

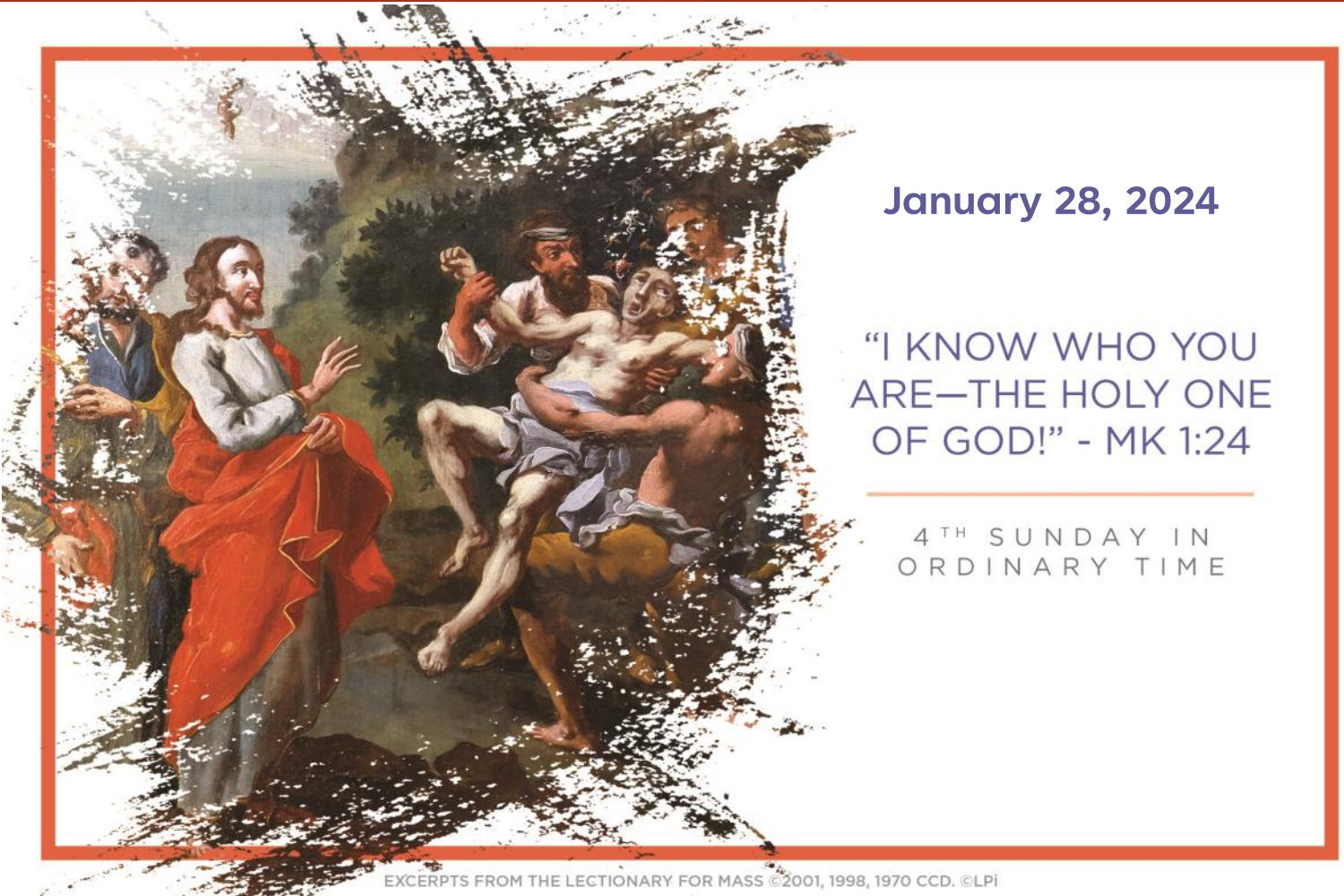


# SAINT JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

366 COWAN RD. | GULFPORT, MS 39507



**January 28, 2024**

**"I KNOW WHO YOU  
ARE—THE HOLY ONE  
OF GOD!" - MK 1:24**

4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

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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 - Friday 9:00AM - 4:00PM

Office: 228-896-6059 | Fax: 228-896-5498

**Website:** [www.saintjamescc.com](http://www.saintjamescc.com) | **Church Email:** [office@saintjamescc.com](mailto:office@saintjamescc.com)

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18300 St. Patrick Road

Biloxi, MS 39533

228-702-0500

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



Thanks to a generous parishioner - children's liturgy sheets are available in the back of the church. Please pick one up for your children to follow the readings of the Mass. They can be taken home.



The month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Passion of Our Lord in anticipation of the liturgical season of Lent. In this month, we begin to meditate on the mystery of Jesus's sufferings, which culminated in his death on the Cross for the redemption of mankind. Saints who had a special devotion to Christ's passion include St. Francis of Assisi, who was the first known saint to receive the stigmata; St. John of the Cross; St. Bridget of Sweden; and St. Catherine of Siena.

Source: [www.morningoffering.com](http://www.morningoffering.com)

## Mass Etiquette Tips

The Three Postures of Mass:

**Standing** shows a special level of respect and readiness. It is also the normal posture when singing or when praying in common.

**Sitting** indicates attentiveness, especially when listening to the readings from Sacred Scripture in the Liturgy of the Word and during the preparation of the altar in the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

**Kneeling** signifies adoration of God and humility before Him. It is the proper posture for the congregation during the Eucharistic Prayer and after the *Agnus Dei* ("Lamb of God") before the reception of Holy Communion.



## ATTENTION -

For the benefit of those who utilize the handicap parking spaces, do NOT park on or block access to the handicap ramp on the north-side entrance to 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). Due to the rising cost of flowers, donations now start at \$100 and must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance.

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 January 28, 2024

### Sunday:

Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/  
1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

### Monday:

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5,  
6-7/Mk 5:1-20

### Tuesday:

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/  
Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

### Wednesday:

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6

### Thursday:

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab,  
11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

### Friday:

Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/  
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

### Saturday:

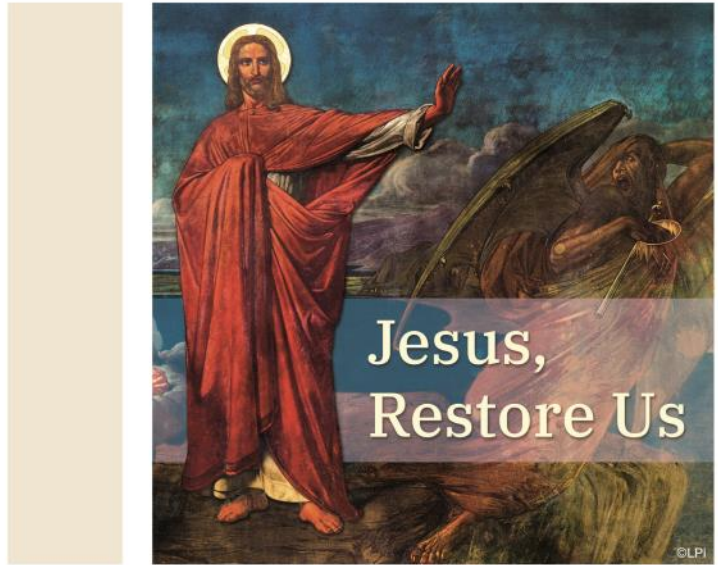
1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/  
Mk 6:30-34

### Next Sunday:

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
(see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

I love movies about exorcisms. Apparently, so do many others. The 2023 movie “Nefarious” features a possibly possessed inmate on death row. Critics were not impressed, but audiences scored it at 97% on the website Rotten Tomatoes. Most people have an appreciation for the demonic realm, even if cultural elites are generally embarrassed about it. As is standard in exorcism movies, the afflicted person (in this case, a man named Edward Brady) thinks and acts like *multiple* persons. He is someone besides himself. We know what that is like. We feel *fake* sometimes, not ourselves.

The same dynamic is on dramatic display this week in the Gospel. Jesus the Exorcist approaches a possessed man who utters, “**What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?**” Notice the plural, *us*. The basic effect of the demonic is division. The man’s identity is fractured, divided, and thus many. Jesus powerfully expels the spirit by saying, “**Quiet! Come out of him!**” Jesus’ word has the power to restore the man’s singularity — *him* — and indeed it does.

All this helps us to dismiss childish images of demons sporting red goat tails. Equally, it overcomes the cultured aloofness that dreams demons are mere metaphors for evil. We see instead that fallen angels are conscious and intelligent beings who orient their agency toward division. They bring about schism where there should be unity, e.g., in persons, families, communities, politics, and so on. Thankfully, Jesus commands demons to flee from all these places to restore wholeness and peace. What if we made room for his word where we need it?

— Father John Muir

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“You wanted to stay with us, and so you left us yourself in the Sacrament of the Altar; and you opened wide your mercy to us. You opened an inexhaustible spring of mercy for us, giving us your dearest possession, the Blood and Water, that gushed forth from Your Heart.”

—St. Maria Faustina Kowalska

## 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.

Terry Barnes	Mimi Davis	Doug Kirk	Kathy Shankweiler
Hoshall Barrett	Nicholas James Davis	Fr. George Kitchin	Ralph Shankweiler
Faith Black	Rose Dellenger	Danny Lechner	Jaclyn Simpson
Thomas Blankenbaker	Elinor Donivan	Josie Lindsey	Josh Sniffen
Jerry Boudreaux	Jennifer Ellett	Carolyn McClellan	Julia Sterling
Debra Boyd	Spencer Ellett	Tanya McClellan	Fr. Joseph Uko
Hope Broadus	Craig Elliott	Karen McCoy	Bob Usey
Jennifer Brown	W.C. Fore	Msgr. James McGough	Alyssa Vega
Teresa Buckman	Loretta Hahn	Beverly Moore	Cathy Crane Vick
Isabel Bullard	David Harris	Pete Moran	Ferdie Walker
Charlotte Jean Buras	Keleal Hassin	Elsa Mrazek	Kim Casano-Ware
Valerie Buras	Jessi Hebert	Lois Ann Necaize	Teresa Whiteside
Dick Chapin	SSG. Eric Heitkamp	Butch Oustalet	
Martha Chapin	Louis Helwick	Libby Owen	
Bernard Chevalier	Tom Hicks	Kage Pickett	
Dannie Chevalier	Timmy Holliday	Etaw Robb	
Rhonda Clark	Dianne Hurlbert	Jim Roos	
Susan Cooper	William Jordan	Barbara Russo	
Jean Crawford	Analyse Khalifeh	Gladys Salvador	
Fr. Joseph Dang	Sheena Khalifeh	Joan Sample	

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:



Kathryn Andrews, Jeannie Darling,  
Paula Helwick, Alivia Hood,  
Anita McKnight Hudson,  
Rhonda Mires, Richard Mueller, Jr.,  
Joan Sample and  
Paula Jermyn Taylor.

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, January 27

4:00PM ☩ Jerry Bourgeois

### Sunday, January 28

9:00AM ☩ Dennis Bourgeois  
11:00AM People of Saint James  
5:30PM ☩ Alexandra Healy

### Monday, January 29

7:00AM Communion Service  
8:30AM Communion Service

### Tuesday, January 30

6:00PM Communion Service

### Wednesday, January 31

8:30AM Communion Service

### Thursday, February 01

7:00AM Communion Service  
12:00PM Communion Service

### Friday, February 02

8:30AM Communion Service

### Saturday, February 03

4:00PM ☩ Ward Faulk

Deceased - ☩ Healing - ♥ Special Intention - ☩

## TWO WEEKS AT A GLANCE - EVENTS

### January 29 - February 03

#### Monday, January 29

9:00AM Lectio Divina, Raphael Room  
10:00AM Legion of Mary, Philomena House  
1:00PM Bible Study, Raphael Room  
6:30PM Al-Anon, Raphael Room

#### Tuesday, January 30

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

#### Wednesday, January 31

7:00AM Men's Bible Study, Raphael Room  
5:30PM First Communion Prep, Raphael Room  
6:00PM Bible Study, Philomena House

#### Thursday, February 01

6:00PM First Communion Parents Info Session, Church  
6:30PM Confirmation Prep, Church  
7:00PM Knights of Columbus, Raphael Room

### February 05 - February 10

#### Monday, February 05

9:00AM Lectio Divina, Raphael Room  
10:00AM Legion of Mary, Philomena House  
1:00PM Bible Study, Raphael Room  
6:30PM Al-Anon, Raphael Room

#### Tuesday, February 06

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

#### Wednesday, February 07

7:00AM Men's Bible Study, Raphael Room  
5:45PM Family of Faith (Catechetical Session), Raphael Room  
6:00PM Bible Study, Philomena House

#### Thursday, February 08

6:00PM First Communion Parents Info Session, Church

## LECTORS SCHEDULE

### Saturday, January 27

4:00PM Holly Dreger

### Sunday, January 28

9:00AM Tom Collins

11:00AM Doug Hill

5:30PM Yolanda Edwards

### Saturday, February 03

4:00PM Carol Cottone

### Sunday, February 04

9:00AM Chris Spear

11:00AM Kaine Lucky

5:30PM Michele Pisciotta

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

### Saturday, January 27

4:00PM Debbie Bazzone, Barbara Levine,  
Mary Pecoul and Josie Six

### Sunday, January 28

9:00AM Carsen Centanni, Shirley Henderson,  
Bonnie Jacobs and Kate Spear

11:00AM Alex & Cara Karetas, Debby Weeks  
and Darlene & E. G. Warren

5:30PM Rachelle Cleveland, Deanne Goulet,  
Diana Holder and Butch Plitt

### Saturday, February 03

4:00PM Beverly Moore, Connie Pucheu,  
Linda Randolph and Debby Weeks

### Sunday, February 04

9:00AM Don & Sherry Alfonso,  
Susanne Chandler and  
Shirley Henderson

11:00AM Stephanie Guirola, Roberta Hosler,  
John Mozingo, III and John Mozingo, IV

5:30PM Steven Eckert, Yolanda Edwards,  
Deanne Goulet and Ashlie Herbert

## TREASURE

### January 20/21, 2024

Weekly Offertory via mail/collection basket	\$9,559
Weekly Offertory via ACH/on-line giving	\$9,482
Weekly Total	\$19,041
Weekly Budget (amount needed)	\$18,808
YTD Actual-Week #30	\$517,470
YTD Budget-Week #30	\$564,240
YTD % of Budget	92%
Second Collection - Altar Society	\$1,416

### SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend's second collection will be for the Church in Latin America and the Saltillo Mission.

Next weekend's second collection will be for Ukraine Relief.

### 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.

### Annual Contribution Statement



If you'd like to receive an annual contribution statement, please contact the Parish Office.

### Please Help Us (Help You)

For record-keeping purposes, please consider the following when making monetary contributions to Saint James Catholic Church:

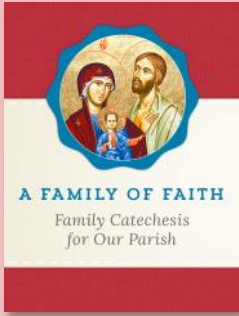
If using Venmo, please specify what the payment is for and notate whose name the contribution should be credited to in our records. Please ensure that you use the name under which you are registered in the parish. An envelope number can also be referenced.

If writing a check on a business account, please notate on the memo line the name under which you are registered or use your envelope number.

Following these requests will make certain that all contributions are captured and allocated to the proper account for accurate contribution statements.

## FAITH FORMATION

### A FAMILY OF FAITH GRADES K-5



February Catechetical Session  
Wednesday, February 7  
Raphael Room  
5:45 - 7:15PM

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



SAINT J YOUTH GROUP  
GRADES 6-12  
Sundays 6:30-8:00PM

### Edge & LifeTeen "No Strings Attached"

Teens - Your \$30 Food Fee is due for the Spring semester.

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



## Parents Meeting

for students preparing to receive their  
First Holy Eucharist  
(Faith Formation students and SJCS students)

Thursday - February 1, 2024

6:00PM @ Saint James Catholic Church

More info: Contact Linda Hebert @ 228-297-5126



## CONFIRMATION APRIL 16, 2024

### Confirmation Kick-Off

Sacramental Prep for 11th graders  
(& 12th graders who haven't been  
confirmed) kicks off Wednesday,  
January 31, at 6:30PM in the church.

PARENTS AND STUDENTS ARE  
REQUIRED TO ATTEND

January 31 | 6:30PM

Saint James Catholic Church

MORE INFO: CONTACT  
LINDA HEBERT @ 228-297-5126

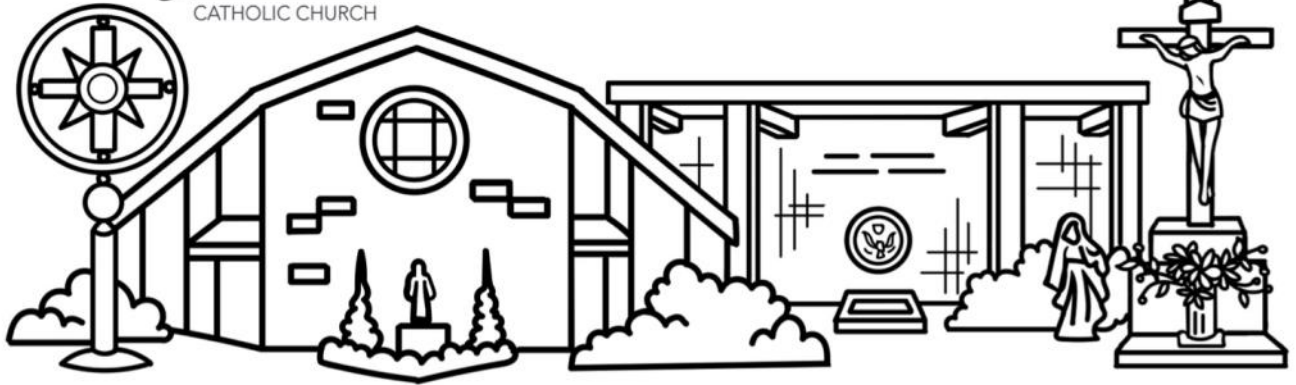


OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes are offered for those interested, baptized and unbaptized, in learning about the Catholic Faith and/or those cradle Catholics who have never been confirmed. OCIA meets on Tuesdays at 7:00PM in the Raphael Room. For information, contact Deacon Henderson 228-209-6960.

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# SAINT JAMES PARISH MERCHANDISE



MANY PARTS, ONE BODY Back of Shirt

**COMFORT COLOR:  
FLO BLUE**



**COMFORT COLOR:  
GRAPHITE**



**COMFORT COLOR:  
BERRY**



**COMFORT COLOR:  
BLUE SPRUCE**



Short Sleeve and Long Sleeve Available (Short sleeve youth sizes available in the Flo Blue only.)

## SWEATSHIRT



## CAR DECAL



*All proceeds go to help Saint J Youth travel to summer conferences!*

## COFFEE MUG



Gildan Softstyle: Sport Gray with Navy Writing

# Saint James Parish Merchandise Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle which Mass you normally attend: Saturday: 4:00 PM      Sunday: 9:00 AM    11:00 AM    5:30 PM

## PRICES

Short Sleeve Shirts: \$22

Sweatshirts: \$30

Coffee Mug: \$15

Long Sleeve Shirts: \$25

Car Decal: \$5

## Cash or Check

Checks made payable to:  
Saint James Youth

**\*\*Additional \$4 for 2x-4x\*\***

Adult T-Shirts	Short Sleeve Small	Short Sleeve Medium	Short Sleeve Large	Short Sleeve X-Large	Short Sleeve 2x	Short Sleeve 3x	Short Sleeve 4x	Total Shirts	Price \$22/shirt
Flo Blue									
Graphite									
Blue Spruce									
Berry									
Adult T-Shirts	Long Sleeve Small	Long Sleeve Medium	Long Sleeve Large	Long Sleeve X-Large	Long Sleeve 2x	Long Sleeve 3x	Long Sleeve 4x	Total Shirts	Price \$25/shirt
Flo Blue									
Graphite									
Blue Spruce									
Berry									
Youth T-Shirts	Short Sleeve Small	Short Sleeve Medium	Short Sleeve Large	Short Sleeve X-Large				Total Shirts	Price \$22/shirt
Flo Blue									
Sweatshirt	Small	Medium	Large	X-Large	2x	3x	4x	Total Sweatshirts	Price \$30/shirt
Sport Gray									
Misc.	# of Items								Price
Coffee Cups \$15/cup									
Car Decals \$5/decal									
<b>TOTAL COST</b>									

**Order Forms due February 4th** \*\*Forms and money may be turned into the parish office or placed in the offertory basket in an envelope. Please make sure the envelope states "Saint J Youth" on the front.\*\*





January 28, 2024

Dear St. James Parishioners:

This week, we begin our annual observance of Catholic Schools Week, which will be celebrated from January 28th through February 3rd. We set aside this week each year to focus on the gift that Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our community, and our nation. During Catholic Schools Week, we reach out to the community to build awareness of what our school has to offer. We would like to thank all those who work hard every day to make St. James Catholic School excellent.

The theme of our celebration is “United in Faith and Community”. Catholic schools have an irreplaceable role in the Church’s evangelizing mission. Building on the central goal of Catholic schools to form saints, Catholic schools teach and embrace the whole person, body, mind, and spirit. The fact that all members of a Catholic school community share the Christian vision of faith that Christ is the foundation of Catholic education is what unites the school as a faith-filled community.

While faith is the binding element in Catholic schools, the Church reiterates that parents are the first teachers of their children. Holding this tenet, Catholic school communities expand beyond the walls of school buildings to envelop the family as an integral part of the school community. Together teachers, administrators, staff, students, and parents fuel the light of faith by integrating culture with faith and faith with living.

Faith development, academic excellence, and dedication to service are the key elements of Catholic education. These elements set Catholic schools apart from other educational options, and they are a few of the many reasons that families make sacrifices to provide their children with a Catholic education.

I am grateful every day for the teachers, staff, council members, parents, volunteers, and parishioners who are involved in the success of our school. May God bless all those who contribute to the important work they do on behalf of the children of our parish and school.

I pray for God’s abundant blessings on each of you.

Sincerely,

Tricia Harvey  
Principal

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

ADORERS NEEDED!

Monday 12:00PM(Noon) - 1:00PM; Wednesday 4:00PM - 5:00PM; and Friday 3:00AM - 4:00AM and 4:00AM - 5:00AM

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!

Lectio Divina

The Sound of His Voice
Everyday Principles for Listening to God.

Have you ever wondered if God speaks to ordinary people? And, if so, how? This book outlines in simple language what everyone should know about hearing God's voice in the midst of everyday Christian living. This will be a small group study and meditation on scripture lead by Susan Dane.

For anyone who is interested, Lectio Divina is now meeting on Mondays from 9:00AM - 10:30AM (following the 8:30AM Mass) in the Raphael Room.

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" at 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 an annual SVDP Contribution Statement, please contact the Parish Office.

Altar Society Ladies and Any Interested Ladies:



The first meeting of 2024 will be on Thursday, February 8, in the Parish Center Raphael Room at 10:00AM. To enter, please use the blue side door. There are lots of new surprises to share with you for Our Lord's Altar.

Please bring one Valentine Card and your \$10.00 yearly dues.

Excited to see you at our meeting,
Your Officers



HELP WANTED - WE NEED USHERS!



If you are looking for an easy way to participate more in the Mass, please consider becoming an Usher. There is a need for this important ministry at all weekend Masses. For more information, please scan this QR code or complete the contact form online @ www.saintjamescc.com/ushers or talk to an Usher today!



ENJOY SINGING?



We need new choir members for our 11:00AM Sunday Mass. There is no commitment...just show up when you can! We practice at 10:30AM in the Parish Center's Raphael Room before

Mass. It is not necessary to read music. We welcome 9th graders and up. Come help us spread God's love through the gift of song!

MARRIAGE

For information regarding Marriage preparation, please contact Mara Russo at [FLC@saintjamescc.com](mailto:FLC@saintjamescc.com) or 228-896-6059. Please do not choose a wedding date until you have contacted the Family Life Coordinator.

**Please note:** The Diocese of Biloxi requires that engaged couples should begin the Marriage Preparation process no less than six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

BAPTISM



Baptism Preparation classes are held on the third Saturday of the month. The next class will be January 20. For more information and to register, please contact Mara Russo at [FLC@saintjamescc.com](mailto:FLC@saintjamescc.com) or 228-896-6059.

DID YOU KNOW?

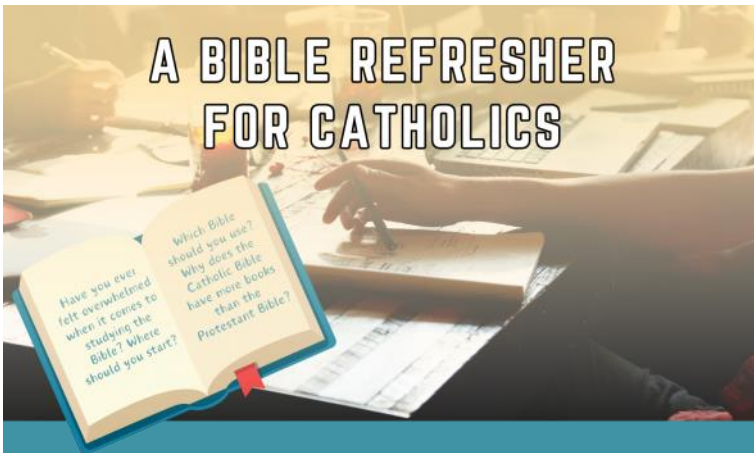
When properly practiced, NFP (Natural Family Planning) can be up to 99% effective in postponing or avoiding pregnancy.

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

A BIBLE REFRESHER FOR CATHOLICS



In this four-week course, we will cover:

- The Old Testament
- The New Testament
- The Catholic approach to the Bible
- Lectio Divina (praying with Scripture)

DAYTIME SESSIONS

Mondays at 1PM  
January 29 - February 19  
Raphael Room

EVENING SESSIONS

Wednesdays at 6PM  
January 31 - February 21  
Philomena House

For more information and to register, please contact Mara Russo at [FLC@saintjamescc.com](mailto:FLC@saintjamescc.com) or (228) 896-6059

Lent 2024

Couple Prayer Series

GET TO HEAVEN TOGETHER!

A 6-week Couple Prayer Series for engaged and married couples beginning Thursday, February 15 and continuing throughout Lent (final session is March 21).

Sessions will be held in the Church from 6:00PM - 8:00PM

Child Care will be available at no cost

The Couple Prayer series was created to help engaged and married couples discover the life-changing intimacy and joy that praying together brings to a marriage.



For more information or to pre-register, scan the QR Code or contact Mara Russo at [FLC@saintjamescc.com](mailto:FLC@saintjamescc.com) or call the Parish Office at 889-896-6059.



# Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to our new parishioners:

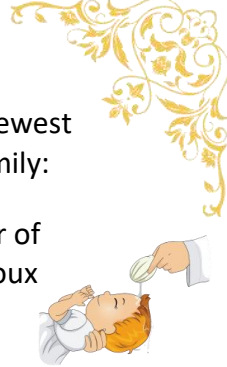
- Marcos & Antonella Alvarado & Children
- Jordan & Jordan Barbay & Daughter
- Brandon & Emily Cloud & Children
- Tessa DiMarzio



## BAPTISMS

We joyfully welcome the newest member of our parish family:

- Chloe Roux, daughter of Garret & Christina Roux



## Congratulations



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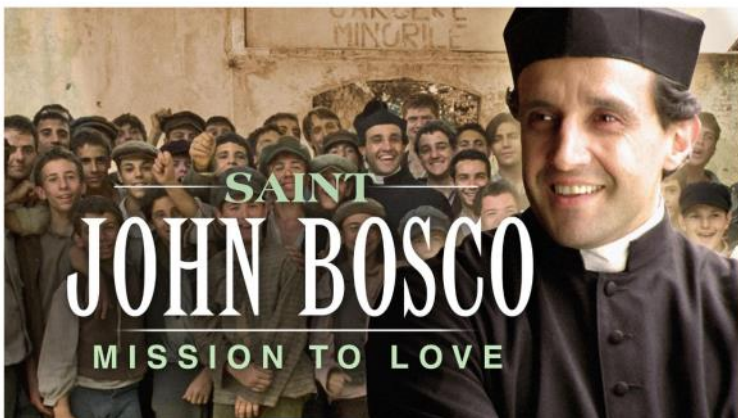
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## Eucharistic Miracle of Breda-Nierwaard



Remember to pray for our seminarians, especially Chris Collins.

## VOCATION PRAYER

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.

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