



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

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October 26, 2025



30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"But the tax collector stood off at a distance...and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." - Lk 18:13a, 13c-14

Clergy

Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia, Pastor
Rev. Charles Pavlick, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Timothy D. Banach, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Mauricio Pineda, In Residence
Rev. Daniel Reuwer, In Residence
Rev. Raymond Emedo, In Residence
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Weekdays: 9:00am-9:00pm (closed 12:45pm-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: 6:30am and 8:15am

Holy Days: 6:30am, 8:15am, Noon,
5:00pm, 7:00pm, and
8:30pm (Spanish)

Low-Gluten Hosts

Those who need low-gluten hosts are asked to come stand at the Sacred Heart statue for Communion.

Adoration

Wednesdays and Thursdays:
12:30pm-8:00pm

First Fridays:
10:00am-Noon
7:30pm to 8:30am on Saturday
(All-Night Adoration)

Holy Hours

Sundays: 5:00pm
Third Thursdays: 7:00pm

Confessions

Wednesdays: 7:00pm-8:00pm

Thursdays: 7:00pm-8:00pm

Fridays: 11:00am-11:45am

Saturdays: 3:30pm-4:30pm and
6:30pm-7:30pm

Baptisms

Baptisms are done every Sunday. Please contact the Rectory office to begin making arrangements prior to the child's birth. Registration in the parish is required prior to scheduling. Both parents are required to attend a pre-baptismal program and are encouraged to do so before the birth of their child.

Marriage

Contact the Rectory office for information and to begin marriage preparation with one of our priests. Marriage preparation is a six-month program. No date will be set for the wedding until a priest has met with the couple.

Visit our Worship menu for more details,
stjamescatholic.org/sacraments/.

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Parish Registration

To register with the parish or to update your contact information, call the Rectory office or email them at receptionist@stjamescatholic.org.

The Pope's October Prayer Intention

For collaboration between different religious traditions—Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

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On The Way

Saint Augustine: The Last Days & Legacy

In 429 the Vandals crossed the straight of Gibraltar, from Europe into Northern Africa. They went quickly eastward and in 430 besieged Hippo. Four years earlier, the city's bishop, Augustine, had appointed his successor and was by then arranging for his last days. Now with the terror of the siege he comforted and consoled the citizens of Hippo and the many refugees gathered there.

In human terms, there must have been tremendous sadness in Augustine's heart. The Roman Empire in which he had grown up and made a name for himself was going the way of all empires. And it wasn't clear what would replace it. The coming destruction of his city would mean the loss of what he had planted and tended for forty years. He made provision for his writings to be spirited out of the city to safety. But all else would be lost. He suffered the sadness of seeing all that he knew and loved would be destroyed as he ended his life. In worldly terms, he had failed.

In this, he was following in the steps of his Master. At His death, Jesus looked from the Cross and saw not enormous crowd but just a few people who had remained true to Him. In worldly, human terms He had failed. But the seeds that He had planted, and the seed of His own Body that would be planted in the tomb, would bear great fruit. So also Augustine appreciated that a failure or defeat in the eyes of the world is often the seed of new life.

Three months into the siege, Augustine took to his bed with what would be his final illness. People still came to him constantly for his instruction, consolation, and comfort. He eventually prevailed on them to leave him alone to prepare for death. He made a general confession and instructed that the Penitential Psalms be written out in large print and posted on his wall. That way he could contemplate them from his death bed and thus prepare for the end.

As things unraveled around him, Saint Augustine didn't allow the loss of all things to weigh him down. *Non tollit Gothus quod custodit Christus ~ The Goth (Vandal) cannot take what Christ holds secure.* What he had entrusted to Christ – his life, teaching, labor, and love – could not ultimately be taken by the Vandals. Indeed, as the barbarians were at the walls of the city, he was at the gates of heaven. They would take Hippo by force of arms, and he would take the New Jerusalem by his humble union with Christ.

We worry too much about good results here and now. We're anxious to see the fruits of our labor. But when we instead labor for divine things and with a supernatural outlook, our minds are more at peace and our work more effective. We're planting seeds for future harvest. So Augustine didn't desire to establish a new world or create a new civilization. He desired to keep himself and his flock faithful to Christ. But that single hearted focus on eternal things had profound temporal effects.

Augustine's world had grown old, feeble, and weary. He himself was old and would soon die. But Christ is young, and He restores our youth. As Augustine told his faithful, "Do not refuse to be rejuvenated united to Christ, even in the old world. He tells you: Do not fear, your youth will be renewed like that of the eagle." With the fall of the Roman Empire, Europe entered the dark ages. But a constant light in those centuries – and still today in our own dark ages – was the example and the teaching of Saint Augustine. May he continue to pray for us.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Thirtieth Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 25

Mass for the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Tekla Salapata

Sunday, October 26

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Brian and Donna Norton

9:00am +Gary Curtin

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Therese and Bernard Kramer

2:30pm Special Intention

7:00pm +Peggy Trainor

Monday, October 27

Monday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Col. John James McCambridge

8:15am +Janusz Herburt-Hewell

Noon +Joe Croce

Tuesday, October 28

SS Simon and Jude

6:30am Peggy Lumpkins

8:15am +Rev. Lee Gross

Noon +Zenaida G. Humphrey and Erin Jessica Humphrey

Wednesday, October 29

Wednesday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Ivy Duran

8:15am +John Ryan

Noon +Hank Kenny

Thursday, October 30

Thursday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am Joseph Gonsalves

8:15am Stephanie and Ed Hanley

Noon +Richard Hoffman

Friday, October 31

Friday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Mary and Thomas Carney

8:15am +Sinforosa Arce Rojas

Noon +Tom Kuehne

Saturday, November 1

All Saints' Day

8:30am +Isabelo, Priscila, and Arnold Apigo

Noon Pro Populo

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

5:00pm +Edward O'Laughlin

Sunday, November 2

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

7:30am +Jack and Marilyn Manion

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

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +All Souls in Purgatory

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

7:00pm +Alex and Theresa Korbeck

Today's Readings

First Reading

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

"The LORD is a God of justice, who knows no favorites."

Psalms

Psalms 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23

"The Lord hears the cry of the poor."

Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

"Beloved: I am already being poured out like a libation,"

Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

"Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced..."

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

Thomas Duncan

Julie Neil

Joyce Babiak

Roberta Dunn

Rachel Noonan

James Banks

Katherine Garren

Esther Olivos

Beatriz Basso

Anthony L. Gerena

Carter Parry

Cory Bautista

Monica Giove

Colman Rowan

Betty Brunton

Silvia Guevara

BJ Salinas

Jim Buscher

Scott Herman

Kathleen Seroskie

Patricia Cavasina

Laura Lareau

Robyn Stewart

Jane C. Checkan

Yolanda Machiado

Lauren Vinci

Chloe Clagg

Jose G. Martinez

Liv Wash

Grace Coipuram

Gloria Mora

Anne Marie Willis

John Cormany

Mildred Melmer

Mary Winslow

Mona Demien

the deceased of our parish family

Lorraine Caroline Hammer

James Loren Waddick

Carol Marie Keister

and please pray for all active duty military

2nd Lt. James Canady, USAF

Capt. Sierra Lancaster, USAF

1st Lt. Thomas Canady, USAF

Cmdr. Bruce Lee, USN

Maj. Michael Conrad, USA

Cpl. James Murray, USMC

LTJG William Conroy, USN

2nd Lt. Joseph Murray, USMC

CDR Thomas Dixon, USN

2LT Paul Murray, USA

FN Frank (FX) Giaccio, USN

Capt. Theresa Neubig, USMC

Lt. Mathew Hayes, USN

2LT Finn Roou, USA

Col. Jay Hildreth, USA



1st Lt. Mario Suarez, USAF

For changes, email communications@stjamescatholic.org.

Saint James Prayer Chain

Become a praying member of the Saint James Prayer Chain. We are dedicated to praying for the intentions of our parish families and their loved ones. For more information, visit the *Saint James Prayer Chain* page under Faith Formation on www.stjamescatholic.org.



- Sign up to be a praying member at <http://eepurl.com/gURddD>.
- Submit a request to PrayerChain@saintjamescatholic.org.

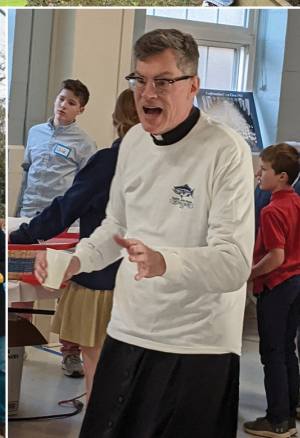
Saint James CATHOLIC CHURCH

2025
ANNUAL REPORT



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Saint James Parish

Dear Friends in Christ,

AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, WE ARE APPROACHING the end of the Jubilee Year 2025. Pope Francis dedicated this year to the virtue of hope, by which we trust in the Lord's promises of eternal life and for every help necessary to get there. Ultimately, we hope in God. But along the way, He gives us "lesser hopes" (as Pope Benedict called them). The fulfillment of these are signs of God's providential care and are an encouragement to hope in Him more. We need those lesser hopes to build us up for the greatest hope.

As I review and present the Saint James Parish FY25 annual report, it becomes clear to me that a Catholic parish is a place where hope is nurtured, where we learn of God's promises and are strengthened to trust in them more. It is also a place where many of our lesser hopes are fulfilled. This report gives us many reasons to hope. One reason is the goodness and generosity of parishioners who fulfill our lesser hopes and become signs of God's goodness.

Thanks be to God, our financial report is good. Offertory (+6%) and unrestricted giving were both over budget for the year. This helped generate a modest surplus which will help us complete the many capital improvement projects planned for this current fiscal year. For a deeper dive, please refer to the Financial Statement on page 3 of this report.

Our Parish and School – and all their lesser hopes – rely on your continued generosity. On the weekend of October 25th/26th I will speak briefly at all Masses regarding the report and your offertory commitment. As always, I ask that your offertory gift of the coming year be a prayerfully decided commitment that reflects God's goodness to you and your gratitude to him. Please pray and reflect on your offertory commitment for the coming year.

Through the intercession of Our Lady and Saint James, may the Lord bless and keep you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Paul Scalin



Saint James Parish

FY25 FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Operating Accounts	1,052,848
DIAL Savings	4,148,162
Endowment Investments	188,679
Other Assets	50,911
TOTAL ASSETS	\$5,440,599

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	184,065
Deferred Revenue	332,538
Other Liabilities	279,751
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$796,354

NET ASSETS

Without Donor Restrictions (Unrestricted)	3,706,830
With Donor Restrictions (Temporarily Restricted)	598,737
With Donor Restrictions (Permanently Restricted)	338,679
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$4,644,245
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$5,440,599

INCOME STATEMENT

REVENUE SOURCES

	CHURCH	SCHOOL	PARISH
Offertory/Tuition Related Income	2,616,962	4,146,682	6,763,644
Ministry Income	396,516	-	396,516
School Student Services	-	323,648	323,648
Parish Investment in School	-	354,228	354,228
Other Income	495,287	570,126	1,065,413
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$3,508,764	\$5,394,684	\$8,903,448

EXPENDITURES

Clergy	207,590	-	207,590
Staffing	1,147,584	4,202,771	5,350,355
Ministry Expense	570,860	-	570,860
School Supplies and Services	-	376,779	376,779
Parish Investment in School	354,228	-	354,228
Buildings Expense	337,392	558,933	896,325
Administrative Expense	484,040	256,202	740,241

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$3,101,693	\$5,394,684	\$8,496,378
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NET OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

\$407,071	\$-	\$407,071
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OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE

Capital Fund/Extraordinary Income	287,487	151,750	439,237
Capital Expenditures	535,444	87,297	622,741

NET OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)	\$(247,957)	\$64,453	\$(183,504)
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NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

\$159,114	\$64,453	\$223,567
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Our Year in Review 2024-2025

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE THEME FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 IS HOPE.

As Pope Francis stated at the start of the Jubilee Year, we are called to be “Pilgrims of Hope” in relation to God and others since “*Hope does not disappoint.*” The Jubilee Year calls for *spiritual renewal* and *good stewardship* through prayer, service to others and life-giving care of God’s creation. As our timeline shows, the People of Saint James have generously responded to this call to be “Pilgrims of Hope.” It can be seen in our increased apostolic and social outreach to those in need, in the witness of our IHM Sisters, three of whom celebrated Jubilees for 50, 60 and 70 years of faithful service, and in the men and women entering the priesthood and religious life – for example, Mary Steinbicker, who entered the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM), and Drew Niklason who entered the seminary for the Diocese of Arlington. These are all signs of hope, the Christian’s response to the world’s darkness and despair. Another great sign of hope is the abundant generosity of our parishioners who tirelessly give of their *Time, Talent* and *Treasure*. As we look back at the highlights of FY25, may we continue to be joyful, prayerful and active “Pilgrims of Hope” for the remaining months of this Jubilee Year. Enjoy!



JULY/AUGUST 2024

VACATION BIBLE STUDY’s theme is “Diving into Friendship with God,” with 85 children in attendance.

FR. RAYMOND EMEDO arrives after Fr. Joel Kwame’s departure to begin studies at Divine Mercy University.



SCIENCE NIGHT returns to the Parish Garden; CCM hosts another family-fun, educational event!

BISHOP BURBIDGE says Mass for the IHM Sisters in their newly refurbished convent chapel, just before the end of their year-long IHM centennial celebration (September 17, 2024).

MSGR. FRANK HENDRICK peacefully dies at the age of 97 after 70 years of priestly service. He served as Parochial Vicar of St. James Parish from 1954 to 1959, under the guidance of Msgr. Paul Heller.



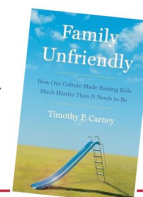
NATS FAITH DAY is attended by 50 parishioners. Everyone has a great time, even though the Cubs win!



SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

SCHOOL’S OUTDOOR CLASSROOM is blessed by Fr. Scalia and dedicated in honor of former Principal, Sister Mary Sue Carwile, IHM.

SPEAKER SERIES BEGINS with parishioner, journalist and author Timothy Carney discussing his latest book, *Family Unfriendly: How Our Culture Makes Raising Kids Much Harder Than It Needs to Be*.



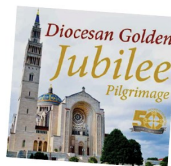
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SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER (continued)

PARISH PICNIC is marked by good food, great weather and fun carnival games.

SOCIAL OUTREACH collects 10,400 pounds of food for the St. Lucy's Project, beating last year's record by 400 pounds! Special thanks to Boy Scout Troop 681 for their hard work.

DIOCESAN GOLDEN JUBILEE concludes with a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine. Bishop Burbidge leads this final celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Diocese of Arlington.



CATHOLIC TRIVIA NIGHT generates 1,974 lbs. of hygiene donations for Catholic Charities with the help of 19 Teams and 170+ participants.

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

PARISH MINISTRY FAIR takes place with over 30+ ministries in attendance.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS host Female Faith Formation with talks by Sr. Kathryn and Sr. Alexis.

IHM SISTERS RENEW their vows on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

THE HOLY DOORS OF ST. PETER'S BASILICA are opened by Pope Francis on Christmas Eve marking the beginning of the Jubilee Year of Hope.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2025



SENIORS YOUNG AT HEART hosts a fun meatloaf dinner and bingo night.

SAINT JAMES ATTENDS the 52nd Annual March for Life.

ROSÉ & ROSARIES Sr. Kathryn and Sr. Alexis return for a fun evening of faith formation with our Young Professional Women.

MARCH/APRIL

CASINO ROYALE is the theme of the PTO's 21st annual Gala.

SPEAKER SERIES HOSTS Dr. Andrew Abela, author of *Super Habits: The Universal System for a Successful Life*.



FISH FRY BEGINS its 16th year by inviting everyone to "Come as a Grouper."



ARCHBISHOP TIMOTHY BROGLIO confirms 107 teenage candidates.





MARCH/APRIL (continued)

RESPECT LIFE group attends Virginia March for Life with Bishop Burbidge and Fr. Pavlick

BOY SCOUT TROOP 681 celebrates seven SJS graduates who achieve the highest rank of Eagle.

VIA CRUCIS is prayerfully attended by the Hispanic Community on Good Friday.

POPE FRANCIS DIES on Easter Monday. Fr. Scalia celebrates a Mass of Remembrance which concludes with the church bells ringing 88 times – one for each year of the Pope's life



VOLUNTEER DINNER is a great event with over 500 people in attendance.

SISTER PATRICIA HEALEY, IHM retires to Camilla Hall after five years of service at St. James School, including two years as Superior of the Convent.



MAY/JUNE 2025

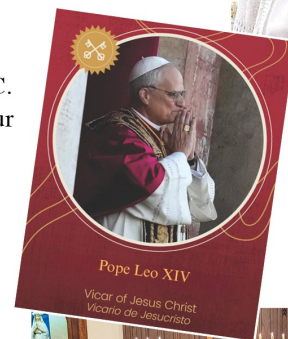
YOUTH MINISTRY HOSTS Faith Day for the D.C. United soccer game; 150 parishioners attend, and our school choir sings the National Anthem.

POPE LEO XIV is elected on May 8th. He is the first American born Pope.

CREATION CARE MINISTRY invites new volunteers to help plant our Parish Garden.

IHM JUBILARIANS: Sr. Regina Rosarii (50 yrs), Sr. Elizabeth Goltman (60 yrs) and Sr. Helen Gilroy (70 yrs) renew their vows at the Noon Mass on May 18th. Fr. Scalia gives each IHM Sister a bouquet of flowers in gratitude for their faithful service.

MOMS MEET UP GROUP enjoys an Art Tour with Father Scalia.



FATHER JOHN PAUL leads the Eucharistic Procession for the Feast of Corpus Christi. It is followed by a farewell reception thanking him for his four years of joyful and generous service.

WORK CAMP 2025 brings 21 teens, 5 adult crew leaders, 4 contractors and 5 security volunteers to Shenandoah County. It's Fr. John Paul's last workcamp before leaving for his new assignment.



WELCOME FATHER TIM BANACH, our new Parochial Vicar, who was ordained on June 7th. AP News covered the event!



ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

FISCAL YEAR 2025 ENDS WITH IMPRESSIVE RESULTS— both spiritually and financially. Offertory was 6% over budget and we reached or exceeded our development & fundraising goals. *Reach More*, an evangelization ministry that teaches participants how to share the Gospel, is hosting its third class of volunteers. This training has also been extended to our parish and school staff. Our current Parish Ministries (40+) continue to thrive, and new ones keep forming. None of this would be possible without your generosity and support. **Thank You!**

Finally, in this special Jubilee Year, please consider making a pilgrimage to one of the 8 Holy Sites designated by Bishop Burbidge to pray for the needs of the Church and to obtain a plenary indulgence. See the Arlington Diocese website for more details. As Pilgrims of Hope, may we continue to bring the joy of the Gospel to everyone we meet. **Saint James, pray for us!**



Who We Are

Fun Facts

SAINT JAMES PARISH AT A GLANCE

9,186
Parishioners

177
Baptisms

3,532
Registered Households

147
Confirmations

484
School Students

75
Anointing of the Sick

441
Prep Students

58
Funerals

300
Weekly Penitents

54
Marriages & Validations

184
First Communions

29
New Catechumens
& Candidates

What We Achieved

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

- \$2,616,962 in Offertory, including \$1,706,161.40 in Faith Direct gifts
- 776 Faith Direct donors, including 680 recurring and 96 one-time E-givers
- \$215,431 in National & Diocesan Second Collections, including \$31,360 raised for our MCP Mission to St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- \$216,388.64 raised for the school's Annual Appeal, Guardian Angel Scholarship Fund and Clarke-Delaney Teacher Retention Fund.
- The PTO's *Casino Royale* Gala raises almost \$210,000 for the school!
- Almost \$140,000 over goal for the BLA with a 24% participation rate.
- 200+ families served two bags of food per month by our Food Distribution Team.
- 534 gift cards totaling \$13,350 given to six homeless shelters.
- Prepared and delivered meals for 90 people monthly at Christ House.
- Donated 10,400 lbs of food to the St. Lucy's Project!
- 173 visits to senior residences and 22 visits to senior homes by the Legion of Mary
- Fish Fry served 7,742 meals in 6 weeks, including 771 free meals provided to the needy. That's 1,290 meals per week!



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Thank you to our amazing volunteers who make all this possible!



SAINT JAMES PARISH GROUPS

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Parish News

Parish Speaker Series

This Monday, October 27th, 7:00pm

Monsignor Heller Hall

Father Carter Griffin

“Sanctity in the Family”

Father Carter Griffin is the rector of Saint John Paul II Seminary in Washington. He is also a graduate of Princeton University and a former naval officer. He will be speaking on his Catholic parenting manual called *‘Forming Families, Forming Saints’*.

Father Griffin will offer wisdom, structure, and encouragement for those striving to raise faithful children.

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

All Saints’ Day November 1st

This year All Saints’ Day falls on a Saturday. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation. However, there will be **one additional Mass at Noon on Saturday, November 1st**, for All Saints’ Day.

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls’ Day Mass)

This year All Souls’ Day falls on **Sunday, November 2nd**. All Masses that weekend will commemorate the faithful departed.

We will honor those who have died since November 2024 with a special insert in the bulletin that weekend.

Nine Day Novena for All Souls

Saint James will pray a daily Novena for nine days for all souls **starting at the Noon Mass on Sunday, November 2nd**, through November 10th. During the nine days, November 2-10, the Novena will be held at the noon Mass except on Saturday, November 8th, when it will be at the 8:30am Mass.

Prayer Box for the Nine Day Novena

There is a prayer box in the main and Park Avenue vestibules until this Friday, October 31st, after the Noon Mass. The remembrance envelopes will be beside the prayer boxes to list the names of your deceased loved ones for our Novena. Fill out and place the envelope in one of the prayer boxes to have prayers offered for your loved ones.

Diocesan Service Week—November 9-16

Bishop Burbidge invites all members of the faith to participate in the inaugural Arlington Diocese Service Week from **November 9-16, 2025**. The theme is *“Love in Action – Service in Community”*. Join us in being the hands and heart of Christ to others. Let’s serve with purpose, pray with hope, and grow together in the love of God.

Below are just a few areas of service you can support at Saint James. These projects are based on the seven corporal works of mercy. **Please visit <https://stjamescatholic.org/diocesan-week-of-service/> or scan the QR code to visit the Diocesan Service Week web page with more details and opportunities to volunteer.** There are opportunities for individuals, families, and our parish ministries to serve in some capacity.



Signup to donate blood on November 11th



Signup to help collect baby donations and coats



Signup to donate cookies for Kairos Women’s Prison



Groups of 2-4 signup to rake and cleanup leaves for older parishioners

These events all occur on Tuesday, November 11th, Veteran’s Day

Parish Calendar

Monday, October 27

7:00pm-8:30pm Parish Speaker Series: Fr. Griffin (see page 12) Monsignor Heller Hall

Tuesday, October 28

7:00am-7:45am Saint James Fraternity-Exodus 90 Parish House
4:45pm & 7:00pm PREP Classes School
7:00pm-8:15pm High School Theology School Library
7:30pm-9:00pm Charismatic Prayer Group Knecht Conference Room
7:30pm-9:00pm Legion of Mary Parish House

Wednesday, October 29

9:30am-11:30am Women's Bible Study Knecht Conference Room
12:30pm-8:00pm Adoration Church
7:00pm-8:00pm Confessions Church
7:00pm-8:00pm Men's Bible Study Parish House
7:00pm-8:30pm OCIA Msgr. Heller Hall

Thursday, October 30

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

Friday, October 31

11:00am-11:45am Confessions Church

Saturday, November 1 **All Saints' Day (see page 12)**

7:15am-8:15am Men's Prayer Group Parish House
10:00am-12:00pm Co-ed Bible Study Parish House
3:30pm-4:30pm & 6:30pm-7:30pm Confessions Church
6:00pm-8:30pm Hispanic Prayer Group Msgr. Heller Hall

Sunday, November 2 **All Souls' Day (see page 12)**

10:00am-12:30pm Donut Sunday after 9:00am & 10:30am Masses Msgr. Heller Hall
10:00am-2:00pm Parish Library Open Parish House
10:15am-11:00am PREP Special Needs Classes Knecht Conference Room
12:00pm-2:00pm Hispanic OCIA Knecht Conference Room
1:00pm-2:00pm Religion Classes for Spanish PREP Parents Cafeteria
1:00pm-2:15pm Spanish PREP School
4:00pm-5:30pm Hispanic Legion of Mary Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm Holy Hour Church

Faith Direct Transitions to Parish Soft

One of the best ways you can support our Parish financially is by enrolling in E-giving, since it ensures consistent donations to our parish. If you are currently enrolled in Faith Direct for your offertory giving, please note that on **November 5th Faith Direct will transition to a new online giving platform called ParishSOFT.**

- It will be an automatic, secure migration that will transfer your current giving data and payment information.
- *No action is required from you—your gift schedules and payment details will carry over seamlessly.*

Visit our Stewardship page, <https://stjamescatholic.org/stewardship/>, or scan the QR code for more details.





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