

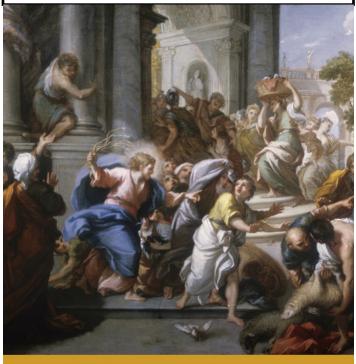
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905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

March 3, 2024



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area. - Jn 2:13b-15a

Clergy

Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia, Pastor

Rev. John Paul Heisler, Parochial Vicar Rev. Charles Pavlick, Parochial Vicar

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Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30am, 9:00am,

10:30am, Noon, and

7:00pm

Spanish Mass: 2:30pm

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

Adoration

Wednesdays and Thursdays:

12:30pm-8:00pm

First Fridays: 9:00am-Noon

First Saturdays All Night

Adoration: 7:30pm to 8:30am

on First Saturdays

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

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

The Pope's March Prayer Intention

For the new martyrs—We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Follow Us on Social Media

Social media is a quick, effective way for the parish to communicate reminders and time-sensitive notices.

- Facebook @StJamesCatholicChurch
- Instagram @stjamescatholic
- Twitter @St James CC





On The Way

The Seven Last Words: Why have you abandoned me?

The letter to the Hebrews tells us, "[W]e do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin" (Heb 4:15). The reason the Son of God assumed our human nature was precisely to enter into and sanctify every dimension of human life. He experienced all that we experience: infancy, childhood, adulthood; family, work, and friends; love, sorrow, and joy; life and death.

In his Passion, he experienced every kind of human suffering – physical, spiritual, and emotional: the pain of the beating, scourging, and crucifixion; the agony of abandonment and loneliness; the weight and shame of every sin; and even the feeling of being abandoned by God.

Thus, from the Cross he cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which is translated, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Mk 15:34) This "cry of dereliction" (as it is traditionally called) indicates the depths to which the Son of God descended in his union with us. He experienced even the worst form of human suffering, the feeling of abandonment by God. He drank the chalice of human suffering to the dregs.

In the Person of Jesus Christ, God understands the pain of those who feel abandoned by him. He knows this not only from the outside, as the omniscient God, but also from the inside, as one who experienced it. Now, no one can say that God doesn't know what it's like.

At the same time, however, Jesus did not despair. After all, it wouldn't profit us at all if the Son of God despaired of the Father's goodness. The whole point of this cry is that he *experiences the feeling* of being abandoned...but doesn't give in to it. He rises above the feeling and gives hope to all who are tempted to despair.

The Gospels record this cry in the original Hebrew: *Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani*. Now, Hebrew was for the ancient Jews what Latin is for us, a sacred language, spoken only in prayer and worship. Point is, Jesus wasn't just crying out. He was *praying*.

And the entirety of his prayer is indicated by those few words. This shouldn't be hard for us to grasp. We Catholics typically refer to prayers by their first words: the *Our Father*, the *Hail Mary*, the *Glory Be*. We refer to a particular Mass by the first words of its Entrance Antiphon (or Introit): a *Requiem Mass, Laetare* Sunday, *Gaudete* Sunday, etc. So, in his cry of dereliction, Jesus "intones" or begins Psalm 22, and by speaking the Psalm's first words he indicates its entirety. Further, by intoning this Psalm, he reveals himself as the fulfillment of it. Which means that if we want to understand these words from the Cross, we need to read the entirety of Psalm 22.

It is a Psalm of sorrow that gives voice to our Lord's Passion: All who see me mock me; they curl their lips and jeer; they shake their heads at me...They have pierced my hands and my feet. I can count all my bones. They stare at me and gloat; they divide my garments among them; for my clothing they cast lots... But it is ultimately a Psalm of victory, rejoicing in God's fidelity: For he has not spurned or disdained the misery of this poor wretch, did not turn away from me, but heard me when I cried out...

In the end, the cry of dereliction reveals that Christ is with us in our darkest moments and that by his grace we can even then trust in the Father's love.

- Fr. Scalia

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Mass Intentions for the Third Week of Lent

Saturday, March 2

Mass for the Third Sunday of Lent 5:00pm +Diana Antonio

Sunday, March 3

The Third Sunday of Lent

7:30am Bernadette Short 9:00am +Benjamin Schwind

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Deceased members of the Alexander and

Tate families

2:30pm Diana Echeverria 7:00pm +Kirk E. De Matteis

Monday, March 4

St. Casimir

6:30am Sister Mary Sue Carwile

8:15am +James Clarke Noon +Debbie Varner

Tuesday, March 5

Tuesday of the Third Week of Lent

6:30am Bernadette Short 8:15am +Robert Canale Noon +Linda Lewis

Wednesday, March 6

Wednesday of the Third Week of Lent

6:30am +Cedric Polido 8:15am +Emily Grace Vasquez Noon The Coneys family

Thursday, March 7
SS Perpetua and Felicity

6:30am Bernadette Short 8:15am +Pat Sobun Noon +Patrick Maguire

Friday, March 8 St. John of God

6:30am +George N. Gee 8:15am +Jim Clarke Noon +Esther Arevalo

Saturday, March 9 St. Frances of Rome

8:30am +Emily Grace Vasquez

Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Lent
5:00pm +Brendan Patrick Johnson

Sunday, March 10

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30am +Reno Carlitti

9:00am +Ramiro and Flora Lopez

10:30am Pro Populo Noon Amauri A. Grebogi 2:30pm +Jesus Alberto 7:00pm +Gary Rolla **Today's Readings**

First Reading Psalm Second Reading Gospel

Visit www.bible.usccb.org/readings for today. The Year B readings will be read for all masses except the noon Mass for which we will use the Year A (Scrutiny) readings.

Readings for the Week

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

Remember in Your Prayers

the sick of our parish family

Tracy Adcox Frank Larocca Juan Alarcon Jose Gomez Martinez Mildred Melmer Gil Ascunce Joyce Babiak Gloria Mora Beatriz Basso Julie Neil Terrell Blodgett Rachel Noonan Betty Brunton Janet Owen Jim Buscher Jim Owen Carmine Carosella Carter Parry Maria Claffy Phillip Perot Brendan Collins Stephen Philion Cameron DeMulder Russell Ross Roberta "Bobbie" Dunn Robyn Stewart Kathy Thomas Erik Funk Lauren Vinci Rita Funk Katherine Christine Garren Judy Volonoski Judith Karinshak Anne Marie Willis Richard Ziegler Kenan Kreiner

Laura Lareau

the deceased of our parish family

Joseph Patrick Liverman Paul Wheeler

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 bulletin@stjamescatholic.org.

2nd Lt. Thomas Canady, USAF CDR Thomas Dixon Lt. Mathew Hayes, USN COL Jay Hildreth CPT William H. Johnson, USA (Ret.)



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://eepurl.com/gURddD
- To submit a request to the Prayer Chain, email PrayerChain@saintjamesschool.org

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Parish News

March Parish Speaker Series

"True Friendship in the Virtual Age"
Wednesday, March 13th, at 7:00pm, Monsignor Heller Hall
Guest Speaker: John Cuddeback, Ph.D.



Dr. Cuddeback is the Chairman of the Philosophy Department at Christendom College. He lectures on topics including virtue, fatherhood, friendship, and the household.

Our Hospitality Committee will provide light appetizers and drinks for guests.

Special Guest Speaker Tom Nash

This **Thursday, March 7th, 7:00pm** in Monsignor Heller Hall, we will welcome Tom Nash to speak on "The Biblical Roots of Mass." Mr. Nash explores how Jesus fulfills all Old Testament sacrifices, particularly the sacrifices of Passover and Yom Kippur.

Mr. Nash has served the Church professionally for 35+ years, including as a theology advisor at the Eternal Word Television Network. He is a contributing apologist for Catholic Answers and a contributing writer for both the *National Catholic Register and Catholic World Report*.

A Four-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 2024 vehicles from Ourisman Ford of Manassas (Escape, Mustang, Bronco Sport and Ranger 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, please call the Rectory at 703-532-8815.

Please note that raffle tickets must be processed at All Saints in Manassas. Clergy and staff of Saint James cannot accept raffle tickets. They must be mailed directly by parishioners. 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 Tuesday, April 23rd.

Parish Lenten Gift Card Project

Support our Social Outreach Committee's Lenten Gift Card Project by donating \$25 gift cards (Walmart, Aldi, Giant, Safeway, or Target) or sending a check for the parish to purchase gift cards.











Make the check payable to Saint James Catholic Church and write "SOC Gift Card Program" on the memo line. Place gift cards or checks in an envelope marked "Social Outreach Gift Card Program" and deliver one of the following ways:

- place in the collection basket
- hand deliver to the Rectory Office
- mail the envelope to Saint James Catholic Church, 905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA 22046

Thank you for your generosity to families in need in our diocese.

Ask A Gardner

Do you want to grow flowers and vegetables this spring but don't know where to start? Members of the Creation Care Ministry will be **outside after Masses on March 10th** to answer your questions

and encourage you in your gardening journey.
Nothing beats homegrown, and we are here to help.

See you next weekend!



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Parish News (Continued)

Seniors March Meeting—Open to the Parish

The seniors will have a special presentation at their monthly meeting on **Thursday**, **March 21st**, **5:00pm-7:30pm** in Monsignor Heller Hall. The menu will be shepherd's pie and soda bread. Guests attending the dinner are asked to bring a dessert or salad for six to share.

Danielle Daniels, Chesterbrook Residences Marketing Directory, will show a movie that shows

the impact of a fall on seniors' health and how to prevent falls. This is part of the "Saving Claire Falls



Prevention" program sponsored by Marymount Center for Optimal Aging (MCOA).

Following the film, there will be a panel of experts who will talk about fall prevention and answer questions. Experts will include physical therapists, health educators, first responders, etc.

This event is open to Saint James parishioners who may have a senior parent or loved one who could benefit from this presentation.

- Dinner will be from 5:00pm-5:45pm
- The program will be from 5:45pm-7:30pm

RSVP is required by March 15th if you will be attending the dinner and/or the presentation to Susan Jackson, <u>jacksonsusan765@gmail.com</u>.

Men's Day of Recollection March 9th

The men of Saint James are invited to a *Day of Recollection* next **Saturday, March 9th, from 8:30am-noon** for the sacred season of Lent. The retreat will begin at 8:30am with Mass, followed by breakfast and end with lunch at noon. Visit the Lent 2024 link on our website for more details. Email Julie Marx, JulieMarx14@gmail.com, to register.

College Students Breaking Bread and Breakfast

A St. Philip college student invites Saint James college students to a morning of socializing and fun at St. Philip Catholic Church on **Monday**, **March 4th**. Join us for the 8:00am Mass followed by breakfast (with optional morning prayer at 7:40am) in the Youth Room #4 for college students to socialize and connect. Feel free to bring a friend!

Lenten Meatless Recipes

The Creation Care Ministry is sharing their favorite meatless recipes during Lent. You can find all recipes on the <u>Lent 2024</u> link on our website.

"Lent"il Vegetarian Shepherd's Pie Adapted from Mealime. Makes ~8 servings.

2 medium carrots, peeled, and diced

1 medium yellow onion, diced

2 cloves garlic, minced

8 oz white mushrooms, diced

2 Tbsp cooking oil

4 c. vegetable broth, divided

1 tsp dried thyme

1 1/2 c. dried lentils

1 1/2 c. frozen peas

8 Tbsp (1 stick) butter

8 medium yellow potatoes, 1-inch pieces

Salt and black pepper

In a large saucepan with a lid, sauté the carrots in 1 Tbsp cooking oil until carrots begin to soften (4-5 min). Add diced onion and minced garlic, and continue to sauté until onions are translucent (2-3 min). Add another Tbsp of oil and the diced mushrooms; cook 1-2 min. Add the lentils, 3 cups of vegetable broth, and thyme. Bring the mixture to a boil, then reduce the heat to a simmer, cover, and cook until the lentils are tender, approx. 25-30 min. Add the frozen peas

and simmer until they are warm.

In a separate pan, add the potatoes and cover them with water, bring to a boil. Reduce the heat to

medium, and cook until the potatoes are



tender, approximately 15-20 min. Once done, drain the potatoes and return them to the pan. To the pan with potatoes, add 8 Tbsp (1 stick) butter, 1 c. vegetable broth, 1/2 tsp salt, and black pepper to taste. Mash with a potato masher (or fork, for a more penitential experience).

Transfer the lentil mixture to a 9 x 12 baking dish. Top with mashed potatoes and broil on high approximately 5-8 minutes, until slightly browned.

Serve warm.

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Stewardship—The Gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure

Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services March 9-10

Next weekend, March 9-10, we will have a second collection for Catholic Relief Services (CRS). It was founded in 1943 by the U.S. Catholic Bishops to serve World War II survivors in Europe. Since then, it has expanded to reach more than 100 million people in 101 countries on five continents. The Catholic Relief Services Collection is an opportunity for you to help improve the lives of the most vulnerable people around the world and here in the United States. Your support funds organizations dedicated to aiding people affected by war and natural disasters as well as migrants and refugees in need of material and legal assistance.

Donate via Faith Direct, visit membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/1483.



Second Collection for Easter Flowers March 16-17

On March 16-17, the second collection will be for Easter flowers. You can help add to the beauty of our Church by making a donation to our Easter flowers fund this year.

Donate via Faith Direct, https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/3355.



Saint James School Gala Needs Your Help

Our school PTO Gala & Auction needs your help to make their Gala auction a great success. You can support the Gala by either advertising your business or donating a tax-deductible item or service.

We accept donations of gift certificates, company services, gift baskets, electronics, restaurant gift cards, entertainment gift cards, sports tickets or memorabilia, or vacation packages. **Donations are needed by Friday, March 29th.**

To advertise your business, the pricelist to the right shows the cost for various size ads in the Gala program. It is given to every attendee at the gala. Business cards can be used in the quarter page ad space. We can help with ad design if needed. This is a great way to get the word out about your local business! Advertising requests are needed by March 28th.

Email <u>PTOauction@saintjamesschool.org</u> with questions or for more details. Thank you in advance for your support.



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Youth Ministry





PREP



Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

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CONFIRMATION PRACTICE

- THURSDAY, MARCH 14TH CONFIRMATION PRACTICE WITH SPONSORS**
 - GROUP A 6:00PM
 - GROUP B 8:00PM

CONFIRMATION

- · SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH
 - GROUP A 10:00AM
 - GROUP B 2:00PM

**Adoration will end at 5:30pm on Thursday, March 14th.

Vocations

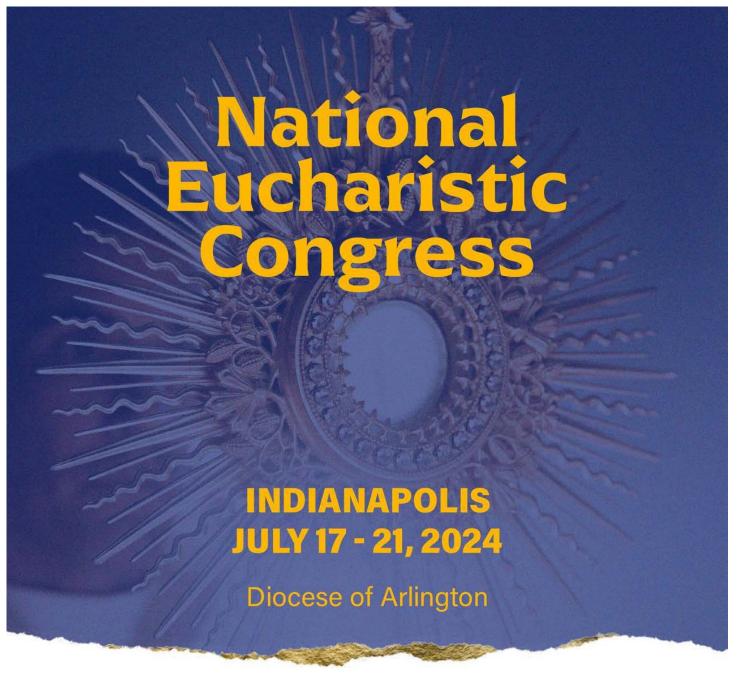
Registration Lottery for Quo Vadis and FIAT Camps

These camps are for high school students who want to take the next step in their prayer life and learn about different vocations. The camps are held at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in July. Due to the popularity, there is a lottery which is open most of March. There's no reward for entering earlier rather than later and only one per camper.

Registration is now open through March 25th. To register for the lottery, visit:

- Boys, www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/QuoVadis
- Girls, www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/FIAT

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Participate in this pivotal moment in the Church and draw into a deeper intimacy with our Lord. Join our diocese by registering today. Scan the QR code or visit www.eucharisticrevival.org.







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Parish Calendar		
Monday, March 4		
7:00pm-8:15pm	High School Prep	School Library
Tuesday, March 5		•
8:00am-9:00am	Saint James Fraternity-Exodus 90	Parish House
4:45pm & 7:00pm	PREP	School
7:00pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht
Wednesday, March 6	J 1	
10:00am-11:30pm	Mothers of the Church	Knecht
10:00am-11:30am	Women's Bible Study	Parish House
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:30pm	OCIA	Knecht
7:00pm-8:30pm	Men's Bible Study	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	First Communion Parent Meeting	School Library
Thursday, March 7	5	,
9:30am-11:45am	Co-ed Scripture Study	Knecht
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
6:45pm-8:00pm	Middle School Lenten Bible Study	School
7:00pm-8:30pm	Guest Speaker Tom Nash on Biblical Roots of Mass (page 4)	Msgr. Heller Hall
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	School Library
Friday, March 8	School Closed for Professional Development Day	·
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
5:00pm-8:00pm	Lenten Fish Fry	Msgr. Heller Hall
6:00pm-7:00pm	Stations of the Cross (Spanish)	Church
7:30pm-8:30pm	Stations of the Cross	Church
Saturday, March 9		
8:30am-12:00pm	Men's Lenten Day of Reflection (page 5)	Church/Msgr. Heller Hall
10:00am-12:00pm	Co-ed Bible Study	Parish House
3:30pm-4:30pm & 6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church
6:00pm-9:00pm	Hispanic Prayer Group	Msgr. Heller Hall
Sunday, March 10	Variable Day for a language of the control of the c	Desiral III.
11:30am-1:30pm	Young Professionals Coffee	Parish House
12:00pm-2:00pm	Hispanic RCIA	Knecht School
1:00pm-2:15pm 4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic PREP Hispanic Legion of Mary	School Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church
8:30pm-9:30pm	Saint James Fraternity-Exodus 90	Parish House
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Lenten Morning and Night Prayers Reminder

During Lent through Saturday, March 23rd, we will have

- Morning prayer—Monday through Saturday, 8:00am-8:15am
- Night prayer—Monday through Friday, 8:30pm-8:45pm

<u>Volunteer for the Lenten Fish Fry</u>
Many volunteers are always needed every week. **We need help all day long on Fridays: setting up, preparing and serving food, and cleaning up as well as during the event**. There's a job for everyone, including teens in need of service hours. Visit Lent 2024 to volunteer or with any questions!