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# ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



*He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."  
Lk 23:43*

### PARISH CONTACTS

#### STAFF

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### PARISH INFO

#### Clergy

Rev. Liam Coyne

*Pastor* ext. 105

Rev. Mr. Charles L. Iner

*Deacon* ext. 201

#### Parish Office

Monday-Thursday 9:00-4:00

Phone: (770) 957-5441

[parishoffice@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:parishoffice@stjamesapostle.com)

#### Mass Times

**Thanksgiving Mass | 10:00 am**

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*

#### Visit our website:

[stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com](http://stjamesapostleatholicchurch.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](http://www.stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com/preschool)



# OCIA

OCIA

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.

**There will be no meeting on November 25th.**

Our next session is **Tuesday, Dec. 2nd**, from **7:15-8:30 PM**.

Topic: *The Church Year / The Incarnation*

Come with your questions, come as you are. For more information, contact Deacon Charles Iner at [ciner@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:ciner@stjamesapostle.com).

## Mass Intentions Week of Nov. 23rd

### Monday

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

### Tuesday

8:30 am Rev. Greg Goolsby+ *by Dawn Foley*

### Wednesday

8:30 am German Reyes+ *by Frances Reyes*

6:30 pm Clifford Rice+

*by Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity 7601*

### Thursday

8:30 am Ordination of Rev Greg Goolsby+  
*by Dawn Foley*

### Friday

8:30 am Blessed Mary Our Mother of God+  
*by Anonymous*

### Saturday

4:00 pm Rosann Medlar+ *by Pat Dunn*

### Sunday

8:30 am Diane Scarbrough *by Donna Waggoner*

11:00 am Carmon Solomone+

*by Maria Solomone*

5:00 pm Our Parishioners

## Sacramental Preparation & Information

### Infant Baptism

Parents must be registered parishioners of St. James for at least three months (or have the pastor's permission) and complete the *Belonging* online course from Ascension Press. Godparents are also required to complete the course. Visit [stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com](http://stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com) for details. Baptisms are typically celebrated the first and second Saturdays of each month at 10:30 a.m.

### First Holy Communion

Children in second grade who have been active in the Faith Formation program for two consecutive years are eligible to enroll in the sacramental preparation program. Special sessions are held throughout the year in preparation for these sacraments. For more information, contact the Faith Formation Office at 770-957-5441 ext. 108.

### Confirmation

Youth in 10th grade or older who have been active in the parish teen program for at least two consecutive years are eligible to register for Confirmation. For more information, contact the Youth Ministry Office at 770-957-5441 ext. 110.

### Adult Confirmation/OCIA

For Adult Confirmation and Sacraments of Initiation, contact Deacon Charles Iner at [ciner@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:ciner@stjamesapostle.com) or 770-957-5441 ext. 201.

### Marriage

Couples considering marriage must contact the Parish Office at least six months before their desired wedding date and participate in a pre-marriage preparation 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 an assisted living facility—whether temporarily or long-term—please call the Parish Office Monday through Thursday to arrange a visit. Visits must be scheduled prior to any weekend Mass.

### Mass Intentions

Please contact the Parish Office. Suggested donation is \$15.

## Thanksgiving Mass

Join us for Thanksgiving Day Mass at 10:00 am on Thursday, Nov. 27, and begin your celebration by giving thanks to God, the Giver of every good gift.

Let us come together in gratitude for His blessings and the gift of one another.



## Bulletin Announcement

Check your inbox—your parish bulletin has arrived! We're excited to begin sharing our weekly bulletin by email, bringing parish news, events, and reflections right to you. If you didn't get it, don't worry—it just means we may need to update your contact information.

To update your contact information or register as a parishioner, visit this link: <https://tinyurl.com/yu3n6kf4> or scan the QR code.



## New Beginnings November Activities

**Tomorrow, Monday, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am,** we will gather to assemble

and deliver Thanksgiving Boxes stuffed with fixings and other grocery items for 25 families in need throughout Henry County. Come join us! We especially need strong souls with strong backs to deliver these items to individual homes.

**Between today and December 14** we will be having our **annual Outerwear Drive**. Please consider donating slightly used **coats and scarves**. You can place them in our bin just off the Parish Hall.

We will also be partnering with the Cub Scouts with the annual **Christmas Stocking Stuffing** on **Friday, Dec. 5**. Please consider donating **individually-wrapped candy and stocking sized toys** for this joyful event.

If you have any questions about what we need or how you can help, please email [nbasjtacc@gmail.com](mailto:nbasjtacc@gmail.com) or call 470-771-2039. If you or you know someone in need of food, please contact the above email or phone number.

## The Pope's Intentions

*For the prevention of suicide*

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.



## Readings & Observances Week of Nov. 23rd

### Monday

St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4

### Tuesday

St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr  
Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

### Wednesday

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

### Thursday

Thanksgiving Day

Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28

### Friday

Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

### Saturday

Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

### Sunday

1st Sunday of Advent

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/  
Mt 24:37-4





## Ministry Contacts

### Adult Formation

OCIA

*Dcn. Charles Iner | 770-957-5441 x201*

### Liturgical

Lectors/EMHC Scheduling

*Parish Office | (770) 957-5441*

Music Ministry

*Charles A. Iner. | (770) 957-5441x111*

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

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*

### 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*

### 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*

**For scheduling information,  
visit our website!**



## SVdP Holiday Calendar

The holiday season is a time to share Christ's love by caring for our Henry County neighbors in need.

Your generosity makes a real difference and helps remind others that they are not forgotten. Thank you for helping us make this a season filled with love, compassion, and the true spirit of Christmas.

### Ways to Help This Holiday Season:

- **Toy Drive:** Please return **unwrapped toys** by the weekends of **Nov. 23, and Nov. 30**. The 30th will be the last day we will be collecting toys
- **Senior Gifts:** We will distribute unique gift tags for individual seniors on **the weekends of November 22-23 and 29-30**. Gifts must be wrapped and tagged and brought back to the church **by December 6-7 and December 13-14**. We will not be able to collect any gifts after December 14.
- **Gift Card Collection** - Will start this weekend and go until the weekend of December 14th. Remember: we need Kroger or Walmart gift cards no larger than \$25.00. You can donate as many individual \$25.00 gift cards as you'd like.

Thank you all so much for all you do to help us and help our community!

**SVdP Can Help.** We know that a lot of people are struggling right now to pay bills or buy food. If you are a parishioner who needs a little to get by or have a friend or family member who could use help, contact Linda Berkowitz at (404) 987-2843.

### Little Flower Women's Bible Study

The Little Flower Women's Bible Study Group is undergoing some exciting restructuring!

If you are interested in joining this ministry or learning more, please stop by their table at the Parish Life Expo on the weekend of December 6 & 7.



### Calling All Future Altar Servers!

All children who have received their **First Holy Communion** are invited to join our parish Altar Server Ministry. Training will be held on **Monday, Dec. 1 at 7:00 PM in the Church**.

This training session will cover the basics of serving at Mass, including the roles, responsibilities, and reverence expected at the altar. It's a wonderful way for our young parishioners to participate more deeply in the liturgy and to serve our parish community.

RSVP to Deacon Charles Iner at [ciner@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:ciner@stjamesapostle.com).



### Endowment Fund

This Thanksgiving, make a gift in tribute to someone for whom you are thankful. Consider making a gift to the parish endowment fund in memory of or in honor of someone who made a difference in your life. A gift to the parish endowment fund in their name will benefit the parish forever. For more information, please contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation: [jgreco@cfnga.org](mailto:jgreco@cfnga.org) or 404.497.9440.

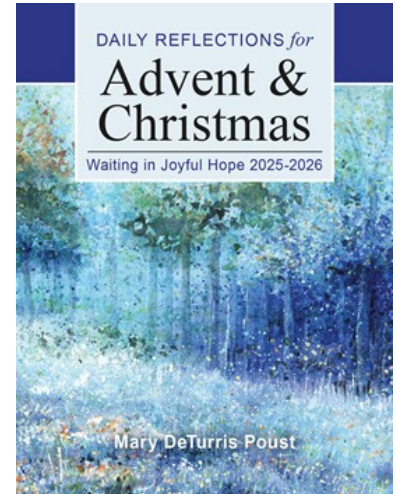




## St. James Religious Education



- **Due to Thanksgiving break, Religious Education classes will not take place on Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> or Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.** Sessions resume Dec 7. Happy Thanksgiving!
- **Advent Reflection Books** are now on sale in the Parish Hall with cash or check to St. James the Apostle. Books cost \$1.50 each with a minimum \$2 donation requested. Proceeds from book sales offset the housing costs for teens attending the Summer Steubenville Youth Conference.
- **Attention Life Teen & Edge Parents!** Teens are selling gift cards for your holiday turkey, ham, and other delicious goodies from HoneyBaked Ham, so you won't just be serving or gifting a mouthwatering meal — you'll also be supporting our youth! Look for an email from Michelle with links you can share on socials to family and friends for holiday get togethers and gift-giving this season. **When you buy through our special fundraising link, 20% of the proceeds go directly to the St. James the Apostle Youth Ministry. Thank you for your support!**



Join us for our annual Christmas program **Lessons and Carols** on **Thursday, Dec. 4, 2025, at 7:00 pm.** Presented by Deacon Charles Iner and the St. James the Apostle Music Ministry, this cherished evening of Scripture and song invites us to pause, reflect, and prepare our hearts with joy and hope for the coming of Christ. Following the program, please join us for a reception with cookies and coffee as we celebrate the season together in fellowship.



### St. James Youth Holiday Fundraiser



Get your holiday ham, turkey, and sides from Honey Baked and help St. James Youth!

When you scan the QR code to buy online, 20% of the proceeds go directly to St. James the Apostle Youth Ministry.

THANK YOU!



### Mark your calendar!

- **SVdP Toy Drive** - Weekends of Nov. 23, and 30
- **SVdP Gift Card Collection** - Weekends of Nov. 23 - Dec. 14
- **Lessons and Carols** - Dec. 4, 7 pm
- **SVdP Senior Gifts** - Collected weekends of Dec. 7 and 14
- **Advent Remembrance Mass** - Dec. 14th, 11:00 am
- **Ministry Fair** - Dec. 6 & 7, after all Masses

### Christmas Carols in Spanish!

Celebrate the joy of the season at **Holy Spirit Catholic Church** on **Thursday, Dec. 4 at 7:30 pm** with a festive **Christmas Carols Concert in Spanish.** The parish youth and adult choirs, joined by guest musicians and directed by Jorge Álvarez, will delight families with a beautiful repertoire of beloved Christmas carols that capture the spirit of Christmastime.

The concert will be held at 4465 Northside Drive NW, Atlanta, GA 30327. No reservations or tickets are required—all are warmly welcome!

## Weekly Meditation

### Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Today as a Church, we conclude our liturgical year and celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel we proclaim shows the great mystery of our faith: In the moment of his crucifixion, Jesus is shown to be King and Savior of all.

Luke's Gospel has been loaded with surprises: the poor are rich, sinners find salvation, the Kingdom of God is found in our midst. Here we see the greatest surprise of all. We are confronted with the crucified Jesus, whom faith tells us is King and Savior of all. The irony is that the inscription placed on the cross, perhaps in mockery, contains the profoundest of truth. As the leaders jeer, the thief crucified by his side recognizes Jesus as Messiah and King, and finds salvation.

Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we might have imagined or expected. His kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries, but those who had the eyes of faith were able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we, too, struggle at times to recognize Jesus as King. Today's Gospel invites us to make our own judgment. With eyes of faith, we, too, recognize that Jesus, the crucified One, is indeed King and Savior of all.

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And he was saying,  
"Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom!"  
And He said to him, "Truly I say to you,  
today you will be with Me in Paradise." Lk 23:42-43

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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.

## 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, 9:00 pm
- Tuesday - 10:00 am, 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](mailto: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.

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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.



## Advent & Christmas Reflection Books

50 cents from each book supports youth ministry. Every dollar raised will be put towards Air BNB Costs for the Summer Steubenville 2026 Youth Conference.

**\$2 per book**

Cash or Check

Make checks payable to  
St. James the Apostle

**THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR SUPPORT!**

 **LIFE TEEN**



### Calling All Musicians!

The Music Ministry is seeking singers, both soloists and choir members, and instrumentalists for the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses. If you have a singing voice or play an instrument—from guitar to clarinet to balafon—please consider serving God by sharing your talents with our parish family.

For more information, please contact Music Director Charles A. Iner by email at [music@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:music@stjamesapostle.com) or by telephone at (770) 957-5441 ext 111

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He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. *Col. 1:12-13*

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