



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

June 28, 2026



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple--amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." - Mt 10:42

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

Rectory Office Hours

Weekdays: 9:00am-9:00pm (closed 12:45pm-1:30pm)
Saturdays: 9:00am-1:30pm

Rectory Office

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Phone: 703-533-1182; Fax: 703-532-8316
Website: www.saintjamesschool.org
Mrs. Melissa Manaker, Interim Principal
mmanaker@saintjamesschool.org

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/.

Saint James Catholic Church Rectory Staff

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Sister Regina Rosarii McLallen, IHM, Superior of Saint James Convent

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

Saint Francis of Assisi: Introduction

Last January, Pope Leo proclaimed this year – January 10, 2026 to January 10, 2027 – the special Jubilee Year of Saint Francis of Assisi, to celebrate the 800th anniversary of his death. The announcement made very little news, so don't feel bad if you missed it. Given the popularity of *Il Poverello* – the Little Poor Man – and the fact that the previous Pope took the name Francis in his honor, the small news splash is curious. But we don't want to miss this opportunity to learn about and deepen in devotion to one of the most important saints in the Church.

Like Saints Nicholas and Patrick, Francis is beloved throughout the world, by Catholics, non-Catholics, and even non-Christians. And, like Saints Nicholas and Patrick, Francis is terribly misunderstood. Biographies and movies present him as a medieval hippie, or an environmentalist, or social justice activist. At best, those are anachronistic depictions, interpretations of a 13th century saint according to today's mindset. At worst, those depictions are a hijacking of Francis, making him an advocate for different modern causes by clothing him with various agendas. As with any saint, Francis defies current political and cultural labels. He can only be understood in supernatural terms.

Like Augustine, Francis is a saint who changed the history of the world. Art, literature, and theology all look different after him. Unlike Augustine, Francis lived a fairly short life (he died at age 45) and wrote very little. His extraordinary influence is almost entirely by way of his personal witness.

Francesco de Assisi was born in 1181. There is evidence that he was originally named Giovanni but nicknamed Francesco – Frenchy – by his father, who was away on business in France as he was born. His mother came from a wealthy family and his father was a successful businessman. So, although not aristocratic, Francis did come from wealth. As a young man he worked for his father's cloth business. He also caroused around town with the other young, upper-middle class men. Indeed, he was the life of the party, leading them in songs and jokes. A significant trait was that he loved beauty and had strong aversion to all things ugly.

A turning point in Francis's life was during Assisi's war with Perugia. He joined his town's army, not with the foot soldiers but, because of his wealth, with the mounted troops. Their military venture was a failure, however. Defeated in battle, he and his fellow warriors spent a year in captivity. Francis was never the same. He returned to Assisi listless, introspective, no longer the life of the party. After another failed military venture, he became even more depressed and turned in on himself.

As was common for the time, Francis made a pilgrimage to Rome, seeking spiritual clarity and consolation. Upon leaving Rome, he exchanged his clothes with those of a beggar and began his life of poverty. He returned to Assisi as a man intent on solitude, prayer, and penance. It was at this time that Francis, wandering through the countryside outside Assisi, came to the little church of San Damiano. He would return there again and again, to meditate before the crucifix and weep for his sins. Soon after, he moved out of his parents' house and attached himself to San Damiano as a penitent, weeping over his sins, mortifying his body, and meditating on our Lord's crucifixion.

It was before the crucifix at San Damiano that Francis wrote this beautiful prayer, probably the oldest work we have of his:

Most High, glorious God, enlighten the darkness of my heart and give me true Faith, certain Hope, and perfect Charity; give me perception and knowledge, Lord, that I may carry out Your holy and true command.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Thirteenth Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, June 27

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

Monday, June 29

SS Peter and Paul

6:30am Sophia Reese

8:15am Simon O'Herron

Noon +Mary Mallison and David Mazzarella

Tuesday, June 30

Tuesday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am Vincent O'Herron

8:15am Eryka O'Herron

Noon +Lita B. Clark

Wednesday, July 1

St. Junipero Serra

6:30am Naomi Egger

8:15am +Robert Williams

Noon +Teresa Ngo

Thursday, July 2

Thursday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am The Blake family

8:15am +John Son Gwang Gin

Noon +Nicole Flanagan-Ayers and Tara Flanagan-
Koenig

Friday, July 3

St. Thomas

6:30am Patricia Blake

8:15am Christen family

Noon +George Arold Heller, Jr.

Saturday, July 4

Saturday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

8:30am Special Intention

Mass for the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Leandro Jose G. Pampuch

Sunday, July 5

The Fourteenth in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Yaroslav and Yaroslava Stetsko

9:00am +Margaret P. Long

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Harry Burke

2:30pm +Christopher William Arias

7:00pm +Edward O'Laughlin

Today's Readings

First Reading

"One day Elisha came to Shunem, where there was a woman..."

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a

Psalms

"Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord."

Psalms 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19

Second Reading

"Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were..."

Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

Gospel

"Jesus said to his apostles: 'Whoever loves father or mother...'"

Matthew 10:37-42

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

Charles Borremeo Molineaux

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@saintjamesschool.org.





SAINT JAMES PARISH JULY 4TH HOLIDAY WEEKEND

- **JULY 3RD, FRIDAY—JULY 4TH HOLIDAY OBSERVED**
 - RECTORY CLOSED
 - NO FOOD DISTRIBUTION
 - STILL SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY
 - FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION
 - CONFESSIONS AT 11:00AM
 - ALL 3 MORNING MASSES WILL BE HELD
 - FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION
- **JULY 4TH, SATURDAY—JULY 4TH HOLIDAY**
 - RECTORY CLOSED
 - 3:30PM-4:30PM CONFESSIONS
 - 6:30PM CONFESSIONS CANCELLED
- **JULY 5TH, SUNDAY**
 - PARISH LIBRARY CLOSED (OPENED JULY 12TH)

Volunteer Opportunity To Help Those In Need

Christ House shelter in Alexandria provides hot meals to the needy in our community. For over 40 years, Saint James has been assisting in this work once a month.

On the **second Wednesday of each month**, a group from our parish prepares a meal for 70-90 people to be served at Christ House. Some months, a parish group prepares the whole meal. Other months, a SignUp Genius link is used so that many people can contribute parts of the meal.

This is a unique hands-on-experience to directly help those in need. It is an opportunity for families with middle school through high school students to work together.



If you have a group that would be able to provide a meal one month, or if you would like to help with a part of the meal, please contact Liz Goodson, lzbthgoodson@gmail.com, or Cathy Pacheco, quackypach@verizon.net.

The Triumph of the Immaculate Heart

July is dedicated to the Precious Blood. In 1849 Pius IX instituted the Feast of the Precious Blood but the devotion is as old as Christianity. The early Church Fathers say that the Church was born from the pierced side of Christ and that the sacraments were brought forth through His Blood.

"The Precious Blood which we worship is the Blood which the Savior shed for us on Calvary and reassumed at His glorious Resurrection; it is the Blood which courses through the veins of His risen, glorified, living body at the right hand of God the Father in heaven; it is the Blood made present on our altars by the words of Consecration; it is the Blood which merited sanctifying grace for us and through it washes and beautifies our soul and inaugurates the beginning of eternal life in it."

July 4th is the first Saturday of the month. As we reflect on the most Precious Blood of Jesus this month, you are invited to make the First Saturday devotion as requested by Our Lord and Our Lady. Blood of Christ, Eucharistic drink and refreshment of souls, save us.

At Fatima, Our Lady said that the final attack of Satan will be against the family. This July commit to make the First Saturday devotion as you honor Our Lord in His most precious blood, that which gives us life.

In the end, my Immaculate Heart will Triumph

Parish News (Continued)

Life Corner

“Fathers’ Irreplaceable Role in Welcoming Life” by Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre, Archbishop of Louisville (excerpt)



“We Christians must support men who, in following the example of St. Joseph choose to embrace their role as a father in all circumstances, but especially in challenging situations. St. Joseph was unexpectedly called to fatherhood amid extremely confusing and difficult circumstances. However, despite many obstacles, St. Joseph chose to be faithful. St. Joseph chose life by listening to God’s will and consciously deciding to be a father to Jesus, the Son of God. Pope Saint John Paul II said that fathers are called to exhibit “generous responsibility for the life conceived under the heart of the mother” (Familiaris consortio 5). Like St. Joseph, all fathers are uniquely entrusted with the protection and defense of both mother and child and, in this way, safeguard the sanctity of human life.

Through our prayers and through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, may fathers come to know the irreplaceable role they hold in the lives of their children, and the responsibility they share in welcoming God’s gift of new life!”

Full text can be found at www.usccb.org/prolife/fathers-irreplaceable-role-welcoming-life.

Apply Now—Assistant Director of Facilities

Saint James seeks an Assistant Director of Facilities. The 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. The pay range is \$25 to \$30/hour, depending on skills and experience. Hours are generally Monday-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.



Creation Care Ministry Education Outreach

Karen Bushaw-Newton and Adam Vogel, two members of the Creation Care Ministry, chatted with the Saint James third graders on our parish garden before school ended. The third graders learned about photosynthesis, all the plants in the garden, the importance of pollinators, composting, and what a giving garden is. They were able to view living worms and seedlings close up using microscopes. It was a wonderful morning of learning and experiencing God’s grandeur.



Parish Library Reading Challenge

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. **It's not too late to start!**

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/ or at the library which will be open July 12, July 19, August 2, and August 16 from 10:00am-2:00pm.

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 (Age-Appropriate)

- **Pre-K – Rising 5th Grade:** Read 7 books (*pre-readers may have books read to them*)
- **Rising 6th–8th Grade:** Read 5 books.
- **High School and Adults:** Read 3 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 is a red cross symbol. Below it, the text "PARISH LIBRARY JOIN OUR SUMMER READING CHALLENGE!" is written in red. In the center, there are four book covers: "Tell Me about the Catholic Faith", "SAINTS and ANGELS", "THE LITTLE FRIAR WHO FLEW", and "MOTHER TERESA". At the bottom, a red oval contains the text "Library is Open Jul 12, Jul 19, Aug 2, & Aug 16 10:00am-2:00pm".

Comunidad Hispana

Bautismos

Para bautizar a su hijo, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial al 703-532-8815 preferiblemente antes de la llegada del bebe. La familia debe estar registrada en la parroquia y ambos deben asistir a la clase prebautismal, preferiblemente también antes de la llegada de su bebe. Para más información sobre los bautizos y clase de preparación para dichos bautizos, comuníquese con Víctor Méndez al 571-239-5772.

Enfermos de la Comunidad

Cada domingo podemos llevar la Sagrada Comunión a los feligreses que viven en los límites de la parroquia y que están enfermos, confinados en sus hogares o que están en hogares de ancianos. Si es necesario, un sacerdote puede visitarlo para ofrecerles la Reconciliación y la Unción de enfermos. Para más información, comuníquese con Patricia Flores al 703-371-5695.

Matrimonios

Para aquellos interesados en matrimonio, comuníquese con Frances Wilson al 703-626-7771 para recibir información y comenzar la preparación matrimonial con uno de nuestros sacerdotes. Dicha preparación es un programa de seis meses y no se fijará una fecha para la boda hasta que un sacerdote haya tenido una reunión con la pareja.

Confesiones

- Miércoles y jueves 7:00pm-8:00pm
- Viernes 11:00am-11:45am
- Sábados 3:30pm-4:30pm y 6:30pm-7:30pm

Adoración

- Primeros viernes: 10:00am-12:00pm
- Primeros viernes (Adoración Nocturna): 7:30pm a 8:30am de sábado
- miércoles y jueves: 12:30pm-8:00pm

Página web parroquial en español

Haga clic en el código QR para visitar la página de la comunidad hispana, stjamescatholic.org/hispanic-community/, y obtener más información, incluyendo próximos eventos, sacramentos, misas, servicios religiosos, confesiones y contactos ministeriales.

El boletín hispano quincenal también está disponible en la sección "Español" del sitio web de la parroquia.

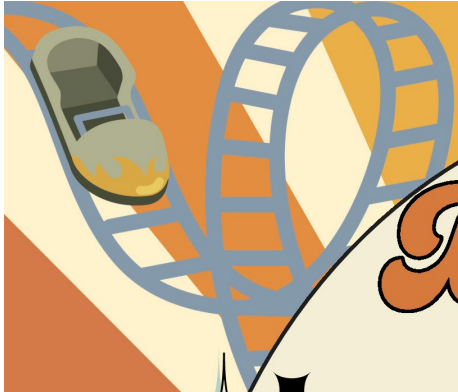


Feast of Corpus Christi and Eucharistic Procession

Saint James celebrated the Feast of Corpus Christi with our choir after the noon Mass on June 5th with a Eucharistic Procession led by Father Pavlick that followed Park Avenue to Oak Street through Lot B to Broad Street in front of the school and then to Spring Street, finishing inside the church.

The procession had two Benedictions of the Blessed Sacrament. The event ended with a social on the lawn with frozen treats hosted by our Hospitality Committee. Despite the heat, it was great to see the turnout of our parishioners to share the joy of the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.





Diocesan Kings Dominion Day

Park Hours: 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Soak City Hours: 12:00 – 7:00 p.m.



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**The day will begin at 9:00 a.m.
with Mass celebrated by
Bishop Burbidge at
St. Mary of the Immaculate
Conception in Fredericksburg**



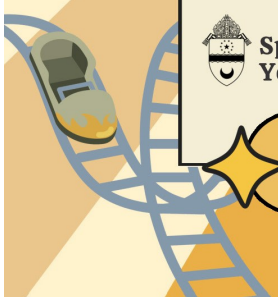
**For more information, please contact
Cristina at (703) 841-2559 or
cristina.catterton@arlingtondiocese.org**



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Youth, Campus, and Young Adult Ministries**



Tickets are \$40



Parish Calendar

Monday, June 29		
4:00pm-6:00pm	Presidio #2 Legion of Mary	IHM Conference Room
Tuesday, June 30		
7:00am-8:00am	Saint James Fraternity	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	IHM Conference Room
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House
Wednesday, July 1		
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
Thursday, July 2		
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
Friday, July 3 Rectory Closed (see page 4 for holiday weekend schedule)		
10:00am-11:45am	First Friday Exposition and Benediction	Church
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
7:30pm-11:59pm	First Friday All-Night Adoration	Church
Saturday, July 4		
12:00am-8:15am	First Friday All-Night Adoration	Church
3:30pm-4:30pm	Confessions	Church
Sunday, July 5		
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church

First Friday All-Night Adoration

Won't you give 1 hour of your time in prayers of adoration, reparation, and petition?



**7:30PM ON FRIDAY, JULY 3RD
TO
8:30AM ON SATURDAY, JULY 4TH**

Sign up at <https://bit.ly/FriAdoration> or scan QR code



Saint James School and PREP Summer Hours

SCHOOL

- Monday-Thursday 9:00am-Noon
 - Closed Fridays
- Office closed: June 29-July 10

Contact Information:

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PREP

- Monday-Friday 9:30am-Noon or by appointment
- Office closed: Friday, July 3rd

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