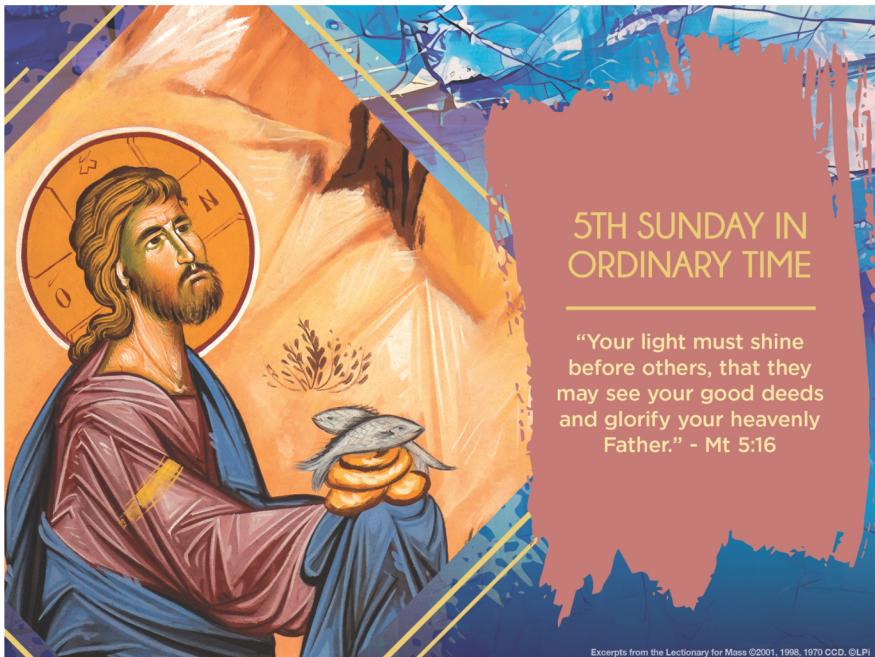


# ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

### 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



### PARISH CONTACTS

#### STAFF

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#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Eric Bridwell	<i>Director</i>	ext. 108
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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

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:**  
<https://bit.ly/4i7luGC>





## Enrollment for the 2026-2027 School Year Begins Feb. 2nd

Our Preschool classes are for children ages 1-5 years old. Registration forms and information are available on our website: [www.stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.com/preschool](http://www.stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.com/preschool)



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, Feb. 10, from 7:15-8:30 PM.**

Topic: *Obstacles to Grace*

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 Feb. 1

### Monday

8:30 am Glenn F. Buchanan+  
by Veronica Buchanan

### Tuesday

8:30 am Maria Ray+ by Joseph Xuereb, Sr.

### Wednesday

8:30 am Gloria Elizabeth McCoy+  
by Robinson and Thomas Families  
6:30 pm Frank Williams, Sr.+  
by Eve Higginbotham-Williams

### Thursday

8:30 am Elizabeth "Betty" Montea+  
by Clifford Montea

### Friday

8:30 am Glenn F. Buchanan+  
by Veronica Buchanan

### Saturday

4:00 pm Fr. Liam's Intentions

### Sunday

8:30 am Robert Perry+ by Al Florez  
11:00 am Dee Ann Carlson+ by the Gallagher Family  
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 [stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.com](http://stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.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.

## Congratulations and Welcome, Deacon Scott!

Our St. James parish family rejoices and gives thanks to God for the ordination of Deacon Scott Major to the Permanent Diaconate. We are truly blessed to welcome Deacon Scott into ordained ministry and into service here at Saint James the Apostle Catholic Church. We are grateful for his generous response to God's call, his love for Christ and the Church, and his willingness to serve God's people with humility and joy. We also give thanks for his wife, Sandy, whose love, support, and faith are an essential part of this vocation. Please continue to keep Deacon Scott Major and his family in your prayers as he begins this new chapter of ministry among us. May God bless him abundantly as he serves our parish and the wider Church.

### Something new is coming to St. James!

We are excited to share that our parish will soon be launching a new website with a visual style that will be reflected on all future parish materials - including our bulletin! These changes will focus on clearer communication and a more unified parish identity. Keep your eyes on the bulletin for more details soon!



**J**esus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." — Mt 5:13a, 14

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### "God Will Provide" — YCP Atlanta Event

Young Catholic Professionals of the Archdiocese of Atlanta invite adults in their 20s and 30s to an inspiring evening titled "God Will Provide" on Wednesday, February 25, 2026, from 7:00–9:00 p.m. at the Archdiocese of Atlanta (2401 Lake Park Drive SE, Smyrna, GA). The Most Reverend John Nhàn Trần will be the featured speaker—sharing his insights on faith, resilience, and trusting in God's provision while living out your Catholic identity in daily life.

This event is free and open to all who seek community grounded in faith and encouragement in their spiritual journey. For more information or to register, scan the QR code or visit the YCP Atlanta page.



**“N**or do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." — Mt 5:15-16

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### Second Collection

The Black and Indian Mission collection exists to help diocesan communities to build the church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American and Alaska Native people of God. Every year, it is the amazing generosity of the Catholic faithful who enable the Black and Indian Mission Office to support parish life and catechists; empowering evangelizers and encouraging vocations.

If you would like to donate, please go to: <https://lifeofthechurch.com/donate/>

### Stewardship Report

Registered Families	1813
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#### Offertory

January 11	\$32,924
YTD Actual	\$515,969
YTD Budget	\$495,376
Percent Online Giving	24%
Archbishop's Appeal Goal	\$95,735
Received	\$0
Donors	

#### Building Fund

January 11	\$2,869
YTD Actual	\$54,909
YTD Budget	\$107,905

#### Pending Projects

- Dumpster enclosure
- Upgrade Holy Family Grotto
- Clean gutters

### Council of Catholic Women

Our next meeting for the Council of Catholic Women will be Wednesday, Feb. 25, at 7 pm in Room 210. All Ladies of the Parish are invited. Please join us!

## St. James Religious Education

### LIFE TEEN

- Please pray for our Confirmation teens as they prepare for retreat the weekend of Feb 13-15. THANK YOU!
- **Rite of Election** for teens preparing to be fully received into the Catholic Church at Easter is Feb. 21 at St. Phillip Benizi – we are meeting there at 9am.

### EDGE

- Parents, please remember to return interest forms for attendance at the **"Holy Fire" Youth Conference** on **March 7** at Marist High School. Cost is \$45 per attendee. Thank you.



### February Magnificat Meal

All women of the archdiocese are invited to the FEBRUARY MAGNIFICAT MEAL to enjoy prayer, breakfast, and fellowship, and to hear our speaker's testimony of the love of Christ in her life, on Sat., February 28, 2026, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Church, 3773 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta. Early arriving guests are invited to attend Mass in the Holy Cross day chapel at 8:00 am.

Guest speaker will be Olive Haly, a native of Guyana and a member of Corpus Christi parish. Reservations are \$25 and are required in advance. Register by February 18 at <https://tinyurl.com/202602Meal>.



### Lenten Friday Night Fish Fry

Sponsored by

The Knights of Columbus Council 7601



Starting Feb. 20th!  
5:00 pm-7:30 pm

#### Menu

Choice of Baked or Fried Fish, cole slaw, french fries, hushpuppies, & drink.  
(*Grilled cheese available by request*)

Adults: \$10.00

Children 5-12: \$7.00

Under 5: Free!

\*\*Family Price: \$35.00 – Eat-in Only\*\*

### 2026 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

I am incredibly grateful to all our parishioners who have already joined together in pledging their gift to the 2026 Archbishop's Annual



Appeal. The campaign goal is \$11,740,000 and our parish goal is \$95,735.

A percentage of the money collected above our goal will be returned to the parish!

To donate online: [lifeofthechurch.com/donate](http://lifeofthechurch.com/donate) or scan the QR code above.

### Readings & Observances Week of Feb. 8

#### Monday

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56

#### Tuesday

St. Scholastica, Virgin

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13

#### Wednesday

Our Lady of Lourdes

1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23

#### Thursday

1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30

#### Friday

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37

#### Saturday

Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10

#### Sunday

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

## 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

St. James Women's Bible Study

Tommye Thomas | 770-389-0067

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!**

## New Beginnings February Calendar

January has been a busy month for our emergency hotel program. We helped a couple who were homeless and living in a tent, a single mother with four children, a single mother taking care of her aging father and a sister with cancer along with her three children, and a 69-year-old woman taking care of her ailing son. Please keep them in your prayers.

- Tomorrow morning, **Monday, Feb. 9 at 10:00am**, we will be gathering in the **parish hall** to pack and deliver food for 45 food insecure families. These are families of students at three Title I schools in Henry County who would otherwise have little to eat over winter break. Some are fortunate to live in a rental property. Others live in hotels and even in their parent's car.
- Because of the holiday, we again will move our **monthly meeting to Monday, Feb. 23rd at 2:00pm** in Rooms 212-213.
- On **Saturday, Feb. 28th**, we will gather to pack **Grace Bags** at **10:15am** after the Millions of Monicas prayer group.

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 need food, or you know someone in need of food, please contact the above email or phone number.



### SVdP: A Year in Review

From October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul assisted neighbors throughout Henry County with \$78,357.20 in aid.

These funds helped prevent evictions, restore utilities, and provide essential transportation for those in need.

This work is only possible because of the generosity of our parish family. Thank you for supporting this ministry and for living the Gospel through your compassion and care.

As the need continues to grow in our community, we ask you to consider a monthly donation using the green SVdP envelope, or a white pew envelope marked "SVdP."

## Parish Photo Directory

Don't forget to schedule your appointment to have a photo taken of your family for our new directory!

Signing up is easy!

- Visit [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) and click the **red** button that says "Photography Session Signup," or scan the QR code!
- Enter Church Code: **GA245**
- Enter Password: **photos**
- Choose the date and time that works best for your family!



For those who would like help registering, volunteers will be available in the parish hall after all Masses on Sunday, 2/15. Thank you for helping create a lasting record of the families who make St. James such a special place!

## Weekly Meditation

### 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 L. 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 - 4:00 pm, 9:00 pm
- Tuesday - 4:00 pm, 8:00 pm
- Wednesday - 10:00 am, 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, and 4:00 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...

Hector Jordan	Peggy Woffard	John and Christine Willis	Candyce Pickering
Gabriele Patterson	Micah Carroll		Hue Huckaby

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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1-888-437-0764  
**Abuse hotline for bishops only:**  
<https://reportbishopabuse.org> or call (800) 276-1562.



## The Book Fair is Coming Soon!!



St. James Preschool will be hosting a Book Fair THIS WEEK! We invite all parish families to shop the Book Fair on the following dates/times:

Wednesday 2/4 – 5:30pm-6:30pm  
Saturday 2/7 – 3:30-5:30pm  
Sunday 2/8 – 9:30am-11:00am  
Sunday 2/8 – 12:00-12:45pm  
Sunday 2/8 – 4:30-5:00pm

Come shop before or after Mass! Aside from Books, there are many STEAM products available through the Book Fair.

Turtle Express Books offers affordable kits and hands-on products that stimulate curiosity and imagination for students of all ages!

Visit Room 200 in the Preschool/Religious Ed Building.



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