amendment is not limited to adults, but for every individual. There are no age restrictions. This amendment could apply equally to minor girls who would have a fundamental right to "reproductive freedom," including a right to an abortion. If this amendment was not intended to apply to minor girls, the language could have been written to say, "every adult." But it does not.

Be informed: Search "Text of VA SJ247" or "Text of VA HJ1" and read this proposed constitutional amendment.

Respect Life News: If you would like to be on the parish email list for Respect Life News, email stjameslife@gmail.com.

First Communion Parent Meeting

The Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) will hold a First Communion Parent Meeting this coming **Wednesday, February 26th, from 7:30pm-9:00pm** in Monsignor Heller Hall.

This meeting is for parents only.

If you have any questions about the meeting, please contact the Religious Education office at 703-533-1182 x104 or religioused@saintjamesschool.org.

Parish News (Continued)

March 2nd Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring its first blood drive in 2025 on **Sunday, March 2nd, from 8:30am-2:30pm** at the Arlington Knights of Columbus, 5115 Little Falls Road, Arlington. Your charitable act helps INOVA to replenish its blood supply, which is shared with all local hospitals for their patients in need. The patients in need, their doctors, and medical staff are truly grateful for your "Gift of Life." **We hope returning and any new donors join us in March.**



Schedule an appointment one of three ways:

- Call 1-866-BLOODSAVES (1-866-256-6372) and use Sponsor Code 6216
- Call or email Bob Muschamp with your preferred time, 703-489-2856 or bobpatmuschamp@yahoo.com
- Visit https://www.inovabloodsaves.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/33213

Your single donation is a gift of life that could save the lives of two or more persons in need. Our parish participation always helps to make these blood drives successful!

God bless you for what you do for others, as you do it for Him. Call Len Sese, Knight and Saint James parishioner, at 301-793-8184 if you have any questions.

2025 Saint James School Gala and Auction

The SJS Gala & Auction on **March 1st** is the PTO's flagship fundraising and social event of the year. Parents, alumni, friends of SJS, and parishioners gather to support the school in a festive and elegant environment. Proceeds from the Gala benefit Saint James School's education programs, service projects and need-based student aid.

We have a new venue this year at Washington Golf & Country Club with a buffet-style food stations.

So, come roll the dice for a great cause! Visit sjsptova.ejoinme.org/casinoroyale for more details and to order tickets this week.



Seniors Young at Heart St. Patrick's Day Celebration

A Shepherd's pie dinner will be provided. Guests are asked to bring a salad or dessert for six.

We will celebrate St. Patrick's with a sing-along of Irish tunes.

RSVP by March 17th, to one of the following:

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

**Thursday, March 20th
5:00pm-7:00pm**





St. Lucy Project



HYGIENE DRIVE

March 1st | 10 AM – 2 PM | Gym Parking Lot
(Corner of Park Ave. & Oak St, Falls Church)

**Drive up;
Pop your trunk;
and we do the rest!**

**SHAMPOO, DEODORANT
LAUNDRY DETERGENT,
TOOTHBRUSHES, BABY WIPES**

Thank you!

Scan QR code for details or to donate virtually



The Triumph of the Immaculate Heart

March is the month of St. Joseph, and March 1st is the first Saturday.

At Fatima, Our Lady said that the final attack of Satan will be against the family. As we honor St. Joseph this month and reflect on his role, in the Holy Family, as virginal foster father of Jesus and the spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, consider making the first Saturday devotion as requested by Mary at Fatima.

“I promise to assist at the hour of death, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall:

1. Go to confession and receive Holy Communion,
2. Recite the Rosary,
3. And keep Me company for a quarter of an hour while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary,
4. With the intention of making reparation to Me. I promise to assist them at the hour of their death with all the graces necessary to save their souls.”

In the end, my Immaculate Heart will Triumph.





Camino de Santiago

SPAIN PILGRIMAGE

INFORMATION MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 7:00 PM
Monsignor Heller Hall, St. James School
Please R.S.V.P.: JMJtours.com/Camino

The Way of St. James, Sarria to Santiago de Compostela
August 31 - September 11, 2025

O Cebreiro • Sarria • Ferreiros • Portomarin • Ventas de Naron • Lugo
Palas de Rei • Melide • Arzua • O Pino • Santiago de Compostela

Very Reverend
Paul D. Scalia
Pastor
St. James Catholic Church
Diocese of Arlington, VA

Early
Registration
SAVE \$100
SEE WEBSITE FOR
DUE DATE



JMJtours.com/Camino



Join Us During Lent

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, March 5th**, 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.

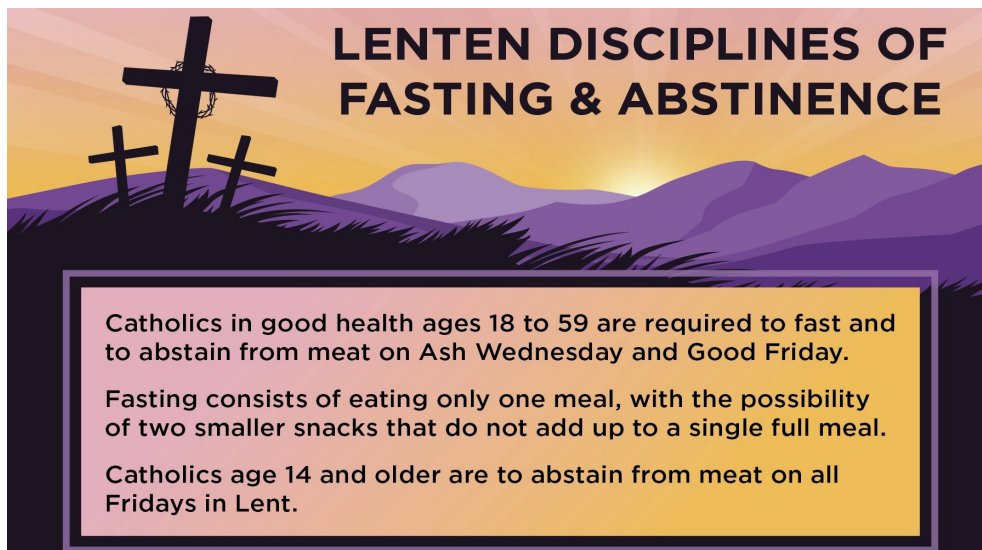
Adoration and Confession suspended on this day.

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule March 5

**6:30am
8:15am**
Noon
5:00pm
7:00pm
8:30pm (Spanish)**

****Also livestreamed**

Adoration and Confession suspended.



**LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF
FASTING & ABSTINENCE**

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.



Lenten Retreats—Day 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.

- **Day of Recollection for Women on March 8th**
- **Day of Recollection for Men on March 15th**

The fee for the day, if you will be eating breakfast and lunch, is \$20; otherwise, there is no fee. Payment can be made as follows:

- Checks made payable to Saint James Catholic Church
- Online payment at www.PayPal.Me/stjamescatholic

Note 'Lenten Retreat' on payments. To register, email Julie Marx at juliemarx14@gmail.com.

"Day of Recollection" Lenten Retreats



**Women - March 8th
Men - March 15th**

8:30am-noon

Join Us During Lent (Continued)

Lenten Liturgy of the Hours

Monday-Saturday starting
Thursday, March 6th

Morning Prayer 8:00am-8:15am



Compline 8:30pm-8:45pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT

STARTING MARCH 7TH

SPANISH 6:00PM-7:00PM
ENGLISH 7:30PM-8:30PM



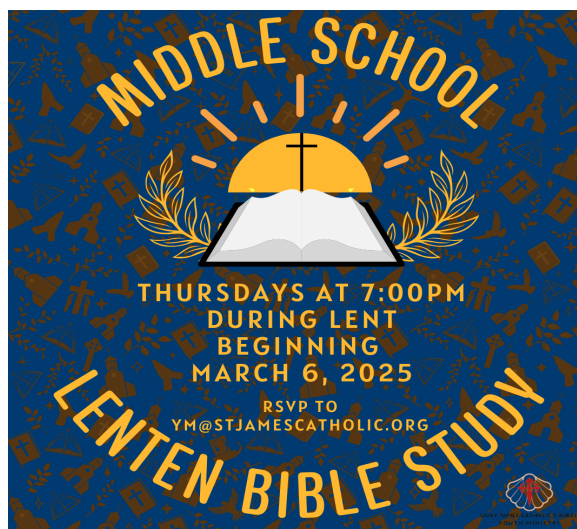
Reminder
Extended Confessions
Wednesdays During Lent
6:30pm-8:00pm



Beginning March 12th

The Light is
ON for You

#TheLightIsON



THURSDAYS AT 7:00PM
DURING LENT
BEGINNING
MARCH 6, 2025

RSVP TO
YM@STJAMESCATHOLIC.ORG

Saint James Lenten Fish Fry

IT'S BACK!



Every Friday in Lent
Starting Friday, March 7th
5:00-8:00pm

Volunteer signup posted soon

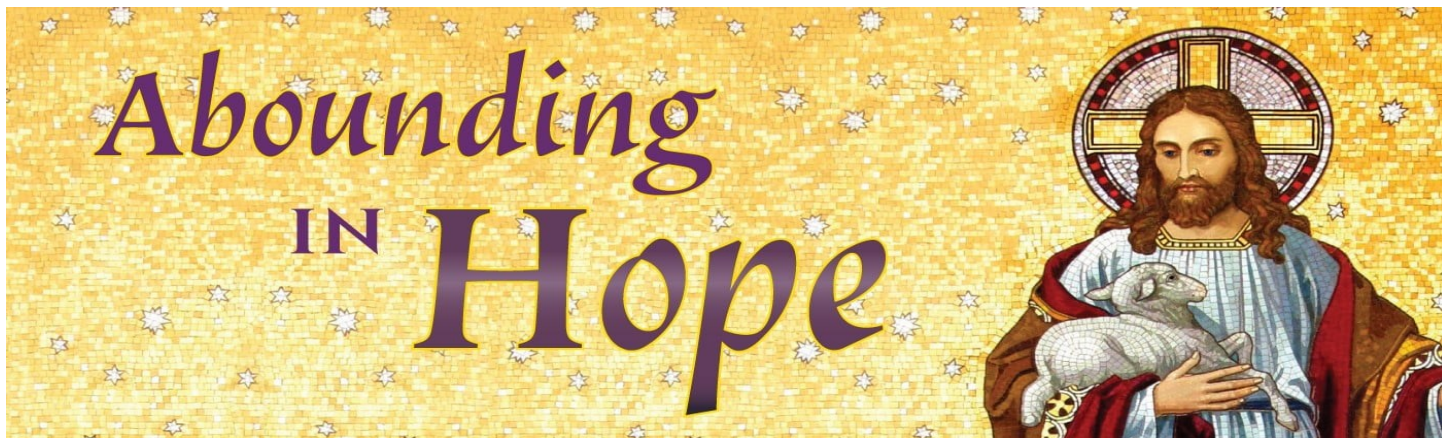
Saint James Lenten Fish Fry

Saint James' popular Lenten Fish Fry returns for the 16th year every Friday in Lent starting March 7th from 5:00pm-8:00pm.

Come early and you will be done in time to attend Stations of the Cross.

We will have drive-thru and in-person dining. Menu includes fried or baked fish, hush puppies, fries or baked potato, cole slaw, rolls, macaroni and cheese, and cake.

This is a great community event that requires lots of volunteers. There are jobs for a variety of ages, with varying time slots, so please look carefully when signing up. An online signup will be available soon. Help is always needed.



2025 Bishop’s Lenten Appeal (BLA) Begins

The 2025 BLA Commitment Sunday is next weekend! Once a year we are asked to make a pledge to sustain the good works funded by the BLA which offer vital services and assistance to those in need across our communities. We are asking every family to participate to help our parish make our goal. By participating in the BLA, we renew our commitment to the Lord with a response to His call to serve our brothers and sisters.

All gifts, no matter the size, are gratefully and joyfully accepted!

You can make a gift by scanning the QR code to the right or by visiting www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA.



All Saints Car Raffle Update

Thanks to all those who have returned their car raffle tickets—special thanks to those who have requested extras to sell to their relatives, friends, co-workers, etc.

As a reminder, prizes include four 2025 vehicles from Ourisman Ford of Manassas (Escape, Mustang, Bronco Sport and Maverick (Hybrid) Truck) plus 21 cash drawings totaling \$40,000.

The proceeds from this annual Car Raffle helps Saint James serve the needs of our wonderful parish.

If you need more tickets to sell, call the Rectory at 703-532-8815.

Please note that raffle tickets must be processed at All Saints. All checks must be made payable to All Saints Catholic Church. **All tickets/ticket stubs must be returned to All Saints by close of business April 29th.**

Thank you in advance for your support.





Our students enjoy science class in all our grades. They get to better understand topics with hands-on science experiments. Recently, our fifth graders learned all about the parts of a volcano. They made volcanoes in the science lab and then took them outdoors to add ingredients to each one and watched as "lava" flowed over the top. Mrs. Bush added the final ingredient (white vinegar) to make the volcanoes erupt.



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Theatre Camps

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SAINT JAMES IN JUNE



Beginning Acting Camp

In this one-week beginning acting session for 3rd-6th graders, campers will gain hands-on experience in the theatre through writing their own bios for the program, memorizing their lines, and learning to project their voices. In improv games and show rehearsals each day, they will gain a greater appreciation for the role of the ensemble and get comfortable on the stage.

Session 1: June 16-20, 2025

Session 2: June 23-27, 2025

Time: Monday-Friday, 9am-2pm

Cost: \$300

Location: St. James, 905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

For more information, visit
EMBERSTHEATRE.ORG



Parish Calendar

Monday, February 24

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| 7:00m-8:15pm | High School Theology | School Library |
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Tuesday, February 25

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

Wednesday, February 26

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| 10:00am-11:30am | Women's Bible Study | Knecht |
| 12:30pm-8:00pm | Adoration | Church |
| 7:00pm-8:00pm | Confessions | Church |
| 7:00pm-8:30pm | OCIA | Knecht |
| 7:00pm-9:00pm | Men's Bible Study | Parish House |
| 7:30pm-9:00pm | First Communion Parent Meeting (see page 4) | Msgr. Heller Hall |

Thursday, February 27

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| 10:00am-12:00pm | Divine Mercy Cenacle | Parish House |
| 12:30pm-8:00pm | Adoration | Church |
| 7:00pm-8:00pm | Confessions | Church |
| 7:00pm-9:00pm | Women's Bible Study | School Reading Room |

Friday, February 28

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| 11:00am-11:45am | Confessions | Church |
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Saturday, March 1

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| 10:00am-2:00pm | Catholic Charities Hygiene Drive (see page 6) | Gym Parking Lot |
| 3:30pm-4:30pm & 6:30pm-7:30pm | Confessions | Church |
| 6:15pm-9:00pm | Hispanic Marriage Prep | Parish House |

Sunday, March 2

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| 10:00am-11:15am | Special Religious Ed (SPRED) | Knecht |
| 10:00am-12:00pm | Donut Sunday (after the 9:00am and 10:30am Masses) | Msgr. Heller Hall |
| 10:00am-2:00pm | Parish Library Open | Parish House |
| 12:00pm-2:00pm | Hispanic OCIA | Knecht |
| 1:00pm-2:15pm | Hispanic PREP | School |
| 4:00pm-5:30pm | Hispanic Legion of Mary | Parish House |
| 5:00pm-6:00pm | Holy Hour | Church |
| 8:00pm-9:00pm | Exodus 90 #2 | Parish House |

2025 Scout Religious Awards

Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, and American Heritage Girls attended the annual Saint James Scout Mass on February 9th at the 9:00am Mass.

Twelve **Girl Scouts** earned **My Promise My Faith** pin which helps them learn the connections between parts of the Girl Scout Promise and their faith.

Nine **Cub Scouts** earned the **Light of Christ** which helps the Cub Scout develop a personal relationship with Jesus. With the parents' active assistance and participation in this program, it is hoped that the Cub will come to see Jesus as a real person and friend. One Cub Scout earned **Parvuli Dei** which includes a wide range of activities in order to discover the presence of God in their daily lives.

The American Heritage Girls (AHG) earned the following awards: one girl earned **The Guardian Angel Religious Award Program**, two girls earned **Deus et Familia Mea (God and My Family)**, and two girls earned **Deus et Patria Mea (God and My Country)**. The AHG Catholic Faith Awards were created for Catholic American Heritage Girls to learn more about their faith and develop a stronger relationship with Christ in a fun and hands-on manner.

Father Pavlick blessed and awarded religious pins and awards which the Scouts earned in addition to their regular advancement activities. Thank you, Saint James Parish, for your continued support of Scouting.