

#### **General Parish Information**

#### Directory

Church Office:	
School Office	
Church Office: School Office Early Learning Center:	
Convent:	
Email:	general@stjamessav.com
Website:	www.stjamessav.com
Convent:	
2nd & 4th Sunday: 8:30am-12:30p	m

#### Staff

Very Rev. Daniel F. Firmin, JCL	Pastor
Rev. Gabriel Gberikon	Parochial Vicar
Rev. Lewis King	Parochial Vicar
Rev. Mr. Lou Santore	Deacon
Sr. Stephanie Gabriel, IHM	Dir. of Evangelization
Sr. Joan Felicia, IHM	School Principal
Mrs. Misty Ellison-Youssef	Director Early Learning Ctr
Mrs. Bonnie MacAulay	Administrative Assistant
Mr. Charles Ancheta	Music Director & Organist
Mr. Mark Kolbush	
Mrs. Susanna Powers	
Mr. Richard Morgan	Maintenance
Mr. Matt Keck	

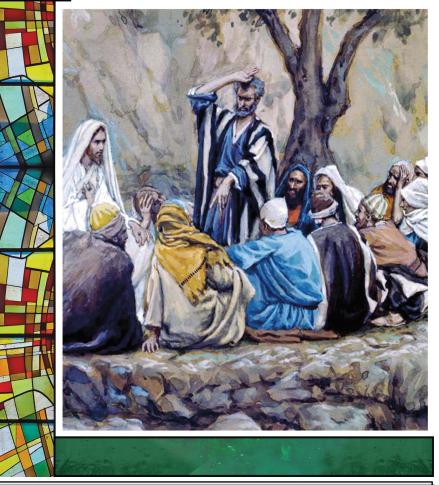
#### St. James Catholic School For information or tours 355-3132 8412 Whitefield Avenue ~ Savannah, GA www.stjameschargers.com

Mass Schedule
Sunday:
WeekdaysMonday-Friday 7:00am & 8:30am; Saturday 9am Wednesday additional Mass at 5:30pm
Isle of Hope:8:00 am - First Sunday only
Holy Days of Obligation:TBA Pro-Life Holy Hour:Tuesdays 5:00–6:00pm (Rosary, Adoration and Benediction) Sacraments
Reconciliation:
Marriage:Please contact a parish priest Lumen Christi Perpetual Adoration Chapel24/7

#### AUGUST 25TH, 2024

# 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."  $_{Jn~6:67-69}$ 



#### Saint James Parish Mission Statement

Saint James the Less Parish will conduct our lives in ways that illustrate our discipleship to Jesus Christ by evangelizing His Word, promoting a culture of life, embracing the richness of the Catholic Faith, use the Beatitudes to model our behaviors, and draw closer to Him through the Sacraments where we will receive courage, zeal, confidence, purpose, and the blessings of the Holy Trinity.

**WELCOME, VISITORS!** We extend a warm welcome to the individuals and families who are celebrating with us today. We invite you to register with our Parish Family. You can fill out a registration form online or at the kiosk located in the Narthex, and return it to the church office.

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## Pastor's Corner 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### KICKOFF!

In one and a half weeks, on Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 PM in the Parish Center massive news will be announced regarding St. James the Less Church and School! I want to share the vision of St. James as we look forward into the future! May the Lord Jesus bless all of our endeavors and plans! Come and see! Please join us! If you are going to join us, please RSVP to Mrs. Stephanie Painter at the office or via email at <a href="mailto:spainter@stjamessav.com">spainter@stjamessav.com</a>. I look forward to seeing you there!

#### RCIA

Brothers and sisters, do you know anyone who would like to become Catholic or would like to know more about the Catholic faith – a spouse, a family member, a coworker, a friend? Please invite those that you know to explore what God has for them in the Catholic faith. As we do this, we reflect on our own faith. What aspect of our Catholic faith excites your heart? What practice, devotion, prayer, or doctrine causes you to get excited about the faith? Maybe it is the Eucharist – adoration and receiving. Perhaps our Blessed Mother Mary. Maybe it is the consistency of the faith down through the ages. Maybe it is Scripture. Perhaps it is that Mass throughout the world is the same. Perhaps it is the community and the saints. Maybe the beautiful art. What is it about our Catholic faith that keeps you coming to Mass and being involved in the parish?

When we know what excites our heart about our faith, then we can more easily, more readily share that with someone. This week, think about what it might be for you.

Happy Labor Day weekend next weekend! May you and your families have a great three day weekend!

May the Lord Jesus bless you and your families abundantly this week!

#### ~ Fr. Daniel Firmin



## This Weekend is itewardship Weekend

Please take a few moments after Mass to stop by the display tables to sign up for the many ministries in our parish that are in need of your support! What are you looking for? Come and see. (Jn. 1:38-39)

## Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

RCIA is for those who are not baptized, or those who have been baptized in another Christian tradition who are interested in becoming Catholic Christians.

# Learn more about RCIA

Contact Sr. Stephanie for an overview of the process, ask questions and discern next steps.

RCIA meets weekly on Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. to 8. Mercy Conference Room

**Meetings begin Sept. 17, 2024** An interview with Sr. Stephanie is requested prior to attending an RCIA meeting.

Contact Sr. Stephanie Gabriel at SrStephanieGabriel@StJamesSav.com or 912-600-2153.

#### Mass Schedule & Intentions

\*\*Please pray daily for our Priests, Seminarians & IHM Sisters

8/25 Jos 24:1-2a, 1	<b>Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 5-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Eph 5:21-32	sufferings an passion and c	
7:30 am 9:00 am 11:30 am	Special Intention, Rosemarie Burns ~ Fr. Firmin + Robin Molella ~ Fr. King For the People ~ Fr. Firmin	out of sufferi are ill. In th	
**Francois Pel	llissier, Thomas Peyton, Robert Phillips, Carlos Pinzon ah Pace   Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso	united with they know th	
8/26 Monday	- <b>-</b>	and be fully r ~ Through C	
7:00 am 8:30 am	Special Intention, Eleanor Farkas ~ Fr. King + Connie Tyler~ Fr. King	We pray for Fr. Daniel	
	tzer, John Quang, Gerald Ragan, Carlos Rivero, Mark Ross d Williams   Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew	Baldwin, Els Maria Polito	
<b>8/27 Tuesday</b> 2 Thes 2:1-3a	<b>St. Monica</b> , 14-17; Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13; Mt 23:23-26	Nick & Tl	
7:00 am 8:30 am	+ Vicki Parker ~ Fr. Firmin + Bernard & Elizabeth Jacobi ~ Fr. King	DeRouen, 1 Guzman, and	
•	*Rudy Roxas, Christopher Schreck, J. Gerard Schreck, Jude Shayo   Tuan Joseph Vuong In order j		
	<b>day</b> St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 0, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5; Mt 23:27-32	an immedia office at 912	
7:00 am 8:30 am 5:30 pm	Special Intention, Joshua Jarrell ~ Fr. King + Robert Langan ~ Fr. Firmin + Felicidad Ocampo ~ Fr. King	4 weeks and unless the oj	
	h, Finbarr Stanton, Nathaniel Swann, Vincente Terrazas bert Ofori Mensah	otherwise.	
	<b>The Passion of St. John the Baptist</b> Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 6:17-29	Father, sour	
7:00 am 8:30 am	+ Mary Oxnard ~ Fr. Firmin + Thomas Mahoney, Jr. ~ Fr. King	grant that o	
Step	ds Ha Tran, Mark Van Alstine, Gregory Visca hen Owusu Dwamena   Sr. Rachael Elizabeth Wilson	have passed eternal happi ~ Through C	
8/30 Friday 1 Cor 1:17-25	5; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13	We pray for	
7:00 am 8:30 am	<ul> <li>+ Patrick Hejka ~ Fr. Firmin</li> <li>+ Doris Banyard, 1st Anniversary ~ Fr. Firmin</li> </ul>	Helen Laird	
	el, John Wright, Frank Ziemkiewicz   Benjamin Aler Alexis Karen Reavill	Farmer, Hel deceased fam	
8/31 Saturda 1 Cor 1:26-31	<b>y</b> ; Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 25:14-30		
9:00 am 5:00 pm	<ul> <li>+ Bill Miltiades, 1st Anniversary ~ Fr. Firmin</li> <li>+ Bill Miltiades, 1st Anniversary ~ Fr. King</li> </ul>		
**All deceased	priests, Deacon Lou Santore  Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso		
<b>9/1</b> Dt 4:1-2, 6-8;Ps	<b>Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> s 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5;Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27;Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23		
7:30 am 8:00 am (IOH) <b>Special Intention f</b> 9:00 am	Special Intention, Mary Lou Johnson ) o <mark>r the healing of victims of abuse and for the purification of the Church</mark> + Maureen Boshier		
11:30 am	For the People	Antho	
**Bisnops Step	hen Parkes and J. Kevin Boland   Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill	minic	
9 AM & 11:	y is available for children 4 and under during the 30 AM Sunday Masses. The Nursery is located in earning Center, Classroom #2.		
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#### A PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Father, your only son took upon himself the

sufferings and weakness of all mankind; through His passion and cross He taught us how good can be brought out of suffering. Look upon our brothers and sisters who are ill. In the midst of illness and pain, may they be united with Christ, who heals both body and soul; may they know the consolation promised to those who suffer and be fully restored to health.

~ Through Christ our Lord. ~  ${f A}$ men.

#### We pray for the sick of our Parish Community:

Fr. Daniel Firmin, Phin Michael, Josie Lee, Paul Baldwin, Elsie Coursey, Donna Katula, Sandy Ramirez, Maria Polito, Vicky and Susan Reyes, Dick Buchner, Nick & Thomas Turchiano, Frank Phillip, Brian DeRouen, Noelle Franklin, Monica & Pamela De Guzman, and all those listed in the book of the sick.

In order for a name to be included on the prayer list, an immediate family member must notify the church office at 912-355-1523. Names will be listed here for 4 weeks and then entered into the Book of the Sick, unless the office is notified otherwise.

#### A PRAYER FOR THE DEAD

Father, source of forgiveness and salvation, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, grant that our relatives, friends, and benefactors, who have passed from this world, may come to share your eternal happiness in the communion of saints.

 $\sim$  Through Christ our Lord.  $\sim$  **A**men.

#### We pray for the repose of the souls of:

Helen Laird, Elizabeth Jacobi, Larry Saunders, Bill Farmer, Helen Dubberly, Joanne Sheils, and all our deceased family and friends.



*Welcome to our new members:* Anthony & Jessica Burgos Rivera & Family

Robert & Raquel Hurt & Family

St. James Weekly Calendar 8/25 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Stewardship Weekend-Narthex 8:00–11:15am SJC Choir-Mercy Conference Rm Please join us for the Rosary for Fr. Firmin and his continued healing daily after the 8:30am 8/26 Monday 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church Rosary-Cry Room 9:00am 11:30-12:30pm Book Study-Mercy Conf. Rm-Fr. King 6:30-8:00pm CCW Welcome Back Dinner-PC/gym 8/27 Tuesday 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church 9:00am Rosary-Cry Room 3:30-5:00 SJSVB practice-PC/gym Women's Ministry Committee Mtg-MCR 3:30-5:30pm 5:00-6:00pm Confessions-Church 5:00-6:00pm Prolife Holy Hour-Church SJS Gala Meeting-MCR 7:00-9:00pm 8/28 Wednesday 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church 9:00am Rosary-Cry Room 6:30-8:00pm Choir Practice-Church 6:30pm Confirmation Parent Meeting-PC/gym 8/29 Thursday 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church 9:00am Rosary-Cry Room 3:30-5:00pm SJS VB practice-PC/gym 8/30 Friday 7:45-8:15am Confessions-Church 9:00am Rosary-Cry Room 1:00-3:00pm CC Launch Event-MCR 8/31 Saturday 8:30am Rosary-Church 9:30am-2:pm PREP Faculty Mtg-Mercy Conference Rm 3:45-4:45pm Confessions-Church 9/1 Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00-11:15am SJS Choir-Mercy Conference Rm

**Monday, September 2nd** the Church office will be closed in observance of Labor Day and there will be only ONE Mass at 8:30 a.m.



#### PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

#### **Offertory for Sunday**

August 18, 2024	\$24,440.58				
YTD Offertory: July 1st through August 18th					
2023-24 Actual	\$181,392.74				
2024-25 Budget	\$182,678.47				
2024-25 Actual	\$199,137.95				
2024 ACA Progress Report as of 8/9/2024					
Total Given & Pledged	\$165,986.34				
ACA Parish Goal:	\$134,000				
% Participation:	22.12				

Thank you for your generous gifts to the Stewardship of Treasure. The offertory is the primary means of support for the parish and provides programs, support, and services to our parishioners, school and community.

SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING Visit our parish website at www.stjamessav.com and select the *Online Giving* link. If you have any questions please contact Mark Kolbush at 912-355-1523 or email: Mkolbush@stjamessav.com

#### **PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

Active members of our parish are identified by their generosity of TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE.

Stewardship is determined by:

\* Being registered and active for at least 3 months

\* Faithful participation at Sunday & Holy Day liturgies

\* Regular and identifiable support of the parish, use of parish envelopes. Even if you can't make a donation, please use your envelopes.

These criteria are used to verify parishioner status for: Sponsorship, participation in sacraments, education, pastoral and social ministries, and Catholic School verification.

#### Are you interested in learning more about caring for your loved ones who Savannah Georgia live with a mental health diagnosis?

NAMI Savannah is offering a free, nine week educational program on Tuesday evenings, <u>starting September 24</u> from 6 to 8:30pm and <u>ending November 19</u>. This program is for family members, caregivers and friends of people living with mental illness. NAMI-trained family members lead the course with presentations, discussions and interactive exercises. Contact Pam @ 912-401-2689 or Mary @ 912-308-3126 for more information and to register. Space is limited.

ABUSE HOTLINE... To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or

volunteer, call the abuse hotline at 888-357-5330 or the Office for Protection of Children & Young people at 912-201-4073. To read the policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection.

# ST. JAMES MEDIA WAVES...

Make your faith Matter **Encounter** God **D**elve into your Faith Inform your heart Apply it to your life!



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# WALK WHERE THEY WALKED



Join Bishop Stephen D. Parkes for a diocesan celebration in honor of marriage, families, and the heroic sacrifice of the Georgia Martyrs

> SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

11 AM: BRUNSWICK ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

1-4 PM: DARIEN NATIVITY OF OUR LADY CHURCH AND Martyrs' Monument and Fort King GEORGE STATE HISTORIC SITE

Full schedule at theGeorgiaMartyrs.org/pilgrimage



#### St. James Church Food Pantry Ministry News

The next food pantry will be on September 21st from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. If anyone needs food assistance, please call the Food

Pantry line at 912-800-9006.

The food pantry is still greatly in need of non-perishable food or monetary donations to stock our pantry during the summer months. We thank you for your generous donations that continue to help so may families in our community.

We CANNOT accept any items in glass containers or that have expired. St. James Food Pantry in Urgent Need of Items to Restock the Shelves.

Shelf stable complete meals: Beef stew, or chunky soups (preferably cans with pull tops), healthy snacks including nuts, granola bars, pancake mix, canned pork & beans, shelf stable milk, toothpaste & toothbrushes, laundry detergent.

#### ADDITIONAL ITEMS ALWAYS NEEDED

Oatmeal Canned chicken Tuna fish Jelly & Peanut butter Dry macaroni Spaghetti sauce

Breakfast bars Breakfast cereal Canned fruits Kleenex Toilet paper Low sodium soups & Veg

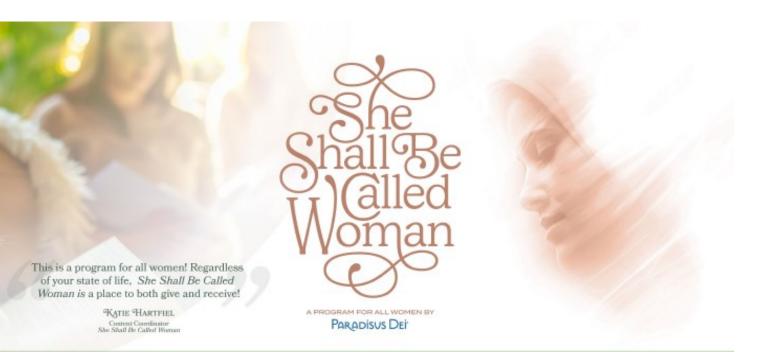
#### Access to F())B() THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

Formed.org.

1. Visit formed.org 2. Click on "sign up" and

then click "Sign up as a parishioner" 3. Enter Parish Code: NHNFN2 or Parish name (St. James) 4. Enter your email and create a password (You will use this to log in later). You can get Formed on your phone, tablet, Roku, Amazon Firestick, AppleTV. Thousands of resources available...Enjoy!





# SEASON ONE MASTERPIECE of CREATION

To truly understand the way the Lord views femininity is to live as one who is fully alive. In a world that often speaks in clichés and labels, God desires to reveal who He is through a greater understanding of who we are. This season will not only unpack the wealth of celebration of what Saint John Paul II called "The Feminine Genius" but will also give real advice on how to combat the mental, emotional, and spiritual challenges we, as women, face every day.





SARAH SWAFFORD Speaker & Founder iotional Virtue Ministries

ALICIA HERNON Messy Family Project





KATIE HARTFIEL CEO Content Coordinator She Shall Be Called Woman Families of Character





Servant of the Pierced Hearts

of Jesus and Mary



**JISA COTTER** Catholic Speaker & Author

# NINE ENGAGING SESSIONS

His 1 KATIE HARTFIEL

- PUTTING on the MIND of CHRIST 2JORDAN LANGDON
- HE SEES YOU, HE KNOWS YOU, 3 HE LOVES YOU SARAH SWAFFORD
- UNVEILING the FEMININE HEART 4 USA COTTER
- FINDING the EXTRAORDINARY 5 in the ORDINARY ALICIA HERNON

CROWN JEWEL OF CREATION 6 SR. ALEXA ZALDIVAR

DIVINE DESIGN MARI PABLO







#### PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Multiple Small Groups Various Times and Days Weekly Held in Parishioners' Homes Choose your time/day!

#### SCHEDULE:

Times vary by small group Social time (30 min) Video (30 min) Sharing (30 min)

#### REGISTRATION:

Check St. James bulletin & social media for registration links the first week of September!

Groups will begin to meet in mid-September!

Questions? Contact Sr. Stephanie (srstephaniegabriel@stjamessav.com or 912-600-2153.

'SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN

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(6-8 grade). If you have any interest in fall tennis in the beginner through advanced level, please contact Kathleen Benton by completing the link at (https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WW225LG) or emailing your interest and contact information to ErinSmarr@yahoo.com.

# The Little Ones TRUSTING GOD BRINGS PEACE

**KIDS CORNER** 

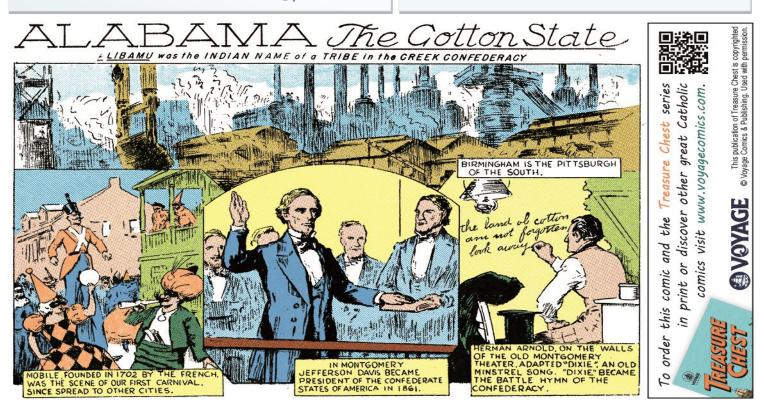
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The Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist will hold Children's Choir auditions for any interested Catholic boys and girls, 2nd grade through 8th grade, on Thursday, September 5, 2024 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. The audition rubric will be as

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follows: Sing Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star; Sing a major scale; Basic pitch matching. The Children's Choir rehearses Monday evenings 5 pm to 6 pm and sing for selected Saturday 5:30 p.m. Vigil Masses throughout the season. To schedule an audition slot, please contact Ms. Nancy Thornock or Ms. Geraldine Pufahl at <u>basilicayouthchoir@gmail.com</u>





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