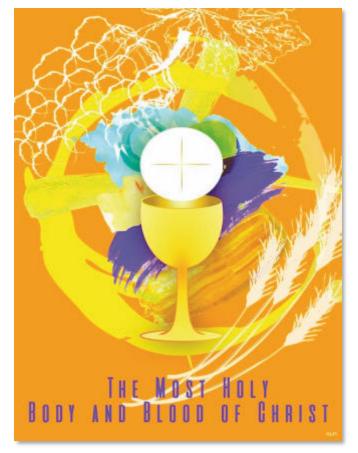
# St. James the Apostle Catholic Church

June 6, 2021



### MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends Saturday 4pm, Sunday 8:30am, 11am and 5pm

Weekdays

Monday — Friday 8:30am Wednesday 7pm

### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Wednesday 6:00 — 7:00 pm Saturday 9:00 — 10:00am

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday 6:00pm — 7:00pm

### \*\*Please visit our website for PROTOCOLS regarding attending any functions at St. James.\*\*

### **CRY ROOM AVAILABILITY**

Our "cry room" is available for use. To access the "cry room" you will need to enter through the doors in the church itself and NOT through the faith formation building. We are limiting access to that area as part of our COVID protocols.

### Parish Office (770) 957-5441 Office hours: Monday— Thursday 9:00am — 4:00pm

Parish Staff *Clergy* 

Very Rev. Liam A. Coyne, V.F	ext.	105
Rev. Mr. Charles Iner, Deacon	.ext.	201
Msgr. Terry W. Young, Retired in Residence		

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Amy Gordineer, Parish Secretary	ext.	100
Mara Martin, Parish Ministries Coordinator	.ext.	101
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Diane Scarbrough, Music Director	ext.	104
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### June 7 through June 13

Monday:	2 Cor 1:1-7/Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday:	2 Cor 1:18-22/Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday:	2 Cor 3:4-11/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	2 Cor 3:15 - 4:1, 3-6/Mt 5:20-26
Friday:	Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/
-	Jn 19:31-37
Saturday:	2 Cor 5:14-21/Lk 2:41-51
Sunday:	Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

### Observances for the week of June 7

Wednesday: St. Ephrem, Deacon and	1
Doctor of the Church	
Friday: The Most Sacred Heart of Je	esus
Saturday: The Immaculate Heart of	
the Blessed Virgin Mary	7





### June 7 through June 13

Monday	8:30am Michel Saint Clair+
	by Pierre St. Clair
Tuesday	8:30am Stephanie Radik+
	by Annie McFarland
Wednesday	8:30am Jagath Manura
•	by The Santha Family
	7:00pm Joe Allenspach+
	by Mr. & Mrs. Arlis & Diane Scarbrough
Thursday	8:30am Marina Gordineer+
	by The Gordineer Family
Friday	8:30am Our Parishioners
Saturday	4:00pm Barbara Bryson+
-	by Alice Pritchett
Sunday	8:00am Polly Steward+
5	by Ann Bono
	11:00am Anthony Green
	by Leticia Richards
	5:00pm Glenn Buchanan+
	by Veronica Buchanan
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Laura Alvarez, James Baker, Ron and Jan Banister, Angie Basista, Joseph Basista, Pat Beauregard, Lura Blankenship, Jacquline Boshears, Ann Marie Callahan, Micah Carroll, Kathleen Cawley, Patrick Chesley, Jr., Ronald Christopher, Patricia Clark, Dudley A. DeCastro, Melanie Dunn, Wanda Ellis, Richard Evarts, Vicki & Tom Farah, Vince Farah, Nikolas Fried, Michael Gillespie, Nancy Gillespie, John Glover, Rodger Hallam, Chuck Hargest, Sarah Hill, Lynn Hoffman, Madison Hoffman, Marty Huckaby, Connie John, Brenda Kent, Betty Kersey, Mike Lanasa, Joey Landon, Ron Lawrence, Hilda Lee, Latina Mason, Frank and Eunice McCarthy, Maria McKinney, Elva Medrano, Tracy Miller, Cathy Moeller, Gary Moeller, Mott Family, Ray Mrozek, John Murray, Irene Neilson, Edna Norton, Diane M. O'Connor, Margarita Papadimitriou, Bette Perkins, Hope Prudenti, Maureen Richardson, Valerie Ryczek, Eleanor Sinagra, Dan Sitler, Francesa Soares, Lou Sposaro, Anita Lenortavage Tarreto, Kalani Tejedor, Mike Tittiger, Ruth Van Liere, Greg Virag, Trish Voorhees, Mary Wagener, Jean Washo, Michelle Witman, Peggy Wofford, George and Kathleen Zanebis.

> If you or a loved one is in the hospital, homebound or in an assisted living situation, please call the Parish Office to notify us.



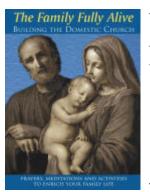
#### Eucharistic Procession through our parking lot TODAY following the 11:00am mass. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend!



### Spiritual Bouquet Cards for Father's Day Novena

Remember your beloved father, grandfather, or any special man, living or deceased, with a Father's Day "Spiritual Bouquet." The Mass Intentions

for **Sunday, June 20th through June 28th** will be for fathers and significant men who have touched our lives. *Envelopes to purchase a spiritual bouquet offering will be available in the parish hall June 6th through June 16th.* The offering envelopes will be placed on the Altar for all Masses June 20th through June 28th.



The Family Fully Alive program was launched in our parish in December. The Family Fully Alive program ask families to invite God into their homes and cultivate each family as a miniature domestic church. Each month a new theme, scripture readings and family activities are presented in the program booklet. For the month of June, the theme is *Self-Giving Love*. The form of

marital and family love is given by God himself, who is love. The Christian family, the domestic church, has been entrusted with the irreplaceable vocation of being the first school of human and divine love. Scripture readings for the month are Psalm 119:1-3, 9-12, 33-38, 105-108. The family activity for the month - An important part of love consists in doing things out of love for others, even things that we may find unpleasant. To encourage these little sacrifices, research and make sacrifice beads (also known as "good deed beads), inspired by a practice that St. Therese of the Child Jesus used to do when she was a child. Sacrifice beads are essentially a way of helping the family look for opportunities to make little offerings of love to God through small acts of self-giving service. Additional booklets are available in the Parish hall.

# This Week's Reflection

When the readings are proclaimed to us at Mass we are hearing not the words and voice of the reader, we are hearing the words and the very voice of God speaking to us. God is pulling back that veil that separates heaven and earth and sharing his word with us. He is instructing us, admonishing us, uplifting us, and guiding us by his Holy Words. He is lifting that veil between heaven and earth so that we can get a glimpse of what God has in store for us and so that he can soften our hearts and fill us with the joy that we will experience when we meet Him face to face.

And then we see the Priest, in the person of Christ, pull back that veil again in the consecration of the Eucharist. Jesus himself comes to us fully, body, blood, soul and divinity in the form of bread and wine. Talk about a supernatural experience, talk about the veil between heaven and earth being pierced! Not only does he become present for us he allows us to consume him and take him into our very body. If this isn't a joyful experience I don't know what is.

And that joy is not meant to be kept to ourselves. When we encounter holiness and joy at the Mass we are called, like the Apostles, to go out and share that holiness and joy with others.

So are we experiencing this lifting of the veil at Mass? Are we paying the Lord homage? Are we filled with great joy at hearing God's word and receiving His body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist?

Deacon Charles Iner



## DO YOU NEED A TRAINING CLASS TO VOLUNTEER?

A Virtus Training class will be offered at St. James on Thursday, June 10th from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. The class attendance number is limited. To register online go to www.Virtus.Org.

# **Sacramental Preparation & Information**

**INFANT BAPTISM** Parents must be members of St. James for at least 3 months or have the pastor's permission, and must attend our pre-Baptism class which is generally held the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7pm. Please call the Parish Office to learn the requirements and policies of Baptism. After attending the class, please call to schedule your Baptism celebration. Baptisms are normally celebrated on the **first Saturday** of the month at 10:30 am, however there may be exceptions during certain times of the year.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Children in the second grade, and active in the Faith Formation program for two consecutive years, are eligible to enroll in the sacramental preparation program. Special preparation sessions for these two sacraments are held throughout the year before the reception of these sacraments. Contact: the Faith Formation office 770-957-5441 ext.108.

**CONFIRMATION** Preparation for this sacrament is coordinated through our Youth Ministry Office. Youth in the 10th grade or older, and active in the teen program of the parish for at least two consecutive years, will be eligible to register for Confirmation. Contact: Krissy Upcraft at 770-957-5441 ext. 110 for more information. For Adult Confirmation preparation, contact Deacon Charles Iner at Charles @inerfamily.com or 770-957-5441 ext. 201.

**MARRIAGE** Couples considering marriage must contact a priest or deacon **at least six months before** the projected date and must attend a pre-marriage program.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Celebrated the second Saturday of the month following the 4:00 pm Vigil Mass, or please 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 in an assisted living situation, either temporarily or long term, please call the Parish Office to arrange a visit. This must be arranged prior to any weekend Mass.

**PRAYER CHAIN** Contact: Anna Cheverino 770-320-8393. **PRAYER GROUP** Meets via ZOOM meeting. Please contact Leticia Richards (770-507-7377) to be provided with zoom invite and details.

MASS INTENTIONS Please contact the Parish Office. Donation is \$15.

**CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD** Saturday: 9:00 - 10:00 am and Wednesday: 6:00 - 7:00 pm or by appointment.



# Spaces still available for the 2021-2022 School Year Enroll Now!

Our preschool classes are for children ages 1-4 years old (they must be that chronological age by September 1st). Registration forms and information are available on our website at www.stjamesapostlecatholichcurch.com/preschool. www.stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.com/preschool.



St. James Preschool is now accepting employment applications for the 2021-2022 School Year! If you are interested in joining our team, please contact the director Vickie Spieth at vspieth@stjamesapostle.com or call (770) 957-5441 Ext.121.You can also download an employment application on our website:

www.stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.com/preschool/forms

For more information, please call (770) 957-5441 Extension 121 or email the director at vspieth@stjamesapostle.com. We also have a Facebook page and Instagram!



# NEW GUIDELINES FOR COVID-19 PANDEMIC

# On May 22, 2021 the general dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass expired in the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

There are some exceptions for certain circumstances which are outlined below.

In light of the CDC's most current update, those who are fully vaccinated are not required to wearing masks in church. However, the Archdiocese of Atlanta will continue to recommend masks at Masses. Those who are not vaccinated should still wear a mask. People should maintain a reasonable healthy space between themselves and others who are outside of their families. We will continue to broadcast all Masses to cars in the parking lot.

While the general dispensation is removed, there are specific persons for whom the dispensation will, for the time being, still be applicable, as well as persons for whom there is no obligation in the first place according to the norms of canon law. One does not have an obligation to attend Mass on Sunday or a holy day of obligation in the following circumstances:

- 1. You are ill or you have a health condition that would be significantly compromised if you were to contract a communicable illness (i.e., you have underlying conditions or are in a high-risk category). Please use the dispensation and do not attend Mass.
- 2. You are experiencing flu-like symptoms.
- 3. You have been exposed to someone who has tested positive or you have reason to think you might be asymptomatic of a contagious illness.
- 4. You care for the sick, homebound, or infirm.
- 5. You are pregnant.
- 6. You are 65 years of age or older (per the CDC's recommendation of high-risk individuals).
- 7. You cannot attend Mass through no fault of your own (e.g., no Mass is offered, you are infirm, your ride did not show up, the church was at capacity).
- 8. You have significant fear or anxiety of becoming ill by being at Mass.

For questions about how these might apply to you, please contact our pastor. These categories will be reviewed in due course and revised as needed.

Persons legitimately dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass are still to observe the Lord's Day by participating in a broadcast of the Sunday Mass or by spending time in prayer or meditating on Scripture, either individually or as a family.

We cannot live without the Eucharist, and the Church is not fully alive without its congregation.



Due to the holiday, there are no money counts this week. We will provide a double count next week.





### **Invite Your Friends!**

AM 1160 The Quest - Your Atlanta Catholic Radio encourages you to be part of our "Meet Me at Mass" movement by inviting someone to join you in experiencing the miracle of the Mass!

Invite a friend or family member to bring their life back to Jesus at the Mass. It doesn't matter how long

they have been away or the reason. Now's the time to encounter God in the special way He has designed for worship and thanksgiving. The Mass is where we come before God to take part in the miracle of the Eucharist and be strengthened by it to carry out our unique mission.

Share the "Meet Me at Mass" invitation! Surrounded by our parish community, we rejoice together where God becomes present to each one of us in an intimate and real way. For more information about the "Meet Me at Mass" movement and ideas to help you invite someone to Mass, visit www.thequestatlanta.com.



#### A request by the **Knights of Columbus!** In hopeful anticipation of a

Veteran's Day Celebration in November, we would like to know who our veterans are in our St. James Parish family. We want to celebrate your contributions to our country and would ask you to tell us your name, service, dates of service, foreign service and units in which you served. This information will be used for our celebration.

Please email Kevin Gallagher at Gallagherkf1@yahoo.com.



Interested in becoming Catholic or need to complete your full initiation into the **Catholic faith?** 

Contact us by phone or email for an interview appointment. The interview assists us in how to best serve our Inquirers in the RCIA process.

> Contact Deacon Charles Iner at charles@inerfamily.com or 770-957-5441 ext. 201.



#### Create, learn and have fun this summer! Attend STEM Camp at **Our Lady of Mercy!**

This summer, fuel the imagination of your child's future with a one of a kind, innovative and hands-on STEM experience! Register for Camp Invention at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School. The

week-long program aims to build Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) academic skills for girls and boys grades K-6th. Camp Invention will take place July 12th - July 16th on Mercy's campus. This year's program is called Recharge! To register and for more information, please visit

https://invent-web.ungerboeck.com/programsearch/ moreinfo.aspx?event=34656

Families can save \$25 if you register by the end of May! You may also call Kiesha Porter, Our Lady of Mercy's Director of Admissions, at 770-461-2202 for additional information.



## **Divine Mercy Prayer Group**

The Divine Mercy Group meets on Wednesdays via Zoom at 9:30am. The pass number for the Zoom meeting is 986-255-833. We meet weekly to delve deeper into the writings of St. Faustina. Contact Janet Pignataro at 678-490-5272 for more information.

JOB OPENING St. James Catholic Church in McDonough, Ga is looking for a part time Business Manager. Applicant needs to have a bachelor's degree in business administration or a related field. Some experience in human resources, facilities management or financial administration is preferred. The position calls for sound interpersonal communication and organizational skills and an ability to relate effectively with others. The Business Manager is expected to share a personal commitment to the vision and mission of the Catholic Church and the parish of St. James. Please send resume to Beckey Petty at bstonecipher@stjamesapostle.com.



# **Attention Faith Formation Families**



We will resume Vacation Bible School this year with the program "TREASURED" It will be <u>in-person</u> from June 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>!

Please visit our website in order to register your children and/or volunteer to help during the week.

We are in need of **Adult Volunteers**, so if you are available that week, please consider volunteering.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at any time. <u>ebridwell@stjamesapostle.com</u>

Thank you for your time and May God continue to bless you and your family always!

Eric Bridwell Director of Religious Education



Our membership and St. James parishioners continues to support our brothers and sisters in need in our community by providing food, clothing, and financial aid. Thank you to all who have donated items or money and offered up prayers for the success of our ministry and the well-being of the people we help.

Our food pantry, which in reality is a food collection and distribution center, is a small room in a residence. Because of your generosity, the room is overflowing with items. We ask that donations be withheld until the last week in May unless we post a need for a certain product. We need more volunteers to help distribute the donations.



# What we are doing at **St. James Life Teen!**

Wednesday Fun Night continues 6-7:30 REVISED TIME!

### May and June

Wednesday Fun Night continues 6-7:30pm Arabia Mountain Sunset Hike June 12th 6:30pm VBS June 14-18 Hike and Kayaking at High Falls June 26th 10am

### <u>July</u>

Wednesday Fun Night continues 6-7pm Steubenville Atlanta Youth Conference July 9-11 Thrive \$75.00 Jul 20-23

# **Thrive** is for all Teens 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. Please join us!

Thrive is a 4 day service camp. We will meet at church in the morning for Mass, then go out into the community for a service project, and/or fun activity.

We also have time for spiritual growth each day through talks, prayer and related activities. This year we will study the book of Philippians as we spend

the week together.

Please call or email me with any questions!

...You shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life. Phil 2:15-16

### May God Bless your week! Krissy Upcraft

kupcraft@stjamesapostle.com Flocknote: text SJACC to 84576 and choose Life Teen

https://stjamesapostlecatholicchurch.com Instagram:stjames\_lifeteen

Please Join the St. James Women's Book Club!

New Book!! <u>Nine Words</u> by Dr. Allen Hunt Tuesdays 6:00pm at St James

Book can be purchased on Amazon
Please be sure to sign up for the flock note.
Flocknote: text SJACC to 84576 and choose
Women's Book club



### Gospel Meditation for The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

As our world faces so much turmoil and change, it is now more important than ever to remember who God is, who we are and where we are going. It is easy to get distracted and lose focus, especially when we are being pulled in so many directions. We can not only lose sight of God but one another. Maintaining our well developed and mature relationships with God and one another is essential to continuing to live, healthy, happy, and focused lives. In a message to young people, Pope Benedict XVI said, "the happiness you are seeking, the happiness you have a right to enjoy has a name and a face: it is Jesus of Nazareth, hidden in the Eucharist." What is true for those who are younger is even truer for those who are older. Regardless of how the particulars of life change over time, human beings are still hard-wired to seek the fullness of life and happiness. How we embark on this journey and what we choose along the way will indicate whether we meet success.

There is so much brokenness and pain in our world. Many people are lost, feeling lonely, anxious, marginalized, victimized, isolated, oppressed, and abused. Every time we receive the Body of Christ, we have an opportunity to become what we eat. The power and presence of Christ in the Eucharist becomes present in us and effects change in ourselves and in the lives of those we meet. We are given the grace to become temples of justice and peace, carrying God's sacred Presence within us wherever we go. Our faith community is ignited with the fire of God's love and stands out as a beacon of hope in a world that is lost. This is the only way we can discover peace-filled resolutions to violence and create innovative solutions to what is fueling its need in the first place. True happiness, for the young and old alike, becomes an obtainable goal.

St. John Maria Vianney says it so well. "There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, he would have given it to us." Only the Eucharist has the ability to connect, sustain, strengthen, and properly orient us, not only on the road of this life but the road to life eternal. Knowing this, when life gets challenging, unsettling, and difficult, we can rely on and cling to this gift we have in the Real Presence of Christ. This actual encounter with God celebrates God's unconditional love for us and grounds us to the truth of who we are in a way nothing else is able to do. Because through the Eucharist we really do become the Body of Christ, we are also bonded together in a most perfect way to one another as that Body. Nourished, united, and strengthened by the Eucharist, let us individually and collectively, bring this wonderful gift to all we meet, especially the poor with whom we have a special connection. ©LPI



