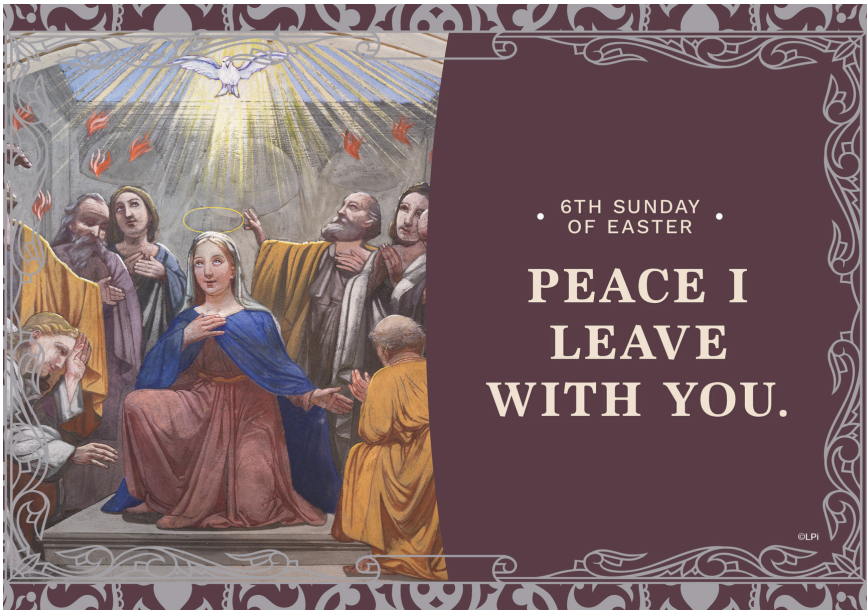


ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sixth Sunday of Easter



“The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.” -Jn 14:26

PARISH CONTACTS

STAFF

Tim Mitchell	<i>Business Manager</i>	ext. 102
Diane Scarbrough	<i>Music Director</i>	ext. 104
Sandy Major	<i>Pastoral Associate</i>	ext. 101
Channy O’Meara	<i>Pastoral Associate</i>	ext. 101
Amy Gordineer	<i>Parish Secretary</i>	ext. 100
Tasha Quinn	<i>Accountant</i>	ext. 120
Jim Zakutansky	<i>Maintenance Coord.</i>	ext. 202
Don Deweese	<i>Liturgical Assistant</i>	
Angela Bonilla	<i>Bulletin Editor</i>	See p. 6

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Eric Bridwell	<i>Director</i>	ext. 108
Tracy Howard	<i>Assistant</i>	ext. 109
Vickie Spieth	<i>Preschool Director</i>	ext. 121
Michelle Fallon	<i>Youth Minister</i>	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

Father's Day Novena

Father's Day Novena Cards are available in the Parish Hall until June 5!

Enroll the fathers in your life—living or deceased—in a novena of Masses from June 7–15.

Honor your biological, adoptive, and spiritual fathers with the gift of prayer.



Mass Intentions Week of May 25th

Monday

8:30 am Richard Rivera Gonzalez+
by Irma Rivera

Tuesday

8:30 am Vilma Lowery+ *by Naomi Tiniski*

Wednesday

8:30 am Lily Puzhakal+ *by Justin Puzhakal*
6:30 pm Bill R. Litteken+
by Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity 7601

Thursday

8:30 am Irma Rivera *by Julie Gonzalez*

Friday

8:30 am Frank Leo, Sr.+ *by Joe & Anne Allen*

Saturday

4:00 pm Teresa Henderson+
by Mr. & Mrs. John Bono

Sunday

8:30 am Antonio & Mercedes Flores+
by Al Florez
11:00am Margaret Rose+ *by Linda Hess*
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 stjamesapostleatholicchurch.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 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.

From the Pastor Archbishop's Annual Appeal

As you know, we are participating in the 2025 Annual Appeal campaign, which asks all parishioners to make a financial commitment to support the good works of our archdiocese.



As your pastor, I want to thank all who have already given to this campaign this year. I can assure you that the funds you give will be deeply appreciated by the parishes, schools, and people served by the archdiocese.

Through your generous gifts, we can continue the work we were called to do as Christians: educate our seminarians, support our retired priests, provide catechesis to our children, and protect the rights of the unborn. Every gift is appreciated, no matter what the dollar amount. Any overage up to 25 percent over our goal is returned to us for parish initiatives. Overages in excess of 25 percent remain with the parish to be contributed to its endowment or be used to pay past-due Archdiocesan debt.

On behalf of the Archdiocese of Atlanta and myself, I thank all who have contributed, and if you have not contributed, please consider contributing to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. May God bless you.

Fr. Liam

Readings & Observances Week of May 25th

Monday

St. Philip Neri, Priest; *Memorial Day*
Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday

St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday

St. Paul VI, Pope
Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-2

Friday

Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/
Lk 1:39-56

Sunday

Ascension Sunday
Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53



Now Hiring!

Teacher and Teacher's Aide
positions are available for the
2025-2026 School Year!

Please visit our website to submit an application:
www.stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com/preschool

Also, email your resume to the Director:
vspieth@stjamesapostle.com



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.stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com/preschool



When: June 2nd - 6th, 2025

Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Registration is now open!



Congratulations to our 2025 Confirmation Class!



With great joy, we congratulate the 23 Confirmandi who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, May 7, at 6:00 p.m. at St. James the Apostle Catholic Church. Auxiliary Bishop John Tran presided over this beautiful and grace-filled celebration.

May the Holy Spirit continue to guide and strengthen each of you as you grow in faith and live as courageous witnesses for Christ. Your parish family is proud of you and praying for you.

Come, Holy Spirit!

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

Ultreya

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

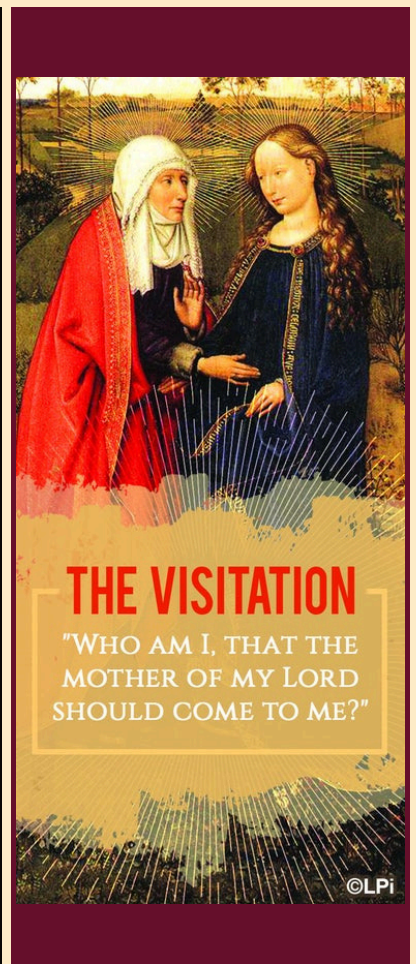
Susan McCurdy - 770-957-1863 &

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)

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

New Beginnings

With the end of the school year, New Beginnings has a respite from our school programs but we will still be making food deliveries to the Veterans Support Group and Tender House, so we appreciate donations of grocery items – canned vegetables and fruit, canned meats such as chicken and Tuna, pasta and other items.

Also, mark your calendar! New Beginnings will have a 3-hour orientation and introduction to our many food programs, as well as our emergency housing program, on Saturday, July 26, 9am-12pm. Join us in the Quad room and find out what we do, who we serve, and how you can get involved!

For more information about upcoming needs, check our activity and information boards atop our bin in the left alcove off the Parish Hall.



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)**.

Classes have ended for the year, but please join us on May 27th for our End of Year Potluck!

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

Mark your calendar!

- **VBS** - June 2nd-6th, 9am-12pm
- **Young Adult Formation Night** - June 4th, 7pm
- **Ultreya** - June 14th, 9am-10am
- **New Beginnings Orientation** - July 26, 9am-12



SVdP Supports Our Community

In May, we met and counseled 18 individuals and their families. We are working with them to provide financial assistance for their families.

Thank you to our parish family! Your continued generosity makes this outreach possible. Remember: Our parishioners are family. If you or someone you know—a fellow parishioner, relative, or friend—is struggling with an overdue utility or rent bill, please don't hesitate to reach out. Contact Linda Berkowitz at lindaberkowitz@bellsouth.net for assistance. May God bless you for being the hands and heart of Christ in our community!

St. James Youth Ministry

St. James Youth Ministry (middle through high school) forms young missionary disciples through faith formation, social, and service activities.



The middle school program features a three-year rotating curriculum focused on faith, knowledge, and service; with fun activities and service projects (i.e. running the Fall Festival games, and Christmas shoe box gifts). The teen ministry includes Sunday Youth Nights, Wednesday evening Pizza & Prayer, Confirmation formation, Post-Confirmation Small Groups, retreats, and service projects with New Beginnings. Youth ministry sponsors the annual parish teaching Mass and raises funds for amazing retreat and faith experiences, program costs, and other catechetical resources. Registration for 2025-2026 begins in Summer 2025, but interested parishioners can reach out to Youth Minister, Michelle Fallon, anytime at mfallon@stjamesapostle.com.

Weekly Reflection

The Importance of Reverence in the Catholic Church

Reverence is a fundamental aspect of Catholic worship, reflecting love, respect, and awe for God. It is expressed through actions, words, and attitudes, shaping how the faithful approach prayer, the sacraments, and the sacred traditions of the Church.

Honoring the Presence of God

Reverence acknowledges the presence of God, especially in the Eucharist. The Church teaches that Jesus is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament, and showing reverence—through genuflection, silence, and prayerful attention—demonstrates faith in this profound mystery. This respect extends to the sacredness of churches, where Christ dwells in the tabernacle.

Fostering a Spirit of Worship

Worship is not just about participation; it requires a heart oriented toward God. Reverence helps Catholics focus on the sacred, avoiding distractions that can weaken devotion. Whether through bowing before the altar, dressing modestly for Mass, or maintaining a prayerful posture, reverence enhances the spiritual experience.

Preserving Sacred Traditions

The Catholic Church is rich in traditions that have been passed down for centuries. Reverence ensures that these traditions—such as receiving the sacraments with devotion, using sacred gestures, and respecting Church teachings—are upheld with dignity. This respect safeguards the faith for future generations.

Encouraging Holiness in Daily Life

Reverence extends beyond the church walls. By cultivating respect for God in worship, Catholics also learn to live reverently in daily life—treating others with love, speaking with kindness, and acting with integrity. A reverent heart fosters a deeper relationship with God and strengthens Christian witness in the world.

In a fast-paced and often irreverent world, maintaining a spirit of reverence in the Catholic Church is essential. It keeps the focus on God, strengthens faith, and deepens the experience of divine worship, drawing believers closer to the sacred mysteries of their faith.

-Deacon Charles Iner

Prayer Corner



Adoration Notice

Spend a quiet hour with Jesus in our Adoration Chapel. Be present with the Lord and ensure He is never alone.

We need **guardians** for:

- Mondays at 3pm
- Tuesdays at 5pm
- Wednesdays at 10am, 1pm and 8pm

If interested, email sjadoration25@gmail.com 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 & More

Stewardship Report

Registered Parishioners 1756

Offertory

May 4	\$20,319
May 11	\$19,051
YTD Actual	\$798,799
YTD Budget	\$796,140
Percent Online Giving	42%

Archbishop's Appeal Goal	\$74,500
Received	\$40,606
Donors	166

Building Fund

May 4	\$2,941
May 11	\$2,151
YTD Actual	\$86,400
YTD Budget	\$137,501

Pending Projects:

Parish Hall Lighting
Repair Playground

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.

The Pope's Intentions

For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.



To make a submission to the bulletin, please email Angela at abonilla@stjamesapostle.com at least two weeks prior to your requested publication date.



"Behold, I make all things new."
-Revelation 21:5a
