
ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE

CATHOLIC CHURCH

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time



“Abraham replied, ‘My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented.’”
-Lk 16:25

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 L. 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 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



The Pope's Intentions

For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect



Mass Intentions Week of Sept. 28

Monday

8:30 am John & Louise Glover+ *By Jeannie Allen*

Tuesday

8:30 am Joe & Anne Allen *By Joe & Anne Allen*

Wednesday

8:30 am Ivy Walcott+ *By Joan Holmes*

6:30 pm Alec Pyron+

By Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity 7601

Thursday

8:30 am Luther Higginbotham+

By Eve Higginbotham-Williams

Friday

8:30 am Katherine Williams+

By Eve Higginbotham-Williams

Saturday

4:00 pm Jim Schlottman+ *By Maggie Schlottman*

Sunday

8:30 am Frank Higginbotham, Sr.+

By Eve Higginbotham-Williams

11:00 am David, Brooke, Grayson, Brandon
O'Hearn+

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 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.

Honoring Our St. James Veterans

Calling all St. James veterans!! We'd like to honor you at our Veterans' Day event on November 8, 2025! All vets who haven't submitted their information are invited to send your branch, dates of service, occupational specialty, and any overseas assignments to Kevin Gallagher at gallagherkf1@yahoo.com by **October 6, 2025**.

Additionally, please send 1-2 meaningful digital photos from your service with your name, rank, branch, and a brief description to Dave Cheverino at Davechevy2003@gmail.com by **October 6, 2025**. Photos will be featured in a special slideshow during the celebration.

Thank you, veterans, for your service and sacrifice—we look forward to honoring you!



Knights of Columbus 23rd Annual Charity Golf Tournament

Benefiting the Veterans Support Group & The Bridge Wellness South

Date: October 31, 2025

Location: Crystal Lake Country Club

Registration: 8:00 AM | **Shotgun Start:** 10:00 AM

Join us for a fun day on the green while making a real difference in our community! Whether you're a seasoned golfer or just enjoy a good cause, this event is for you.

Not a golfer? No problem! You can still be part of the impact by donating online. Gifts of \$25 or more will be gratefully acknowledged in the parish bulletin and on social media.

Sign up on line at www.7601charitygolf.com or contact Joe Alfano at 770-584-6644.

Together, let's tee up for charity and support those who need us most!



The Blessing of the Animals

Join us on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi for the **blessing of the animals** at **9:00 a.m.** in the Pavilion on **Saturday, October 4, 2025**.

*Due to the Blessing of the Animals, there will be **NO RECONCILIATION** on Saturday, October 4th.*

Readings & Observances Week of Sept. 28

Monday

Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab,
2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday

St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday

The Holy Guardian Angels
Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 (458)/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday

Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday

St. Francis of Assisi
Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24

Sunday

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

Stewardship Report

Registered Families

Offertory

September 14	\$21,113
YTD Actual	\$199,024
YTD Budget	\$194,904
Percent Online Giving	38%

Archbishop's Appeal Goal	\$74,500
Received	\$59,707
Donors	182

Building Fund

September 14	\$2,835
YTD Actual	\$20,940
YTD Budget	\$46,245

Pending Projects

- Convert office into classroom
- Carpet hallway
- Dumpster enclosure
- Upgrade Holy Family Grotto
- Door signs



Sign up for **FLOCKNOTE** to receive updates on all happenings here at **St. James the Apostle!** Text **SJACC** to 84576 to sign up for FLOCKNOTE.

Dear St. James Parishioners,
 As I move into my retirement, I wish to thank each and every one of you for all the lovely thoughts, comments, prayers, gifts, and words of encouragement. I have been absolutely overwhelmed by all your love and kindness. I'm overwhelmed by the depth of appreciation for Music Ministry you have showered on me! I can say I will never, ever forget your love and sweet spirit of support I have received all these years. Our "Farewell Concert" was just the best ever! The attendance was wonderful, and we all felt the Holy Spirit moving among us as we sang our Lord's praises together as one voice. Phenomenal!! Going forward, please continue your support of this ministry. Music is the universal language, which brings all together in the rhythm and melody of God's tremendous love for all his children. You will always be in my prayers. Thank you!

With love and much affection,
 I remain "Your Favorite Music Director,"

Diane Scarbrough

"Sing a new song to the Lord!" -Psalm 96

Thank you to all our parishioners who attended the International Dinner!

Your generosity and support made the evening a success, and every dollar raised will go toward helping our neighbors in need through the work of SVdP.



Attention: Early Christmas Shoppers!

CCW sponsored

Hollydaze Arts and Craft Event

Saturday, Nov. 15, 2025
 9:00 am-2:30 pm.

Vendors will have Homemade Crafts.

Come join us for Gift Cards & a Basket Raffle, Bake Sale, Food Truck and Door Prizes!

Chairperson: Francine Krane
francinekrane@gmail.com.

We hope to see you there!



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
 Omari Glean | 770-377-9498

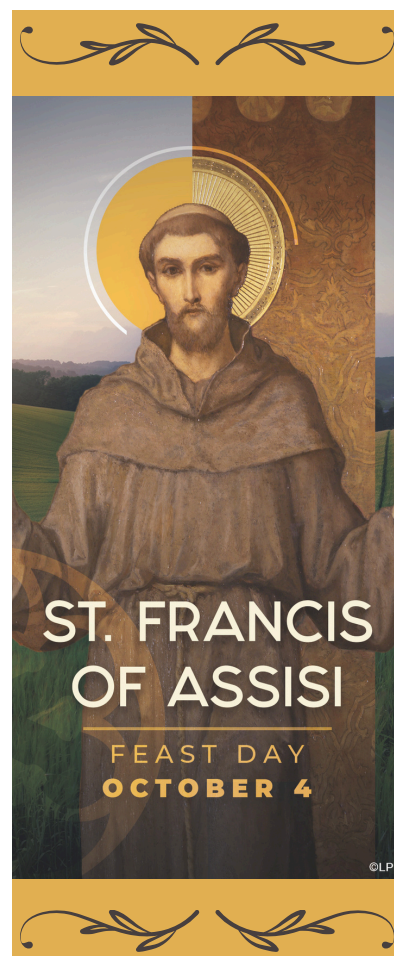
Service

Council of Catholic Women
 Polly Crozier | 678-697-7690
 Knights of Columbus
 Shawn J. Doucette | 678-580-9431
 Ministry to the Sick
 Sandy Major | 770-957-5441x101
 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
 Don DeWeese | 404-218-3606

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!**





St. James Religious Education



Parents: Please plan to attend the 5 pm teaching Mass **TODAY**, followed by a family bowling activity directly after Mass at 7 pm at Fun Bowl in McDonough. **THERE WILL BE NO REGULAR LIFE NIGHT AT 6PM.** OCIC will take place at 3pm as scheduled.

Sacramental Prep Class for Students with Disabilities

We are offering a sacramental preparation class for students with disabilities in grades 8–12 who are preparing for Confirmation. Classes meet every other Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Quad Room and are taught by Maggie Rousseau, disability ministry specialist from the Archdiocese of Atlanta. This opportunity is open to all parishioners. The next session will be held on Monday, October 6. To register, please see Eric Bridwell or Michelle Fallon.

You're Invited: Teaching Mass!

Please join us **TODAY**, Sunday, September 28th, for the 5 pm **"Teaching Mass" with Fr. Roy Lee**. In this special annotated Mass, Fr. Lee will explain the "whys" and symbolism behind the things that we do at Mass. Everyone will come away from this experience having learned something new about the Mass. It's also the perfect time to invite a friend who's curious about the Catholic Church!



Teaching Mass

Join Us Today at 5pm

Mark your calendar!

- **Teaching Mass** - Sept. 28, 5:00 pm
- **Blessing of the Animals** - Oct. 4, 9am
- **Octoberfest** - Oct. 18, 5:00 pm
- **K of C Golf Tournament** - Oct. 31, 8:00 am
- **Hollydaze Event** - Nov. 15, 9am-2:30pm

New Beginnings

Next Sunday, October 4 is the first Sunday of the month. Any food items such as canned meats (especially chicken), canned vegetables, pasta and other meal items that are donated between now and then will be donated to the Veterans Support Group and to Tender House (a group home for adults struggling with mental illness).

Please consider helping with these folks by placing your gifts of food in our bin in the far alcove off the parish hall.

If you have any questions on how you can get involved with New Beginnings, please email nbasjtacc@gmail.com or call 470-771-2039.



Join SVdP for a Fun Night Celebrating Oktoberfest!

Our Annual Oktoberfest Party is Sat., Oct. 18, 2025, at 5:00 pm in the church hall.

Enjoy a fun evening with music, dancing, and great food. We will have bratwurst, sauerkraut, German potato salad, Bavarian pretzels, drinks, and desserts. The Knights of Columbus will be selling beer and wine, and there will be hot dogs and chips for the kids.

Ticket Prices

- Per Person: \$15
- Per Couple: \$25
- Children 10 & under: \$5
- Family of 4 (2 adults + 2 children 10 & under): \$30
- Each additional child 10 & under: \$5



Tickets will be available in the church hall after all Masses starting **September 28**.

Every penny from ticket sales will go directly to support our Henry County neighbors in need through the work of SVdP.

Weekly Reflection

Understanding the Liturgical Seasons: Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time may sound... well, ordinary. But in the Church's calendar, it's anything but dull. It's a season that helps us grow in discipleship, reflecting on the life and teachings of Jesus.

Marked by the color green, a symbol of growth and hope, Ordinary Time invites us to deepen our spiritual lives day by day. Unlike Advent or Lent, which have a clear focus on preparation and penance, Ordinary Time is where the slow and steady work of conversion happens. It's where we learn how to follow Jesus in the everyday moments—not just in the big seasons, but in the quiet spaces in between.

In Mass readings during this time, we journey through Jesus' ministry—his parables, healings, and challenges to discipleship. These weeks are about learning how to live as intentional disciples in a world that often distracts us.

So don't just "wait" for the next big feast. Let this season shape you. Read Scripture. Serve others. Pray more intentionally. Ordinary Time is a chance to live the extraordinary grace of God in the rhythm of everyday life.

-Deacon Charles Iner



OCIA ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS
Whether you're a lifelong Catholic or just beginning to explore the Church, you're warmly invited to join us for the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), formerly known as RCIA.

Our next session is **Tuesday, Sept. 30th**, from **7:15-8:30 PM**.

Topic: *The Church/Infallibility/Authority*

Come with your questions, come as you are. For more information, contact Deacon Charles Iner at ciner@stjamesapostle.com.

"...IN THIS WORLD I CANNOT SEE
THE MOST HIGH SON OF GOD WITH
MY OWN EYES, EXCEPT FOR HIS
MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD."

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI



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 - 4:00 pm, 9:00 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, 6:00 pm

If interested, email sjadoration25@gmail.com or call the parish office at (770) 957-5441.

Sick List

Names are removed from the prayer list every two months. To keep a name on the list, please contact the parish office to request reposting.



Please Pray For...

Christian Kleb

Jeffery Sweetser

Maureen Richardson

John Virag

Peggy Woffard

Chris Willis

John and Christine Willis

Mary Wagener

Micah Carroll

Hector Jordan

If you or a loved one is hospitalized, in hospice, homebound, or in assisted living, please notify our pastoral minister at 770-957-5441 x101.

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 at 8am before Mass.

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.

Parish Endowment Fund

Increase your retirement income, receive a tax deduction, and leave a gift to the parish. If you are 65 or older, you can use appreciated stock to create a charitable gift annuity and receive quarterly payments for life. To receive a personalized illustration of how this could work for you, please contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation: jgreco@cfnga.org or 404.497.9440.

St. Mary's Open House.

Join us for St. Mary's Academy's Open House Week from October 28–October 30. As the only archdiocesan PK4–12 Catholic school, we offer a unique educational experience. We invite you to explore our dynamic curriculum within an environment that fosters both academic excellence and spiritual growth. Discover how a Catholic education can be enriching, affordable, and transformative for your child's future. To accommodate busy family schedules, we're offering several sessions. For more information, please call 770-461-2202 or scan the QR code on the flyer.



St. Mary's Academy
PK4 - 12
Catholic Education
COGNIA STEM Certified

SAVE THE DATES!

OPEN HOUSE WEEK



K-12

Tuesday, October 28 | 8:00 -10:00 AM
Bobcat Breakfast & Campus Tours PK4 - 5th grade students

Wednesday, October 29 | 9:00 - 10:00 AM
Financial Aid Session

Wednesday, October 29 | 5:00 - 6:30 PM
Information Session & Campus Tours *all grade levels

Thursday, October 30 | 8:00 -10:00 AM
Bobcat Breakfast & Campus Tours middle & high school students

SCAN HERE TO REGISTER



 861 Highway 279
Fayetteville, GA 30214

 770-461-2202

 smaschool.org