# ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

# **Fourth Sunday of Easter**



"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. " - In 10:27-28a

#### 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	See p. 6

#### **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. Mr. 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



# You're Invited to a Sacred Music Performance! A Pilgrim's Solace: Secret Worship Under the Tudors

Soprano **Kendra Comstock** and lutenist **Charles Iner** present *A Pilgrim's Solace: Secret Worship Under the Tudors*—a concert of sacred music by Renaissance Catholic composers who practiced their faith in secret during the 16th and 17th centuries. Performed in authentic Renaissance style, the program reflects themes of hope, love, and sorrow in the face of persecution.

Join us on **Saturday, May 17th** at **3pm** at St. James the Apostle Catholic Church. Donations will benefit the St. James Youth Ministry.

#### Mass Intentions Week of May 11th

#### Monday

8:30 am Ryan Linn+

by Michelle & Patrick Fallon

#### **Tuesday**

8:30 am The Linn Family by The Fallon Family

#### Wednesday

8:30 am Meghan Spuler by Tim & Alice Mitchell 6:30 pm For the Souls in Purgatory+ by Alice Mitchell

#### **Thursday**

8:30 am For the Souls in Purgatory+ by Alice Mitchell

#### **Friday**

8:30 am George R. Largin+ by K of C

#### Saturday

4:00 pm Sheila Riberich+ by Robert Riberich

#### Sunday

8:30 am The Perkins Family+ by Bette Perkins
11:00am Living and Deceased SvDP
Ministry by Mary Byram

5:00 pm Our Parishioners

# **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 and second 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.

#### Adult Confirmation/OCIA

For Adult Confirmation and Sacraments of Initiation, contact Deacon Charles Iner at <a href="mailto:ciner@stjamesapostle.com">ciner@stjamesapostle.com</a> 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.





# 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





#### Readings & Observances Week of May 11th

#### Monday

Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr

Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10

#### Tuesday

Our Lady of Fatima

Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/|n 10:22-30

#### Wednesday

St. Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17

#### **Thursday**

Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20

#### **Friday**

Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/|n 14:1-6

#### Saturday

Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

#### Sunday

5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1)/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

#### **Prayer to the Good Shepherd**

Beloved Shepherd,

You guide in a way often beyond my understanding. You lead to paths yet undiscovered. Keep me in Your care, as together we seek green pastures and still waters. Amen.



# **Ministry Spotlight**

#### **Knights of Columbus - Holy Trinity Council 7601**

Catholic Men Serving Faith, Family, and Community

We are the Knights of Columbus, Holy Trinity Council 7601—Catholic men answering the call to serve, to protect, and to build a bridge back to faith. In a world that needs strong witnesses, we strive to be men of action, compassion, and conviction. There is much good to be done, and we are committed to doing it every day.

#### Our Mission

Rooted in charity, unity, and fraternity, we serve both St. James the Apostle and the broader community. We assist the sick and disabled, protect the vulnerable, and support organizations and individuals in

need—whether they are next door or halfway around the world. This is the mission God has placed in our path.

Our Ministry in Action

Our members serve regularly as Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, and Lectors, offering their time and gifts to enrich our parish liturgies. We give of our Time, Talent, and Treasure in service to both parish and community.

Our outreach efforts include honoring our veterans, supporting local charities, and assisting those in need throughout Henry County through many different venues. For more information about our ministry and outreach, contact Shawn Doucette at 678-580-9431. Or join us for our family Rosary on the first Monday of the month at 6:00 pm. Check the parish calendar for details.



# **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

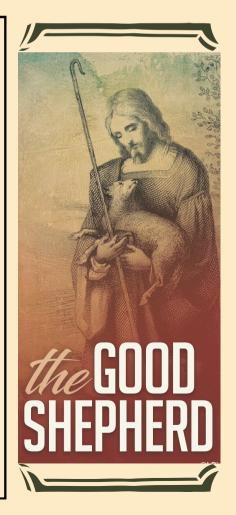
#### Service

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!



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

Religious Ed classes have ended for the Year! We hope you had a great year, and we hope you have a wonderful Summer ahead! See you again in August!

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

• Pizza and prayer will resume on May 14th in the Double Room from 6pm-8pm.



# **Summer Movie Nights**

**Teens of St. James**...We will begin Summer Movie nights during Pizza & Prayer beginning Wednesday evening, May 14 at 6pm.

Come grab some pizza and snacks in the Double Room! Bring comfort from home for a floor viewing or grab yourself a chair, and join us for food and summer fellowship!

The JRR Tolkien classic Lord of the Rings series will kick us off.

May 14 - The Fellowship of the Ring

May 21 – The Two Towers

May 28 - The Return of the King

There will be no Wednesday evening gathering on June 4 and we will continue June 11, 18 & 25.





#### 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 **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults OCIA**).

Our next class will be on the topic *Human Sexuality* on May 13th.

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

### Mark your calendar!

- Young Adult Group May 14, 7pm
- The Breakfast Club May 21, 9am

#### **SVdP and New Beginnings**

New Beginnings and SVdP were overwhelmed by the generosity of everyone who donated graduation cards, gift cards, and other gifts. We received 95 cards and gift cards, along with a large donation of pens, notepads, sticky notes, water bottles, and more. These seniors have overcome incredible challenges to reach this milestone of graduation. Thank you for your heartfelt donations! Each senior who is homeless or in foster care will receive a card and gift from us.

#### **New Ministry: The Breakfast Club**



The Breakfast Club will be gathering for a potluck breakfast in the Parish Hall at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 21st.

If you attend Daily Mass at 8:30 a.m., Sandy and Channy will be there to greet you and place your breakfast item in the warmer or the refrigerator. After Mass, we will gather to share a meal and fellowship.

The parish will provide the paper products and the coffee.

For more information, please contact Sandy Major at <u>sandymajor@stjamesapostle.com</u> or 770-892-6163 X 101.

# **Weekly Reflection**

# The Fourth Sunday of Easter John 10:27-30

Set in a moment of tension and conflict in John's Gospel, today's Gospel reading is Jesus' answer to the question, "Are you the Messiah?" Jesus responds by saying, in essence, "If you have to ask, then you are not one of my sheep." Then Jesus asserts his unity with the Father. At the conclusion of these words, John reports that the Jews intend to stone Jesus for blasphemy, but he escapes arrest.

We may be less familiar with the metaphors of sheep and shepherd than those to whom Jesus spoke. The image of Jesus as Good Shepherd and the community of followers as his sheep has endured over the centuries as a primary image in our faith tradition. Its power to describe the relationship between Jesus and his followers transcends direct experience with sheep. The image speaks to us about the protection, security, and care that shepherds represent for their sheep. Today's Gospel speaks powerfully about the familiarity and intimacy between lesus and his disciples, expressed as recognizing and knowing another's voice. Today's Gospel also speaks to the relationship between lesus and the Father. In the Gospel of John, Jesus identifies so closely with the Father that he tells us that they are one—not just close, but actually one.

To know Jesus is to know the Father. Jesus doesn't just bring us closer to the Father, Jesus puts us directly into contact with God the Father, removing all distance between us. Our relationship with Jesus is an invitation to share in the life of God.

-Loyola Press

# HAPPY MOTHER'S V DAY

# **Prayer Corner**



#### **Adoration Notice**

Spend a quiet hour with Jesus in our Adoration Chapel. We need **guardians** for Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m., Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m., and Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. Be present with the Lord and ensure He is never alone. If interested, email <u>sjadoration25@gmail.com</u> or call the parish office at (770) 957-5441.

#### **Sick List**

To maintain an up-to-date prayer list, names will be removed at the end of each two-month period. If you would like a name to remain on the list, please contact the parish office at that time to request reposting.



#### **Please Pray For...**

Patti Eckels
Micah Carroll
Mike & Caroline Lanasa
Hector Jordan Sr.
Terry Scardasis
Susan Fuller
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.

# **News & Events**



Enjoy summer camp at St. Mary's Academy!
Camps include Basketball, Volleyball, Cheerleading, and the Champions Kids Camp!
Register today at <a href="mailto:smaschool.org/summer-information/summer-camps/">smaschool.org/summer-information/summer-camps/</a>

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He said to them, "The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

Luke 10:2–3