



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

September 4, 2022



23rd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." - Lk 14:27

Clergy

Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia, Pastor
Rev. Joseph Vu, Parochial Vicar
Rev. John Paul Heisler, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Joel Kwame, In Residence
Rev. Peter M. McShurley, In Residence

Rectory Office Hours

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

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Hispanic Apostolate

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30am, 9:00am,
10:30am, Noon, and
7:00pm

Spanish Mass: 2:30pm

Daily: 6:30am, 8:30am,
Noon

Saturdays: 8:30am

Federal Holidays:
6:30am and 8:30am only

Holy Days:
6:30am, 8:30am, Noon,
4:00pm, and 7:30pm

Adoration

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

First Fridays: 9:00am-Noon

Holy Hours

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

Confessions

Wednesdays and Thursdays:
7:00pm-8:00pm

Fridays: 11:00am-11:45am

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

Baptisms

Baptisms are performed every Sunday. Please contact the parish office to begin making arrangements prior to the child's birth. Registration in the parish is required one month 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

Please contact the parish 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 Mary Sue Carwile, IHM, Superior

To register with the parish or update your contact information, or if you would like to receive Father Scalia's email communications, please notify the rectory staff at rectory@stjamescatholic.org.

September Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Abolition of the Death Penalty-

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.



On The Way

Catechesis on the Church: By what authority?

At the center of the controversies swirling around our Lord was the issue of authority. The crowds went to hear him because "he taught them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes" (Mt 7:29). During his last days in Jerusalem, the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders approached him and asked, "By what authority are you doing these things? Or who gave you this authority to do them?" (Mk 11:28) That is indeed *the* question. If Jesus of Nazareth has authority to teach what he teaches (for example, that he is Lord of the Sabbath) and if he has the authority to do what he does (for example, to forgive sins or to throw the money changers out of the Temple), then he is in fact the Son of God. Everything else follows. If he lacks that authority, then he is worse than a fraud.

The same question has been asked of the Church throughout the centuries: By what authority does the Church teach and do what she says and does? The Church makes extraordinary claims that, if she is not who she says she is, are not only absurd but evil: for example, that bread and wine become God's Body and Blood; that a priest can forgive sins; that she teaches infallibly, etc. Either the Church is the authorized voice of God in this world...or she is worse than a fraud.

Our Lord himself grants the Apostles tremendous authority: "Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven (Mt 18:18)...He who hears you hears me, and he who rejects you rejects me, and he who rejects me rejects him who sent me (Lk 10:16)... If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained" (Jn 20:23).

But more than anything else, it is that the Church is the Body of Christ that indicates her divine authority. The Church is, in a certain sense, Christ himself. Saint Gregory the Great says that Christ is "one person with the holy Church." Saint Thomas Aquinas says, "Head and members form as it were one and the same mystical person." The Church is not a mere delegate or representative of Jesus Christ. She is his very presence and thus possesses his authority. In his name and with his authority, the Church continues and extends his presence and salvific work throughout the world and throughout time. Or, viewed differently, through his Body the Church, Christ continues his work. He himself continues to heal, to preach, to rule, to suffer, and to rise – now no longer in his human body but in his mystical Body, the Church.

Christ continues to sanctify – to heal and make holy – through the Church's Sacraments. When a minister of the Church baptizes, it is Christ himself who baptizes. When a priest offers Mass or absolves sins, it is Christ himself doing so. And so on. Similarly, Christ himself continues to teach by way of the Church. Which doesn't mean that policies, administrative decisions, or prudential judgments of Church members are Christ's. It means that when the Church teaches something authoritatively – as necessary to be believed by all Catholics – it is Christ himself teaching. Finally, Christ continues to guide and govern his flock through the bishops, the shepherds of the Church.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Twenty-Third Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 3

Mass for the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00pm +Patrick Maguire

Sunday, September 4

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Jessica Syzmanski and Dana Wood
9:00am Sebastian Aguilar
10:30am People of Saint James
Noon +Mr. & Mrs. Michael Seyman
2:30pm +Basilisa Lim
7:00pm +Andrew Weichert

Monday, September 5

Monday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Maria Teresa Luisa de Ocampo
8:30am +Rosemary Anderson

Tuesday, September 6

Tuesday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Betty Feerick
8:30am +Dr. James Liverman
Noon +AnnMarie Bernardone .

Wednesday, September 7

Wednesday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Richard John Fedora
8:30am +Catalino Banez
Noon +Ruperto and Agripina Obejera

Thursday, September 8

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Marhy

6:30am +Angela Sido Bulandres
8:30am +Alfredo Loy, Jr.
Noon +Lorna May and Carlos Infante

Friday, September 9

St. Peter Claver

6:30am +Stephano Yang Cho
8:30am +Thomas T. Coipuram, Sr.
Noon +Liborio and Paciencia Bayut

Saturday, September 10

Saturday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time

8:30am Paul Whitehead
Mass for the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00pm Joanne Patricia Schafer

Sunday, September 11

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Mr. and Mrs. Adam Stadnik
9:00am People of Saint James
10:30am David Whitehead
Noon +Anthony Lujan
2:30pm +Souls in Purgatory
7:00pm +Vilma Ofrecio

Today's Readings

First Reading

Wis 9:13-18b

"Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what..."

Psalm

Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17

"In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge."

Second Reading

Phmn 9-10, 12-17

"I, Paul, an old man, and now also a prisoner for Christ..."

Gospel

Lk 14:25-33

"Great crowds were traveling with Jesus,"

Readings for the Week

Monday:

1 COR 5:1-8; PS 5:5-6, 7, 12; LK 6:6-11

Tuesday:

1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b;
LK 6:12-19

Wednesday:

1 COR 7:25-31; PS 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17;
LK 6:20-26

Thursday:

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; 13:6ab, 6c;
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Friday:

1 COR 9:16-19, 22B-27; PS 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12;
LK 6:39-42

Saturday:

1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18;
LK 6:43-49

Remember in Your Prayers

the sick of our parish family:

Terrell Blodgett	Laura Lareau	Russell Ross
Mary Ann Caruso	Janet Owen	Ben Schwind
Chip Clarke	Jim Owen	Mary Schwind
Joan Huff	Phillip Perot	Robyn Stewart
Judy Karinshak	Joe Poels	Richard Ziegler
Peggy Kurtzke	Conley Marie Rohall	

and the deceased of our parish family:

Edward Biddle	Francis Michael Gray	David Hurd
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and those serving our country:

Email bulletin@stjamescatholic.org for any changes to this section. This includes our veterans, military retirees, and those serving overseas in the military and foreign service, especially:

CDR Thomas Dixon	Mary Kenney
Veronica Elkins	Major Albert C. Young



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. Prayer requests are sent by the coordinator via email along with suggested prayers for each intention.

- Sign-up to be a praying member—<http://eepurl.com/gURddD>
- Prayer requests or questions—PrayerChain@saintjameschool.org



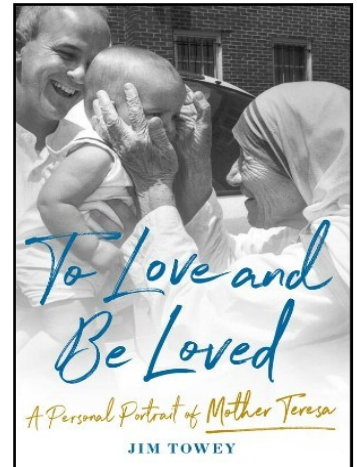
Parish News

The Humanity and Holiness of Mother Teresa *A conversation about what her life and example mean for us*

Jim Towey & Father Scalia
Wednesday, September 14th
7:00pm in Monsignor Heller Hall

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the death of Mother Teresa, one of the most extraordinary saints in the Church's history. In conjunction with this anniversary, Jim Towey, a devoted friend and trusted advisor to Mother Teresa, has published [*To Love and Be Loved: A Personal Portrait of Mother Teresa*](#).

Join Father Scalia and Jim Towey as they discuss his book and what Mother's example means to us today.



Seniors September Meeting

The Seniors Young at Heart invite all seniors to their "Happy Fall to One and All" **September 22nd meeting from 5:00pm-7:00pm** in Heller Hall. There will be pizza for dinner. Guests are asked to bring a salad or an apple dessert to share.

Please note that the meeting this month will be the fourth Thursday. There will be no meeting in October due to the trip to see the play *David* in Pennsylvania.

Angela Dinkle will speak on the Kairos Prison Ministry of Virginia. RSVP to Mary Anne Stallings at 703-244-2610 or Cae Gilley at 703-533-3845.



Parish Children's Choir

The Saint James Parish Children's Choir will resume rehearsals beginning this coming **Thursday, September 9th, 6:00pm-7:00pm**. The choir rehearses once a week and sings at the 9:00am Sunday Mass twice a month. The choir is open to any singer in grades 3-12. If you are interested in signing up your child or have questions, please email Natalie Keffalas at nkeffalas@saintjameschool.org.

CYO Fall Track and Cross Country

Practices are underway for fall Catholic Youth Organization (CYO youth sports) track and cross country. All parishioners who have students in grades 3-8 are invited to join. Practice is on Thursdays and Sundays. There is one diocesan track meet on October 8th and three cross country meets on September 17th, October 15th, and November 5th.

If your student is interested in participating, please fill out this Google Form, bit.ly/3KnSN8N or scan the QR code to the right. **Filling out the form only expresses interest.** Registration to participate will be conducted at a later date by Coach Moschella. Email track@saintjameschool.org for more information.



September 18th Road Closures

The annual Falls Church Education Foundation's *Run for the Schools* is scheduled for **Sunday, September 18th. The race begins at 8:00am and should be over by 10:00am.** Due to this event, there will be road closures in Falls Church City that may impact getting to church. Some streets may be closed as early as 6:30am. Please allow extra time for parking on this day as your normal travel route may be closed. The map of the course can be viewed on this link, <http://www.fcdf.org/run-for-the-schools.html>.

Parish News (Continued)

Saint James Parish and School Openings

Applicants interested in either of the parish positions below may send a resume and cover letter describing their interest in the position to Rich Blickendorfer at rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org.

- **Saint James seeks a full-time Receptionist for the Rectory office.** The Receptionist answers the phone, greets visitors, schedules Mass intentions, and performs administrative duties as a member of the Rectory office team. The hours are 9:00am-5:00pm weekdays. Candidate must have excellent communication skills and a love for interacting with parishioners. The position also requires good organizational and computer skills.
- **Saint James seeks a part-time (up to 20 hours a week) Youth Ministry Coordinator** to provide administrative support to the Parochial Vicar in charge of Youth Ministry. Must be organized; able to meet deadlines and comply with regulations; flexible regarding work schedule; and competent with Word, Excel, and email/phone communication. A demonstrated interest in working with and for youth is highly desired.

Saint James School is hiring for the following staff positions. All positions are ten months, mid-August through mid-June with a required diocesan background check. All applicants must have experience working with children in an educational or childcare setting. Anyone interested in either of these positions, which began last week, email the school principal, sistermarysue@saintjamesschool.org.

- **Extended Day Assistants**-The Extended Day program cares for our students after school from 3:00pm-6:00pm (11:00am-6:00pm on half days). The school is looking for Extended Day Assistants. Pay rate is \$15/hour.
⇒ This is a very important program offered to our working parents.
- **Part-Time Recess Monitor**-This position requires overseeing children three hours a day (15 hours weekly) to provide a safe and constant supervision during lunch and recess.

Back to Scouting Night for K-5

Join Cub Scout Pack 681 for a 'Back to Scouting Night' on **September 11th from 5:00pm-6:00pm in Heller Hall**. The event is for new and returning Scouting families in grades K-5. All are welcome. Join us for fun and games, meet the leaders, and get the schedule for a fun year of adventures! Visit the pack website for more information, sjpack681.wordpress.com/ or email us at sjpack681@gmail.com.



Dominican Corner

The Divine Priority

The Lord speaks to us about the cost of being his disciple, his follower. Perhaps more profoundly, He speaks to us about the meaning of that discipleship.

The Lord asserts quite powerfully that our relationship with Him must take precedence over all other relationships and concerns. These other relationships are not problematic, but they are incomplete; they are good but not central. Jesus longs to establish a right ordering within us which begins with God and flows forth into the world.

This divine priority does not call us to neglect our loved ones or the world; indeed, it makes it possible for us to more fully, more authentically love and serve them with that Love which we first receive from the Lord.

The Lord reminds us that our commitment to this relationship must be complete (as his is). Rather than seeing this as "cost" and "loss," we should be also be reminded that the Lord blesses and sanctifies all we offer up and returns it to us in abundance – His Life for ours, His eternity for our fleeting now.

You are warmly invited to pray Evening Prayer with the St. Mary Magdalene Lay Dominicans on the **third Sunday, September 18th, in the Parish House at 6:15pm**. Contact us at Veritas519@googlegroups.com.



Saint James Catholic School

EXCELLENCE IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY

"Where We Ignite the Potential in Each Child."

A New School Year Begins!

Saint James School faculty had a busy week of preparation, in-services, technical training, and reflection before welcoming back students who returned on Wednesday, August 24th. Our facilities staff was also very busy assembling the brand new desks purchased by the PTO. There was much excitement for both faculty and students to get back together.

Our Catholic schools in the diocese has recently made the news on two local news stations, NBC4 and FOX5, as the Arlington Catholic Schools continue to see an increase in registration. On the first day of school last week, our Superintendent of the Office of Catholic Schools, Dr. Joe Vorbach, was interviewed by FOX5 on the increase of families choosing Catholic education. Dr. Vorbach chose our parish school to conduct his interview. He also visited the faculty after the interview. You can watch the video below for that interview which also showcased Bishop O'Connell High School where many of our graduates attend. We have also included a link to the NBC4 interview with Renee White, Assistant Superintendent, in charge of marketing and enrollment.

We thank our school families and parishioners for the support and trust they put in our school and dedicated faculty which is the only school in the Arlington Diocese to receive three Blue Ribbons!

- To watch the FOX5 interview with Dr. Vorbach, visit www.fox5dc.com/video/1109317.
- To watch the NBC4 interview with Renee White, visit www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/diocese-of-arlington-sees-school-enrollment-spike/3137741/.



Stewardship—The Gift of Time, Talent and Treasure

Catholic University Second Collection

This weekend, **September 3-4**, the diocese will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Located in the heart of the nation's capital, Catholic University, founded in 1887, offers graduate and undergraduate courses in more than 180 academic programs. By giving to the National Collection, you will help support more than 6,000 students who are seeking a faith-filled education at an institution that supports cutting edge research in multiple fields. It will also support their service-oriented cultural and community outreach and improve their campus environment.

Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation. Your support is greatly appreciated. To donate online, visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/1491>.



Next Week's Collection for Our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

Next weekend, **September 11-12**, we will be taking up a second collection in support of our Parish Religious Education Program, affectionately known as "PREP." Under Sister Regina Rosarii's leadership, our PREP program continues to thrive with a team of dedicated catechists and assistants who diligently work to prepare our parish children to receive the Sacraments and increase their knowledge of our Catholic faith so that they may "know, love, and serve the Lord" more fully in this life. Please be as generous as you can and keep all of our PREP teachers and children in your prayers as they return to the classroom.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer in some capacity to support the PREP program, please reach out to Sister Regina at dre@saintjamesschool.org or 703-533-1182 x103. To donate online, visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/1490>.



PREP Staff: Sister Regina Rosarii McLallen, IHM, Pam Heid (back left), and Frances Wilson (back right)

Catholic Trivia Night

Register now. Our Social Outreach Committee is sponsoring a Catholic Trivia Night on **October 21st from 6:45pm-8:45pm**. Seating is limited.

Doors open at 6:00pm. The minimum entry fee per person will be a hygiene pack which you will pack in a bag and bring to check-in. Come have fun and support Catholic Charities at the same time.

This is an adult only event.

Visit our website, www.stjamescatholic.org, for more details and to register.

Gather your Friends! Saint James Catholic Church Social Outreach Committee Presents... Mark your Calendars! Registration opens Aug 22nd!

Catholic TRIVIA night

Adults only! First place prize!

Come show your knowledge of all things Catholic! Impress your family, amaze your friends! And support the important work of Catholic Charities!

October 21st | 6:45-8:45 pm
Heller Hall @ Saint James Catholic Church
See Saint James website for details!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
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Diocesan and Parish News

INOVA/Knights of Columbus Blood Drive September 11th

Support the INOVA/Knights of Columbus Blood Drive on **Sunday, September 11th from 8:30am-2:30pm** at the Arlington Knights of Columbus Main Hall, 5115 Little Falls Road, Arlington. On this day of remembrance of a national tragedy that took so many lives, the Knights ask all eligible donors to consider performing a life-saving act of charity by participating in our next quarterly INOVA/Knights of Columbus blood drive. Hospitals in the Metro area continue to experience critical blood shortages that impact their ability to respond to emergencies, perform required surgeries, and even provide essential care for patients young and old. *Your single donation could potentially save as many as three lives, which one day could be yours or someone you know.*

To schedule your appointment, call INOVA at 1-866-256-6372 and use Sponsor Code 6216, or email/call Bob Muschamp bobpatmuschamp@yahoo.com/703-489-2856 with your preferred time between 8:30am-2:30pm.



Celebrate Your Silver or Golden Anniversary

Are you celebrating your 25th (1997) or 50th (1972) wedding anniversary this year?

If so, join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge for the 2022 Marriage Jubilee Mass, to be celebrated on **Sunday, October 16th at 3:00pm at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington.**

Contact Ginny Beauchamp in our parish office at 703-532-8815 or gbeauchamp@stjamescatholic.org by October 3rd to register for this Mass.

Registration for ESL and Citizenship Classes

Catholic Charities-Hogar Immigrant Services will offer English classes on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:00pm-9:00pm at Saint James Catholic School (Door #16).

Registration will be on September 26th and 28th from 7:00pm-9:00pm at the school (Door #16). The classes are 12 weeks. The cost is \$60 and includes the class materials. Citizenship preparation classes are also offered for \$100. Please contact Catholic Charities at 571-208-1572 or ewd@ccda.net for more details. Or click on the following link, www.ccda.net/flyer-falls-church-classes.pdf.

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, September 25th, 1:00pm-At the Council Home, 5115 Little Falls Rd. Arlington

Please join the officers and members of Council 2473 at our magnificent stone mansion in north Arlington for an Open House. We further invite you to attend our daily rosary reading at 12:30pm immediately prior to the open house event.



CASA ABIERTA

Domingo, Septiembre 25, 1:00pm-En la Casa de Consejo, 5115 Little Falls Rd. Arlington

Únase a los oficiales y miembros del Consejo 2473 en nuestra magnífica mansión de piedra en el norte de Arlington para una jornada de puertas abiertas. Además, lo invitamos a asistir a nuestra lectura diaria del rosario a las 12:30pm inmediatamente antes del evento de puertas abiertas.

Visit www.stjamescatholic.org for more details.

Faith Formation

Adult RCIA Classes Begin September 13th

Would you like to discover Christ and His Church? Have you thought about becoming Catholic? Were you baptized Catholic but haven't completed the other sacraments? If the answer is YES, then the adult Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is for YOU.

RCIA also needs a support team. Do you want to help others find their spiritual home in the Catholic faith? If you are interested in joining the support team, or if you have volunteered as a Catechist teaching RCIA, please let us know.

RCIA classes begin next Tuesday, September 13th, in the Knecht Conference Room. If you have not registered or volunteered to assist Father Vu, contact him this week at 703-532-8815 or fathervu@stjamescatholic.org.



Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) Begins Soon

A very sincere THANK YOU to all those who have so generously volunteered to teach and assist in our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP). If there is anyone who feels they might like to help in any way, but has not yet offered, please feel free to do so. We can never have too many volunteers! Every year, family emergencies can develop and there is always a need for someone to fill in, even if it is temporarily. If you feel that you would like to help out as a catechist, catechist's assistant, office personnel, safety patrol, song leader, or with a special needs student, please do not hesitate to contact Sister Regina at 703-533-1182 ext. 103 or dre@saintjamesschool.org.

Registration is now open for the 2022-2023 school year. Register now. Classes for K-12 begin next month. Parental permission form must be returned with the registration form along with a copy of the birth certificate and baptismal certificate for each child registered. Visit our web page on the parish website for more information and to download forms, www.stjamescatholic.org/faith/parish-religious-education-program-prep/. If you have any questions or need any assistance with registration, contact our office at 703-533-1182 x104.

Register for our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)



**Classes Begin: Sep 20 (English)
Sep 25 (Spanish)**

Altar Boy Servers

Any boys in grades 4 through 11 are welcome to become altar servers. We invite you to enter the service of God at the altar and to join in this brotherhood of young men who assist the priests in bringing the power and glory of heaven to earth.

If you are interested in serving at the altar and join in this sacred brotherhood, download the form on the Liturgical Ministries page under the Worship menu on the parish website, stjamescatholic.org/worship/liturgical-ministries/#altarboys.

Boys will be notified of several upcoming series of training sessions, to be held in the fall, that will explain the basics of this wonderful mission in divine worship. Attendance at a series of training sessions is needed to begin, or to continue, serving as an altar server at Saint James Church. If you should have any questions about the program, contact Fr. John Paul at 703-532-8815 or fatherjohnpaul@stjamescatholic.org.

2022-2023 Altar Servers Boys in Grades 4-11



Register Now

Saint James Parish Groups

Do you want to become more involved in our parish? Below is a list of contacts for our groups.

Share your time and talents. Become a part of our vibrant and active parish community. For a full list, visit the Service and Fellowship menú on our website www.stjamescatholic.org.

For Hispanic ministries, click on the [español](#) button on the home page.

FAITH FORMATION

Adult RCIA	Fr. Joseph Vu fathervu@stjamescatholic.org
Altar Servers Grades 4-11	Fr. John Paul Heisler fatherjohnpaul@stjamescatholic.org
Baptisms	Rectory Office/Ginny Beauchamp gbeauchamp@stjamescatholic.org
Bible Studies	Jane Harvey harveyjmc@gmail.com
Charismatic Prayer Group	Angela Dinkle jasamber3@cox.net
Divine Mercy Cenacle	Yvonne McCool YMMcCool@outlook.com
Lay Dominicans	Rose Folsom Veritas519@googlegroups.com
Legion of Mary	Sally Done sally@donefamily.com Nancy Parrotta nancyparrotta@hotmail.com
Parish Library	DonnaMaria Duatschek dmduatschek@gmail.com
Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) K-12	PREP Office religioused@saintjameschool.org PREP Director, Sister Regina, IHM dre@saintjameschool.org
Vocations Liaison	Patrick Matheny phdfishing@gmail.com
Youth Ministry	Fr. John Paul Heisler fatherjohnpaul@stjamescatholic.org

WORSHIP/ADORATION

Children's Choir	Natalie Keffalas nkeffalas@saintjameschool.org
Church Clean-up and Decorations	DonnaMaria Duatschek dmduatschek@gmail.com
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Join and Strengthen Your Faith Saint James Bible Studies

If you would like to lead a study, no experience is necessary and help is available. If you have questions, please contact Jane Harvey, harveyjmc@gmail.com. Check out the bulletin or our website under the Faith Formation menu, for the latest on Bible studies at Saint James.

Young Moms. 1st Tuesday of the month, 7:15pm-8:45pm; Parish House Conference Room

- Oct. 3 - May 2, "Wisdom: God's Vision for Life", Ascension Press
- Contact: Liz Sites, elizabeth.o.sites@gmail.com

Women's Study. Wednesdays, 10:00am-11:30am, Knecht Conference Room

- Sept. 14 - Dec. 14, Bible in a Year (continued,) Fr. Mike Schmitz, Ascension Media
- Jan. 11 - May 17, Catechism in a Year, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Ascension Media
- Contact: Jane Harvey, harveyjmc@gmail.com
- **Note:** Format for class is to listen together to the Wednesday podcast and discuss the daily readings for the week.

Men's Study. Wednesdays, 7:00pm-9:00pm, Parish House Conference Room

- Aug. 10 - Sept. 14, "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk through Christ's Passion", Ascension Press
- Sept. 21 - Dec. 14, Study of Mass Readings for the coming Sunday
- Contact: Pat Matheny, phdfishing@gmail.com; Jeremy Dow, prayingevangelist@gmail.com

Co-ed Study. 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 9:40am-11:20am, Knecht Conference Room

- Sept. 15 - May, "Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation", Ascension Press
- Contact: Estela Arciaga, estela2eaa@icloud.com

Thursdays, 7:00pm-9:00pm, School Library -Three studies, starting Sept. 9, in the following order:

1. "Romans: The Gospel of Salvation"
 2. "The Eucharist," Word on Fire Press
 3. Second Greatest Story Told, Hearts Afire
- Contact: Patti Valancius, pvalancius@aol.com

Saint James History—A Call to Vocations

In the April 21, 1977 issue of the Arlington Catholic Herald, Msgr. Heller was chosen as the model to encourage priestly vocations in the diocese. This article appeared just weeks before Msgr. Heller's retirement.

Monsignor Paul Heller has been a priest for 44 years. He's not doing it for the salary.

You're looking at a man who is hard at work. Msgr. Heller's most important job as a Catholic priest is to celebrate the Mass. When he does that, he celebrates the presence of God in the world.

And if he did nothing else but that, he could consider himself a success even though it takes barely an hour of his time.

But Msgr. Heller has also accepted other duties which somewhat extend his working day. By about eleven more hours.

As Pastor of St. James Church in Falls Church, he serves a congregation of over 7,600 people some of whom will be in any one of the 3 or 4 area hospitals or one of the nearby homes for the aged.

In any one year he and his assistants will work with an average of 73 couples as they prepare for marriage. Will talk with the parents of over 100 children as they prepare their children for Baptism. Will offer whatever consolation they can to the families of those who have died. Will make countless visits to the sick and counsel many who are in need. Touching the lives of people; some just a little, others quite a lot, and still others so that they will never be quite the same again.

No matter how you do the arithmetic it all breaks down to a lot of long hours at a job that is not famous for its big paychecks.

For Monsignor Heller the reward comes from somewhere else. "The love of God has called me to the priesthood," he says, "to praise and preach his word and give service to his people."

"A big part of the reward is in seeing the dignity and holiness of each person. I don't deal with mobs. I deal with individuals. The ministry of a parish priest is very personal and very fulfilling."

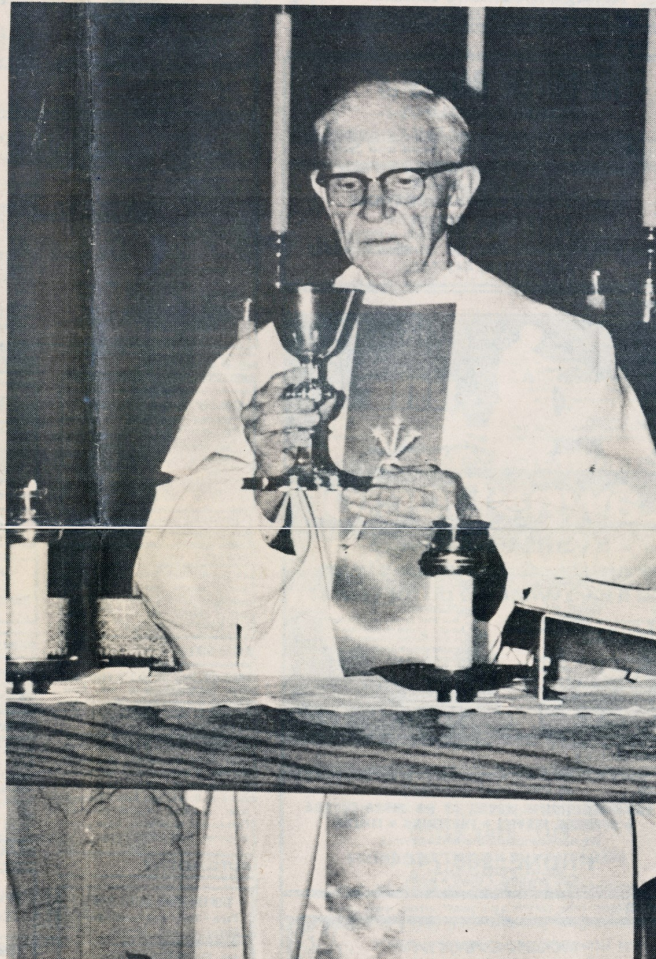
There's so much more work to do in the Arlington Diocese - and too few priests. Could you do what Msgr. Heller is doing? Have you ever thought about it? There's a phone number where you can reach him.

Just dial (703) 532-8815.

He'll be happy to talk to you about his vocation.

And yours too.

Or write: Rev. Richard J. Ley
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Parish Calendar

Sunday, September 4

10:00am-2:00pm	Parish Library Open	Parish House
4:00pm-5:30pm	Spanish Legion of Mary	Knecht
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church

Monday, September 5 **Labor Day. Parish and School Offices Closed.**

6:30am and 8:30am Masses Only

Tuesday, September 6

7:00pm-8:30pm	New Catechist Orientation	Heller Hall
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House

Wednesday, September 7

12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:45pm	Men's Bible Study	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht
8:30pm-9:00pm	Men's Rosary	Mary Statue Outside

Thursday, September 8

10:00am-12:00pm	Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy	Knecht
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Ladies Bible Study	School Library

Friday, September 9 **School Early Dismissal Day**

9:00am-11:45am	First Friday, Exposition and Benediction	Church
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church

Saturday, September 10

6:45am-7:15am	Pro-life Prayer at Falls Church Clinic	900 S. Washington St. Falls Church
3:30pm-4:30pm	Confessions	Church
6:30pm-8:30pm	Hispanic Prayer Group	Heller Hall
6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church



Join us in remembering a life well-lived!
Sunday, September 18th

- Monsignor Heller was our beloved fifth pastor of Saint James from 1953-1977.
- He was the first Vicar General of the newly formed Arlington Diocese in 1974.
- Following the noon Mass, there will be a re-dedication of Heller Hall.

**Noon Mass and Reception in Memory
of Monsignor Paul V. Heller**