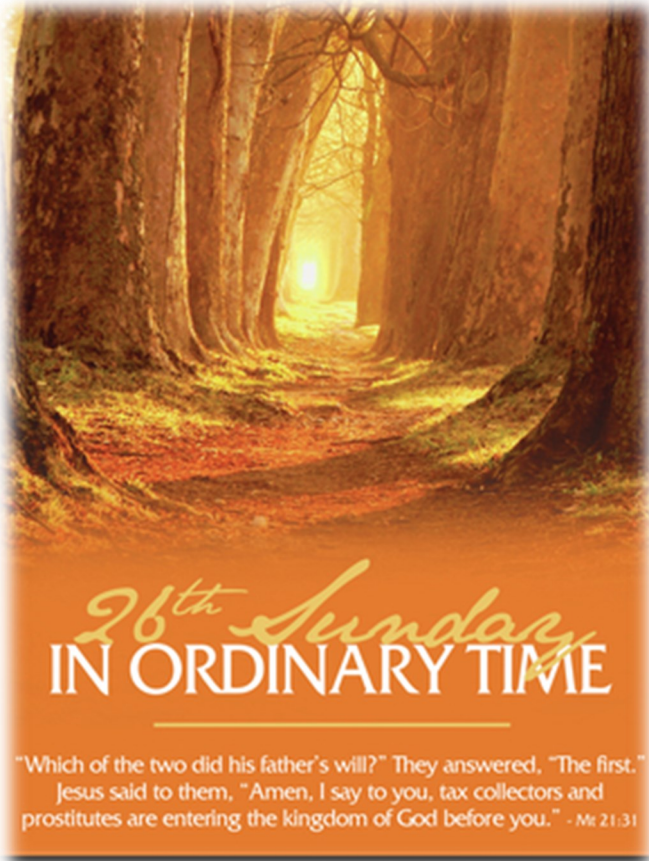


**St. James the Apostle
Catholic Church**
September 27, 2020



MASS SCHEDULES

Weekends

Saturday 4pm,
Sunday 8am, 9:30am and 11am

**See our website for more information
about attending mass at St. James**

Weekdays

Monday — Friday 8:30am
Wednesday 7pm

****No Saturday 8:30am Mass**

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday 6:00 — 7:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 — 10:00am

**PLEASE NOTE: WE WILL NOT HAVE
CONFESSION ON
Saturday, October 10th**

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday 6:00pm — 7:00pm

****Please visit our website for PROTOCOLS
regarding attending any functions at St. James.****

Parish Office (770) 957-5441

Office hours:

Monday— Thursday 9:00am — 4:00pm

Parish Staff

Clergy

Very Rev. Liam A. Coyne V.Fext. 105
Rev. Mr. Charles Iner, Deaconext. 201
Msgr. Terry W. Young, Retired in Residence

Staff

Sara Fried, Parish Secretary ext. 100
Mara Martin, Parish Ministries Coordinator...ext. 101
Becky Petty, Business Manager ext. 102
Tasha Quinn, Accountant ext. 120
Diane Scarbrough, Music Director ext. 104
Gary Ames, Maintenance Coordinator ext. 202

Religious Education

Eric Bridwell, Director of Religious Edu. ext. 108
Tracy Howard, Assistant ext. 109
Patti Lucas, Director of Preschool ext. 121
Krissy Upcraft, Youth Minister ext. 110

Outreach

St. Vincent de Paul Society770-689-2517

1000 Decatur Road

McDonough, Georgia 30252

Email: parishoffice@stjamesapostle.com

<http://www.stjamesapostle.com>

Readings for the Week

September 28 to October 4

Monday: Jb 1:6-22, Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14, Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16, Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Jb 19:21-27, Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5, Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17, Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Is 5:1-7, Phil 4:6-9,
Mt 21:33-43

Observances for the week of September 28th

Monday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr;
St. Lawrence Ruiz and
Companions, Martyrs
Tuesday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and
Raphael, Archangels
Wednesday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor
of the Church
Thursday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus,
Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Friday: The Holy Guardian Angels
Sunday: Respect Life Sunday





Mass Intentions

September 28 to October 4

- MON. 8:30am Elsie Maranto +
by Mr. & Mrs. Bob Faria
- TUES. 8:30am Boris Manuel Gil +
by Dr. & Mrs. Juan Sherwood
- WED. 8:30am Joe & Anne Allen
by Mr. & Mrs. Joe Allen
7pm Alexandrina Gil +
by Dr. & Mrs. Juan Sherwood
- THURS. 8:30am Jim Schlottman +
by Maggie Schlottman
- FRI. 8:30am Justin Wijesinghe +
by Rohini Santha
- SAT. 4pm Daniel Blankenship +
by Mr. & Mrs. Joe Blankenship
- SUN. 8am Perkins Family +
by Bette Perkins
9:30am Our Parishioners
11am Grayson, Brooke & David O'Hearn
by Mr. & Mrs. Keith Richards

Scripture Study



Join nationally known speaker, bestselling author and St. James the Apostle parishioner **Dr. Allen Hunt** for a scripture study via Zoom which explores the Gospel reading for the upcoming weekend's Mass. The meeting is held on Monday evenings from 7:15 pm to 8:00 pm. There is no obligation to attend all the sessions just join us when you can. The link to the Zoom meeting will be sent out via flock note, email and will be available on the parish website each week. Join us as we grow in our love and knowledge of Holy Scripture!

PRAYER Requests

Laura Alvarez, James Baker, Ron and Jan Banister, Angie Basista, Joseph Basista, Pat Beauregard, Lura Blankenship, Jacqueline Boshears, Ann Marie Callahan, Micah Carroll, Phil Carroll, Kathleen Cawley, Patrick Chesley, Jr., Ronald Christopher, Patricia Clark, Dudley A. DeCastro, John Dessez, Mary Alice Dessez, Melanie Dunn, Wanda Ellis, Richard Evarts, Vicki & Tom Farah, Vince Farah, Gib Finley, Nikolas Fried, Susie Gardner, Michael Gillespie, Nancy Gillespie, Rodger Hallam, Chuck & Marlene Hargest, Ron & Margaret Heider, Sarah Hill, Lynn Hoffman, Madison Hoffman, Marty Huckaby, Connie John, Brenda Kent, Betty Kersey, Mike Lanasa, Bob Largin, Ron Lawrence, Hilda Lee, Latina Mason, Frank and Eunice McCarthy, Latrell McCurdy, Mason McCurdy, Maria McKinney, Tracy Miller, Cathy Moeller, Gary Moeller, Betty Monteau, Mott Family, Ray Mrozek, Sadie Alice Murtha, Irene Neilson, Edna Norton, Diane M. O'Connor, Margarita Papadimitriou, Bette Perkins, Hope Prudenti, Maureen Richardson, Valerie Ryczek, Eleanor Sinagra, Francesa Soares, Lou Sposaro, Anita Lenortavage Tarreto, Kalani Tejedor, Mike Tittiger, Ruth Van Liere, Sandra Vaughn, Greg Virag, Trish Voorhees, Mary Wagener, Jean Washo, Michelle Witman, Peggy Wofford, George and Kathleen Zanebis.

If you or a loved one is in the hospital, homebound or in an assisted living situation, please call the Parish Office to notify us.

The Little Flower Women's Bible Study

begins our Fall/Winter study on Friday, October 2 from 9:30-11:00 a.m.

The Bible Timeline by Ascension Press and

narrated by Jeff Cavins will run for 23 weeks and conclude on March 19. Connecting the Old Testament to the New Testament can be a challenge. This course covers most of the Bible and helps bridge that gap in a most interesting way. Classes will be digital for now. All women are invited to participate. Please contact Diane Scarbrough for more registration details.

dscarbrough@stjamesapostle.com. (770) 318-2577.



Stewardship
a way of life

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

There are no money counts
this week.



Sacred Heart Homeschool - a Southside homeschool community offers community/support for homeschooling families and meets several times a month for Mass and field trips. We are now offering a one day a week Classical Academic Online option. Serving areas of Peachtree City, Fayette, Tyrone, Fairburn, Griffin, Clayton etc.

Contact Kelly Carney at
carney.kelly@yahoo.com
or Michelle Heekin
at michelleheekin@gmail.com.
Come join us.

This Week's Reflection....

When the readings are proclaimed to us at Mass, we are hearing not the words and voice of the reader, we are hearing the words and the very voice of God speaking to us. God is pulling back that veil that separates heaven and earth and sharing his word with us. He is instructing us, admonishing us, uplifting us, and guiding us by his Holy Words. He is lifting that veil between heaven and earth so that we can get a glimpse of what God has in store for us and so that he can soften our hearts and fill us with the joy that we will experience when we meet Him face to face.

And then we see the Priest, in the person of Christ, pull back that veil again in the consecration of the Eucharist. Jesus himself comes to us fully, body, blood, soul and divinity in the form of bread and wine. Talk about a supernatural experience, talk about the veil between heaven and earth being pierced! Not only does he become present for us he allows us to consume him and take him into our very body. If this isn't a joyful experience, I don't know what is.

And that joy is not meant to be kept to ourselves. When we encounter holiness and joy at the Mass we are called, like the Apostles, to go out and share that holiness and joy with others.

So, are we experiencing this lifting of the veil at Mass? Are we paying the Lord homage? Are we filled with great joy at hearing God's word and receiving His body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist?

Deacon Charles Iner



That Man is You! meets on Saturday mornings at 7:45am. That Man is You! combines Scripture, solid secular research, and a little fun to address the pressures and temptations facing men in our modern culture. It seeks to form authentic leaders who will be capable of transforming homes and society. For more information or to register email Deacon Charles at ciner@stjamesapostle.com or visit the TMIY! section of our parish website.

Sacramental Preparation & Information

INFANT BAPTISM Parents must be members of St. James for at least 3 months or have the pastor's permission, and must attend our pre-Baptism class which is generally held the 3rd Monday of every month at 7pm. Please call the Parish Office to learn the requirements and policies of Baptism. After attending the class, please call to schedule your Baptism celebration. Baptisms are normally celebrated on the **first Saturday** of the month at 10:30 am, however there may be exceptions during certain times of the year.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Children in the second grade, and active in the Faith Formation program for two consecutive years, are eligible to enroll in the sacramental preparation program. Special preparation sessions for these two sacraments are held throughout the year before the reception of these sacraments. Contact: the Faith Formation office 770-957-5441 ext.108.

CONFIRMATION Preparation for this sacrament is coordinated through our Youth Ministry Office. Youth in the 10th grade or older, and active in the teen program of the parish for at least two consecutive years, will be eligible to register for Confirmation. Contact: Krissy Upcraft at 770-957-5441 ext. 110 for more information.

For Adult Confirmation preparation, contact Deacon Charles Iner at Charles@inerfamily.com or 770-957-5441 ext. 201.

MARRIAGE Couples considering marriage must contact a priest or deacon **at least six months before** the projected date and must attend a pre-marriage program.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Celebrated the second Saturday of the month following the 4:00 pm Vigil Mass, or please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements. **If this is an emergency situation after hours, please call the Parish Office and press "1" for a sacramental emergency.**

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK **If you or a loved one is in the hospital or in an assisted living situation, either temporarily or long term, please call the Parish Office to arrange a visit.** This must be arranged prior to any weekend Mass.

PRAYER CHAIN Contact: Anna Cheverino 770-320-8393.

PRAYER GROUP Meets Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in Room 214. Contact: Anna Cheverino at 770-320-8393.

MASS INTENTIONS Please contact the Parish Office.

Donation is \$15.

CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD Saturday: 9:00 - 10:00 am and Wednesday: 6:00 - 7:00 pm or by appointment.

LATEST PARISH UPDATES

Listed below are the many new protocols that all parishioners must follow to attend Mass at St. James. **Please read through these guidelines carefully.** These protocols are borne out of concern for the well-being of all of our parish family and the greater community of which we are a part. Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this challenging time. They will be reviewed often and updated as necessary. The most up to date guidelines may be found on our parish website www.stjamesapostle.com.

YOU MUST SUPPLY YOUR OWN MASK and masks must be worn by everyone age 10 and older when present on our campus.

Those who are at risk or concerned that they or their family might become sick should stay at home and view live-streamed or online Masses. We urge those who have serious health issues, who are most vulnerable, who are not feeling well, or who fear for their own health, to refrain from attending church during this time.

LIVE STREAMED MASSES - Several parishes in the Archdiocese of Atlanta are offering televised masses. Go to the Archdiocese website/Covid -19 update/Spiritual Resources/List of masses livestreamed or broadcast.

WEEKEND & WEEKDAY MASS GUIDELINES

Weekend Mass times will be Saturday at 4 pm; Sunday Mass times are 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am.

Weekday Mass times will be 8:30 am Monday through Friday and at 7 pm Wednesdays. There will be no weekday Masses on Saturdays - only the Vigil Mass at 4PM will be offered.

ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

- You must be wearing a mask to be permitted into the church for Mass. **(PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN MASK)**
- Take your temperature and avoid coming to church if your temperature is 99.6 or greater.
- Restrooms are open for emergencies only; children must be accompanied by an adult.
- A mask is required to be worn during the reception of Holy Communion. **(PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN MASK)**
- Entrance to the church will be through the glass doors only.
- In order to facilitate social distancing of 6 feet or more between individuals (households are considered one group) during Mass, Mass Ambassadors will help guide everyone to their seats.

DURING MASS

- There is to be no physical contact between households at the Sign of Peace or Lord's Prayer.
- Reception of Holy Communion will be in the hand only at this time.
- Use of personal hand sanitizer before Holy Communion is strongly encouraged.
- Follow the directions of the Mass Ambassadors.
- Masks should be worn in the communion line. When approaching the priest, deacon or extraordinary minister for Communion, place your hands, one underneath the other with your arms fully extended.
- Do not reach for or close your hands around the Sacred Host. The Sacred Host will be placed on your hand by the priest, deacon or extraordinary minister and then will be released to rest on your hand to avoid any contact by the priest/minister of your hand.
- After receiving Communion, step to the side, remove your mask, consume the Eucharist, re-mask as you head back to your pew.
- As you return to your pew maintain social distancing from those near you.

DEPARTURE PROCEDURES

- Exit as quickly as possible after Mass. Follow the directions of the Mass Ambassadors as you leave. Be sure to maintain a 6-foot social distance as you exit and walk to your cars.
- Please make sure you take all your belongings as you leave because sanitization of the church will begin immediately.

FOR WEEKEND MASSES ONLY:

- Collections will take place as you enter the church. But we encourage everyone to make use of online giving. You can visit our website for more information about online giving.
- Please throw away or keep your liturgy sheets. Do not leave them on your seat.
- For those who would feel more comfortable attending Mass in your car we will be broadcasting the audio of the Mass. When you park you will see instructions on how to dial into the audio broadcast. You will come to the courtyard overhang area to receive Holy Communion.

CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is held on Saturdays at 9:00 am and Wednesdays from 6-7pm. Please familiarize yourself with the following guidelines: Confession times will be Saturdays at 9:00 am and Wednesdays at 6:00 pm. **You must be wearing a mask to be permitted into the building for Confession. (PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN MASK.)** Before you arrive take your temperature and avoid coming to church if your temperature is 99.6 or greater. Entrance to the parish hall will be through the glass doors. In order to facilitate social distancing of 6 feet or more between individuals (households are considered one group) during Confessions, ushers will help guide everyone to their seats. Please keep your face mask on for confession. There is to be no face to face confessions allowed at this time. Restrooms are open for emergencies only; children must be accompanied by an adult.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has resumed on Wednesdays from 6-7pm. Please familiarize yourself with the following guidelines: **You must be wearing a mask to be permitted into the building for Adoration. (PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN MASK.)** Take your temperature and avoid coming to church if your temperature is 99.6 or greater. Entrance to the parish hall will be through the glass doors. In order to facilitate social distancing of 6 feet or more between individuals (households are considered one group) during Adoration, ushers will help guide everyone to their seats. Restrooms are open for emergencies only; children must be accompanied by an adult.

All UPDATES WILL BE COMMUNICATED VIA FLOCKNOTES. Text SJACC to 84576 to sign up for FLOCKNOTES if you have not done so already.

UPDATES FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ATLANTA can be found on the Archdiocese of Atlanta website at <https://archatl.com/covid-19/>.



Family Honor Program Sessions Available Online!

Parents: need some help speaking with your younger child about ‘the birds and bees’? Or are you looking for tips on

how to talk with your older teen about sex, dating, and more? Or, maybe you’ve heard about Pope St. John Paul II’s Theology of the Body, and you’d love for you and your teen to sit in on a talk together. Or ... you may just need some hope and encouragement as you parent different-age children. Whatever your reasons, we invite you to sign up for one or more of Family Honor’s new Fall 2020 Online Program Sessions, which we will present live via Zoom! Some sessions are for parents only, as we have frank discussions and answer your questions, and other sessions are for you and your teen or pre-teen to participate in together. Whichever session you want to attend, you can do from the comfort of your home this Fall. To register, go to Family Honor’s web site: <https://familyhonor.org/programs/find-a-family-honor-program-near-you/> Questions? Please call our office: 803.929.0858 or email us at: info@familyhonor.org The mission of Family Honor is to provide a Catholic framework on the truth and meaning of sexuality, love, and family.



Unite Our Nation, founded by the laity, is a non-political organization formed to help bring peace and prayer to local communities, and healing to our nation. A local Eucharistic procession is being organized for the Archdioceses of Atlanta. Please join us on October 11, 2020 ! It’s a family friendly event. You can see a video of what it’s like at UniteOurNation.net.

A Eucharistic rosary rally is a time to give witness to people of all races and beliefs. Keep polarizing politics out of this rally and focus on prayer to unite our nation. If you are interested in joining the leadership team or simply attending, please reach out to Christy Wynn at Christywynn@bellsouth.net In the meantime, take a look at the Unite Our Nation website uniteournation.net to learn more and get more details on this event!

AM 1160 The Quest Atlanta Catholic Radio will feature local guests October 6-8, 2020, during live broadcasting! Please tune in October 6-8, 2020, from 9AM-1PM and 4PM-6PM to help financially support your Atlanta Catholic radio station. During the pledge drive, we will break from our regular programming and feature local hosts and guests including priests and ministry leaders from the Archdiocese of Atlanta to discuss their personal faith journeys, missions, and unique experiences while raising much needed funds. For a complete schedule of speakers, please visit theQuestAtlanta.com. To learn more about The Quest, click on the link to view our newest video. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2CRdOInSO>



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One pint of blood saves three lives.

Visit the **Donor Portal** to find a drive or make an appointment at lifesouth.org

Give local. Save local.
St. James the Apostle Catholic Church
Blood Drive
Sunday, September 27
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
1000 GA-155 N, McDonough

EVERY 2 SECONDS SOMEONE IN THE U.S. NEEDS BLOOD!

All donors will receive a recognition item and a free cholesterol screening. Donors must be 16 or older, weigh at least 110 pounds, and show photo I.D. 16-year-olds require written parental permission.

Sponsored by St. James Knights of Columbus.
For more information please contact Grand Knight Larrie Garcia at 770-401-7284 or 7601gk@gmail.com



Welcome back to St. James Life Teen!

ATTENTION FAITH FORMATION FAMILIES!

**The 2020-2021 Faith Formation Year
has now begun!**

The registration form can only be filled out online this year and will be accessible on our NEW website below...

www.stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com/faith-formation-sign-up/

Please note that you have two options for Faith Formation this year.

1. All Digital
2. Digital + In Person (when available)

I have sent out a Flocknote with all of the new information associated with this year due to COVID-19.

Please review this information before registering your child.

The postponed First Holy Communion celebration now has a date and is set for **October 10th**! The celebration will be split into two masses, due to the number of children receiving, and will take place at **10am & 1pm** on that date.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to me at any time.

ebridwell@stjamesapostle.com

As I am provided with any new information, please be assured that the information will be communicated to you via Flocknotes and through our NEW Parish website.

Thank you for your time and please stay safe!

Eric Bridwell

Director of Religious Education

NEW BEGINNINGS MINISTRY

These past few months our ministry has been busy helping those in need. We helped a woman with three children by providing hotel rent until she could find a safe place for her and her children to live. New Beginnings also helped a 54-year-old disabled woman who had covid-19 and was quarantined for 14 days. She had been living in her car. We provided hotel rent. Rent money was also given to a woman who had been laid off from work due to the pandemic and was taking care of her daughter with sickle cell anemia. Left to take care of all housing expenses by her roommate, a woman asked us to help her until she received a check from her second job that she had just started. Thank you parishioners, for helping us to help others through your financial donations. We could not do what we do without your help!

Our Blessings in a Bag bin is back in place in the Parish Hall and we can restart our program as the children return to school.

Mark Your Calendars!

Life Teen Adoration Night was scheduled for Tuesday September 29th. It is now scheduled for Sunday Sep 27th 7-8pm. (Attendance is not mandatory. I do hope all of you will join us!)

The October 3rd hike will be held at Arabia Mountain.
10am -12noon.

October

- ~Virtual Zoom Nights Sundays Oct 4th and 18th 7pm
- ~In Person Small groups Week of October 11th
- ~Adoration Night Sunday October 25th 7pm

DO we believe that in the midst of hurt, Jesus is still there? Do we trust that when the storms come whatever they are, how ever they hurt, he will be present, available, love you and lead us to the other side of them?

Do we Trust in him, and these words that he has spoken? He has never promised us a life without struggle or pain. He did promise he would always be with us, (Matt 28:20) He has conquered evil (John 16:33), and he proved his love when he died for us. When you experience him in the sacraments, in his words in the bible, in the love of a friend, know that is his steadfast love for you!

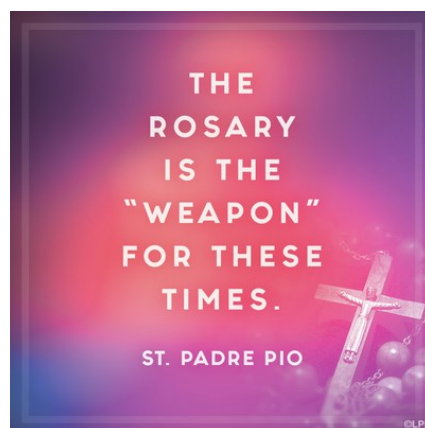
Ultimately we have two choices each day: to live knowing we are loved and cared for or to live in fear and sadness. All of the choices we make for the rest of day and the way we spend our energy, will stem from that.

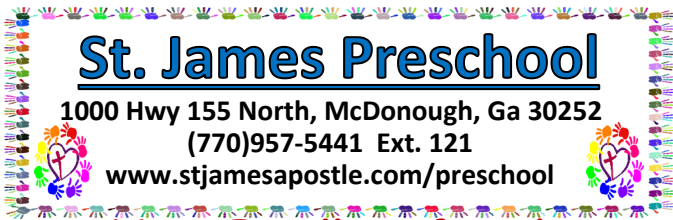
Thank you for your continued support,
Krissy Upcraft ~ Youth Minister

kupcraft@stjamesapostle.com 770 957 5441 x110

Flocknote: text SJACC to 84576 and choose Life Teen
<https://stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com/faith-formation-sign-up/>

Instagram:stjames_lifeteen





St. James Preschool

1000 Hwy 155 North, McDonough, Ga 30252
(770)957-5441 Ext. 121
www.stjamesapostle.com/preschool

**Now Enrolling for the
2020-2021 School Year!**

Please visit our preschool website at
www.stjamesapostle.com/preschool
for information and registration forms.

St. James Preschool along with the Catholic Schools of the Archdiocese of Atlanta is committed to providing a healthy and safe environment for our preschool students. We are developing guidelines and protocols to minimize the risk and spread of COVID-19 exposure. Preventative measures will be in place (such as regular handwashing training and reminders, social distancing, disinfection along with continual and regimented environmental cleaning) to help lower the risk of COVID-19 exposure and spread during school sessions.

For more information about our preschool or to schedule a tour, call Patti Lucas-Director (770)957-5441 Ext. 121 or email plucas@stjamesapostle.com.

Saint Vincent de Paul- Georgia

The Annual 2nd Collection in Support of St. Vincent de Paul Georgia was last weekend. If you did not give, then maybe you could consider doing it this weekend. Use one of the envelopes at the church information center and mark it for SVdP – Georgia. How this donation will be used:

- This is the only collection that funds statewide programs and services such as our Food and Clothing Recovery & Distribution network operations that support the 38 food pantries throughout the state and 12 Thrift Stores; and the ability to operate our statewide programs including our new Community Pharmacy (Opening this fall), earned benefits screening, Jobs Center and workforce development, Mattress Program, and Connected Classroom for educational and client support.
- Our central Conference Support Center supplies administrative, legal, and fiduciary services to all 72 parish Society Conferences.
- The needs supported by this Annual Collection provide critical services, that otherwise would go unmet throughout the Atlanta Archdiocese.

Once a year, the St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Conference Support Center requests donations to help cover the costs of providing new and existing programs to each of its 72 parish based Conference ministries throughout the state.

Please give generously and help us help others during these turbulent economic times.

Visit www.svdpgorgia.org to learn more about St. Vincent de Paul. To find out how you can further support St. Vincent de Paul Georgia contact Elizabeth Sirk, Chief Development Officer, at esirk@svdpgeorgia.org or 678-892-6160.

