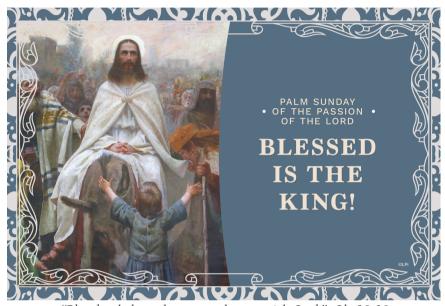
# ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

# **Palm Sunday**



"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord." -Lk. 19:38

# **PARISH CONTACTS**

#### **STAFF**

Tim Mitchell	Business Manager	ext. 102
Diane Scarbrough	Music Director	ext. 104
Sandy Major	Pastoral Associate	ext. 101
Channy O'Meara	Pastoral Associate	ext. 101
Amy Gordineer	Parish Secretary	ext. 100
Tasha Quinn	Accountant	ext. 120
Jim Zakutansky	Maintenance Coord.	ext. 202
Don Deweese	Liturgical Assistant	
Angela Bonilla	Bulletin Editor	

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Eric Bridwell	Director	ext. 108
Tracy Howard	Assistant	ext. 109
Vickie Spieth	Preschool Director	ext. 121
Michelle Fallon	Youth Minister	ext. 110

# **PARISH INFO**

# Clergy

Rev. Liam Coyne

Pastor ext. 105

Rev. Charles Iner

Deacon ext. 201

Msgr. Terry Young

Retired in residence

# **Parish Office**

Monday—Thursday 9:00—4:00 Phone: (770) 957-5441 parishoffice@stjamesapostle.com stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.com

#### **Mass Times**

Monday—Friday 8:30 am Wednesday: 6:30 pm Saturday: 4:00 pm Sunday: 8:30 am | 11:00 am | 5:00 pm

#### Confession

Wednesday 7:00—8:00 pm Saturday 9:00—10:00 am Or by appointment

#### Adoration

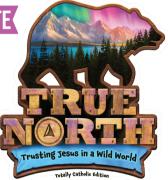
Monday—Thursday 9:00 am—10:00 pm In the chapel Wednesday 7:00 pm—8:00 pm First Fridays 9:00 am—8:00 pm In the church



The St. James **Council of Catholic Women** (CCW) is offering scholarships to graduating high school seniors! Applications are available in the parish hall, parish office, or from our High School Youth Minister, Michelle Fallon. The **deadline** to apply is **Thursday**, **April 24**, **by 4 PM**. Don't miss this opportunity—apply today!

# SAVE THE DATE

VBS is right around the corner! Mark your calendars for June 2nd-6th! More details to follow.



# Mass Intentions Week of April 13th

## **Monday**

8:30 am Jackie Walcott by Joan Holmes

#### **Tuesday**

8:30 am Diane Gill+ by Linda Leix

# Wednesday

8:30 am Gloria Perkins-Butler+ by Bette Perkins6:30 pm Juanita Lee+ by Fr. Roy Lee

# **Holy Thursday**

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

# **Good Friday**

7:00 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

#### **Holy Saturday**

8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass

#### Sunday

8:30 am Easter Sunday

11:00am Easter Sunday

12:45 pm Easter Sunday

# 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 online course. For any questions, please refer to our St. James the Apostle website at stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.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**

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.



#### **Adoration Notice**

We are in need of Guardians of the Blessed Sacrament on Mondays at 3pm, Tuesdays at 2pm, and Wednesdays at 9am and 2pm. If you are interested, please email sjadoration25@gmail.com or call the parish office at (770) 957-5441.



# RCIA/OCIA

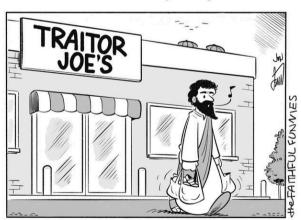
Whether you have been Catholic your entire life or are new

to the faith, you are invited to find out more about the Catholic faith through the Rite (Order) of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

There will be no meeting this week due to Spring Break. We will meet again on April 14th for the Easter Vigil rehearsal at 7:15 in Room 210.

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

# "Where did Judas shop for groceries?"



# "At Traitor Joe's."



The Wednesday before Easter is known as "Spy Wednesday," because tradition holds that that's when Judas spied for an opportunity to betray Jesus and hand Him over to the Pharisees.

Readings & Observances Week of April 13th

# Monday

Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

# Tuesday

Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

# Wednesday

Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

# **Thursday**

Holy Thursday

*Chrism Mass:* Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

# **Friday**

Good Friday

Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

# Saturday

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/ /Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9,10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 51:12-13,14-15, 18-19 (12a)/Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12

#### Sunday

Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12



# Now Enrolling for the 2025-2026 School Year!!

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

www.stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.com/preschool



# **Ministry Spotlight**



# **SVdP Spring to Life**

Once a year, SVdP Georgia holds the **Spring to Life Annual Assembly**—a full day of guest
speakers and workshops, concluding on
Saturday evening with a Vigil Mass. This year,
ten members from our church attended.
At the assembly, annual awards are presented,
and we are thrilled to share that our own
Sandra Kuhune received the Top Hat Finalist
Award! With over 34 years as a Vincentian,
Sandra was instrumental in founding the SVdP
conference at our church.
Congratulations, Sandra!

# **New Beginnings**

Our ongoing school programs – Breakfast Blessings and Weekend Backpacks – need individual-sized chips, soup cups, peanut butter crackers, breakfast items (oatmeal, grits), fruit cups, Pop-Tarts, and granola bars. Your love and generosity make a difference for food-insecure children in Henry County.

If you would like to consider donating specific items for one of our ongoing programs but aren't sure what or how often we need certain items, contact us at nbasjtacc@gmail.com or call 470-771-2039.

# The Council of Catholic Women

is sponsoring their annual
Springdaze Arts and Crafts Festival

on Saturday April 26 from 9am to 2:30pm! We'll have a bake sale, a raffle, and a food truck outside.

Please come visit us and get some Spring shopping done!
See you there!



# **Ministry Contacts**

#### **Adult Formation**

Adult Ed / RCIA Dcn. Charles Iner | 770-957-5441 x201

# Liturgical

Lectors/EMHC Scheduling Michelle Harada | 404-680-3710 Music Ministry Diane Scarbrough | 770-318-2577

# **Prayer & Fellowship**

Cursillo Julie Gonzalez | 678-628-3322 Divine Mercy Group Kathy Cowin | 678-601-4517 First Friday Devotion Mary Byram | 678-228-3391 Little Flower Women's Bible Study *Diane Scarbrough* | 770-318-2577 Prayer Group Anna Cheverino | 770-320-8393 St. James Men's Fellowship Mike Martin—404-557-0083 & *Tommy Patterson—678-549-7382* Ultreva Tom & Pam Jablonski | 404-451-8118 Young Adults Bill Renje | 813-416-2356

#### Service

Council of Catholic Women
Polly Crozier | 678-697-7690
Knights of Columbus
Shawn J. Doucette | 678-580-9431
Ministry to the Sick
Dcn. Charles Iner | 770-957-5441x201
New Beginnings
Joel Walker | 470-771-2039
St. Vincent de Paul
Linda Berkowitz | 404-987-2843
Welcome Ministry
Leticia Richards | 770-507-7377
St. Zita Sanctuary Ministry
Diane Scarbrough | 770-318-2577

#### **Scouts of America**

Boy Scouts
Ray Lightner | 678-231-2490
Cub Scouts
Chelsea Castro | 720-210-3628
Girl Scouts
Susan McCurdy - 770-957-1863 &
Ingrid Zabala - 678-583-0616
Daisies Girl Scouts
Jennifer Tadrzak | 404-969-8661

For scheduling information visit our website!

# This Week

# Wednesday

- See Concert Schedule on p. 5
- 6:30 pm Mass
- 7:00 pm Holy Hour
- No confessions

# Holy Thursday

- 7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10 pm
- No confessions

# **Good Friday**

- 2 pm Seven Last Words of Christ
- 3 pm Stations of the Cross
- 7 pm The Lord's Passion

# **Holy Saturday**

• 8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass

# **Easter Sunday**

- 8:30 am Mass
- 11:00 am Mass
- 12:45 pm Mass
- No 5:00 pm Mass

# **Religious Education (PreK—8th grades)**

Due to Easter, we will not have class on Sunday, April 20th, 2025.



First Holy Communion will take place on Sunday, April 27th at 12:45pm



**Confirmation** will take place on Wednesday, May 7th at 6pm.

# **Youth Ministry (9-12th grades)**

Reminder: This Sunday, the middle school will be packing Easter Baskets for New Beginnings as a service project.

We WILL have middle school and youth ministry today (April 13th). There is no middle school or youth ministry on April 20th due to the celebration of Easter. Youth ministry will resume on April 27th, with the last meeting of the year on May 4th. Please remember that Confirmation rehearsal is on April 28th at 7pm for parents, teens, and available sponsors. Confirmation will take place on May 7th, 2025, at 6pm. Teens and sponsors need to be at St. James at 5pm SHARP on May 7th.



# The St. James Music Ministry

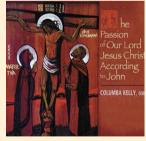
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# **Holy Week Sacred Concert**

by

The St. Cecilia Woman's Chorale

6:00 pm



# The Passion Of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John

in English Plainsong Chant by

The St. Cecilia Choir 7:00 pm

April 16, 2025

# **New Beginnings and SVdP**

We are teaming up to support Henry County foster and homeless Seniors who have overcome incredible challenges to graduate this year! We will be collecting the following items for donation:

- · **Graduation cards** to celebrate their high school accomplishments and offer encouragement for the journey ahead! Please make them **non-religious and do not seal the envelopes.**
- · **Gift Cards** (Visa, Walmart, Target, Amazon, Gas, grocery stores, etc. Any amount \$15 or more.
- · Care Package Items (reuseable water bottles, journals, pens, sticky notes)

We collect items after all masses on the weekend of **April 26**.

# The Pope's Intentions

For the use of the new technologies
Let us pray that the use of the
new technologies will not
replace human relationships,
will respect the dignity of the
person, and will help us face the
crises of our times.



# Mark your calendar!

• CCW Meeting -- April 16th, 7:00 pm

# **Weekly Reflection**

# April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday

"As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road." (Luke 19:36)

Consider how useless it is to spread your clothes on the ground for a donkey to walk on. The clothes get smeared with hooves, and who knows the grimy places where they've been? The animal may leave some unsavory presents on them. They may get stolen by a thief looking to make a buck. The thorns, thistles, rocks, and muck of the road will leave stains. The clothes may never be useful again, and you'll probably walk home shivering without your normal covering. Yet this is precisely the gesture the people employ to welcome Jesus and his donkey. Why does this detail matter?

Wastefulness is an essential part of celebration. Consider the unnecessary extravagance of Christmas decorations, confetti and ticker tape parades, baseball players spraying each other with bottles of champagne after a victory, birthday gifts for kids, and so on. This wastefulness signals celebration and, therefore, participation in higher identities (as believers, winners, and parents, to mention the above examples). That's what the wasted cloaks are all about. Those who donate their cloaks participate in Christ's kingship in Jerusalem — and we savor it two thousand years later.

The lesson? Learn how to "waste" money, time, clothes, and food on Christ. We do this at Mass, but in so many other ways, too, like serving the poor, going on retreats, and doing prayerful study. When we practice this holy wastefulness, Jesus will ride into our lives, and we'll be more deeply members of his kingdom.

— Father John Muir



# **Prayer Corner**

#### 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...**

Jim O'Connor
Patti Eckels
Micah Carroll
Mike & Caroline Lanasa
Hector Jordan Sr.
Nela Jordan
Terry Scardasis
Susan Fuller
Claire Bassenberg

Roger Hallam
Christian Kleb
Jeffery Sweetser
Maureen Richardson
John Virag
Dean McEachern
Peggy Woffard
Chris Willis

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.

# **Prayer Chain**

Do you have prayer intention on your heart? Contact Anna Cheverino at 770-320-8393 to have it added to the prayer chain!



# **Pray the Rosary**

Please join us in saying the rosary every Tuesday at 8 am in the church.



# **Divine Mercy Sunday**

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated here at St. James the Apostle at 3:00 pm on April 27. The Divine Mercy Group will have a table set up in the hall with the Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska for sale. There is need to celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy and to bring as many souls as possible to Him on that day.

# **Divine Mercy Group**

God will not deny his mercy to anyone. Heaven and earth may change, but God's mercy will never be exhausted. (Diary, 72)

# **News & Events**

# 11-Day Pilgrimage in France

Join Fr. Vic Galier, Deacon Bill, and Kathy Hampton on a French pilgrimage visiting Lourdes, Paris, Versailles, Lisieux, Normandy, and Mont Saint-Michel. Highlights include Mass at the American Cemetery, iconic churches, historic sites,

and cultural experiences like a French cooking class. Space is limited—register now! Contact Deacon Bill or Kathy Hampton for more information at 770-363-0636 or deaconbill@saintmatthew.us



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"Exult greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem! Behold: your king is coming to you, a just savior is he, Humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

-Zechariah 9:9