

General Parish Information

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

Staff

Very Rev. Daniel F. Firmin, JCI	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	
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Mrs. Bonnie MacAulay	
Mr. Charles Ancheta	Music Director & Organist
Mr. Mark Kolbush	Director of Finance
Mrs. Susanna Powers	
Mr. Richard Morgan	Maintenance
Mr. Matt Keck	Maintenance

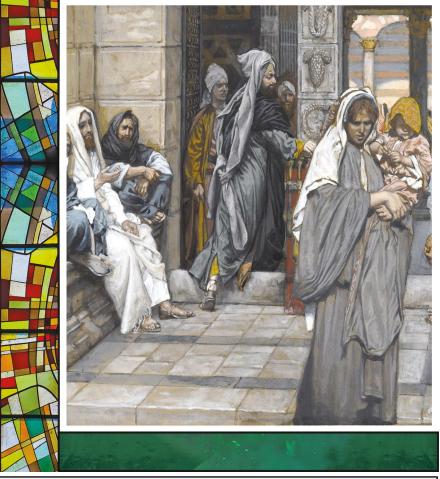
St. James Catholic School For information or tours 355-3132 8412 Whitefield Avenue ~ Savannah, GA www.stjameschargers.com

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

NOVEMBER 10, 2024

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood." MR 12:44



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.

8412 Whitefield Avenue ~ Savannah, Georgia 31406 ~ 912.355.1523 ~ website: www.stjamessav.com



Today is Called by Name Sunday

Help us identify the most faithful young people in the Diocese of Savannah who love Christ and the Church. Bishop Parkes is asking all parishioners to submit the names of young people high school age or older, who possible could be called to priesthood or religious life, but who simply show devotion to our faith, whatever their vocations may be. The bishop will then send them a letter of encouragements, and the Vocation office will offer gentle assistance as they discern their vocation. Thank you for being the "voice of Christ" and identifying the future leaders of our Church!

Is there someone you've noticed who is a particularly faithful young Catholic? Help us to encourage them by sharing their name and contact information. Please think deeply about the teens and young adults in your parish who you believe could be faithful leaders in the Catholic Church of the Diocese of Savannah. These young people do not necessarily need to desire to become Priests or Sisters; we also need leaders in the vocation of marriage. They need to desire Jesus Christ! They need to desire to bring others to Him.

Please submit the names of a least one (but hopefully several!) faithful young people you know. You can use the card provided at Mass or online at <u>savannahvocations.org</u>. We are trying to collect as many names as possible. Thank you for you generous response.

Thanksgiving Food Pantry Donations November Needs: These non-perishable items are needed to assist in providing Thanksgiving dinner to those experiencing food insufficiency in our community

Boxed Stuffing Mix	Canned Veggies
Instant Mashed Potatoes	(Green Beans, Corn, Peas)
Canned Cranberry Sauce	Fruit Pie Filling
Turkey Gravy	Pie Crust Mix
Dry Macaroni	
Cornbread Mix	Other Essential Needs: Paper Products
Canned Yams	Hygiene Products for All Ages
Canned Cranberry Sauce	Canned Fruit
Canned Pumpkin	Cereal

Our next food pantry distribution will be November 16th from 10 AM to 11:30 AM. If you would like to volunteer

please contact Susanna Powers at

spowers@stjamessav.com.

We cannot accept any items in <u>glass</u> containers or that have expired.



Calling All Bakers CCW Bake Sale November 23 & 24

Help make the annual St. James CCW Bake Sale a huge success. We need your cakes, pies, cookies, brownies and other treats. **Please drop off** your desserts to the Mercy Conference Room prior to Mass.

PASTOR'S CORNER 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ELECTION RESULTS

It will be nice this weekend to enjoy watching football without political ads! The election was declared on Election Day (well the wee hours of the morning of the next day...) and we can all take a deep breath as the dust settles. Every Presidential election seems to be rather stressful and contentious as issues and policies arise and are debated by all.

Each election cycle, hot button issues come to the fore and we focus on them. Most seem to fade away from the consciousness of people when the ballots are counted and a winner is declared. As Catholics, we have a moral duty not only to vote, but to be informed about and formed by Catholic Social Teaching. As a section of moral theology, the Church has a long history of how we as Christians participate in our civic communities and political process. In *Rerum Novarum* (1891), Pope Leo XIII was the first pontiff to write an encyclical focused on civic/political/social issues and where the Gospel intersects these issues. Since then, there have been many others including *Centesimus Annus* by Pope St. John Paul II on the 100th Anniversary of *Rerum Novarum*. We also now have the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* which guides and forms us. I encourage you to not wait until the next election cycle to see or search for what the Church teaches on this or that issue. Begin now forming your conscience and explore the teachings of the Church about civic, political, and social issues and where the Gospel enters the arena of the public square. We are disciples of Jesus Christ no matter where we go or what we encounter. We cannot shed our Catholic faith for a cloak of another ilk. We should continually each and every day (not just in the election cycle) work to conform our will to the will of the Master, to transform our heart, to the heart of the Master, and to inform our minds to the mind of the Master.

How can I, as your pastor, how can we as your priests, assist you in this endeavor? I am open to suggestions!

HOUSEKEEPING

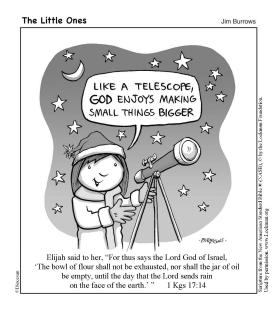
Last week, I wrote about posture during the Eucharistic Prayer. This weekend, I would like to mention a couple of other things. Since we are worshipping in a gym, the first instinct of a child is to run! I am so glad that we have so many children at mass! That is where they belong on Sunday morning with their families! Please note that there is a hallway on the Early Learning Center side of the gym, and bathrooms out there, too. This can also be used as an Exit after the Final Blessing of Mass. Also, as we enter into our new worship space, please walk past the first section and fill in the other three sections. The section of chairs nearest the entrance from the breezeway we would like to keep for those with mobility issues who have a difficulty walking so far, and for families with small children who may need to step into the breezeway during mass. Thank you for your cooperation!

St. James the Less, pray for us and all our endeavors and plans! May the Lord Jesus bless you and your families abundantly this week!

~ Fr. Daniel Firmin

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Mass Schedule & Intentions

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

11/10 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 or Mk 12:41-44
- 7:30 am + Gerry McManus ~ Fr. Gabriel
- 9:00 am Special Intention, Fr. Lewis King ~ Fr. Firmin

11:30 amFor the People \sim Fr. Gabriel

**Francisco Gamboa, Gabriel Gberikon, George Gonzalez, Alfonso Gutierrez | Benjamin Harper | Sr. Catherine McElroy

11/11 Monday St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6

7:00 am+ Drucella Golden, 1st Anniversary ~ Fr. Gabriel8:30 amSpecial Intention, Jack Morrow ~ Fr. Gabriel

**Richard Hart, Christopher Hassel, Thomas Healy, Francis Higgins | Matthew Aondofa Nyikwagh | Sr. Virginia Scirocco

11/12 Tuesday St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29; Lk 17:7-10

7:00 am + Sr. Marian Vincent Morris ~ Fr. Firmin

8:30 am Special Intention, Tim & Margie O'Connor ~ Fr. Gabriel

**Gordian Iwuji, John Johnson, Solomon Kaanan, Adam Kasela | Samuel Imoter Terkura | Sr. Amanda Marie Russell

11/13 Wednesday St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6; Lk 17:11-19

7:00 am Special Intention, Eleanor Farkas ~ Fr. Gabriel

8:30 am + Joyce Egan ~ Fr. Firmin

5:30 pm + Abelardo & Jose Benjamin Pajarillo ~ Fr. Firmin

**Michael Kavanaugh, Donal Keohane, Robert Keffer, Mike Kerin | Ethan Heusel | Sr. Elizabeth Anne Bartholomew

11/14 Thursday

Phmn 7-20; Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10; Lk 17:20-25

7:00 am + Fr. Chidi Osondu ~ Fr. Firmin

8:30 am + Travon Walthour ~ Fr. Firmin

**Inshik Kim, Lewis King, David Klecker, Vernon Knight, David Koetter | Robert Sadowski | Samantha Scharf

11/15 Friday St. Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18; Lk 17:26-37

7:00 amSpecial Intention, Mercy Joseph ~ Fr. Gabriel8:30 am+ Vera Daly ~ Fr. Firmin

**Dawid Kwiatkowski, Brian LaBurt, Peter Lanshima, Andrew Larkin | John Paul Brockman | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

11/16 Saturday

- 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 18:1-8
- 9:00 am Special Intention, Sr. Stephanie Gabriel Tracy ~ Fr. King 5:00 pm + Robert Rohland ~ Fr. Gabriel
- **William Leahy, Raymond Levreault, Michael Lubinsky, Louis Lussier | Deacon Kevin Braski | Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso

11/17 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

7:30 am For the People \sim Fr. Gabriel

- 9:00 am + Douglas Dalrymple ~ Fr. Firmin
- 11:30 am + James Rekowski ~ Fr. King

**John Lyons, Anthony Madanu, John R. Madden, Esteban Mallar | Deacon Ziemowit Janaszek | Sr. Rachael Elizabeth Wilson

The Nursery is available for children 4 and under during the 9 AM & 11:30 AM Sunday Masses. The Nursery is located in the Early Learning Center, Classroom #2.

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.

 \sim Through Christ our Lord. \sim Amen.

We pray for the sick of our Parish Community: Fr. Daniel Firmin, Josie Lee, Paul Baldwin, Julia Strickland, Leigh Nelson, Vicky Reyes, Dick Buchner, Maria Polito, Thomas Turchiano, Brian DeRouen, Noelle Franklin, Carlos Vindel, Sean McGahey, 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.

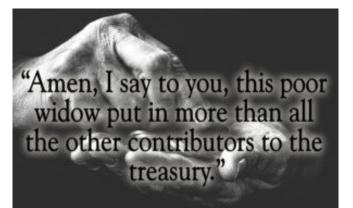
A PRAYER FOR THE DEAD

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 Amen.

We pray for the repose of the souls of:

Jack Kouvel, Joe Morgan, Jr., Joe Harty, Nick Turchiano, Joyce Egan, Robert Murphy, and all our deceased family and friends.



	St. James Weekly Calendar		
11/10 Thirty	-second Sunday in Ordinary Time		
8:00-11:15am	SJC Choir–Mercy Conference Rm		
No PREP	-		
Please join us fo	or the Rosary for Fr. Firmin and his continued		
healing daily	y after the 8:30am		
11/11 Monda	y		
7:45 -8 :15am	Confessions-Fr. Gabriel -Office		
9:00am	Rosary-PC/gym		
9:00am	Veteran's Day Celebration-SJS Cafeteria		
1:00-2:30pm	Contemplative Prayer Group-MCR		
3:00-8:00pm	SJS BB -PC/gym		
6:30-8:00pm			
11/12 Tuesda	y		
7:45 - 8:15am	Confessions-Fr. Gabriel -Office		
9:00am	Rosary-MCR		
3:30~5:00pm	SJS BB -PC/gym		
6:30-8:00pm	RCIA-Mercy Conference Rm		
11/13 Wedne	sday		
6:20-7:30am	TMIY-PC/gym		
7:45 -8 :15am	Confessions-Fr. Firmin-Office		
9:00am	Rosary-MCR		
9:30-11:00am	Bible Study-Mercy Conference Rm		
6:00рт	Parish Thanksgiving Dinner-PC/gym		
11/14 Thursda	ау		
7:45 ~8 :15am	Confessions-Fr. Firmin-Office		
9:00am	Rosary-MCR		
3:00-4:00pm	SJS Children's Rosary-MCR		
3:00-8:00pm	SJSBB -PC/8ym		
6:30рт	St. James Parish Council Mtg-MCR		
11/15 Friday			
7:45 -8 :15pm	Confessions-Fr. Firmin -Office		
9:00am	Rosary-MCR		
<u>3:00</u> рт	Mass Setup-PC/gym		
11/16 Saturda	зу		
8:30am	Rosary-MCR		
10:00am	Funeral-PC/gym-Fr. Firmin		
10:00-11:30pm	Food Pantry-SJS Cafeteria		
3:45-4:45pm	Confessions-Fr. Firmin-Office		
11/17 Thirty~	third Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Bethlehem Christians Wood Carvers -SJS Cafe			
8:00-11:15am	SJS Choir-Mercy Conference Rm		
10:15-11:15am	PREP-SJS		
10:30am	Baptism-IOH Chapel-Fr. Firmin		

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Offertory for Sunday

November 3rd, 2024 \$25,299.09 YTD Offertory: July 1st through October 31st 2023-24 Actual \$477,180.34 2024-25 Budget \$480,562.64 2024-25 Actual \$457,737.05 All Souls \$1,646.00 2024 ACA Progress Report as of 10/25/2024 Total Given & Pledged \$174,308.09 ACA Parish Goal: \$134,000 % Participation: 22.27

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

Science Fair Judges Needed!

St. James Catholic School

(Science background preferred)

Judging will be held

Thursday, Nov 21 from 3:30-6 PM & Friday, Nov 22 from 7:30 AM-3 PM

Judges may come at any time during one of those windows.

Please contact Stephen Hotard at stephenho@sjcs-savannahga.org if you would like to judge some projects!



The Bethlehem Christians is a group that represents 200 Christian families who live in Bethlehem, the Holy Land, and make their living as wood carvers. The Little Bethlehem group represented by the Alahouri family will be in the school cafeteria the weekend of **November 16th & 17th** to display and sell a collection of hand-carved olive wood religious items. By purchasing the items you are helping your brothers and sisters stay attached to their roots and keep their churches open. The profit goes to support Christianity in the land of Christ. *Please visit the website, www.little-bethlehem.org. Sincerely in Christ,*

Ghassan & Siham Alahouri



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.

PRIVATE PRAYER DURING RENOVATIONS

During church renovations, everyone is welcome to use the Adoration Chapel for private prayer. The Chapel is **open to the public** on weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sundays from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Access for those with scheduled adoration hours at other times of day remains the same.

Until further notice, the Chapel is the **only area** available for **private prayer**. Thank you for your patience, and for keeping our capital campaign projects in your prayers! St. James the Less, pray for us!





Savannah Care Center is in DIRE need of all size baby diapers! You can place your donations in the box provided in church office or you may drop off at Savannah Care Center, 105 E.34th St.



Access to Formed.org.

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!

Bright Eye-Deas Low Vision Group

Those among us with low vision limitations will certainly want to join our group on Wednesday, November 13 from 10:00 -11:30 am at the Skidaway Island Methodist Church on Diamond Causeway. Our program for this meeting will be led by Daniel Chrismer, Reader Advisor for the Georgia Library Service (GLS) for the Blind and Print Disabled (BARD). Mr. Chrismer will inform us on the BARD audio book program that is free and how to use it. He will also discuss the services provided by GLS and BARD, as well as the assistive technologies available and the GLS monthly tech talks. If you've been missing being able to read books and periodicals, this will be an excellent opportunity to avail yourself of this free service. If you have devices that you are currently using, bring them along and we will assist one another in getting set up on this program. We look forward to seeing you. Remember that spouses and your helpful persons are also welcome to attend. If you have questions or need a ride to the meeting, please contact Kay Higby at 248-227-1800 or kehigby@comcast.net. If you would like to join us for lunch following the meeting, please contact Anne Jeanblanc at 912-598-0879.



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Come join the ladies of our CCW on Monday, December 2, 2024. We will be making a Christmas craft with Tina Blackston. Our meeting starts at 6:30 in the Mercy Conference Room. Please, no food or drinks in our temporary daily chapel. There is no meeting in January. Our next meeting will be February 3, 2025, with Karen Dill showing us how to make a flower arrangement.



Council of Catholic Women Support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service. "Be A Swaddling Angel" The next project will be collected in December 2024. Please participate by choosing to: Donate YOUR CREATIVE crocheted, knitted, OR non-tie baby blankets. Finished sizes: <u>Newborns</u> 33"x 33" or larger and <u>Neonates</u> 22"x 22. Any donation of 1-2 yards of flannel / cotton fabrics are also appreciated. Please place your donation in the special hamper in the office breezeway. For any questions, please contact Anita Smith at anitarsmith122@gmail.com Thank you!!!



National Speakers

Celebrating the Feminine







Danielle Bean

January 25, 2025 9 am to 4 pm Benedictine Military School Savannah, GA

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Day Includes

Mass with Bishop Parkes; Four talks; Adoration & confession; Light breakfast & lunch; Local vendors

Registration

\$45 per person until Nov. 25\$50 per person Nov. 26 - Jan. 25

Three (3) ways to sign up!

- Online at StJamesSav.com/womens-conference/
- Scan the QR code at right ~or~ paper forms in Parish Office

Questions? Call the St. James Parish Office at 912-355-1523.



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