



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

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July 28, 2024



**17th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." - Jn 6:12

Clergy

Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia, Pastor
Rev. John Paul Heisler, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Charles Pavlick, Parochial Vicar
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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, and 7:00pm

Low-Gluten Hosts

Those who need to receive 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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Sister Patricia Healey, IHM, Superior

Parish Registration

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

The Pope's July Prayer Intention

For the pastoral care of the sick—We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

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On The Way

The Anima Christi: Body of Christ, save me

There's no more fundamental cry of the heart than this: *Save me!* It contains a plea for everything: forgiveness, healing, deliverance, safety, reconciliation, etc. It's the common cry of fallen humanity. In the *Anima Christi*, we pray, *Body of Christ, save me*. Obviously, the entire Christ is included and indicated by "Body." Christ himself is our savior, not just one part of him. But this specific invocation highlights the importance of the body in the work of salvation. As Tertullian wrote in the first century, "The flesh is the hinge of salvation."

It is by offering his Body on the Cross that Christ redeems the world. Christ substitutes his obedience for our disobedience, his *Yes* to the Father in place of our *No*. His Body is the instrument of our salvation, the means by which he is "obedient unto death, even death on a cross" (Phil 2:8). The Mass makes present this obedience, this offering of his Body for our sake. We are present at Mass so that we can say, "Body of Christ on the Cross...stretched out and pierced for my salvation...save me!"

This Body, offered to the Father in reparation for our sins, is also offered to us in Holy Communion. Christ's Body still bears the wounds of the crucifixion and is for that reason a "living sacrifice." But it is also risen, glorified, and now given under the form of bread as saving food. Which alerts us to the disposition we ought to have in receiving Communion. His Body is given to us not as a luxury or add-on but as something essential. "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you" (Jn 6:53). So, after consuming the Host we rightly pray, "Body of Christ, save me!"

We can approach this invocation in another way. The phrase "Body of Christ" describes both the Eucharist and the Church. The Church is the Body of Christ because she is nourished and built up by the Eucharist, and in turn makes him present. Our salvation always comes by way of the Church, by being incorporated into the Body of Christ and living as his members. We have to avoid an individualistic view of holiness and salvation. Yes, our relationship with Christ is personal, unique for each of us. But it is also ecclesial, incorporated into the Body of Christ.

Saint Thomas's prayer of preparation for Communion says, "May I receive the Body of Christ...and so be received into his Body and numbered among his members." Our reception of Communion is not our own, individualized holiness pill. Holy Communion sanctifies us by building up of the Body of Christ and incorporating us more fully into that Body. Thus, since we have salvation through his Church, we can pray, *Body of Christ, save me!*

The flesh is the hinge of salvation. Tertullian wrote those words at a time when the Church was being threatened by Gnosticism, a philosophy that bore great hatred for the human body. He sought to vindicate the importance of Christ's body and ours. We find ourselves in similar times. Our culture disdains the body. We deny that it has any inherent significance and so manipulate and abuse it for our own purposes or enjoyment.

The Eucharist teaches otherwise. *The flesh is the hinge of salvation* because "the Word was made flesh" (Jn 1:14), because he offered his Body on the Cross, because he gives us his Body in Holy Communion, and because he incorporates us into his own Body, the Church. And thus saves us.

— Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 27

Mass for the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Patricia Burke

Sunday, July 28

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Douglas Lamb

9:00am +Danny and Ana Diaz

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Esther and Frank Gaspar and family

2:30pm +Victor Garcia

7:00pm +Hermas, Walter, and Marco Antonio Rosado

Monday, July 29

SS Mary, Martha, and Lazarus

6:30am +Eugenia Coffey

8:15am +Michael J. Buckley

Noon +Im Sun Fermoile

Tuesday, July 30

St. Peter Chrysologus

6:30am +Basilio Mushonga

8:15am +George Colevas

Noon Living and deceased members of the Coneys family

Wednesday, July 31

St. Ignatius of Loyola

6:30am Nathaniel Mushonga

8:15am +Joseth Pottanat

Noon Jane Hamilton

Thursday, August 1

St. Alphonsus Liguori

6:30am +Patrick and Christina Jacobeen

8:15am +Getulio F. Fuster, Sr.

Noon +Conrado M. Antonio

Friday, August 2

St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard

6:30am +Richard L. Winslow

8:15am +Souls in Purgatory

Noon +Teodomira Zeballos de Pinto

Saturday, August 3

Saturday of the Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time

8:30am +Edward Lee Shephard

Mass for the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Berard and Marie Witzig

Sunday, August 4

The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Stephen and Jean McTeague

9:00am +Cindie, George, and Peter Fingers

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +John A. Moriarity

2:30pm +Nina Marsh

7:00pm +Debbie Varner

Today's Readings

First Reading

2 Kgs 4:42-44

"A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing to Elisha, the man..."

Psalm

Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18

"The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs."

Second Reading

Eph 4:1-6

"Brothers and sisters: I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live..."

Gospel

Jn 6:1-15

"Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee."

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

Juan Alarcon

Gil Ascunce

Joyce Babiak

Beatriz Basso

Cory Bautista

Terrell Blodgett

Betty Brunton

Carmine Carosella

Jane C. Checkan

Brendan Collins

Christopher Deloye

Mona Demien

Roberta Dunn

Erik Funk

Katherine Garren

Judith Karinshak

Laura Lareau

Alex Lohman

Jose G. Martinez

Nicholas McDonough

Charles McMahon

Mildred Melmer

Gloria Mora

Julie Neil

Rachel Noonan

Esther Olivos

Janet Owen

Jim Owen

Carter Parry

Phillip Perot

Conley Rohall

Russell Ross

Kathleen Seroskie

Robyn Stewart

Kathy Thomas

Julia Umana

Lauren Vinci

Liv Wash

Anne Marie Willis

Richard Ziegler

the deceased of our parish family

Rita Funk

Edward Austin O'Laughlin

Jane Ho Pan

Evelyn Marion Seoane

John Christian Silva

and those serving our country

This includes veterans, military retirees, and those serving overseas in the military and foreign service. For changes or updates, email communications@stjamescatholic.org.

2nd Lt. Thomas Canady, USAF

SSgt Joshua Conrad, USAF

CDR Thomas Dixon

Lt. Mathew Hayes, USN

COL Jay Hildreth

CPT William H. Johnson, USA (Ret.)

CPL James Murray, USMC



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.

- To sign up to be a praying member, visit <http://ceepurl.com/gURddD>
- To submit a request to the Prayer Chain, email PrayerChain@saintjamesschool.org



Parish News

Adoration Booklets and Pamphlets Available

A basket of Adoration booklets and pamphlets are available in the foyer of the church. Feel free to use any of the materials while you are adoring our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Please be sure to return the booklets and pamphlets when you are finished for others to use.

Life Corner

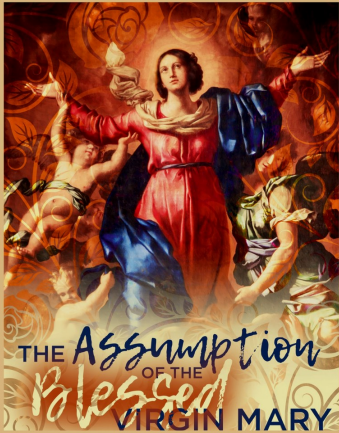
Come and pray the Rosary, led by our parish priests every Saturday at 6:45am in front of 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, for the protection and sanctity of human life. Pray a Hail Mary this week for a change of hearts and minds to end abortion.



To get on the parish email list for Life News, email stjameslife@gmail.com.

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, August 15th
Holy Day of Obligation



Masses

6:30am

8:15am**

Noon

5:00pm

7:00pm

8:30pm (Spanish)

****This Mass will also be livestreamed**

No Adoration or Confessions

Seniors Young at Heart



Ice Cream Social

THURSDAY | AUGUST 15TH
5:00PM-7:00PM
MSGR. HELLER HALL

Dinner: Guests are asked to bring two full sandwiches (cut in half) to share with four people for dinner. Ice cream will be provided for dessert.

Speaker: Sgt. Wood and CSO Feliciano from the Falls Church Police Dept. will discuss ways to protect yourself from scams.

Guests are encouraged to share an experience they had or to have questions.

RSVP by Monday, August 12th, to one of the following:

- Susan Jackson,
jacksonsusan765@gmail.com
- Cae Gilley, 703-533-3845

Young Professionals Food Distribution at St. Lucy's Warehouse

St. Lucy's is the central hub for food donations in Arlington Diocese. Every year, over a million pounds of food is donated that goes to those in need! The Saint James Young Professionals will be volunteering on **Saturday, August 10th, from 10:00am-12:00pm** in Manassas followed by lunch and fellowship.

The Young Professionals will attend the 8:30am Mass on Saturday for those who want to join before heading to Manassas. Everyone should arrive at St. Lucy's warehouse between 9:45am and 10:00am (carpool to Manassas or meet there).

Email Katrina Colucci, kccmummy@gmail.com, if you would like to join. Please note that anyone who volunteers will need to fill out the initial paperwork. Katrina can give you more information when you email her.



Saint James Pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines

Father John Paul led 35 parishioners on a 10 day pilgrimage to the Holy Shrines of Fatima and Lourdes honoring Our Blessed Mother in June.

Their journey included visits to Fatima, Spain, Lourdes, and Paris. In Fatima, they visited the revered site of Mary's 100-year-old apparition. In Lourdes, France, they visited the site where Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette, renowned for its healing and miraculous blessings. Below are some highlights of their stop at Fatima.



Father John Paul celebrated Mass in the Chapel of Apparitions at The Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima. The chapel was built in response to the demand of the Virgin as Our Lady of the Rosary (since titled Our Lady of Fátima) to the three little shepherds (Lúcia, Francisco, and Jacinta): "I want you to make a chapel here in my honour." The chapel was built on the exact spot of the apparitions in Fátima in 1917.



Left: Every night there is a candle light procession at the Shrine. Our group got to participate in the procession with thousands of other visitors.

Right: Parishioners John and Caroline Roscoe had the opportunity to lead the English decade of the rosary during the Marian procession in Fatima.



Aljustrel, Our parish group picture in front of the wall of the house where the famous picture of the three children was taken.



The Marian crown that contains the bullet (in the middle at the top of the crown indicated by the arrow) from the assassination attempt against St. Pope John Paul II.

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



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Summer Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am-Noon

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- office@saintjamesschool.org

Sister Kathryn and her team redesigned the school website for our parents, visitors, and prospective families. We are very excited about the new, user-friendly website at www.saintjamesschool.org. We hope you will check it out.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

AUG 26	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - 11:00AM DISMISSAL
AUG 28	EXTENDED DAY BEGINS
AUG 28	FIRST DAY OF PRESCHOOL
SEP 3	READ-A-THON BEGINS

2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

2024-25 School Positions

Saint James School has openings for the next school year starting in mid-August 2024. Saint James is a vibrant, joyful, and faith-filled community of students, families, teachers, and staff. Christ is the reason for our school, and He inspires us to proclaim the Good News in all we think, say, and do. **Current openings are as follows: extended day director and staff, first grade teacher, second grade teacher, fourth grade teacher, and substitute teachers.**

To apply or obtain more detail about any of the positions, visit the Arlington Diocesan website at www.arlingtondiocese.org/catholic-schools/careers/faculty-and-staff-openings-in-catholic-schools and type in 'St. James' in the search area. If you have questions, email Principal Sister Kathryn, sisterkathryn@saintjamesschool.org.

EARN CASH FOR SAINT JAMES SCHOOL! RETAIL PARTNER



Harris Teeter's Together in Education program is a strong financial contributor to our school. The program donates a percentage of money to the school when you purchase eligible items. Link your HT account via this URL, harristeeter.com/together-in-education, or scan the QR code. The program runs from August 1st-May 3rd, but cards can be linked as early as July 1, 2024.

You can now link (or re-link) your VIC card to designate **Saint James School (ID# 5489)**. **Please note that you must re-link your account every year.** Also, you may link up to five (5) schools to your account. Be sure to use your VIC card when you shop at Harris Teeter or enter your phone number at checkout. Thank you for your support!

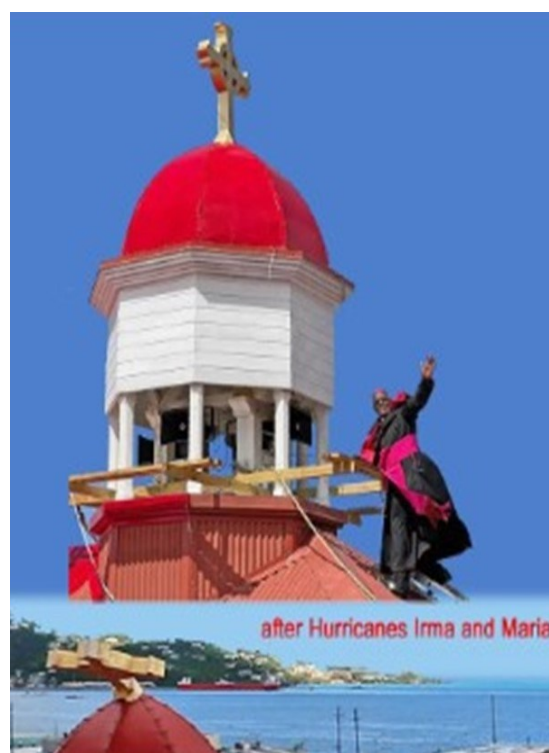
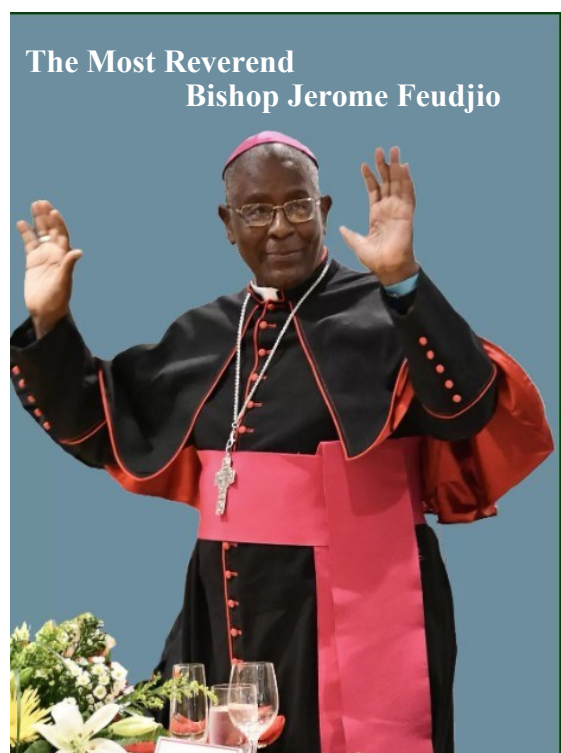
Stewardship—The Gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure

Each year, our diocese's Mission Cooperative Plan (MCP) assigns a Catholic mission to each parish. In the past, we have hosted missionaries from Banica and Vietnam, who have been graciously welcomed and supported by our generous parishioners.

This year, we have been assigned the Mission from the Diocese of St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands, which was decimated in 2017 after the island was hit by two category 5 hurricanes, Irma and Maria.

The Most Reverend Bishop Jerome Feudjio from the Diocese of St. Thomas will be speaking at all the masses the weekend of August 10-11 about this year's mission appeal. As Bishop of St. Thomas, he has been directly involved with rebuilding the infrastructure that was destroyed in the wake of these two Category 5 storms. Seven years later, they are still rebuilding their churches and Catholic school.

We hope you will join us in welcoming Bishop Feudjio to our parish. Visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/56632> to donate online.



Diocesan Golden Jubilee Pilgrimage

Join us for the Diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C., from 9:30am to 2:30pm. His Eminence Cardinal Christophe Pierre, Papal Nuncio to the Holy Father, presides.

Saturday, October 5, 2024

Saint James Parish will offer a chartered bus for our parishioners to attend. More details will be given by the end of August in our bulletin as well as our website and social media platforms.

Save The Date



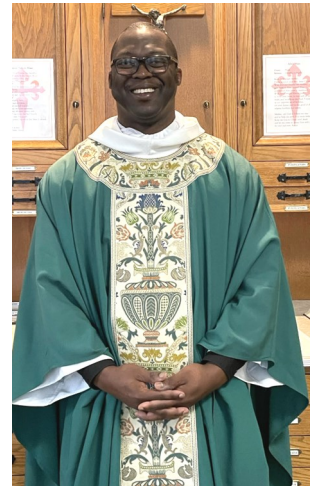
Farewell and Thank You from Fr. Joel

Dear People of St. James,

I am writing this farewell message to express my heartfelt appreciation for the camaraderie, kindness, and love you shared with me during my time at St. James. Your genuine care and the vibrancy of the community under the guidance and leadership of Fr. Scalia and his parochial vicars were so admirable. I will always remember your devotion to Jesus Christ at Holy Mass and your devotion to the saints.

I am grateful for the friendships, the warm chats and greetings after Holy Mass, and the welcoming nature of the community. I was particularly pleased to see new people join our community every Easter. Thank you for your prayerful and courageous witness to the Catholic faith. I am grateful to all who came to wish me well at my send-off and for your gifts, best wishes, and prayers. Kindly keep me in your prayers as I commence the new training phase at the Johns Hopkins University Counseling Center in Baltimore for my internship.

I hope to stay in touch as Baltimore is not too far away. Thank you for everything.



Blessings,

Fr. Joel Yao Kwame



Parish Calendar

Monday, July 29		
7:00pm-8:00pm	Hispanic Catholic Apologetics	Knecht
Tuesday, July 30		
8:00am-9:00am	Saint James Fraternity-Exodus 90	Parish House
10:00am-11:00am	Seniors Planning Committee Meeting	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House
Wednesday, July 31		
6:30am-8:30am	College Students—Mass followed by coffee	Church & Godfrey's
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
Thursday, August 1		
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
Friday, August 2		
9:00am-12:00pm	First Friday Exposition and Benediction	Church
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
5:30pm-6:30pm	Food Distribution	Knecht
7:30pm-11:59pm	First Friday All Night Adoration	Church
Saturday, August 3		
12:00am-8:15am	First Friday All Night Adoration	Church
10:00am-12:00pm	Co-ed Bible Study	Parish House
3:30pm-4:30pm	Confessions	Church
6:00pm-8:30pm	Hispanic Prayer Group	Msgr. Heller Hall
6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church
Sunday, August 4		
10:00am-2:00pm	Parish Library Open	Parish House
3:30pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Youth-Girls	Parish House
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31ST
AT 4:05PM**

VS THE CHICAGO CUBS

**NATIONALS
FAITH DAY**

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TICKETS**

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