



SAINT JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Leading people to heaven with Christian hospitality and fostering Eucharistic Discipleship."

366 COWAN RD. | GULFPORT, MS 39507



APRIL 6, 2025

“LET THE ONE
AMONG YOU WHO IS
WITHOUT SIN BE THE
FIRST TO THROW A
STONE AT HER.”
- JN 8:7

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

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PASTOR - Father Ryan McCoy

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 | Adoration

Wednesday: 8:30AM

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

Friday: 8:30AM

PERPETUAL ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

In the Convent Chapel

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00PM - 4:00PM or by appointment

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00AM - 4:00PM

WEDNESDAY 9:00AM - 2:30PM


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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.

Looking for ways to enhance this holy season of preparation? Check out our Lent Schedule and Activities Listing.



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Easter Flowers

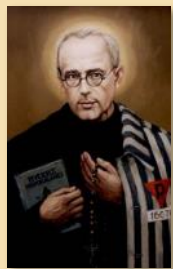
We are now accepting donations for our Easter flowers. Envelopes can be found on the tables in the back of the church.



Did you know?



Every week Fr. Ryan publishes a Gospel Preview on YouTube, Facebook and email. He encourages you to read the Gospel passage before Sunday Mass to prepare our minds and hearts to receive Our Lord Jesus Christ in Word and the Holy Eucharist.



"Be a Catholic: When you kneel before an altar, do it in such a way that others may be able to recognize that you know before whom you kneel."

— St. Maximilian Kolbe

Keep up with our parish happenings and stay updated on news and announcements:



Text SJCC to 57838

Bulletin Deadline

All announcements for the bulletin must be submitted to the Parish Office by 4:00PM on Monday.

Readings for the week of April 6, 2025

Sunday:

Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/
Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 *Scrutiny*: Ez 37:12-14/
Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/
Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday:

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday:

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/
Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday:

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/
Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday:

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday:

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/
Jn 10:31-42

Saturday:

Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/
Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday:

Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/
Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/
Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

“The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle” (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community's identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you'll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is **“left alone before him.”** A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ.

What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ's forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church.

— *Father John Muir*

SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2025 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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SANCTUARY FLOWERS

During Lent, flowers are not to be used to decorate the sanctuary. However, flowers may still be placed in front of our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph altars. Please contact Linda Hartfield (228-697-3420) to order flowers. Donations must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance.

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	Susan Cooper	Jim Haupt	Will Major	Ralph Shankweiler
Jeanviere Angeron	Paul Corley	Jessi Hebert	Gayle Rivet Martinez	Jaclyn Simpson
George Barlow	Joe Culpepper	Sgt. Eric J. Heitkamp	Tanya McClellan	Amanda Smith
Terry Barnes	Fr. Joseph Dang	Louis Helwick	Karen McCoy	Josh Sniffen
Hoshall Barrett	Marilyn Davis	Tom Hicks	Beverly Moore	Julia Sterling
Faith Black	Mimi Davis	Shannon Holliday	Pete Moran	Jennifer Stolarski
Thomas Blankenbaker	Nicholas James Davis	Erik Hosler	Jennifer Morgan	April Styczenski
Asher Bonura	Rose Dellenger	William Jordan	John Mozingo, Jr.	Vince Tester
Jerry Boudreaux	Elinor Donivan	Wendy Kennard	Fr. George Murphy	Fr. Doan Tran
Susan Bourgeois	Brenda Dubuisson	Elaine Kennedy	Kristina Myers	Fr. Joseph Trinh
Debra Boyd	Anna Dugas	Analyse Khalifeh	Lois Ann Necaise	Fr. Joseph Uko
Vikki Blum Brewton	Susan Dunne	Jan Khalifeh	Butch Oustalet	Bob Usey
Hope Broadus	Craig Elliott	Sheena Khalifeh	Libby Owen	Donna Valestro
Jennifer Brown	Jill Eure	Sophia Khalifeh	Brian Pellegrin	Brittany Varney
Teresa Buckman	W.C. Fore	Doug Kirk	Kage Pickett	Alyssa Vega
Charlotte Jean Buras	Lisa Glavin	Roger Labit	Jean Piltz	Cathy Crane Vick
Valerie Buras	Theresa Frontz	Jeff Lawson	Melissa Robbins	Ferdie Walker
Martha Chapin	Ashley Hage	James Lay	Steve Rocha	Kim Casano-Ware
Bernard Chevalier	Ouida Mae Hagwood	Danny Lechner	Jim Roos	Kemon Welford
Dannie Chevalier	Loretta Hahn	Kathy Letaw	Barbara Russo	Damon Wesfaul
Edward Collins	Denise Hancock	Josie Lindsey	Leo Seicshnaydre	Teresa Whiteside
Rhonda Clark	David Harris	Clark Lizana, Jr.	Doris Seymour	
Rose Mary Collins	Keleal Hassin	Amy Longo	Kathy Shankweiler	

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.

SYMPATHY

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



George Daum,
Bob Jones,
Bob Kilroy and
Carolyn McClellan

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 Responders

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.

THIS WEEK’S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 5	
4:00PM	✙Lewie Merrill
Sunday, April 6	
9:00AM	✙Tony Strnad
11:00AM	✙People of Saint James
5:30PM	✙Maida Quave
Monday, April 7	
7:00AM	✙Mr. J. Pague
8:30AM	✙Jackie & Kathy Smith
Tuesday, April 8	
6:00PM	✙Fr. Thomas White
Wednesday, April 9	
8:30AM	✙Betty Bodden
Thursday, April 10	
7:00AM	✙Jerome Zengerle
12:00PM	Father’s Intention
Friday, April 11	
7:00AM	✙Father’s Intention
8:30AM	✙Glen Lott
Saturday, April 12	
4:00PM	🕯️ John Collins, III
Deceased -✙ Healing -♥ Special Intention - 🕯️	

TWO WEEKS AT A GLANCE - EVENTS

<u>April 7 - April 12</u>	
<u>Monday, April 7</u>	
10:00AM	Legion of Mary, Philomena House
6:00PM	Lenten Study, Philomena House
6:30PM	Al-Anon, Raphael Room
<u>Tuesday, April 8</u>	
9:00AM	H & F Card Game, Philomena House
7:00PM	OCIA, Raphael Room
7:00PM	XLT Adoration with Confessions, Church
<u>Wednesday, April 9</u>	
5:30PM	Sacramental Prep (First Communion), Raphael Room
<u>Thursday, April 10</u>	
6:00PM	Al-Anon, Raphael Room
<u>Friday, April 11</u>	
10:00AM	Cenacle of Divine Mercy, Raphael Room
2:00PM	Stations of the Cross, Church
5:00PM	Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Parish Center Gym
<u>Saturday, April 12</u>	
9:00AM	Secular Carmelites, Raphael Room
<u>April 14 - April 19</u>	
<u>Monday, April 14</u>	
10:00AM	Legion of Mary, Philomena House
6:30PM	Al-Anon, Raphael Room
<u>Tuesday, April 15</u>	
7:00PM	OCIA, Raphael Room
7:00PM	XLT with Confessions, Church
<u>Wednesday, April 16</u>	
5:30PM	Sacramental Prep (First Communion), Raphael Room
<u>Thursday, April 17</u>	Holy Thursday
7:00PM	Mass of the Lord’s Supper, Church
8:00PM	Gethsemane Watch, Church
<u>Friday, April 18</u>	Good Friday
3:00PM	Live Stations of the Cross, Church, Parish Center Gym
4:30PM	Celebration of Our Lord’s Passion, Church
<u>Saturday, April 19</u>	
9:30AM	Apologetics Reading Group, Philomena House

LECTORS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 5

4:00PM Carol Cottone

Sunday, April 6

9:00AM Tom Collins
11:00AM Matthew Schloegel
5:30PM Edwina Conason

Saturday, April 12

4:00PM Maia Dooley

Sunday, April 13

9:00AM Chris Spear
11:00AM Erik Hosler
5:30PM Debby Weeks

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 5

4:00PM Beverly Moore, Connie O'Neal and Debbie Bazzone

Sunday, April 6

9:00AM Jennifer & Steve Broadus and Don & Sherry Alfonso
11:00AM Julie & Alan Black, Roberta Hosler and Stephanie Guirola
5:30PM Butch Plitt, Deanne Goulet and Ashlie Herbert

Saturday, April 12

4:00PM Barbara Levine, Debby Weeks and Connie O'Neal

Sunday, April 13

9:00AM Gretchen Ellis, Bonnie Jacobs and Shirley Henderson
11:00AM Becky Graves, Stephanie Guirola and Julie & Alan Black
5:30PM Diana Holder, Paul Carrero and Debby Bazzone

TREASURE

March 29/30, 2025

First Collection: \$9,958
ACH: \$13,471
Online Giving: \$805
Second Collection: \$967
Catholic Relief Services

SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend's second collection will be for Altar Society.

Next weekend's second collection will be for the Pro-Life Billboard Ministry.

ACH & ONLINE GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

There are two options for ACH Giving - one draft to be made on the Monday following the first Sunday of the month, or two 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.

2025 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

Building
a future of
Hope

"hope does not disappoint because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."

Romans 5:5



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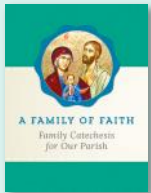
\$87,997.00 Saint James Goal

- 46 Donors -
Total Pledges and
One-Time Gifts= \$19,745

QUESTIONS?

Please call the Office of Mission Advancement at 228-702-2113 or email dwyrwich@biloxidiocese.org

A FAMILY OF FAITH GRADES K-5



April Family Gathering April 13 | 12:00PM - 1:30PM Church

Parents - Please stop by the Parish Office and pick up your April 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 & LifeTeen Growing Family Parish Center Gym

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

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to those who were confirmed by Bishop Kihneman this past week:

Ella Elizabeth Adams	Francis of Assisi	Chandler Riley Marsland	Michael the Archangel
Katherine Anne Adams	Peregrine	Julian Craig McHugh	Jude Thaddeus
Lydia Mary Alexander	Valentina	Lucy Katherine McHugh	Francis of Assisi
Leah Marie Alvarez	Lucy	Cameron Tyler Messer	Sebastian
Peter Matre Barhonovich III	Peter	George David Neumann	Andrew
Michael John Baty III	Michael the Archangel	Tyler Dylan Palazzo	Gabriel Possenti
Lillieann Katherine Bentz	Teresa of the Andes	William Crosby Parker	Thomas Aquinas
Liam Sean Buchanan	Pier Giorgio Frassati	Edward Courtenay Salloum	Brendan the Navigator
Guy Lennox Burrowes III	Pio of Pietrelcina	Luke Fredrick Shaw	Michael the Archangel
David Lee Callecod	Thomas More	Kadence Juliana Shephard	Camillus de Lellis
Parker Angelina Centanni	Therese of Lisieux	Logan Henry Spain	Sebastian
Sofie Reese Centanni	Esther	Jadyn Rose Sprayberry	Rose of Lima
John James Dreger	Blaise	Adolf Carl Stelling IV	John the Baptist
Gunner David Eure	Sebastian	Payton Christopher Taylor	Francis of Assisi
Easton Michael Gannon	Drogo	Samuel Joseph Tindell	Michael the Archangel
Isabella Hope Jordan	Catherine of Siena	Abigail Ruth Warburton	Joan of Arc
Carli Madison Khalifeh	Valentine	Amelia Ann Weatherly	Anthony of Padua
Addison Michelle Ladner	Therese of Lisieux	Derek McAskill Ware	Michael the Archangel
Amy Laurel Lee	Francis of Assisi	Ryan Cash Welch	Bernard of Montjoux

Olivia Jones (Mary Magdalene) will be confirmed this week.

Photos of the Confirmation Mass are available at this link/QR CODE
<https://www.derekfountainphoto.com/saintjamesconfirmation2025>
PASSWORD: Confirmation2025



TICKETS
ON SALE
NOW!

SAINT J YOUTH

50/50
RAFFLE

POT STARTS
AT
\$2000

DRAWING
EASTER
SUNDAY

After 9:00AM
Mass

ALL PROCEEDS WILL HELP OUR
TEENS PAY FOR CONFERENCES

Live Stations of the Cross



Teens interested in
helping to present the
Live Stations of the Cross,
please contact Ms. Bridgett.



Saint James Youth Steubenville Florida Trip

Total Cost: \$695.00

(includes hotel, transportation, conference ticket, some
meals, and tickets to Disney World)

Fundraising Opportunities Will Be Available

Limited spots available.

Diocesan Paperwork & \$100 nonrefundable deposit due
by March 21st to hold your spot.

For more information, please contact
Ms. Bridgett @ 228-209-9281.



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

A Special Edition of XLT
THE 14 STATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Tuesday, April 15th
Mass 6:00PM | XLT 7:00PM

The traditional Fourteen Stations of the Cross has
been a beloved feature of our Catholic Culture,
allowing us to walk through the streets of Jerusalem,
stopping to meditate on specific moments of Our
Lord's Passion.

Please join us for the Fourteen Stations of the
Eucharist, a journey through events in Sacred
Scripture that prefigure the Holy Eucharist, the
source and summit of our faith.





TRIDUUM 2025

SCHEDULE



THURSDAY, APRIL 17 - SUNDAY, APRIL 20

HOLY THURSDAY (APRIL 17)

- **Mass of the Lord's Supper @ 7:00PM**
- Gethsemane Watch in the Church until **12:00AM (Midnight)**

GOOD FRIDAY (APRIL 18)

Live Stations of the Cross
Presented by Saint J Youth @ **3:00PM** in
the Parish Center Gymnasium

Celebration of the Lord's Passion
@ **4:30PM** in the Church

HOLY SATURDAY (APRIL 19)

Easter Vigil Mass @ 7:27PM



EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 20)

- **Mass @ 7:00AM**
- **Mass @ 9:00AM**
- **Mass @ 11:00AM**
- **Mass @ 5:30PM**

He is Risen

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night @ 7:27PM: The entire celebration of the Easter Vigil must take place at night and is arranged in four parts: after a service of light and the Easter Proclamation (I), the church meditates on all the wonderful things God has done for his people from the beginning; this is the Liturgy of the Word (II). As the day of Resurrection approaches, new members of the Church are reborn in Baptism (III), and the whole Church is called to the table of the Lord prepared for his people through his Death and Resurrection; this is the Liturgy of the Eucharist (IV).

Perpetual Adoration Chapel: On Good Friday and Holy Saturday, the Church meditates on the Passion and Death of our Lord. Therefore, the Perpetual Adoration Chapel will be closed from 5:00PM on Holy Thursday until 2:00PM on Easter Sunday.

Please make every effort to attend the scheduled services during the Triduum.



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

ADORERS NEEDED!

**Sunday 8:00AM - 9:00AM; Monday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 1:00AM - 2:00AM;
Tuesday 7:00AM - 8:00AM; Wednesday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 4:00AM - 5:00AM;
and Saturday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 1:00AM - 2:00AM, 9:00AM - 10:00AM, 5:00PM - 6:00PM**

Second or Third Adorers are always needed in each hour 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.

We Adore Him

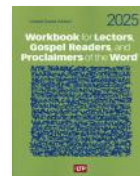
Saint James Perpetual Adoration Chapel is now offering enhanced adorer scheduling, substitute requests and more with this user-friendly program!

You can sign in or create your account using this easy QR onboarding code.

Just use your cell phone's camera app to scan the QR Code, then tap the yellow box that appears and follow the prompts!



Attention Lectors - There are limited copies of the 2025 *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers and Proclaimers of the Word* available in the Sacristy.



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.

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

Peanut butter, jelly, cereal, rice, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, baked/pork 'n' beans, Vienna sausages, canned fruit, bottled water, protein bars, crackers, dried beans, canned vegetables, rice and feminine items.

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

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

If you would like a 2024 contribution statement from St. Vincent de Paul, please call the office or contact Gretchen Ellis at 228-265-1336 and leave your name and phone number.



Knights of Columbus®
Saint James Council # 11541

MEN ON A MISSION
A Catholic brotherhood
changing the world

Meetings: 7:00PM | Parish Center | Raphael Room

- General Meeting - 1st Thursday of the Month
- Planning Meeting - 3rd Thursday of the Month

Upcoming Events

- April 11 Fish Fry **ALL HANDS NEEDED** 4:00-7:00PM
- April 25-27: KC State Convention

#11541 Facebook page



www.kofc.org
www.kofc-ms.org

www.saintjamescc.com/kc11541

**If you are interested in being an
Extraordinary Minister of
Holy Communion, please contact
Rachelle Cleveland at 228-731-0085.**



**The Pray for a Priest Calendars (March & April 2025)
is available on our website.**

FAMILY LIFE NEWS

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.

DID YOU KNOW?

When properly practiced, NFP (Natural Family Planning) can be up to 99% effective in postponing or avoiding pregnancy.

If you have questions or need further information about NFP, please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or 228-896-6059.

BAPTISM



Baptism Preparation classes are held once a month. The next class will be April 12.

For more information and to register, please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or 228-896-6059.



If you or a loved one are homebound, or are hospitalized locally and would like to schedule a visit from Fr. Ryan, please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or 228-896-6059.

Couples Date Night

April 24, 2025

6:00PM

Saint James Parish Center Gym

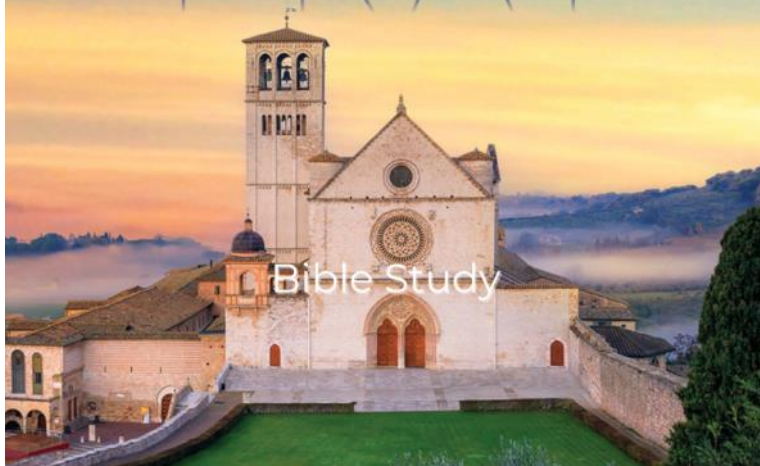
*All engaged and married couples are invited to join us for good food, beer & wine, and fellowship!

*There is no cost to attend, but you MUST pre-register!



EDWARD SRI

WHEN A CLEAR PATH TO A DEEPER YOU RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD PRAY



DATE TIMES LOCATION

Mondays 1-2:30PM April 28 - June 16, 2025
Philomena House

Wednesdays 6-7:30PM - April 30 - June 18, 2025
Philomena House

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Materials for this study are \$30

Contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or call the Parish Office at (228) 896-6059.

Visit ascensionpress.com/whenyoupray for more details.

ASCENSION
ascensionpress.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)



Knights of
Columbus



INVITE YOU TO THE
SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH



MARCH 14, 21, & 28
APRIL 4 & 11

\$12
per plate

5:00 - 6:30 PM
PARISH CENTER GYM
366 COWAN RD.

Dine-in or
take-out
available

**This week's fish fry proceeds
help to support our
Youth Ministry.**



Overnight Pilgrimage
to the
SHRINE of the MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
HANCEVILLE, ALABAMA
MAY 23-24, 2025

ITINERARY

*Depart Friday, May 23, 2025 at 5:00 AM from the north end of Our Lady of the Gulf Community Center parking lot.

Shrine Schedule: Friday May 23rd

1:00 pm - 1:45pm Gift Shop
2:00pm - 3:00pm Eucharistic Healing Service
(Lower Church)
3:00pm-4:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet/Confessions
4:15pm Depart Shrine
Free Time, Dinner, Prayer & Sharing

Shrine Schedule: Saturday May 24th

6:45am arrive @ Shrine
7:00am-8:00am Monastery Mass in main church
con celebrated by Fr. James Smith & Fr. R. Jas
8:15am - 9:15am John Paul II Eucharistic Tour
(John Paul II Eucharistic Center)
9:30am - 10:15am Spiritual Talk (St. Gabriel Hall)
10:30am - 11:30am Shrine Tour (Castle + Shrine)
11:30am - 12:00pm Rosary w/ Nuns (Main Church)
12:00pm - 12:45pm Lunch (RDH-A or B Castle)
1:00pm - depart
*Return - Saturday, May 24, 2025 ~ 9:00 PM

SHRINE of the
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
3224 County Road 548
Hanceville, AL 35077

<https://www.olamshrine.com/>

PRICING:

Final cost will be
determined by the number
of participants and the
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Lenten Reconciliation Services

April 7 | 6:00PM | St. Joseph

April 8 | 6:00PM | St. John the Evangelist

April 9 | 6:30PM | St. Thomas



Camino Pilgrimage
The Camino de Santiago
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Join Fr. Ian Bordenave, O.P., of Tulane Catholic in
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the beauty of Spain's cities and magnificent churches, all
while deepening your faith through prayer and fellowship.

The cost is \$4,000 per person, which includes all travel,
lodging, and meals. For more information, go to
followmycamino.com/sign-up. The deadline to register is
June 1.



Saint James' Women's Group

**WOMEN OF ALL AGES, PLEASE JOIN US
FOR OUR QUARTERLY WOMEN'S NIGHT!**

APRIL 10TH | 6:00 PM | SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUBSIDY

To obtain the Catholic rate at St. James Catholic School and/or St. Patrick Catholic High School, one must be a registered and participating family who regularly contributes to Saint James Parish (using checks, parish envelopes or electronic giving). Each school year, parents must bring a subsidy form from the school to the parish office for the pastor to sign in order to receive the subsidized tuition rate.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Parents are responsible before God to choose appropriate schooling for each of their children. Our task, as a parish community, is to assist parents as best we can with the tools they need to raise their children as good Catholics. Each year, our parish is assessed a certain percentage of our Sunday collection to be allocated to our local Catholic schools, St. James Catholic School and St. Patrick Catholic High School. As such, Saint James Parish has money set aside in the 2025/2026 budget for our registered contributing families to help with Catholic elementary and high school tuition costs.

At Saint James, our policy is also to set aside a proportional amount to support our faith formation programs for parents who choose public schools or home schooling for their children.

We follow a "needs based" policy. Both schools utilize FACTS, an organization that specializes in determining the financial need of each family. The Tuition Assistance application process is now open. There is a processing fee.

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL & ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Applications for aid can be found on the **FACTS** website.

April 15, 2025 - SPCHS deadline for applications.

April 17, 2025 - SJCS deadline for applications.

www.factsmgt.com



VOCATION PRAYER



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Loving Father, Your Son, Jesus Christ the High Priest, has told us that the harvest is great but the laborers are few. We ask you now to send more laborers into your vineyard. Please touch with your Holy Spirit the hearts of all those you are calling to live a life of service in your Church as Priests, Deacons, Consecrated men and women, Dedicated Married couples and Committed Single persons. Help us to follow Christ faithfully and to answer the call to holiness and discipleship. We ask this prayer through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN

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