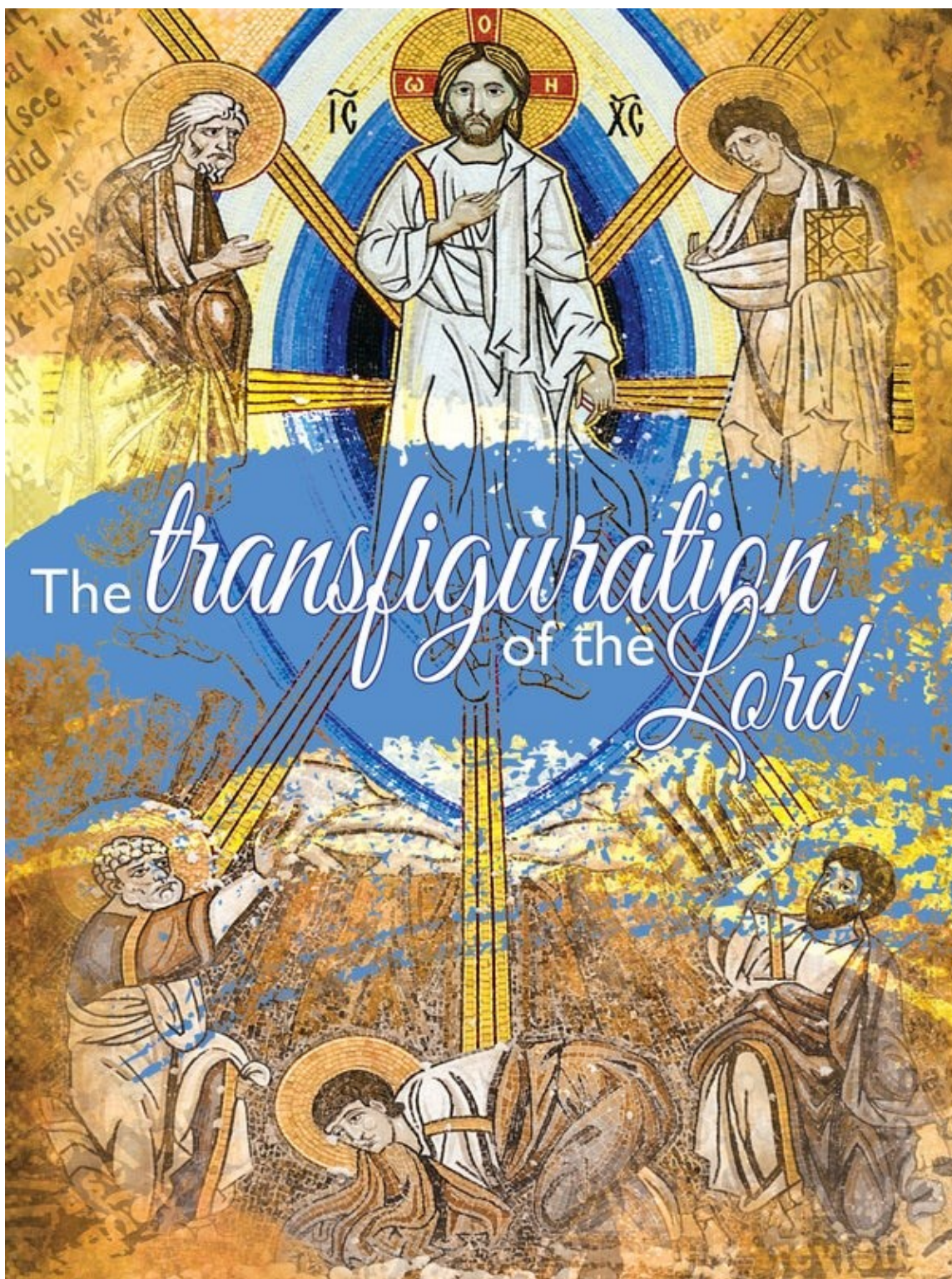




St. James the Apostle

Catholic Church | McDonough, Georgia



August 4, 2024 | Eighteenth 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 August 4

Monday 8:30am AL Dattolo+
by Shawn & Bonnie Carroll

Tuesday 8:30am Perkins Family+
by Bette Perkins

Wednesday 8:30am Sonia Garia+
by Sandra Stephens
6:30pm Michael Gabel+
by Knights of Columbus

Thursday 8:30am Francisco Jarquin+
by Sandra Stephens

Friday 8:30am Kataia Saint Jean+
by Raquel Gentillon

Saturday 4:00pm Thomas Scheftic+
by Mary Scarano

Sunday 8:30am Morgan Alonzo Downing+
by Kevin Gallagher
11:00am Luther A. Higginbotham+
by Mr. & Mrs. Frank Williams & Eve
Higginbotham Williams
5:00pm Our Parishioners



Calendar of Events

Monday

8:30 am | Mass

6—8:30 pm | Knights of Columbus Rosary, Meal, & Meeting | Parish Hall

Tuesday

8:30 am | Mass

6:30—8:30 pm | Grief-Share | Room 210
7:00—9:00 pm | Cub Scouts | Pavilion

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
6:00—7:00 pm | Sacred Beat Rehearsal

Weekly Reflection

Since my college days I've loved a song called "Dance with You" by the rock band Live. It touches on the deep mystical hunger of our heart: "I've tasted all the wines/ a half a billion times/ came sickened to your shore/ you showed me what this life is for." These lines resonate with anyone who has feasted on the good things of this world only to be left spiritually hungover and unsatisfied.

We see a similar dynamic evoked by Jesus' words after he feeds the crowd with bread and fish. To teach them to hunger for God, he recalls God's gift of manna-bread for the hungry ancient Israelites. Those folks had grown spiritually sick from the idolatrous food of Egypt yet still longed for more worthless pagan food. So, God sent heavenly bread to nourish their bodies, but also to heal their distrustful hearts. His people — like us — must learn to hunger and thirst for God alone. Before we can receive that which will not disappoint, we first must cease expecting that earthly goods will satisfy us.

We will get to the Lord's teaching on the Eucharist in the next two weeks. But first, he asks us: do you trust me to take care of you? Do you trust me to give you what you need for each day, and to not worry about the next day? Do you see that when you hungrily stuff yourself with the things of this world you become sick and lose your taste for the bread of life? So, our hungry hearts cry out: Lord, help us to trust that you'll provide for our every need. Help us to use only what we truly need. Help us hunger for the goodness of your Son, who is the true bread from heaven. That is what this life is for.

— *Father John Muir*
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Readings & Observances Week of August 4

Monday:

The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday:

The Transfiguration of the Lord
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/
Mk 9:2-10

Wednesday:

St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs;
St. Cajetan, Priest
Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday:

St. Dominic, Priest
Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23

Friday:

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr
Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/
Mt 16:24-28

Saturday:

St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

Sunday:

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/
Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51



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 AED

Friday

8:30 am | Mass

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 Room 210. We also build community by meeting for social activities, and service throughout the month.

Our August Formation dates will be the 7th and 21st. Community dates are TBD.

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 Gonzalez: 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

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.

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!



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

Thank you for all the school supplies that were donated during the month of July! We were told that already 500 students have been identified this year as homeless within the Henry County School District. Thank you, again, for helping with this need.

Next week we will be handing out flyers promoting the Grand Prix of Protein and the Peanut Butter Races. Please be sure to grab a flyer as you leave Mass to find out what this is all about!



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

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.

St. Martha Altar Guild is seeking parishioners to help launder small linens (Purificators) that are used during communion to clean and purify chalices. These linens are not the large altar linens that adorn the altar. This commitment will not require much of your time. Please contact Don DeWeese at 770-957-5441 (DDeweese@stjamesapostle.com) if you are interested in participating in this ministry.



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.

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



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.

Council of Catholic Women

The first Council of Catholic Women meeting of the year will be Wednesday, August 21 at 7 pm in room 210. All ladies of the parish are invited. Please join us!

The Abbey Store

at the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers, Georgia is open Tuesday through Friday 11am to 4:30pm and Saturday 10am to 4:30pm. The store carries a large selection of Religious items, artwork, Bibles, books, gifts, bakery goods and more! Shop the store or order online.



Holy Family Counseling Center provides counseling for individuals, couples and families from a Catholic perspective. For information and appointments, contact 678-993-8494 or holyfamilycounselingcenter.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

Make-A-Will Month: August is National Make-A-Will Month. Consider leaving a gift to our parish's endowment fund in your will or estate plans to perpetuate your support of our community forever. Visit cfngalegacy.org for free online will planning tools or contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation at jgreco@cfnga.org or 404.497.9440.

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!



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!

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Knights of Columbus	Shane Persaud 678-699-0020	
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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	
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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 stjamesapostleatholicchurch.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.

ANOIDING 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

No numbers were reported this week. Please check back next week!

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 | Susan Fuller

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.

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Archdiocesan 24 hour Abuse Reporting Hotline
1-888-437-0764

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