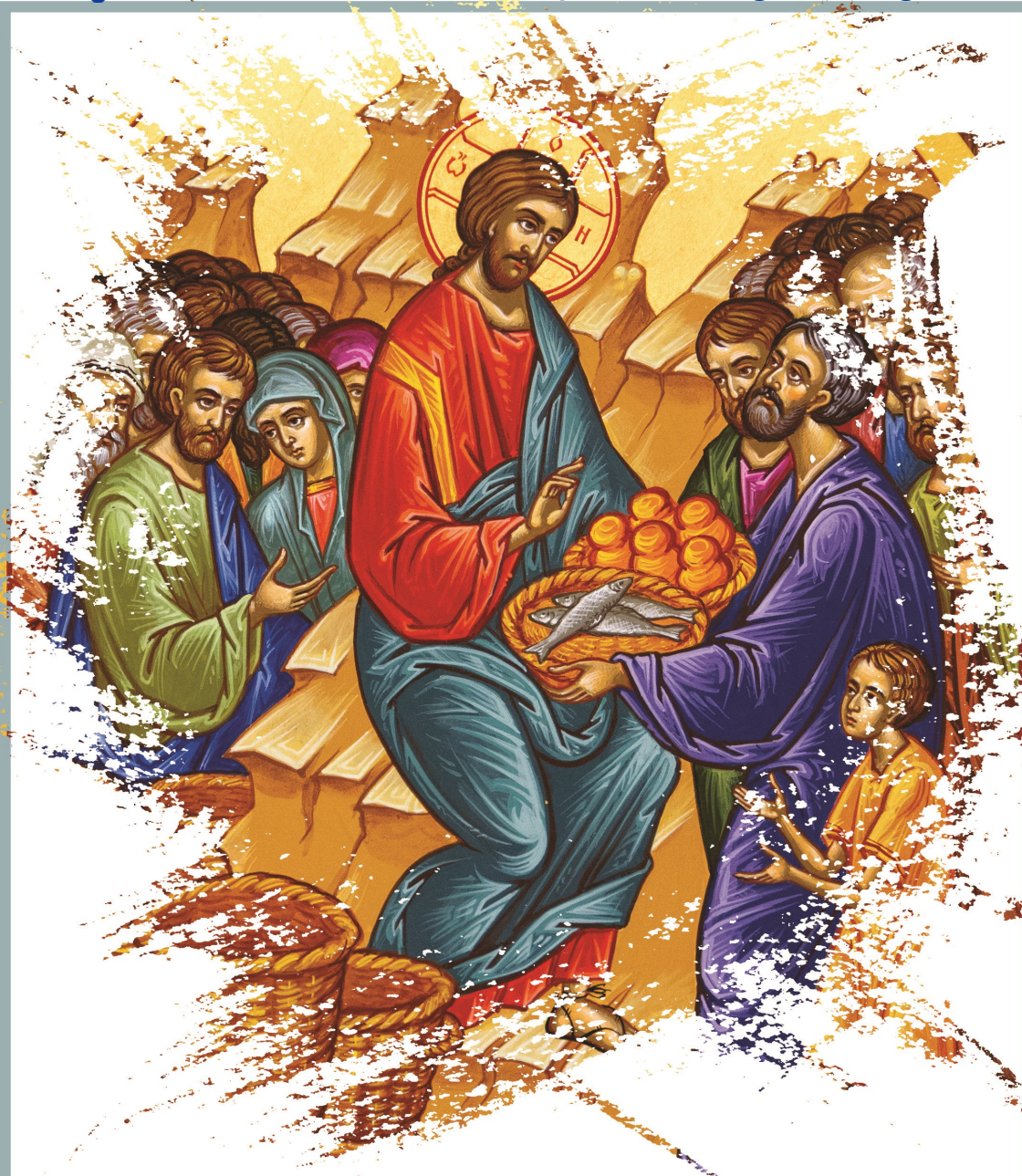




St. James the Apostle

Catholic Church | McDonough, Georgia



THEN JESUS TOOK THE LOAVES, GAVE THANKS,
AND DISTRIBUTED THEM. - JN 6:11

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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July 28, 2024 | Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1000 Decatur Rd McDonough GA | 770-957-5441

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 9:00—4:00
parishoffice@stjamesapostle.com
<http://www.stjamesapostle.com>

Mass Schedule

Weekdays

Monday—Friday 8:30 am

Wednesday: 6:30 pm

Weekends

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am | 11:00 am | 5:00 pm

Confession Schedule

Wednesday 7:00—8:00 pm

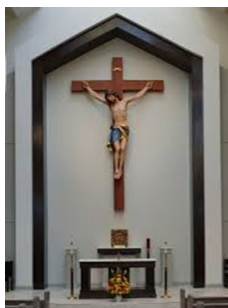
Saturday 9:00—10:00 am

Or by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 7:00—8:00 pm

First Fridays 9:00 am—8:00 pm



The Gift of Prayer

If you would like to give a loved one the gift of a Mass Intention, please visit the parish office Tuesday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Mass Intentions | Week of July 28

Due to bulletin deadlines, the intentions could not be included this week. Thank you for understanding.



St. Katharine Drexel (1858–1955), is one of the first American-born saints. Giving up her inheritance, she founded a religious order which established 63 schools and 50 missions for African and Native Americans, including Xavier University of Louisiana.

Calendar of Events

Monday

8:30 am | Mass

7—8:30 pm | Knights of Columbus planning meeting | Double Room

Tuesday

8:30 am | Mass

6:30—8:30 pm | Grief-Share | Room 210

Wednesday

8:30 am | Mass

6—7:30 pm | High School Pizza & Prayer | Room 212

6:30—8:00 pm | Mass, Adoration, & Confessions | Church

7:00—8:30 pm | Prayer Group | Room 214

7:15—8:30 pm | St. James Men's Fellowship | Room 210

Thursday

8:30 am | Mass

9:30—11:30 am | Grief-Share | Room 210

4:00—5:00 pm | St. Zita Ministry

6:00—7:00 pm | Sacred Beat Rehearsal

Weekly Reflection

The world is filled with people whose basic needs aren't met, whether for clean water, nutrition, safety, education, meaningful work, stable family life, basic medical resources, religious freedom, and the right to life. So how can we possibly believe what Psalm 145 says to us this week, "The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs"? Does he? What about the countless poor? Can't we identify at least a few unmet needs in our own lives right now? Is the Bible promoting wishful thinking and laziness in helping others?

No. The psalm flows from Israel's experience of God's relentless fidelity again and again —especially in the Passover from Egypt. This divine providence is recalled when Jesus feeds the needy multitudes in the Gospel of John. Passover arrives once again, and the people are hungry like the ancient Israelites on the wilderness journey. What is new is that in Jesus God not only provides for their needs, but He learns what it's like to have those human needs. He shares them too. He feeds them bread and fish; and even more, He hungers to provide them, and us, much more than just that kind of perishable food.

Our deepest need is for God. Like the multiplied bread, all earthly provisions ultimately fail, for we all finally die. Of course, our obligation to meet the needs of the poor is basic. But Christ promises to feed us with the one bread that never fails: God Himself. He is humanity's eternal food. If we eat this bread, we taste the faithfulness of God who answers all our needs, even when every earthly thing fails.

— *Father John Muir*
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Readings & Observances Week of July 28

Monday:

Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus
Jer 13:1-11/Ps 32:18-19, 20, 21/Jn 11:19-27 or
Lk 10:38-42

Tuesday:

St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday:

St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/
Mt 13:44-46

Thursday:

St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53

Friday:

St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard,
Priest
Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday:

Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

Sunday:

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 (24b)/Eph
4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35



Just a friendly reminder: the solid metal doors into the Parish Hall are not accessible right now. The Adoration Chapel construction has begun. Please use the automated glass doors. If you have items to donate for Fr. Roy Lee or New Beginnings, their containers are now located in the opposite alcove, to the left of our



Friday

8:30 am | Mass
First Friday Adoration

Saturday

9:00—10:00 am | Confessions | Church
4:00 pm | Mass

Sunday

8:30 am | Mass
11:00 am | Mass
3:30—4:30 pm | Sacred Beat Rehearsal
5:00 pm | Mass

Coming Month

August 15—Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
August 17—Knights of Columbus Installation Banquet
August 24—St. Vincent de Paul International Dinner

Young Adult Ministry

If you are a young adult between the ages of 18-30, we would like to invite you to be part of our Young Adults ministry. We meet two Wednesdays each month from 7-8:30 for Formation and Pizza in the Parish Hall. We also build community by meeting for social activities, and service throughout the month. Community dates are TBD.

Our next July Formation date will be the 24th. For more information, feel free to email Bill Renje at wjrenje@att.net

CURSILLO

Cursillo is a three-day, grace filled spiritual encounter with Jesus Christ held at the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers, GA.

For information contact Julie Gonzlez: 678-628-3322 or Claude Gaw 505-946-7012

Ultreya Meetings

The next Ultreya Meetings will take place on Saturday August 10th and Saturday September 14th, from 9am – 10am in Room 212. These meetings are for all those who have made or are interested in making a Cursillo, and they are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

Grief Share

All adults are welcome Tuesdays 6:30 – 8:30 PM or Thursdays 9:30 -11:30 am in Room 210. The cost is \$20 for workbook. To register, go to griefshare.org/findagroup and search for St James Catholic Church

Any questions, contact Joe Blankenship 770-914-2341
GriefShare Grief Support Group

No matter what the circumstances, grief is a painful, confusing process. At this 13-week support group program, you'll discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability—and gain solid support each step of the way.

At each weekly meeting, you will view a video featuring respected counselors, pastors, and healthcare professionals on grief-related topics, followed by a small-group discussion.



RCIA / OCIA

Whether you have been Catholic your entire life or are new to the faith, you are invited to find out

more about the Catholic faith through the **Rite (Order) of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**.

Classes will resume on August 20 with a Welcome meeting.

FOR MORE INFORMATION contact Deacon Charles Iner at ciner@stjamesapostle.com

New Beginnings

During the month of July we are requesting school supplies for the Family and Student Support Services of Henry County Schools. There is a surprising and sad number of homeless children that go to school in Henry County. Please place your donations in the New Beginnings' bin in the back of the Parish Hall.

We continue to have an extremely busy summer helping families and individuals in need with emergency housing, spending the entire amount we budgeted for these needs since May 1. In June we had to turn away twice as many as we helped.

Your donations of food and financial support are greatly needed and appreciated.



Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity Council 7601

Installation Banquet

Saturday, August 17, 2024 from 5 to 9 pm

Adults \$15 / Children under 12 years old \$8
Tickets available July 20, 21, August 3, and 10
Dinner catered by Pasta Max

Sign up for FLOCKNOTE to receive updates on all happenings here at St. James the Apostle!

Text **SJACC** to 84576 to sign up for FLOCKNOTE.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

The Divine Mercy Group will restart their weekly meetings on Wednesday, 8.7.2024 in the cry room immediately following the 8:30 am Mass.

All are welcome to attend!

The CCW is Sponsoring their Annual **Hollydaze Arts & Crafts Festival** on Saturday November 16 from 9 am to 2:30 pm. If you are interested in being a vendor please contact Polly Crozier at 678-697-7690 or pollyfaye@gmail.com

Women's Magnificat Meal

All women are invited to the AUGUST MAGNIFICAT MEAL to enjoy prayer, breakfast, and fellowship, and to hear our speaker's testimony of the love of Christ in her life. Sat., Aug. 24, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Church, 3773 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta. Guest speaker will be Linda Scharnhorst, a Catholic convert and member of All Saints Catholic Church. Reservations are \$25 and are required in advance. Register by Aug. 14 at <https://tinyurl.com/202408Meal>

Email joyfulvisitation@gmail.com or contact Debbie at 770-696-6216.

Religious Education (PreK—8th grades)

Registration for the 2024-2025 Religious Education year is now available online! For any questions, please contact the Director of Religious Education. Classes start August 11th!

Youth Ministry (9-12th grades)

VIRTUS trained adults are needed to assist with chaperoning our weekly Wednesday night Pizza & Prayer events. Contact Eric Bridwell at ebidwell@stjamesapostle.com if you are able to help out.



Now Enrolling for the 2024-2025 School Year!!

Our Preschool classes are for children ages 1-5 years old. Registration forms and information are available on our website:

www.stjamesapostlechurch.com/preschool

For more information, please call (770) 957-5441 Ext. 121 or email the Director at vspieth@stjamesapostle.com



PRAYER GROUP

Meets Wednesdays at 7pm in Room 214. Please contact Anna Cheverino at 770-320-8393 for more details.

Prayer Chain

Contact Anna Cheverino 770-320-8393.

The Holy Innocents Children's Choir

We meet on Wednesdays from 5-5:40 pm in the Music Room. Children in 1st-7th grade are eligible and welcome. Registration is available on our website or at rehearsal. Contact Diane Scarbrough with questions.

Endowment Fund

"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?" - Psalm 116:12 A simple way is naming the parish endowment fund as a partial or full beneficiary of your 401K or retirement account. This is easy and costs you nothing during your lifetime. For more information, contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation at jgreco@cfnga.org or 404.497.9440, or visit cfnga.org.

Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2024

All Things are Made New

Thank you to all who have made a gift or a pledge to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. You can still make a pledge by visiting www.archatl.com/appeal or contact the Office of Stewardship at annualappeal@archatl.com. Each contributor makes a very real difference in the ability of the archdiocese to provide ministries and services. We are grateful for your support!



Now Hiring!

Teacher's Aide positions are available for the 2024-2025 School Year!

Teaching experience preferred, but not required.

Please visit our website to submit an application:

<https://stjamesapostlechurch.com/preschool/forms/>

Also, email your resume to the Director:

vspieth@stjamesapostle.com

St. James Preschool—1000 GA Hwy 155 N—McDonough, GA

St. Zita Sanctuary Ministry

Our mission is to properly maintain and clean and polished sanctuary within St. James The Apostle. We meet in the church every other Thursday from 4-5 p.m. We have teams of 3 -4 volunteers and sign ups are done on our website. If interested, please sign up on our website or contact Diane Scarbrough at (770) 957-5441, x104 or dscarbrough@stjamesapostle.com

St James Men's Fellowship

All men 18 and over are invited to join us on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 in room 210 to watch the week's video and participate in the discussion afterwards. No workbooks or pre-registration required. For questions, contact Mike Martin at (404) 557-0083.



St. Mary's Academy

MAGNIFY THE LORD

At St. Mary's Academy PK-12 Catholic school, we strive to make Catholic education affordable for all families. We offer a comprehensive STEM curriculum and rigorous learning environment where each student can thrive in academics, leadership and faith. Space is limited. Apply today!

Clergy & Staff

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Adult Ed / RCIA	Dcn. Charles Iner 770-957-5441 x201	ciner@stjamesapostle.com
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Divine Mercy Group	Kathy Cowin 678-601-4517	
First Friday Devotion	Mary Byram 678-228-3391	
Girl Scouts	Susan McCurdy - 770-957-1863 Ingrid Zabala - 678-583-0616	
Knights of Columbus	Shane Persaud 678-699-0020	
Lectors/EMHC Scheduling	Michelle Harada 404-680-3710	
Little Flower Women's Bible Study	Diane Scarbrough 770-318-2577	dscarbrough@stjamesapostle.com
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Music Ministry	Diane Scarbrough 770-318-2577	dscarbrough@stjamesapostle.com
New Beginnings	Joel Walker 470-771-2039	nbasjtacc@gmail.com
Prayer Group	Anna Cheverino 770-320-8393	
St. James Men's Fellowship	Mike Martin—404-557-0083 Tommy Patterson—678-549-7382	
St. Vincent de Paul	Jackie Coy 770-896-1661	jamrockjc@aol.com
Ultreya	Cliff Monteau 404-625-2167	
Welcome Ministry	Leticia Richards 770-507-7377	skrldr1@gmail.com
Young Adults	Bill Renje 813-416-2356	
Young at Heart	JoAnn Senger 678-756-2951	

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 complete the Belonging online course through Ascension Press as preparation. The cost is \$9.95. Both parents and Godparents are required to take the on-line course. For any questions, please refer to our St. James the Apostle website at stjamesapostle catholicchurch.com. Baptisms are normally celebrated on the **first Saturday** of the month at 10:30am.

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 are held throughout the year before the reception of these sacraments. Contact the Faith Formation office 770-957-5441 ext.108.

CONFIRMATION 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 the Youth Ministry office at 770-957-5441 ext. 110 for more information. For Adult Confirmation preparation, contact Deacon Charles Iner at ciner@stjamesapostle.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 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 Monday-Thursday to arrange a visit. This must be arranged prior to any weekend Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS Please contact the Parish Office. **Suggested donation is \$15.**

Weekly Collection

July 1 was the start of a new fiscal year.

July 7 Offertory	\$18,947
July 14 Offertory	\$17,578
YTD	\$36,525
YTD Over	\$942,686
Percent Online Giving	39 %
Archbishop's Appeal 2024 Goal:	\$74,900
Archbishop's Appeal Received:	\$46,186
Donors:	270
Renovations: Phase III	
Goal:	\$240,000
Received:	\$181,569
Sound System Expenditures:	\$15,769
Chapel Donors:	197
Building Fund July 7	\$3,426
Building Fund July 14	\$1,255
Pending Building Fund Projects:	
Repainting Fire Lane	
Repair HVAC Motor	
Parish Hall Lighting	
Rewire electrical lighting in Education Building	
Clean Carpeting in Education Building	

Sick List

In order to keep current the published names of those for whom prayers have been requested, we will remove the names at the end of each two-month period. Please call the parish office at the end of each two-month period if you wish to have the name reposted.

Please Pray For...

Tim Mitchell | Maureen Richardson | Kim Stapleton | Cathy Moeller | Gary Simmons | Mary Binkley | Linda Leix | Peggy Woffard | Katie Cawley | Mary Wagner | Jim O'Connor | Patti Eckels | Micah Carroll | Howie DeWolf | Chris Belback | Liz Kenon | Mike & Caroline Lanasa | Rosann Medlar | Hector Jordan Sr. | Nela Jordan | Terry Scardasis

If you or a loved one is in the hospital, hospice, homebound or in an assisted living situation, please call our Sick Ministry at 770-957-5441 x118 to notify us.

ARCHDIOCESE ABUSE REPORTING

We are Here to Listen and Take Action

Archdiocesan 24 hour Abuse Reporting Hotline

1-888-437-0764

Abuse hotline for bishops only:

<https://reportbishopabuse.org> or call (800) 276-1562.