



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

May 21, 2023



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
Rev. Mauricio Pineda, In Residence
Deacon Marvin Muhat

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

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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, 8:15am, and Noon

Saturdays: 8:30am

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

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

Weekday Masses in red will be in
Monsignor Heller Hall until Church
renovations are completed.

Adoration

Weekday Adoration suspended
during renovation.

First Saturdays All Night

Adoration: 7:30pm to 8:30am
on First Saturdays

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 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 Mary Sue Carwile, IHM, Superior

To register with the parish, update your contact information, or request Fr. Scalia's email communications, email the office at receptionist@stjamescatholic.org.

The Pope's May Prayer Intention

For Church Movements and Groups — We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

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

Catechesis on Worship: Reasonable

"I urge you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship" (Rom 12:1). Pope Benedict was fond of pointing out that the word here for "spiritual" is *logiken* – that is, "logical," sometimes translated "reasonable." The passage emphasizes the reasonableness of Christian worship. The pagan gods asked unreasonable things of their followers. The Christian God is different. Central to our worship is the *Logos*, the Word of God, through, with, and in whom we offer perfect praise to the Father. So, our worship is logical in both human and divine terms: it makes sense and it's centered on the Word.

One implication of this is that we don't set aside our intellect and reason when we worship. Worship is not wishful thinking. It isn't make-believe but belief in action. *We pray true things*. Our worship addresses God according to the truth of who he is and has revealed himself to be. "You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand," our Lord says to the Samaritan woman (Jn 4:22). There is a rebuke contained in that observation. It is unreasonable to worship what one doesn't understand. For worship to be authentically human it must satisfy the human desire to know and live the truth.

This means also that Catholic worship is *dogmatic* – not in the colloquial, mistaken sense of being overbearing and unyielding but in the correct sense of being rooted in the truths of the faith. As the *Catechism* observes, "There is an organic connection between our spiritual life and the dogmas" (CCC 89). When we worship, we don't shut down the mind that has assented to the Catholic Faith. We worship according to the dogma of the Trinity, the Incarnation, and the Paschal Mystery. Thus, there is the ancient saying, *Lex orandi, lex credendi* – the law of praying is the law of believing. We worship according to the truths of the faith.

The reverse is also true: how we worship teaches the truths of our faith. The words, gestures, vestments, and music of our liturgies should communicate the truth of what we believe. Thus, our kneeling before the Blessed Sacrament both proceeds from and communicates the truth that Christ is substantially present under the form of bread. Our honoring the Virgin Mary both flows from and communicates the truth of her divine Motherhood.

Another implication of this is that our worship is *coherent* with everything else in our lives. What we profess, how we worship, and how we live (the three essentials of any religion: creed, cult, and code) should all be one. Worship shouldn't be something out of place with the rest of our lives and day-to-day living. Again, it would be *unreasonable* to act differently than we worship.

This might seem an esoteric point, but it has painfully specific applications. "Reasonable worship" requires Eucharistic coherence – that is, consistency of our worship and our living. How we conduct ourselves shouldn't contradict or be incoherent with our worship of the Eucharist. Thus, to receive Holy Communion while persisting in grave sin is not only gravely sinful but also irrational. The most sensational instances of this are the Catholic politicians who both receive Holy Communion and advocate for things contrary to the Catholic Faith (most notably, abortion and gay "marriage"). But the point applies to all of us: we should always strive to live in a manner coherent with the One – the *Logos* – we worship and receive.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Seventh Week of Easter

Saturday, May 20

Mass for the Ascension of the Lord

5:00pm +Mary and Elizabeth Scaria

Sunday, May 21

The Ascension of the Lord

7:30am +Letitia E. Anderson

9:00am People of Saint James

10:30am +Patrick Maguire

Noon +Judith Elena Anson

2:30pm Special Intention

7:00pm +Alex and Theresa Korbeck

Monday, May 22

St. Rita of Cascia

6:30am Sajini Thomas

8:15am +Michael J. Brennan

Noon +Deanna Dulka

Tuesday, May 23

Tuesday of the Seventh Week of Easter

6:30am +Steve Carwile

8:15am +Henry and Eleanor DeBuck

Noon +Louise McKeon

Wednesday, May 24

Wednesday of the Seventh Week of Easter

6:30am In Thanksgiving

8:15am +Molly O'Donohue

Noon +Robert J. Coonce

Thursday, May 25

SS Bede the Venerable, Gregory VII, and Mary Magdalene de 'Pazzi

6:30am +Stephen Carwile

8:15am +Sister Helen Maureen, IHM

Noon +Jeanne Bullock

Friday, May 26

St. Philip Neri

6:30am +Edwin Ralph James, Sr.

8:15am +Thomas T. Coipuram, Sr.

Noon +Marco Amas

Saturday, May 27

St. Augustine of Canterbury

8:30am +Isabelo, Priscilla, and Arnold Apigo

Mass for Pentecost Sunday

5:00pm +Michael McKeon

Sunday, May 28

Pentecost Sunday

7:30am +Stephen and Jean McTeague

9:00am +John and Catherine Cuming

10:30am +Maria and Giovanni Bernardone

Noon +Carlos Infante

2:30pm Antonio Grebogi

7:00pm People of Saint James

Today's Readings

First Reading Acts 1:1-11

"In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did..."

Psalm

Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

"God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for..."

Second Reading Eph 1:17-23

"Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the..."

Gospel

Mt 28:16-20

"The eleven disciples went to Galilee,"

Readings for the Week

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

Remember in Your Prayers

the sick of our parish family

Juan Alarcon

Beatriz Basso

Terrell Blodgett

Betty Brunton

Chip Clarke

Roberta "Bobbie" Dunn

Katherine Christine Garren

Peggy Kurtzke

Laura Lareau

Edward Laso

Vincent McAlevy

Mildred Melmer

Rachel Noonan

Janet Owen

Jim Owen

Phillip Perot

Russell Ross

Ben Schwind

Robyn Stewart

Lauren Vinci

Richard Ziegler

the deceased of our parish family

Ian Anderson

Mary Frances Moriarty

Pedro D. Trejo

and those serving our country

(this includes veterans, military retirees, and those serving overseas in the military and foreign service)

CDR Thomas Dixon

Veronica Elkins

Lt. Mathew Hayes, USN

Mary Kenney

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. For more information, visit the *Saint James Prayer Chain* page under Faith Formation on www.stjamescatholic.org.

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



“Faith, Screens, and our Families”

Presented by Peter Ryan

Monday, May 22nd, 7:00pm

Monsignor Heller Hall



Before COVID, almost half of teens described their internet use as constant. For all age brackets, young and old, screen use has gone up significantly since then. What impact is this growing screen usage having on our children? What can we do about it?

Peter Ryan is a Catholic husband and father of four who recently retired as a Navy Captain after 28 years of service. In his free time, he began studying the profound effects that screen-based personal technology is having on our lives. He authored "Technology, The New Addiction," which was published in the September 2018 edition of the U.S. Navy Journal *Proceedings*. He and his 18-year-old daughter speak on this topic in the Diocese of Arlington together after she gave up her smart phone over three years ago.

Come learn how screen-based technology usage is impacting your family and hear advice for protecting yourself and your children from its harmful effects. This is a practical and spiritual call to action. Saint James School parents who attend will receive an ice cream coupon for their Saint James student(s).

Saint James College Coffee

Graduating high school seniors and college students home for the summer are invited to join us for Mass and coffee!

Meet at Saint James for 6:30am Mass and coffee afterwards on Tuesdays this summer!



**Our kick off bonfire will be
Thursday, June 1st
7:30pm
behind the Parish House**

RSVP to abigart@stjamescatholic.org

“Follow” Our Saint James Gabriel Project

Gabriel Project Arlington (GPA) helps pregnant women with long- or short-term needs by offering assistance to the mother with physical, material, spiritual, and emotional support. Saint James is blessed to be walking with a mom due this summer.

You can also follow them on their new **St. James Gabriel Project** Facebook page, www.facebook.com/sjccgabrielproject. They will share ways you can assist the Project as well as updates on the mothers they are supporting.

Join The Weekly Bible Discussions

Join one of our bible discussion groups to read and discuss the next upcoming Sunday Mass Bible readings. We meet in the Parish House kitchen (913 Park Avenue, in the back of the house) according to the following schedule:

- Men's group: Wednesdays at 7:00pm
- Co-ed group: Saturdays at 10:00am

Email Jeremy, prayingevangelist@gmail.com, for more information.

Parish and Other News

Memorial Day May 29th

On Monday, May 29th, we will observe Memorial Day. **The parish and school offices will be closed.** There will be no noon Mass, only 6:30am and 8:15am.

Memorial Day remembers all those who gave the last full measure of devotion to our nation. On Monday, May 29th, take a moment to pray for those who have gone to their rest while serving our country. We thank them for their service of protecting our freedom.



Feast of Corpus Christi

We will celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi on **Sunday, June 11th, at the noon Mass** followed by a Eucharistic procession. Some streets will be closed due to the procession.

Lots A and B will be available for the noon Mass. However, cars will not be able to exit the lots until after the procession.

Please consider parking in the Parish House parking lot or the top deck inside the Founder's Row parking garage where Saint James has reserved parking spots on Sundays until 1:00pm.

There will be an ice cream social on the lawn following the procession.

Donut Sunday Notice

The June Donut Sunday will be held the **second weekend in June** and it will be the last one for the summer. We will resume the monthly event in the fall.

After School Extended Day Positions

Saint James School is looking for a director and aides for its Extended Day program for after school for the 2023-2024 school year beginning in mid-August 2023.

Program hours are Monday through Friday, 3:00pm-6:00pm and for early dismissal days, 11:00am-6:00pm.

This is a great job for someone interested in part-time work with summers off. Applicants must have experience working with children in an educational or childcare setting.

To apply or for more information, email Sister Mary, principal, at sistermarysue@saintjameesschool.org.

SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH


VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
July 17-21 2023

9:00am-12:00pm

Launch your kids on a cosmic quest this summer where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world!

Campers:
Rising Kindergarten thru 5th grade

Volunteers Needed:
Adult and Rising 6th-12th Graders



Registration ends soon on June 1st.
Visit StJamesCatholic.org to register or for more information

Saint James Social Outreach Committee

The Social Outreach Committee (SOC) presented a \$5,000 check to the Contigo Youth Club Co-founders and Directors, Mariah Naegele and Bulay Minano. The donation is from the estate of a former parishioner and SOC member, Arlene Griff. It is a lasting reminder of her commitment to the Saint James community that extends beyond a lifetime.

The presentation took place on Monday, May 8th, in Monsignor Heller Hall. Laura Stricker, our coordinator for the Social Outreach Committee, welcomed everyone and personally thanked Helen Mendez for bringing Contigo Youth to the attention of Saint James. Susan Jackson, who knew Arlene Griff, shared some lovely memories about her with those in attendance. After recognizing the extraordinary work done in such a short time by Contigo Founders, Mariah Naegele and Bulay Minano, Father Scalia presented them with a life size check for \$5,000. The evening concluded with delicious refreshments and fellowship provided by the Social Outreach Committee.

Contigo Youth Club is a Catholic program for first through ninth graders that enriches them in Catholic values through a range of out-of-school activities. Created in 2021, the program is designed to improve youth outcomes with caring and trained adults who are positive role models and provide a safe and supervised place to grow spiritually and academically. The club uses space at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School in the Bailey's Crossroads area of Falls Church, an area of need with limited academic and economic resources. Over 100 children received assistance already this year with an anticipated total of 70 children signing up for the summer camp programs. To learn more about Contigo Youth and how you can help, visit <https://www.contigoyouth.org> or contact Ms. Naegele or Ms. Bulay at mariah@contigoyouth.org or call 571-356-9774. **There is a major need for volunteers to journey with our children throughout the year and especially the summer.**



Left to right: Mariah Naegele, Bulay Minano, Father Scalia, and Laura Stricker



Father Scalia is pictured with members of the Saint James Social Outreach

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



Saint James Catholic School

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"Where We Ignite the Potential in Each Child."

Cowboy Week

Howdy partner! It was Cowboy Week recently for our third grade students. Even our third grade faculty dressed the part. Each student had a "WANTED!" poster and came up with their own reason for being an outlaw. They also got to "rope" cattle at their rodeo at the end of the week.

The students dressed the part and learned about their history with this fun, interactive week of living the cowboy life.



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HOPE & HEALING FOR SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE



The Diocese of Arlington's Office of Victim Assistance seeks to extend the loving compassion of Christ to victims/survivors of sexual abuse throughout their healing. If you are, or someone you know is, a victim/survivor of child sexual abuse by clergy, an employee, or a volunteer of the Diocese of Arlington, please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator to report an allegation and receive assistance.

The Office of Victim Assistance offers outreach, support, and assistance to victims/survivors to address individual needs for healing. Please contact the office for more information.



Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington



Frank Moncher, PhD
Victim Assistance Coordinator



Alejandra Shapero, MA
Program Assistant

Mass to Pray for Healing of Victims/ Survivors of Sexual Abuse

Celebrated by Bishop Burbidge

June 21, 2023 at 6:30pm

St. Ann Catholic Church
5300 North 10th Street, Arlington, VA 22205

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

Phone Number: (703) 841-2530

victimassistance@arlingtondiocese.org

Christian unity may be closer than you think.

Join us for our Northern Virginia celebration of the prayer service for the

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2023
Tuesday, May 23rd, at 7:00pm**

St. Ann Catholic Church, 5300 10th Street N, Arlington, VA



Welcoming all Christians, led by these church leaders:

- **Most Reverend Michael Burbidge, Catholic Diocese of Arlington**
- **Bishop Sue Hupert-Johnson, Virginia Conference, The U.S. Methodist Church**
- **Bishop Leila Ortiz, Metro DC Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**
- **The Right Reverend E. Mark Stevenson, The Episcopal Diocese of Virginia**



DIOCESAN FAMILY FESTIVAL 2023

Rejoicing in One God, One Family

SATURDAY, JUNE 10 | 4-8:30 P.M.

MASS WITH BISHOP BURBIDGE AT 4 P.M.

FREE HOT DOGS
& PUPUSAS*

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INFLATABLES



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or scan the QR code



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26 Fairground Rd, Front Royal, VA 22630

Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets for seating

*** DONATIONS FOR FOOD VENDORS GREATLY APPRECIATED**



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2023

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SÁBADO, 10 DE JUNIO | 4-8:30 P.M.

MISA CON EL OBISPO BURBIDGE A LAS 4 P.M.

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VENEDORES*

PINTA CARAS,
JUEGOS, PASEOS E
INFLABLES



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26 Fairground Rd, Front Royal, VA 22630

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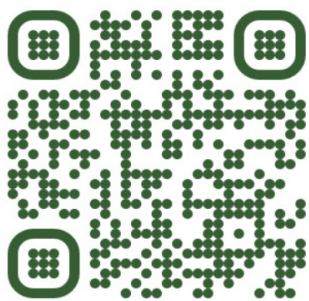


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13940 BALMORAL GREENS AVE,
CLIFTON, VA 20124

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION
OR EMAIL **GOLF@SAINTJAMESSCHOOL.ORG**



Parish Calendar

Monday, May 22

7:30pm-9:00pm	Speaker Series-"Faith, Screens, and Families" (see page 4)	Monsignor Heller Hall
7:00pm-9:00pm	Young Professionals Men and Women Small Groups	Parish House

Tuesday, May 23

10:00am-11:30am	Seniors Steering Meeting	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House

Wednesday, May 24

6:30pm-7:30pm	Hispanic First Communion Practice	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:30pm	Men's Bible Study	Parish House
7:00pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht

Thursday, May 25

10:00am-12:00pm	Divine Mercy Cenacle	Knecht
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	School Library

Friday, May 26

11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
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Saturday, May 27

8:00am-2:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary Retreat	Knecht
10:00am-12:00pm	Co-ed Bible Study	Parish House
3:30pm-4:30pm	Confessions	Church
6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church
6:30pm-8:30pm	Hispanic Prayer Group	Monsignor Heller Hall

Sunday, May 28

2:30pm-3:30pm	Hispanic First Communion Group A	Church
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church

Bulletin Notice Submissions

We want to help promote your upcoming events, news, or invitation for new members in the bulletin, parish website, and social media.

Bulletin notices should be submitted online by noon on Wednesdays, **11 days before the Sunday publication date** via our website form which can be accessed by clicking the bulletin button on the homepage, www.stjamescatholic.org.

The bulletin submission page will list upcoming early submission dates.



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Bulletins

Bulletin Notice Submission

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[Click here](#) to submit a bulletin notice for an upcoming issue.

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