# ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

# **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



"But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight."
-Lk. 10:33

#### 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. 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

# S PRESCHE

### **Now Hiring!**

Substitute Teacher positions are available for the 2025-2026 School Year!

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



### Mass Intentions Week of July 13th

#### Monday

8:30 am Dung Tran+

By Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity 7601

#### Tuesday

8:30 am Johnny Gorman+ By the Gorman Family

#### Wednesday

8:30 am Jane Williamson+ *By the Williamson Family* 6:30 pm Daniel Meier+

By Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity 7601

#### **Thursday**

8:30 am Harry Fleck+ By Carole Fleck

#### **Friday**

8:30 am Jack Sherlock+ By the Sherlock Family

#### Saturday

4:00 pm Matthew Able+ By Barbara Able

#### Sunday

8:30 am Alirio & Emperatriz Rubio+ *By Al Florez* 11:00 am Carmen Duron & Maryann Harmon+ *By Keith & Leticia Richards* 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**

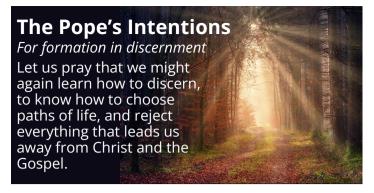
Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements. If this is an emergency situation after hours, please call the Parish Office and press "1" for a sacramental emergency.

#### 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.



#### **Parish Endowment Fund**

Gifts from a Retirement Account: Designating a percentage of your retirement account to the parish endowment fund in your will is a simple way to help the parish forever. This is easy to do by requesting a change of beneficiary form from your plan provider. For details contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation at jgreco@cfnga.org or 404.497.9440.

Stewards	hip	Report
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Registered Families	1778
<u>Offertory</u>	
June 15 June 22	\$18,306 \$13,978
YTD Actual	\$896,571
YTD Budget	\$902,292
Percent Önline Giving	42%
New Beginnings	\$1,532
Archbishop's Appeal Goal	\$74,500
Received Donors	\$46,634 173
Building Fund	175
June 15	\$566
June 22	\$1,470
YTD Actual	\$97,154
YTD Budget	\$150,001
<u>Pending Projects</u>	

- Fixing the playground
- Hall Lighting
- New flooring for two meeting rooms
- New flooring for Sacristy
- Replace 75 Ğal kitchen water heater
- Regraveling road to containers
- Wash windows

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

Abuse hotline for bishops only: https://reportbishopabuse.org or call (800) 276-1562.

# Readings & Observances Week of July 13th

#### Monday

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Mt 10:34-11:1

#### Tuesday

St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24

#### Wednesday

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27

#### **Thursday**

Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/Mt 11:28-30

#### **Friday**

St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8

#### Saturday

Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21

#### Sunday

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 (1a)/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

# Celebrate the Feast of St. James

July 27th
We are honored to celebrate our parish patron, St. James the Greater, on Sunday, July 27th! While the universal Church observes his feast day on July 25th, we've chosen to celebrate on Sunday so that all parishioners have the



St. Iames the Apostle

opportunity to join us in honoring this great saint.

As part of this special day, **coffee and donuts** will be served after the 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM Masses. We warmly invite all parishioners to stay and enjoy fellowship with one another!

Additionally, everyone attending Mass on July 26th or 27th will receive a blessed shell and a holy card—symbols of St. James and his faithful witness to Christ.

Let us come together in prayer and joy as we celebrate the life and intercession of our heavenly patron. St. James the Greater, pray for us!

# **Ministry & More**



### Save the Date!

SVdP International Dinner August 30, 2025



Mark your calendars for an evening of global flavors and parish fellowship! The **St. Vincent de Paul International Dinner** returns on Saturday, August 30, 2025, from 5:00–9:00 PM.

Enjoy delicious dishes from **around the world**, prepared by our own parishioners, and celebrate the **rich cultural diversity** of our St. James community.

More details coming soon—stay tuned!





## **New Beginnings Orientation**

Curious about how New Beginnings serves those in need? Join us for a **3-hour orientation** on **Saturday**, **July 26 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon**, and discover how you can be part of our mission.

You'll learn about our various **food programs**, our **emergency housing support**, and the real impact we're making in the lives of individuals and families in crisis. We are also currently seeking passionate individuals to step into **leadership roles** within the ministry. Come see if God might be calling you!

To RSVP or ask questions, please call 470-771-2039 or email nbasjtacc@gmail.com. We'd love to have you with us!

### **Ministry Contacts**

#### **Adult Formation**

**OCIA** 

*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

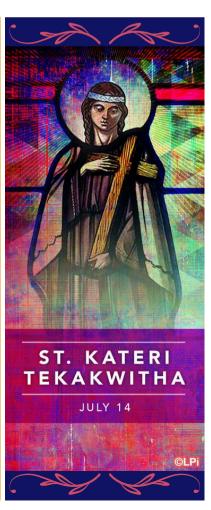
#### Service

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
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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!





# Faith Formation Registration is now open!!!

Registration for Faith Formation is now open for elementary (K–5), middle school (6–8), and high school/confirmation preparation for the 2024–2025 school year. You can now **register online!** 

**How to Register:** Scan the QR code, fill in your family's information, and submit! PDF forms are still available and can be printed and dropped off at the office. Tuition may be paid by cash or check.

No QR reader, no problem! Visit the parish website at: www.stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.com/faith-formation-sign-up/





### **New Beginnings**

School Supply Drive | K-12

#### Items needed:

- notebooks
- binders
- paper
- pens
- pencils
- book bags
- miscellaneous

Please place your donations in our bin in the far alcove in the Parish Hall by July 18th.

# Talk about it! Who in your life is

God asking you to see with the eyes of mercy?

#### St. James Young Adult Group

Are you looking for a community to grow in faith with? Whether you grew up in the Church or are just beginning to explore your relationship with God, your young adult years are the perfect time to make your faith your own.

At St. James, we invite young adults (ages 18–30) to grow spiritually and build authentic relationships with others on the same journey. The St. James young adult group meets for formation one Wednesday a month and for fellowship as availability allows. Watch the calendar or reach out to **Bill Renje at wjrenje@att.net** to join us for our next gathering! You are not alone. Come and see!



#### A St. Vincent de Paul Success Story

We received a call from a medical office about a woman facing serious health issues, including cancer.

She had secured a vehicle to travel to Atlanta for treatment but couldn't afford the registration after paying for insurance. Her only income is \$651 in disability and \$249 in food stamps.

Thanks to your generosity, we took her to the registration office and covered the cost. We hope this small act helps ease her burden so she can focus on healing.

Please keep her in your prayers. Your continued support makes moments like this possible. Thank you, and God bless.

### Mark your calendar!

- New Beginnings Orientation July 26, 9am-12
- SVdP Meeting August 13, 7 pm
- SVdP International Dinner August 30, 5pm-9pm

# **Weekly Reflection**

# The Obligation of Attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days

Catholics are obligated to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days because it is a core expression of our faith and a direct command from God and the Church. This obligation is not just a rule—it is a privilege and a spiritual necessity. At Mass, we worship God, receive the Eucharist, and strengthen our relationship with Him and the Church.

The foundation of this duty is the Third Commandment: "Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day" (Exodus 20:8). From the beginning, God set aside one day each week for rest and worship. For Christians, Sunday—the day of Christ's Resurrection—became the Lord's Day. By attending Mass, we honor this command and celebrate Jesus' victory over sin and death.

The Church emphasizes this obligation to protect the spiritual well-being of the faithful. The Catechism teaches that "the Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice" (CCC 2181). At Mass, we receive Jesus Himself—Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. To deliberately miss Mass without a serious reason is a grave sin because it neglects the grace and nourishment our souls need.

Mass is also a communal celebration. We gather not just as individuals but as the Body of Christ. Worshiping together strengthens our unity and encourages us to live our faith more fully in the world.

More than a duty, Mass is a gift. In the prayers, readings, homily, and Eucharist, we encounter Christ and are renewed in faith. Regular participation draws us closer to God, deepens our love for Him, and helps us face life's challenges with hope and strength.

Attending Mass faithfully is how we honor God, grow in holiness, and live the fullness of our Catholic 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:

- Monday 5:00 pm
- Tuesday 4:00 pm
- Wednesday 10:00 am, 4:00 pm, 8:00 pm
- Thursday 2:00 pm

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...**

Micah Carroll
Mike & Caroline Lanasa
Hector Jordan Sr.
Terry Scardasis
Susan Fuller
Roger Hallam
Christian Kleb
Jeffery Sweetser
Maureen Richardson
John Virag
Peggy Woffard
Chris Willis
John and Christine Willis
Mary Wagener

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**

Read and Understand the Bible with *The Bible in a Year* Podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz!

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# August MAGNIFICAT Meal

All women of the archdiocese 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 his life, on Sat., August 16, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Church, 3773 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta. A Guest speaker will be Bishop John Nhan Tran, Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

Reservations are \$25 and are required in advance. Register by August 6 at https://tinyurl.com/2508Meal, or send check by August 2, payable to Magnificat Joyful Visitation, to: Debbie DuPont, 315 Rose Court, SW, Lilburn, GA 30047.

Email joyfulvisitation@gmail.com or contact Debbie at 770-696-6216. Meal will be interpreted for the Deaf. SEATING IT LIMITED, SO PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!