



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

October 5, 2025



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." - Lk 17:5-6

Clergy

Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia, Pastor
Rev. Charles Pavlick, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Timothy D. Banach, Parochial Vicar
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Rev. Daniel Reuwer, In Residence
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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am,
Noon, 2:30pm (Spanish),
and 7:00pm

Daily: 6:30am, 8:15am, and Noon

Saturdays: 8:30am

Federal Holidays: 6:30am and 8:15am

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

Low-Gluten Hosts

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

Adoration

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

First Fridays:

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

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Parish Registration

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

The Pope's October Prayer Intention

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

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On The Way

Saint Augustine: Give what you command...

Is the Christian life possible? It is possible to love one another as Christ loves us (Jn 13:34)...to love our enemies and pray for our persecutors (Mt 5:44)...to be perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect (Mt 5:48)? Can we actually live these teachings? Such has been a constant question throughout the Church's history. Christ seems to ask of us what is far beyond our ability.

In our own day, people extend this dilemma to other, even more basic, teachings of the Church. Is permanence in marriage possible? Can people really be expected to live the sexual morality that the Church teaches? Is chastity possible and part of the Good News?

The Pelagian response was a resounding *Yes, we can*. Indeed, even without Christ's grace, if we just try harder, then we can meet all these moral standards. Martin Luther's answer was that the impossibility of Christ's teachings – in particular, the Sermon on the Mount – is simply to reveal our inadequacy and fallenness. In other words, He doesn't really mean it. The modern solution is to ignore the high demands and reduce Christianity to niceness and toleration. We might be able to clear that low bar.

None of these is satisfying. But Saint Augustine provided a pithy, beautiful solution to this perennial dilemma. In *Confessions*, he prays, *Da quod iubes et iube quod vis ~ Give what you command and command what you will*.

The first part of this prayer – *Give what you command* – is an appeal for God's grace. It means, in effect, *Give me the grace to live what you command me*. But we have to be careful here. We cannot reduce God's grace to just a spiritual boost when we need it, like a divine energy drink that empowers us to do difficult things. Yes, God does give *actual graces* that inspire and strengthen us to think, speak, and act in a Christlike manner in certain situations. But these are at the service of *sanctifying grace* given us in the Sacraments and which makes us partakers in divine life, other Christs.

It is because He has conformed us to Himself by sanctifying grace that Christ commands us to do what He did. We don't fulfill the commands in order to become like Christ. We have already been configured to Him by grace. The commands are really just a description of what it means to live out the life of Christ infused into our souls. Hence the second part of Augustine's prayer: *Command what you will*. In other words, if He gives me the actual graces to live what He has made me by sanctifying grace, then He can command whatever He wills. It's already part of who I am. This tremendous confidence in God's grace to transform us and to live virtue is why Saint Augustine is called the "Doctor of Grace."

The saints show us that Augustine's prayer is not a vain hope or futile aspiration. Throughout the Church's history – from Saint Stephen, the first martyr, to Saint Maximilian Kolbe at Auschwitz – we see saints forgiving their enemies and remaining faithful to Christ even unto death. They did so not by their own strength or merits but by His grace. They were confident that they could live His commands because they knew His life and grace dwelled in them.

And so also for us. Christ's commands – to forgive, to remain faithful, to remain chaste, etc. – simply call out from us what His grace has already given. We cannot do these things by our own power, and we discourage ourselves by trying to do so. It is by His grace dwelling and deepened within us that we live what He commands – indeed that we continue His own life and presence in the world.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Twenty-Seventh Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 4

Mass for Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Katie Burgess

Sunday, October 5

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Jack and Marilyn Manion

9:00am +Dorothy and Kerri Gallic

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Fran Myers

2:30pm +Margaret Rielly

7:00pm +Joan Herrera

Monday, October 6

St. Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher

6:30am Kathy Bursley

8:15am Collins Family

Noon +Kevin Sullivan

Tuesday, October 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

6:30am +Toni Shipp

8:15am +Donald Bauer

Noon Socorro Fuster

Wednesday, October 8

Wednesday of the Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Gyorgy Szele

8:15am +Consortia Mahinay Polloso

Noon +Marie Roche

Thursday, October 9

St. Denis; St. John Leonardi

6:30am +Marianne and Charles Barrick

8:15am James and Annie Cummings

Noon +John Sando

Friday, October 10

Friday of the Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Joyce Delaney

8:15am +Tristan McGillicuddy

Noon +Maria Emilia Pereira

Saturday, October 11

St. John XXIII

8:30am +Peruvemba Ramnathan Sundaresan

Mass for Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Antonio Soriano

Sunday, October 12

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Mary Ann Caruso

9:00am +Christopher Arias

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Barbara and Gary Curtin

2:30pm +Santos Hector Aguilar

7:00pm +John Regine

Today's Readings

First Reading

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

"How long, O LORD? I cry for help but you do not listen!"

Psalm

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

"If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

"Beloved: I remind you, to stir into flame the gift of God..."

Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

"The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.'"

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

Joyce Babiak

James Banks

Beatriz Basso

Cory Bautista

Betty Brunton

Jim Buscher

Patricia Cavasina

Jane C. Checkan

Chloe Clagg

Grace Coipuram

John Cormany

Mona Demien

Thomas Duncan

Roberta Dunn

Katherine Garren

Anthony L. Gerena

Monica Giove

Silvia Guevara

Scott Herman

Laura Lareau

Yolanda Machiado

Jose G. Martinez

Gloria Mora

Mildred Melmer

Julie Neil

Rachel Noonan

Esther Olivos

Carter Parry

Colman Rowan

BJ Salinas

Kathleen Seroskie

Robyn Stewart

Lauren Vinci

Liv Wash

Anne Marie Willis

the deceased of our parish family

Patsy Jean Guditus

Carol Marie Keister

Sebastian Kurian

and please pray for all active duty military

2nd Lt. James Canady, USAF

1st Lt. Thomas Canady, USAF

Maj. Michael Conrad, USA

LTJG William Conroy, USN

CDR Thomas Dixon, USN

FN Frank (FX) Giaccio, USN

Lt. Mathew Hayes, USN

Col. Jay Hildreth, USA

Capt. Sierra Lancaster, USAF

Cmdr. Bruce Lee, USN

Cpl. James Murray, USMC

2nd Lt. Joseph Murray, USMC

2LT Paul Murray, USA

Capt. Theresa Neubig, USMC

2LT Finn Roou, USA

1st Lt. Mario Suarez, USAF

For changes, email communications@stjamescatholic.org.

Saint James Prayer Chain

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



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

Parish Speaker Series

Monday, October 27th, 7:00pm

Monsignor Heller Hall

Father Carter Griffin **“Sanctity in the Family”**

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



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

- The four formation pillars: human, spiritual, intellectual, and apostolic
- Insights into how each of these pillars can be adapted and applied in family life
- Encouragement for navigating the joys and challenges of forming children in the faith

We encourage all parents to attend this series.

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

Christ House Hat/Glove/Sock Drive

American Heritage Girls (AHG) Troop 681 is collecting new or gently used hats, gloves, and socks as a Thanksgiving gift for the homeless people (men, women, and children) at Christ House.

If you would like to make a donation, AHG will be collecting these items **starting this weekend, October 5th through the Noon Mass on November 2nd**. There will be a box in the back of the church to donate the clothing items.

High School Theology Class: “Prayer: a Response of the Heart”

This semester, we will be studying prayer and reading from the 4th Section of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Every Tuesday night from **7:00pm-8:15pm**

Starting **October 7th**

In the School library. Enter through door #16

Contact Sister Regina, dre@saintjameschool.org

or 703-533-1182 ext. 103, to register.

Taught by Sean Farrell
Theology Teacher at Bishop
O’Connell H.S.

Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Second Collection

This weekend, **October 4-5**, the parish will take up a second collection in support of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Each diocese in the country has been asked to contribute to this one-time special collection to defray the cost of the Shrine Infrastructure Renewal Project.



In order for the 100+ year National Shrine to continue to serve almost one million pilgrims each year, the task of updating its aged infrastructure has become a necessity. This project includes the modernization of heating and cooling systems which are essential to 365-day-a-year ministry.

To donate online via our one-time gift link, visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/7745> and write “Shrine Collection” on the memo line.

Parish News (Continued)

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

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

If you have lost a loved one since November 2024 and would like to have his or her name listed in the bulletin for that weekend, **email communications@stjamescatholic.org by October 18th**.

Due to space limitations and publication deadlines, please follow these guidelines:

- Limit your request to those who have passed away since November 1, 2024.
- Submit first and last name (plus suffix, if applicable)
- Submit month and year of their passing

We will honor those who have died since November 2024 with a special insert in the bulletin. We will include those who had funeral Masses and memorials here at Saint James.

Confirmation Parent/Candidate Meeting

A reminder for all Confirmation candidates and their parents to attend the meeting this **Wednesday, October 8th, 7:30pm-9:00pm** in Monsignor Heller Hall.

If you have any questions, contact the Religious Education office at 703-533-1182 x104 or religioused@saintjamesschool.org.



**Monday,
October 13th**

**Rectory Closed
Masses at 6:30am and 8:15am
No Noon Mass**

Wednesday and Thursday Parking Reminder

Parishioners attending Adoration on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons should avoid parking in A Lot during the times listed below which include 30 minutes before and after dismissals due to school dismissal and children in the parking lot.

Below are dismissal time frames for each day.

- **Wednesdays**—1:30pm-2:30pm
- **Thursdays**—2:30pm-3:30pm

Life Corner

Understanding the Ramifications of the Proposed VA Constitutional Amendment on

Abortion—During the month of March, the Life Corner spotlighted dangers in the proposed abortion amendment to the Virginia Constitution. It is clear that this proposed amendment is to enshrine abortion rights into our VA state Constitution. This proposed amendment is in opposition to our Catholic faith which teaches us to respect the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death.



We are called to protect life, and the proposed amendment endangers life. Its vague and overly broad language invites dangerous interpretations by the courts in the future.

- It undermines parental rights by limiting parents' ability to protect and guide their children.
- It legalizes abortion for both adults and minors, without distinction.
- The wording could open the door to expanding abortion rights to a wide range of "reproductive rights," including contraception
- It could even be used to overturn Virginia's current ban on taxpayer-funded abortions.

What can I do?

- Pray for the mother and for the protection of the child she carries in her womb.
- Be informed. Know the candidates' position on this amendment before you vote.
- Attend the meeting on Tuesday, October 14th, at Saint James and learn about the impact of this amendment (see page 8).

Parish News (Continued)

Saint James in Rome

Earlier this month parishioners Andrew and Megan Ronnfeldt received a special marriage blessing from Pope Leo XIV just ahead of their first wedding anniversary. They were married at Saint James last September. The blessing took place at Saint Peter's on September 3rd. Megan, a proud U.S. Navy veteran and graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, presented Pope Leo with a U.S. Navy coin as well as one of our brand new Saint James Catholic Church car magnets!

Maybe you'll see it on the Pope mobile soon! So, the Pope has one of our magnets...do you?

Saint James couple receives a special marriage blessing from Pope Leo XIV



SAINT JAMES UPCOMING FALL DATES

16-18
OCT

PTO School Bazaar & White Elephant

October 15th will be open to school families & parishioners only
See Page 10

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OCT

Finishing the Race Part 2:

'Medical, Legal, & Practical Considerations'
9:00am-Noon

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OCT

Parish Speaker: Fr. Carter Griffin

'Sanctity in the Family'
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NOV

Parish Speaker: Tom Shakely

'The Cure of Nations: Leo XIII's Vision for the Church and our Political Happiness'
7:00pm

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NOV

Catholic Trivia Night

6:45pm-8:45pm

Finishing the Race Part 3:
'Providing for the Future: Planned Giving Seminar'
(RSVP required)
9:00am-Noon

22
NOV

More details in upcoming bulletin.

Youth Ministry

WorkCamp

WorkCamp is a week-long service opportunity for high school youth of our parish to serve those in need throughout the diocese. It is held in late June. We will begin the preparation process by holding interest meetings for teens and their parents as well as adult volunteers later this fall. See the schedule to the right.

Initial WorkCamp Interest meetings will be held in the Knecht Conference Room on:

- **Thursday, October 23rd, at 7:30pm** for **high school teens and their parents** and
- **Saturday, November 22nd, at 9:15am** for **adult volunteers**.

The number of teens able to participate in WorkCamp from Saint James is determined by the number of adults who volunteer. Please consider volunteering as an adult leader!



Scan QR code to visit the Youth Ministry page under the **FAITH FORMATION** menu for more information on these events and more.

RALLY

Bishop Burbidge invites all high school students of the Arlington Diocese to join him at RALLY 2025! This annual event is an opportunity for the young Church in the Diocese of Arlington to gather each year to pray, learn, and celebrate the Catholic faith. RALLY includes Mass with Bishop Burbidge, Eucharistic Adoration, inspirational speakers and entertainers, breakout sessions, inflatable games, music, and more!

Sunday, October 26, 2025

Bishop O'Connell High School in Arlington

Registration check-in will begin at 11:30am

The day will finish by 8:00pm

\$25 per person includes dinner and t-shirt

(Lunch is not provided)

Email ym@stjamescatholic.org with any questions. Visit our Youth Ministry page to download student permission form and adult participant form that must be completed/returned to ym@stjamescatholic.org.

WORKCAMP SCHEDULE

2026

**TEEN & PARENT
INTEREST
MEETING**



Thursday, October 23rd at 7:30 pm
Knecht Conference Room

Saturday, November 22nd at 9:15 am
Knecht Conference Room



**VOLUNTEER
INTEREST
MEETING**

**TEEN
MEETING**



Sunday, January 11 at 8:15 pm
Parish House

Sunday, February 22 at 8:15 pm
Parish House



**TEEN
MEETING**

**TEEN
MEETING**



Sunday, March 8 at 8:15 pm
Parish House

Friday, April 3
Saint James Catholic Church



**VIA
CRUCIS**

**TOOL
TRAINING**



Saturday, May 30 at 9:00 am
B-Lot

Saturday, June 20 at 2:00 pm
B-Lot



**DEPART FOR
WORKCAMP 2026!!**

WorkCamp is a week-long service opportunity for youth of our Parish to serve those in need throughout the Diocese.

Visit our website for more details. Or email
ym@stjamescatholic.org.



RALLY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025

ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE INVITED!

A DAY FILLED WITH FAITH AND FUN!

Mass with Bishop Burbidge
Keynote Speaker Ali Hoffman
Illusionist Giancarlo Bernini
Breakout Sessions, Confessions, Adoration,
Inflatable Games, Pizza, Ice Cream, and more!!

Sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Arlington

Saint James will hold an Arlington Diocese-sponsored informational meeting on the Abortion Amendment that will be moved along or halted depending on voting in November. The amendment will be explained on Tuesday, October 14th, at 7:00pm in the church.



Extreme Abortion Amendment to the Virginia Constitution

What you need to know



Because we failed to turn out the pro-life vote in November of 2023, when every seat in the Virginia General Assembly was on the ballot, we currently have an **extremely pro-abortion majority** in both the House of Delegates and the Senate which is fast-tracking this dangerous resolution. This year, every seat in the house of delegates is once again on the ballot.

**This amendment is out of step with the values of a majority of Virginians.
It goes far beyond what Roe v. Wade allowed.**

Amendment Process

1. *First Session - January 2025*

The amendment was approved for the first time by both legislative chambers. The Governor cannot veto an amendment.



We are here

2. *November 2025 Election*

A general election must occur before the amendment is taken up in the next session. On Tuesday, November 4th we have an opportunity to return a pro-life majority to the Virginia House of Delegates. This would stop the amendment from being passed a second time. *Are you registered to vote?*



3. *Second Session - January 2026*

The amendment is introduced for the second time and must pass both chambers with unaltered language. A pro-life majority of delegates would stop the amendment at this juncture.



4. *November 2026 Ballot Initiative*

The amendment, as passed twice, goes to the ballot for the people to vote "yes" or "no" to amend the Constitution.

- Parental consent laws: **Eliminated.**
- Abortions up to birth: **Guaranteed.**
- Religious liberty: **Denied.**
- Health of women and girls: **At risk.**
- Taxpayers: **Forced to fund abortion.**
- Predators: **Protected.**

This amendment could turn Virginia into the **abortion destination of the South.**

PRAYER & FASTING FOR THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS



PRAY.

Consider:



Praying a ***Rosary***



Attending ***Daily Mass***



Offering a ***Memorare a day***



FAST.

Consider:



Eating only ***one meal*** all day



Abstaining from meat



Giving up your ***favorite food or beverage***



VOTE.

Remember:



Deadline for a mail-in ballot is ***October 24***



Vote early in-person from ***September 19 to November 1***



Election day is ***November 4***

Join **Bishop Burbidge** every Friday in October in prayer and fasting for grace to move hearts, transform lives, and elect leaders who uphold the dignity of every human life. The legislators we elect this November will decide whether the proposed extreme abortion amendment will be advanced or stopped.

Scan the QR code to find election resources and more information:

bit.ly/CDAadvocacyandlegislation



Saint James School Events

SAINT JAMES BAZAAR PRESENTS...

THE WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

OCTOBER 15-18 2025
WED, OCT. 15 5-9PM
 (SJS FAMILIES & PARISHIONERS)
THURS, OCT. 16 5-9PM
FRI, OCT. 17 4-9PM
SAT, OCT. 18 8AM-12PM

HELLER HALL & GYM
SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL
FALLS CHURCH, VA

ALL BAZAAR PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE ANN COOK EDUCATION FUND

DONATION INFORMATION

BRING YOUR GENTLY USED DONATIONS TO THE GYM OR HELLER HALL DURING THESE COLLECTION TIMES:

FRI, OCT. 10 12-6PM
SAT, OCT. 11 9AM-5PM
SUN, OCT. 12 9AM-5PM
MON, OCT. 13 10AM-5PM

ACCEPTING:
 CLOTHES/SHOES, WINTER COATS, HOUSEWARES, COOKWARE, LINENS, BOOKS, TOYS, TOOLS (NO GAS POWERED EQUIPMENT), FURNITURE, BIKES, SPORTS EQUIPMENT, WORKING SMALL ELECTRONICS (NO LARGE ELECTRONICS), BABY ITEMS (NO CAR SEATS OR CRIBS)

QUESTIONS? EMAIL JULIE MARX: JULIEMARX14@GMAIL.COM

How Bazaar!!

OCTOBER 15-16
 Saint James families & parishioners only on Oct. 15!

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE
 5-9PM
 HELLER HALL

BOOKS & TOYS
 5-9PM
 GYM

BAKE SALE
 5PM-8PM
 PLAYGROUND

SNACK BAR
 5-8PM
 PLAYGROUND

SAINT JAMES BAZAAR 2025

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE
 4-9PM
 HELLER HALL

ITALIAN NIGHT
 5:30-8:30PM
 CAFETERIA

BOOKS & TOYS
 4-9PM
 GYM

BAKE SALE
 5PM-8PM
 PLAYGROUND

KIDS' GAMES & DISCO TENT
 5-8:30PM
 B LOT

SNACK BAR
 5-8PM
 PLAYGROUND

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE
 8AM-12PM
 HELLER HALL

BOOKS & TOYS
 8AM-12PM
 GYM

KIDS' GAMES
 3-4:30PM (3RD GRADE & UNDER)
 4:30-6:30PM (ALL AGES)
 B LOT

BEER GARDEN & FOOD TRUCKS
 5-9PM
 B LOT

MOVIE & POPCORN
 6:45-8:45PM
 GYM

BAKE SALE
 3-7PM
 PLAYGROUND

SNACK BAR
 3-7PM
 PLAYGROUND

*Questions about the Bazaar? Please contact Julie Marx: juliemarx14@gmail.com

Saint James Catholic School

ALUMNI RECEPTION FOR ADULTS 21+

Reconnect with classmates, take a tour, and relive cherished memories.

For more information & to RSVP, visit bit.ly/SJSAlumni

Thursday, October 23, 2025
6:45pm-8:15pm
Msgr. Heller Hall-Entrance 13

- Tours by current SJS students
- Light appetizers, beer, & wine
- Background music
- Slide show with memories from the past
- Closing remarks

5TH ANNUAL SAINT JAMES ROCKET CLASSIC

benefitting the students at Saint James School

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24
WESTFIELDS GOLF CLUB
1 PM SHOTGUN START

REGISTER TODAY!
\$200 / PLAYER
\$800 / FOURSOME

Unable to play but still want to support SJS?
 Use QR code to visit website or email golf@saintjameschool.org for sponsorship info!

[HTTPS://SJSPTOVA.EJOINME.ORG/REGISTER](https://SJSPTOVA.EJOINME.ORG/REGISTER)

Arlington Diocese Week of Service—Join Us

Bishop Burbidge invites all members of the faith to participate in the inaugural Arlington Diocese Week of Service from **November 9-16, 2025**. The theme is *“Love in Action – Service in Community”*. Together, we are building a faith-filled culture of generosity and solidarity—not only within our parish communities but throughout this diocesan region we call home. Join us in being the hands and heart of Christ to others. Let’s serve with purpose, pray with hope, and grow together in the love of God.

The Diocese of Arlington updated its Strategic Plan in 2022. Strategic Initiative No. 7 calls us to **“Hold an annual Diocesan Service Week that unifies the diocese around a short list of service projects.”** These projects are based on the seven corporal works of mercy: feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, visit the sick, visit the imprisoned, and bury the dead.

By early October, the Saint James Diocesan Service Week Committee will be sharing planned events during this week in November for parishioners to participate in individually or as a family via our website, bulletin, and social media.

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To view Bishop Burbidge’s message and learn more:



www.arlingtondiocese.org/serviceweek

Ministry Fair

Thank you to all the ministries and parishioners who participated in this year's Ministry Fair. It was wonderful to see the interaction of the parishioners with our various ministries and to see so many sign-up sheets filled with names of people wanting to join our various ministries.

If you were not able to attend but still want to be involved, visit our **Parish Groups** page under the Service & Fellowship menu on our website, <https://stjamescatholic.org/parish-groups/>. The ministries are always glad to welcome new members. Remember everyone has a talent or gift to share with others.

Parish Ministry Fair



Parish Calendar

Monday, October 6		
7:00pm-8:45pm	Reach More Training	Parish House
Tuesday, October 7		
7:00am-7:45am	Saint James Fraternity-Exodus 90	Parish House
4:45pm & 7:00pm	PREP Classes	School
7:00pm-8:15pm	High School Theology begins (see page 4)	School Library
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House
Wednesday, October 8		
9:30am-11:30am	Women's Bible Study	Knecht Conference Room
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Men's Bible Study	Parish House
7:00pm-8:30pm	OCIA	Knecht Conference Room
7:30pm-9:00pm	Confirmation Parent/Candidate Meeting	Msgr. Heller Hall
Thursday, October 9		
10:15am-11:45pm	Divine Mercy Cenacle	Parish House
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Social Outreach Committee	Knecht Conference Room
Friday, October 10 White Elephant Donation Drop Off Begins (see page 10)		
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
Saturday, October 11 Columbus Day Holiday Weekend		
7:15am-8:15am	Men's Prayer Group	Parish House
10:00am-12:00pm	Co-ed Bible Study	Parish House
3:30pm-4:30pm & 6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church
Sunday, October 12		
11:30am-1:30pm	Young Professionals Coffee	Parish House
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church

To foster fraternity and understanding between Anglicans and Catholics



The Saint James Ecumenical Planning and Study Group invites you to

A Cordial Conversation on Mary

We will look at what Scripture says about Mary and share about what our faith teaches.

Dates: Part I: Monday, **October 27th**
 Part II: Monday, **November 24th**

Time: **7:00pm-8:30pm**

Place: Home of Julie and John Conroy, Falls Church

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