

#### 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | OCTOBER 19, 2025

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#### Welcome to Saint James Catholic Church

Whether you're just visiting for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, returning to the practice of your Catholic faith or interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, we are happy you're here!

If you are new to the parish, please go to our website and click on the new parishioner link to register.

Registration forms can also be found in the back of the church.

### **COMMUNION FAST REMINDER**

A complete fast from all food and drink (to include gum) for one hour before the reception of the Holy Eucharist is a required discipline for all Catholics.

The fast does not include water and medicine.



#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 4:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 9:00AM, 11:00AM and 5:30PM

Monday: 7:00AM and 8:30AM

**Tuesday:** 6:00pm, 7:00pm XLT

Wednesday: 8:30AM

Thursday: 7:00AM and 12:00PM (Noon)

Friday: 8:30AM

PERPETUAL ADORATION OF THE

**BLESSED SACRAMENT** 

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#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00рм - 4:00рм or by

appointment

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

9:00AM - 4:00PM

Wednesday 9:00am - 2:30pm

Office: 228-896-6059

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#### STAY CONNECTED

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#### **TREASURE**

#### October 11/12, 2025

First Collection: \$8,880 ACH:

Online Giving: \$936
Second Collection: \$1,322

Family Life Ministry

Thank you for your generosity.

#### SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend's second collection will be for World Mission Sunday - Propagation of Faith. Next weekend's second collection will be for Faith Formation.

#### **ACH & ONLINE GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS**

There are two options for ACH Giving - <u>one</u> draft to be made on the Monday following the first Sunday of the month, or <u>two</u> drafts to be made on the Monday following the first and third Sunday of the month. Please contact the Parish Office for more details.



Venmo donations may be made at @St\_James\_GPT.

October: The Month of the Rosary

Throughout October, the Church invites us to draw closer to Christ through the Rosary.

At Saint James, this prayer is offered before every Mass.

We would love for you to come pray with us.

#### **LIFE AT SAINT JAMES**

# **FORMED**







# All Souls Day

The All Souls Novena will be prayed as a series of nine Masses beginning on November 2.

All Souls envelopes can be found on the tables in the back of the church.

#### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

We are accepting donations for sanctuary flowers. If you would like to have flowers placed in front of the altar for a week in honor of a birthday, anniversary or other celebration, or in memory of a deceased loved one, please contact Linda Hartfield (228-697-3420). Donations must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance.

#### **ALL SAINTS DAY**

Although not observed as a Holy Day of Obligation this year, we will offer Masses for All Saints on:

Friday - October 31 | 6:00PM Saturday - November 1 | 9:00AM

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### WHITE MASS

October 26, 2025 11:00AM Nativity BVM

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# Open House

Sunday, October 19 2:00-4:00 P.M.





The Pray for a Priest Calendar (October 2025) is available on our website.

#### **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

To add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.

Names will appear on the prayer list for six weeks, but are renewable.

Katherine Adams Mimi Davis Erik Hosler Jennifer Morgan Nicholas James Davis Jeanviere Angeron Mamie Humphrey John Mozingo, Jr. Valerie Dean George Barlow Fr. Jey Jordan Fr. George Murphy Elinor Donivan William Jordan Rebecca Napier Terry Barnes **Hoshall Barrett** Brenda Dubuisson Holly Kersten Lois Ann Necaise Anna Dugas Analyse Khalifeh Butch Oustalet Helen Bartelsmeyer Diana Berman Susan Dunne Carli Khalifeh Jean Piltz Jill Eure Jan Khalifeh Melissa Robbins Asher Bonura Jerry Boudreaux Wendy Figer Sheena Khalifeh Leo Romano W.C. Fore Sophia Khalifeh Ron Roland Susan Bourgeois lim Roos Duane Friedrich Aaron Kiehl Debra Boyd **Hope Broadus** Msgr. Dominic Fulham Bishop Louis Kihneman Barbara Russo Ada Grace Glass Doug Kirk Teresa Buckman Leo Seicshnaydre Sarah Buras Ashlev Hage Roger Labit Kathy Shankweiler Loretta Hahn Jeff Lawson Ralph Shankweiler Valerie Buras Caroline Carlisle Denise Hancock James Lay Jaclyn Simpson Danny Lechner Josh Sniffen Martha Chapin Jeff Harper **Bernard Chevalier** Keleal Hassin Josie Lindsey Julia Sterling Clark Lizana. Jr. Dannie Chevalier Jim Haupt Jennifer Stolarski **Edward Collins** Jessi Hebert Gayle Rivet Martinez Darryl Stolica Rose Mary Collins Sgt. Eric J. Heitkamp Tanya McClellan Katherine Styczenski **Paul Corley** Tom Hicks Dalton McGuire Fr. Doan Tran Debbie Cothern Ellis Hill Karen McCoy Fr. Joseph Trinh Max Millet Joe Culpepper Andrea Holderness Fr. Joseph Uko Fr. Joseph Dang Shannon Holliday Beverly Moore Bob Usey

The Saint James community wishes to extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:



Maria Delossantos and Mac Snyder

May they and all the souls of the faithful departed now share in Eternal Glory and may their loved ones receive God's consolation and peace.

#### A Prayer for our Military and First Re<mark>spo</mark>nders

Lord, please hold our military and first responders in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform. Amen.

## Prayer for Protection against Storms and Hurricanes

Our Father in Heaven through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us during this Hurricane season from all harm. Protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

If you or anyone in your family is ill, at home or in the hospital and would like us to visit, please contact the parish office at 228-896-6059. If in the hospital, be sure to notate which hospital and provide a room number.

#### THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, October 18

Sunday, October 19

Monday, October 20

7:00AM Mary & Stephan Pulambo

Tuesday, October 21

Wednesday, October 22

6:00AM ♥Miranda 8:30AM †Theda Lake

Thursday, October 23

Friday, October 24

Saturday, October 25

Deceased - ₽

Healing -♥

Special Intention -

#### **TWO WEEKS AT A GLANCE - EVENTS**

#### October 20 - October 25

#### Monday, October 20

Jim Ussery

Donna Valestro

**Brittany Varney** 

Alyssa Vega

Ferdie Walker

Kim Casano-Ware

Damon Wesfaul

Teresa Whiteside

10:00AM Legion of Mary, Philomena House
1:00PM Bible Study, Philomena House
6:30PM Al-Anon, Raphael Room

Tuesday, October 21

7:00PM OCIA Class, Raphael Room 7:00PM XLT with Confessions, Church

Wednesday, October 22

5:30PM Sacramental Prep (First Communion), Raphael Room

6:00PM Bible Study, Philomena House

Saturday, October 25

10:00AM Saint James Fall Festival

#### October 27 - November 1

#### Monday, October 27

10:00AMLegion of Mary, Philomena House1:00PMBible Study, Philomena House6:30PMAl-Anon, Raphael Room

Tuesday, October 28

9:00AM H &F Card Game, Philomena House 7:00PM OCIA Class, Raphael Room

7:00PM XLT with Confessions, Church

Wednesday, October 29

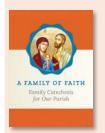
5:30PM Sacramental Prep (First Communion), Raphael Room

6:00PM Bible Study, Philomena House

Saturday, November 1

9:30AM Apologetics Reading Group, Raphael Room

#### A FAMILY OF FAITH **GRADES K-5**



**October Family Gathering** October 20 | 12:00-1:30PM **SJCS Cafeteria** 

Parents - If you were unable to attend the Catechetical Session, please make plans to pick up you Ocotber materials.

For more information, please contact Linda Hebert at lindahebert@saintjamescc.com



#### **SAINT J YOUTH GROUP GRADES 6-12**

Sunday 6:30-8:00PM

Edge begins in the SJCS Cafeteria and LifeTeen in the Bosco Room.

Pickup for all teens is at the SJCS Cafeteria.

**Edge - Rip Current** LifeTeen - Sacked

For more information, please contact Bridgett Bermond at vouthminister@saintjamescc.com

# SAINT JAMES

# Come to the Table

A Sacramental Overview with Linda Hebert, Director of Religious Education

Parents of all children who are being prepared to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist are required to attend a one-on-one, 30-minute conversation with Linda during October 2025.

To schedule your session, please contact Linda at lindahebertesaintjamescc.com or 228-297-5126

> If your child was not baptized at Saint James Catholic Church, please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate to the session.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

First Reconciliation - February 23, 2026 First Holy Communion - April 19, 2026

# )C + A

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes are offered for those interested, baptized and unbaptized, in learning about the Catholic Faith and/or those cradle Catholics who have never been confirmed.

#### Classes have begun - but it's not too late to join!

OCIA meets on Tuesdays at 7:00PM in the Raphael Room. For information, contact Deacon Henderson 228-209-6960.

## CONFIRMATION

Parents, if your 11th or 12th grader is to be confirmed this year and you were unable to attend the Confirmation Info Session on September 24, please contact Linda Hebert to obtain details of the sacramental prep.

> Linda Hebert @ 228-297-5126 or lindahebert@saintjamescc.com

#### **UPCOMING RETREAT SCHEDULE**

- LIFT Girls Retreat October 24-26, 2025
- LIFT Boys Retreat December 5-7, 2025
- SEARCH Retreat January 9-11, 2026 FULL (but register for the wait list)
- SEARCH Retreat February 6-8, 2026
- Saint J Retreat February 27-29, 2026
- \* An overnight retreat is a confirmation requirement.



The Order of Christian Initiation for Children (OCIC) is for children (aged 7-17) who are unbaptized, children who have been baptized in a non-Catholic faith or children who did not receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist during their second-grade year. Through the OCIC process, children prepare to receive the sacraments of initiation and enter the Catholic Church.

Register now -Classes will begin in October.





OUR SAINT JAMES FALL FESTIVAL IS SEEKING DONATIONS TO ASSIST WITH THE FOLLOWING:

#### Silent Auction Basket Items

The themes we are using are: Relaxation, Mom's Day Out, Fishing & Boating, Family Fun Day, Sports, Fitness Enthusiast, Home Improvements, Night Out On The Town, Wagon of Spirits, and a few others. Please know any and all items will be put in the corresponding themed basket to be auctioned. Gifts cards are a huge hit in these baskets, as well.

# Bottles of Liquor and Wine for Our New "Spirited Surprise" Game

 Bottles of liquor and wine with a \$20 (or greater) value are needed for the game. A total of 100 items is needed.

#### Bingo

 We need miscellaneous gift cards valued at \$20 to \$25 (e.g., food, fun, makeup, shopping, etc). All cards are appreciated - a total of 20 cards is needed to award our winners.

#### Sign Up to Help



Adult Beverage Booth



Coca-Cola Booth



Clean Up

Pick up your raffle tickets in the back of the church. A book of ten tickets is \$20. One drawing for \$500 and one drawing for \$1,000 at the Fall Festival.

You do not need to be present to win.



#### Fall Festival 2025 T-Shirt Order Form



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Phone #:	
Grade & Teacher:	

#### \$15.00 PER T-SHIRT (CASH AND CHECKS are accepted)

Please make checks payable to St. James Catholic School Please return money with the order form. <u>T-Shirt Color TBD.</u>

Fall Festival T-Shirts will be delivered to the student at school in October.

2025 Fall Festival T-Shirts may be worn to school **every day** in October leading up to Fall Fest

& will be allowed to be worn as part of T-shirt Thursday after October 25, 2025.

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Quantity	Total due:			

#### **SAINT JAMES NEEDS**

# STRONG NEN FOR FALL FESTIVAL WORK

OCT. 23, 5:30 PM

TAKEDOWN: OCT. 25, 6:00 PM

**CHURCH PARKING LOT** 

More info: Call Chris Spear, 228.861.4381

# Bring on the Cakes and other Sweet Treats!

The Fall Festival's Cake Walk needs prizes!

#### Drop-Off:

Friday, October 24 (7:30AM - 2:45PM)

St. James School Front Office or Car Rider Drop-Off and Pick-Up Lines
Note: Please donate items that do not require refrigeration.



#### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"Time spent in prayer is never wasted, however urgent the duties that press upon us from every side."

#### ADORERS NEEDED!

Sunday 3:00PM - 4:00PM;

Monday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 1:00AM - 2:00AM; Wednesday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 1:00AM - 2:00AM; and Saturday 1:00PM - 2:00PM

<u>Second or Third Adorers are always needed in each hour</u> for a substitute system.

If you can help or substitute with any hours, please call Ralph at 228-539-2434 or contact the Parish Office.

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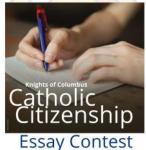
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October 20: Deadline for the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest.

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#### **VISITATION MINISTRY**

The Lay Visitation Ministry will soon begin their visits to the homebound. If you know of someone who would like a visit, please fill out a card found in the back of the church and drop it in the box. A representative will contact you to schedule the visit.





#### **HELP OUR ST. VINCENT DEPAUL CONFERENCE**



We challenge each family to bring at least one non-perishable item to Mass every week, and to place it in the "Food Drop Box" located in the back of the church. When you are shopping and select your item for the poor, thank God for the ability to adequately provide for your own family; and pray for those less fortunate.

Thank you to our generous parishioners for your second collection donations.

Open: Tuesdays 9:00AM - 11:45AM, Food & Financial Assistance

Thursdays 10:00AM - 11:30AM, Food Assistance ONLY

If you are interested in being an
Extraordinary Minister of
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Rachelle Cleveland at 228-731-0085.

#### Bereavement

The Bereavement Committee is looking for new members. If you are interested in helping to meet the needs of a family at the time of a bereavement (primarily with providing food items immediately after the funeral services), please contact:

Mary Anne Oberlies at 228-596-5334.

www.saintjamescc.com/kc11541

#### **MARRIAGE**

Please note: The Diocese of Biloxi requires that engaged couples should begin the Marriage Preparation process no fewer than six months prior to the anticipated wedding date. Wedding dates CANNOT BE SCHEDULED until the engaged couple contacts and meets with the Family Life Coordinator.

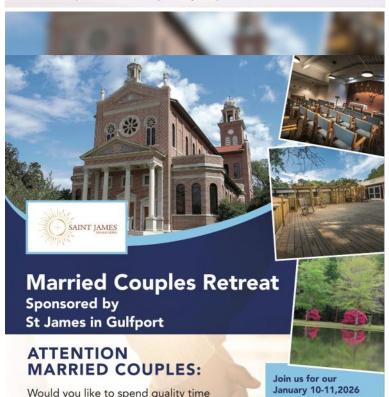
To begin the process, please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or 228-896-6059.

#### Clearing the Confusion: Common Misconceptions About Annulments

Many Catholics have questions regarding annulments. Here's the truth:

#### I can't get an annulment because we have children together and/or were married too long.

Any divorced person has the right to request a declaration of nullity ("annulment"). The duration of the marriage or whether there were children born of the marriage is not a decisive factor. While it is true that in some cases the brevity of a marriage supports other evidence that a marriage was invalid, a long marriage does not mean the marriage was valid. Have questions or need support? Please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or by calling the parish office at 228-896-6059.



Would you like to spend quality time enriching your marriage?

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#### **BAPTISM**

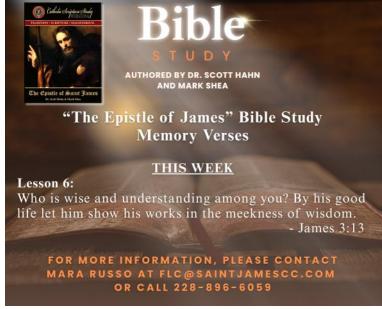
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Baptism Preparation classes are held once a month. The next class will be November 8.

For more information and to register, please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or





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The billing date **deadline** for the 2025-2026 bulletin ads will coincide with the start of the Church's 2026 liturgical calendar on the first Sunday of Advent, November 30, 2025. Please take the time now to consider advertising another year with us. Contact Derek at comms@saintjamescc.com or call the Parish Office 228-896-6059 We appreciate your support!



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