

ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE

CATHOLIC CHURCH

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



“And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. -Lk. 11:9

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>	

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



Now Hiring!

Substitute Teacher 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



Mass Intentions Week of July 27th

Monday

8:30 am Jose Vascos+

By Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity 7601

Tuesday

8:30 am Mark Spieth+ *By Betsy Devore*

Wednesday

8:30 am Marvin Janow+ *By the Anthony Nicolazzi*

6:30 pm David Miller+

By Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity 7601

Thursday

8:30 am Patricia Arnold+ *By Anthony Nicolazzi*

Friday

8:30 am Chris Delise+ *By the Kathleen Delise*

Saturday

4:00 pm Matthew Able+ *By Barbara Able*

Sunday

8:30 am Our Parishioners

11:00 am Juana E. Sanchez+

By Mr. & Mrs. John Bono

5:00 pm Charlotte Isenberg and the Unborn

By Adanna Onwuka

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.

Celebrate the Feast of St. James Today!

We are honored to celebrate our parish patron, **St. James the Greater**, today, Sunday, July 27th! While his actual feast day was on July 25th, we decided to celebrate today with all our parish family!



St. James the Apostle

Coffee and donuts will be served after the **8:30 AM and 11:00 AM** Masses—please stay for fellowship!

Every family* attending Mass this weekend is encouraged to **take a blessed shell and holy card**, symbols of St. James' faithful witness to Christ.

St. James the Greater, pray for us!

Due to choking hazards, we will not be handing these items to small children

Parish Endowment Fund

Lower Your Income and Taxes with an IRA QCD Gift to the Parish: With an IRA QCD (qualified charitable distribution) gift to the parish endowment fund, you can support your parish without impacting cash flow – and benefit from lowering income and taxes. Contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation (jgreco@cfnga.org or 404.497.9440) for more information or go to cfnga.org.



On behalf of our ENTIRE parish family, we thank the **Catholic Council of Women (CCW)** and **Knights of Columbus (K of C)** for their generosity in providing coffee and donuts to honor our dear patron, St. James the Apostle, whose Feast Day was July 25th.

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.

Readings & Observances Week of July 27th

Monday

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday

Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus
Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday

St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53

Friday

St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday

St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

Sunday

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17(1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

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 IS LIMITED, SO PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!



Ministry & More

Steubenville Atlanta



From July 11–13, thirteen teens from our Youth Ministry attended the **Steubenville Atlanta Youth Conference** at Gas South Arena—a weekend filled with fun, fellowship, and spiritual growth. They joined over 2,000 Catholic teens from across the archdiocese and beyond for powerful talks, praise and worship, and time in Eucharistic adoration.

Thank you to the parents, parishioners, and all who supported this trip through your generous donations, as well as the **candy and Lenten book sale fundraisers** that made this trip possible.



Keillisse Crespo served as lector for Sunday mass at Steubenville Atlanta.



A HUGE SHOUT OUT to our Deacons-in-information, **Scott Major and Tim Standard**, and Pastoral Associate **Channy O'Meara** for serving this ministry as chaperones for the weekend.

Please continue to pray for our teens as they carry the fire of this experience into their daily lives. May their hearts remain rooted in Christ and their desire to grow in faith bear fruit in our parish and beyond.



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Ministry Contacts

Adult Formation

OCIA

Dcn. Charles Iner | 770-957-5441 x201

Liturgical

Lectors/EMHC Scheduling

Parish Office | (770) 957-5441

Music Ministry

Diane Scarbrough | 770-318-2577

Altar Servers

Dcn. Charles Iner | 770-957-5441x201

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!**





Disciple Dispatch

Unfiltered facts for young disciples.

Prayer isn't magic. It's not about perfect words or instant answers—it's about showing up, again and again, with a heart that trusts. Jesus told His disciples to pray without giving up, because God isn't ignoring you. He's shaping you.

St. Monica prayed for her son for 17 years. God heard her. **He hears you, too.**

So don't quit. Don't coast. Keep praying—even when it's quiet.



The Pope's Intentions

For formation in discernment

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.



SVdP Serves Henry County

Each month, the St. Vincent de Paul Conference at St. James hosts support days where our dedicated counselors meet with neighbors from Henry County. We offer not only financial assistance, but also a listening ear and spiritual support, helping to ease heavy burdens and, whenever possible, prevent homelessness.

We are the only SVDP Conference serving Henry County, and the need is growing. **Since 2020, the county's population has increased by 21%, now exceeding 266,000.** At the same time, housing and utility costs have risen to historic highs. We are seeing the most expensive rents our neighbors have ever faced.

Because our resources are limited, we are forced to limit the number of people we can serve. **Just last week, we saw nearly 50 individuals and families seeking help.** Thanks to your generosity, we were able to assist most of them, and we are deeply grateful. Every gift matters. Every dollar makes a difference. Your donations may well have kept someone from losing their home.

Thank you for your continued support. You are a lifeline to so many in need. Please keep us—and those we serve—in your prayers.



ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL?!?

The Knights of Columbus Council 7601 would like to invite any parishioner interested in participating in this year's **FANTASY FOOTBALL KICK OFF PARTY** to join us on Saturday, August 23rd, following the 4pm Mass in the church hall, or participate virtually. It is open to all parishioners and will include a complimentary pizza dinner. Participants will require a free ESPN account and a smart device to join.

If you're looking to participate, please get in touch with Ryan Cheverino by Sunday, August 17th. For more information, contact Ryan Cheverino at rcheverino01@gmail.com



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!

Mark your calendar!

- **SVdP Meeting** - August 13, 7 pm
- **SVdP Int. Dinner** - August 30, 5pm-9pm

St. James the Apostle

St. James the Greater - July 25th

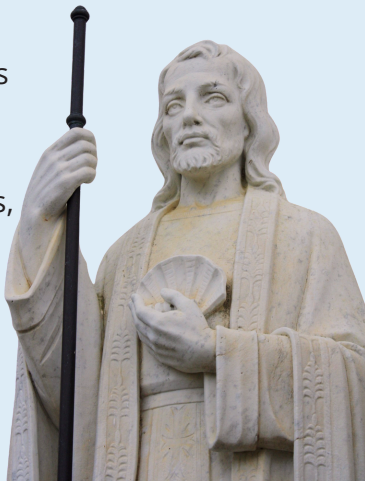
Saint James the Apostle is also called James, son of Zebedee, or James the Greater, to distinguish him from the other James in Jesus' group of twelve. Most of what we know about Saint James is recorded in the New Testament. He and his brother John were collected by Jesus along the Sea of Galilee. Matthew 4:18-22 tells the story of Jesus calling first Simon Peter and his brother Andrew and then the sons of Zebedee. In Mark 3:17, the brothers receive a nickname from Jesus, who calls them "sons of thunder" because of their many extreme reactions, like that in Luke 9:54 when they offer to call down fire on a Samaritan village.

Saint James was part of Jesus' intimate circle, a witness to the Transfiguration, the resurrection of Jarius' daughter, and the agony in the garden of Gethsemane. In A.D. 44 Herod Agrippa had "James, the brother of John, killed by the sword." (Acts 12:2) He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is written of in the New Testament.

According to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, Spain where his relics were rediscovered in 9th century. This tradition has sometimes been attributed to a passage in the Song of Roland which tells of St. James appearing to Charlemagne in a dream, prophesying that Charlemagne would conquer the Moors in Spain. This was followed by a vision of stars which if followed would lead to the saint's lost tomb. In the Middle Ages Compostela was a hugely popular pilgrimage site. The saint's relics continue to rest in the cathedral there and one can still undertake the pilgrimage.

Today, we remember St. James not only as one of Jesus' closest followers and the first apostle to give his life for the Gospel, but also as the patron of our parish.

In honor of his feast day, let us give thanks for his example and seek his intercession for our parish family. May we, like St. James, walk closely with the Lord and grow in courage and love.



-LPi

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 - 9:00 am, 5:00 pm
- Tuesday - 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 8:00 pm
- Wednesday - 10:00 am, 4:00 pm, 8:00 pm
- Thursday - 2:00 pm

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...

Micah Carroll	Jeffery Sweetser
Mike & Caroline Lanasa	Maureen Richardson
Hector Jordan Sr.	John Virag
Terry Scardasis	Peggy Woffard
Susan Fuller	Chris Willis
Roger Hallam	John and Christine Willis
Christian Kleb	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 on Tuesdays after 8am Mass.

News & More



For everyone who asks, receives, and the one who seeks, finds.
-Luke 10:11
