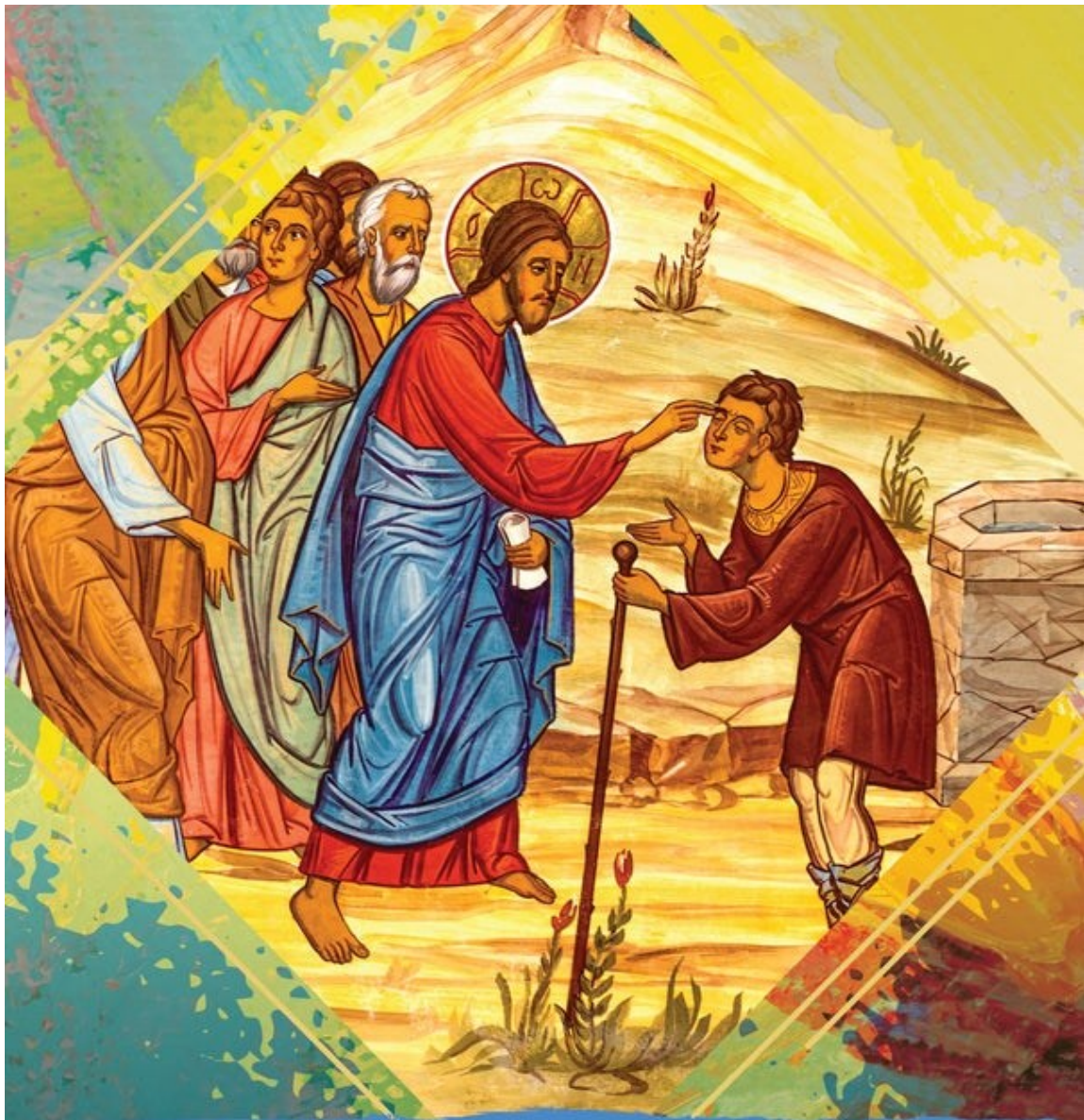




# St. James the Apostle

Catholic Church | McDonough, Georgia



30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Go your way; your faith has saved you.”  
- Mk 10:52

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October 27, 2024 | Thirtieth 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

### Mass Intentions | Week of October 27

Monday	8:30am Lilly John Puzhakkal+ by The Puzhakkal Family
Tuesday	8:30am Leilani Edwards by Claude Gaw
Wednesday	8:30am Louis Spera+ by Mr. & Mrs. John Bono 6:30pm Guilbert M. Jones+ by Knights of Columbus
Thursday	8:30am Bette A. Perkins by Bette Perkins
Friday	8:30am Donald & Sylvia Johnson+ by Donna Waggoner 7:00pm Jean Elizabeth Marchant+ by Wally Marchant
Saturday	4:00pm All Souls Novena
Sunday	8:30am All Souls Novena 11:00am All Souls Novena 5:00pm All Souls Novena

### Pledge Contributions

Just a gentle reminder that, if possible, all pledge contributions should be completed by the end of November. To receive tax benefits, contributions should be submitted to the parish no later than December 31st.

*The Solemnity of All Saints* is a Holy Day of Obligation, and Mass will be celebrated on Friday, November 1, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. and at 7:00 p.m.

To celebrate *The Feast of All Souls*, Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, November 2, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. There will be no Confessions.

### Calendar of Events

#### Monday

8:30 am | Mass  
9:00—11:00 am | Divine Mercy Group | Quad Room  
7:00—9:00 pm | Knights of Columbus | Double Room

#### Tuesday

8:30 am | Mass  
5:00—7:00 pm | CCW Senior Fall Dinner | Parish Hall  
7:15—8:45 | RCIA/OCIA | Room 210/211

#### Wednesday

8:30 am | Mass  
5:00—5:45 pm | Holy Innocents Children's Choir | Music Room  
6—8:00 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  
6:00—7:00 pm | Sacred Beat Rehearsal

## Weekly Reflection

Near my house there is a school for the blind. Often, I see blind people learning how to navigate the world with only a walking stick, even on a busy street with roaring traffic. I'm amazed to see how adept and carefully they get around without sight. Nevertheless, often a sadness arises in me that he or she cannot see all the beautiful colors, images, and persons filling the world around them. Those days, I find myself deeply grateful for the basic privilege of sight.

That's part of why the mystery of Jesus as the sight-giver is so moving to me. This week, it's wonderful how Bartimaeus the blind man is no longer content with his limitation and bellows out his desire for Jesus' mercy. In beautiful simplicity, he cries out to the Lord, "Master, let me receive my sight." Jesus quietly heals his sight. And off he goes, fully taking in the world around him. Imagine the delightful new way in which he is able to respond to the world.

Like blind Bartimaeus and the courageous people in my neighborhood, we may be able to get around reasonably well in our daily lives. But we are blind to the gestures of heroic love of people close to us. We can't see the desperate need of the hungry, thirsty, imprisoned, exploited, endangered, and so on, in our midst. We can't see Jesus drawing near to us in so many ways, but he is. This Sunday let's cry out to him: Lord have mercy on me! I want to see! And little by little — or perhaps in a flash — we'll see once again, or perhaps for the first time.

— Father John Muir  
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## Readings & Observances Week of October 27

### Monday:

Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles  
Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

### Tuesday:

Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Lk 13:18-21

### Wednesday:

Eph 6:1-9/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/  
Lk 13:22-30

### Thursday:

All Hallow's Eve  
Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35

### Friday:

All Saints  
Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/  
Mt 5:1-12a

### Saturday:

All Souls' Day  
Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom  
5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30

### Sunday:

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Daylight Saving Time  
Ends; National Vocation Awareness Week  
Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/Heb 7:23-28/Mk  
12:28b-34



Register as a St. James the Apostle  
parishioner by scanning the QR  
code!

### Friday

**8:30 am** | Mass—Solemnity  
of All Saints  
**9:00 am —7:00 pm**—First  
Friday Adoration  
**9:30—11:30 am** | Little  
Flower Women's Bible  
Study | Quad Room  
**7:00 pm** | Mass—  
Solemnity of All Saints

### Saturday

**9:00—10:00 am** | Mass  
for All Souls | Church  
**10:00—12:30 pm** | Girl  
Scouts | Double Room  
**4:00 pm** | Mass  
**5:00—7:00 pm** | Fall Festi-  
val & Trunk or Treat | Par-  
ish Hall

### Sunday

**8:30 am** | Mass  
**9:45 am** | Religious Ed  
**11:00 am** | Mass  
**12:00—1:30 pm** | EDGE  
**3:30—4:30 pm** | Sacred  
Beat Rehearsal  
**5:00 pm** | Mass  
**6:00—8:00 pm** | Youth  
Ministry | Room 212

### Coming Month

October 1-30—All Souls  
Novena Available  
November 1—Solemnity of  
All Saints  
November 9—Veterans  
Dinner  
November 16—HollyDaze  
Craft Show

### Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass

A Memorial Mass will be held on Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00 pm. The Knights of Columbus of Holy Trinity Council 7601 will be praying for the souls of brother Knights who have died. Father Liam will be the celebrant. All parishioners are encouraged to attend.

### Prayer Chain

Contact Anna Cheverino 770-320-8393.

### New Beginnings

Our on-going school programs – Breakfast Blessings and Weekend Backpacks – are in need of individual-sized chips, soup cups, peanut butter crackers, breakfast items (cereal cups, oatmeal, grits), fruit cups, Pop Tarts, granola bars, or 100% juice. The Knights of Columbus will be handing out flyers for their annual Food for Families Food Drive next weekend (November 2-3). Please give generously the following weekend (November 9-10). These items are needed for our Food for Families deliveries in November and December and for our annual Thanksgiving and Christmas boxes.

We would like to thank the New Beginnings members that came together to pack the 100 Grace Bags that were distributed to the Hurricane victims.

### November Magnificat Meal

All women are invited to the November Magnificat Meal to enjoy prayer, breakfast, and fellowship, and to hear our speaker's testimony of the love of Christ in her life, on Saturday November 16 from 9:30 am—12:30 pm at Holy Cross Church in Atlanta. Guest speaker will be Lynn Kolodziej, wife of Deacon Keith Kolodziej, of St. Peter Chanel. Register by November 6 at <https://tinyurl/Meal2411>.



Email [joyfulvisitation@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulvisitation@gmail.com) or contact Debbie at 770-696-6216.

### St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Projects

The McDonough Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will soon start a number of Christmas projects for this year. Our projects will include collecting toys for children, gifts for Seniors and collecting donations of Kroger and Walmart gift cards to provide needy community members through the year. Please watch upcoming editions of the Parish Bulletin for additional details.



### October is the Month of the Rosary

Please join us in prayer and or host the statue of the Blessed Mother Mary over night in your home. Each day the Blessed Mother travels from home to home. We gather around mid day and say one rosary in each home; just for the month of October. If you are interested please text or call to sign up. Julie Gonzalez 678-628-3322.

### 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](http://griefshare.org/findagroup) and search for St James Catholic Church. At each weekly meeting, you will view a video, followed by a small-group discussion. Any questions, contact Joe Blankenship 770-914-2341

### Endowment Fund

Consistent income stream and support for the parish: A charitable gift annuity is a fund that provides you with fixed, guaranteed payments for life. At your passing, the remainder is given to the parish endowment fund, allowing your generosity to continue forever. For current rates or a custom illustration on starting one using your IRA, contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation, [jgreco@cfnga.org](mailto:jgreco@cfnga.org) or 404.497.9440.

### Knights of Columbus Rosary for Life

Please pray with us for Life from Conception to natural death. November 4 at 6 pm in the Sanctuary. Dinner with the Knights immediately following.

**Give your deceased loved ones the gift of your prayers.**



**All Souls' Novenas** are available in the Parish Hall October 1st - 30th.

For a donation of \$10, your loved ones will be remembered at all Masses from November 2nd - November 10th.



### 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)**. On September 24 the topic will be **Initiation Sacraments—Confirmation**.

FOR MORE INFORMATION contact Deacon Charles Iner at [ciner@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:ciner@stjamesapostle.com)

## Religious Education (PreK—8th grades)

No EDGE this Sunday due to Trunk N Treat.

Sacramental Prep for Reconciliation will begin Sunday, November 3.

## Youth Ministry (9-12th grades)



### 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.stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com/preschool](http://www.stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com/preschool)

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



### Honoring our St. James Veterans

You are invited to honor our parish's Veterans on Saturday, November 9 following the 4:00 pm Mass. Be on the lookout for the sign up table during weekend Masses from October 19—November 3. Get your tickets early as we are limited in how many can attend. We will need to conclude ticket sales once we reach 100 attendees.

St. James Veterans eat free, while other adult parishioners pay \$10. Children 12 and under eat at a reduced price or are free.

### 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. Our next October Formation date will be the 23rd. Community dates are TBD. For more information, feel free to email Bill Renje at [wjrenje@att.net](mailto:wjrenje@att.net).

### Ultreya Meetings

These meetings are for all those who have made or are interested in making a Cursillo, and they are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month.

### CURSILLO

Cursillo is a three-day, grace filled spiritual encounter with Jesus Christ held at the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers, GA. It's an opportunity to grow closer to God. For information contact Julie Gonzalez: 678-628-3322 or Claude Gaw 505-946-7012



**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](http://holyfamilycounselingcenter.com)

## Now Hiring!

Immediate opening for a 2-Year Old Aide for the 2024-2025 School Year!

Teaching experience preferred, but not required.

Serious inquiries only!

Please visit our website to submit an application:  
<https://stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com/preschool/forms/>

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

### Holy Innocents Children's Choir

The St. James "Holy Innocents Children's Choir" has resumed. Rehearsals are 5-5:40 pm in the Music Room. Children 1<sup>st</sup> grade through 7<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome. Please contact Music Director, Diane Scarbrough for more information: (770) 957-5441, X104 or [dscarbrough@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:dscarbrough@stjamesapostle.com)

### Divine Mercy Prayer Group

The Divine Mercy Group has restarted their weekly meetings in the cry room immediately following the 8:30 am Mass on Mondays. All are welcome to attend!

## Clergy & Staff

Pastor	Rev. Liam A. Coyne	ext. 105	
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Cursillo	Julie Gonzalez   678-628-3322	
Daisies Girl Scouts	Jennifer Tadrzak   404-969-8661	
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	Shawn J. Doucette   678-580-9431	
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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	
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Young Adults	Bill Renje   813-416-2356	
Young at Heart	JoAnn Senger   678-756-2951	
St. Zita Sanctuary Ministry	Diane Scarbrough   770-318-2577	dscarbrough@stjamesapostle.com

## 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. 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](http://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 the parish office **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

October 13 Offertory	\$17,054
YTD	\$253,354
YTD Under Budget	\$265,380
Percent Online Giving	40 %
St. Vincent de Paul	\$2,886

Archbishop's Appeal 2024 Goal:	\$74,900
Archbishop's Appeal Received:	\$71,382
Donors:	274

Renovations: Phase III	
Goal:	\$240,000
Received:	\$20,655
Sound System Expenditures:	\$68,000
Chapel Expansion to Date:	\$55,000

Building Fund October 13	\$2,168
Building Fund YTD Actual	\$30,017

Pending Building Fund Projects:  
Replace Ceiling Tiles  
Parish Hall Lighting  
Additional Cameras

## 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...

Mary Binkley | Linda Leix | Peggy Woffard | Katie Cawley |  
Mary Wagner | Jim O'Connor | Patti Eckels | Micah Carroll |  
Howie DeWolf | Chris Belback | Mike & Caroline Lanasa |  
Hector Jordan Sr. | Nela Jordan | Terry Scardasis | Susan  
Fuller | Michael & Caroline Lanasa | Claire Bassenberg | Tom  
Jablonski | Roger Hallam

*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.