General Parish Information

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Convent:	912-355-6815
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Website:	www.stjamessav.com
Office Hours: Mon-Thurs.: 9am-5pm; Fri.: 9am-1:00pm	
2nd & 4th Sunday: 8:30am-12:30pm	

Staff

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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	
Mr. Charles Ancheta	Music Director & Organist
Mr. Mark Kolbush	Director of Finance
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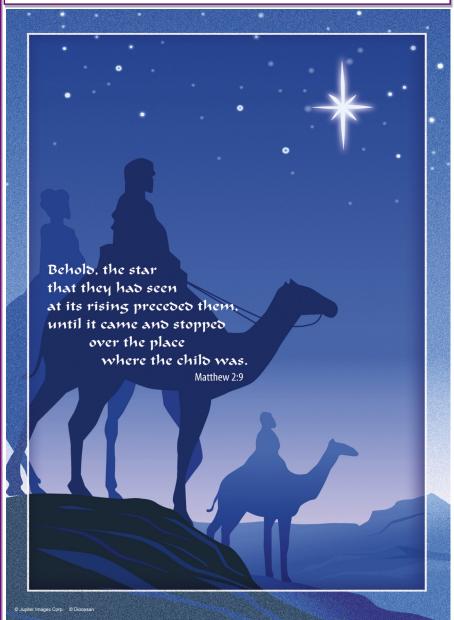
Sunday:......7:30, 9:00 & 11:30 am (Nursery available)

Mass Schedule

Vigil:5:00 pm (except on Holy Saturday)
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: Weekdays Mon-Fri: 7:45 - 8:15am; Tues-5pm,
Saturday: 3:45-4:45pm, and by other times by appt.
Baptism:Please call the parish office to pre-register
Anointing of the Sick:For anointing, or in case of an
emergency, please call the parish office.
Marriage:

Lumen Christi Perpetual Adoration Chapel......24/7

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 5TH, 2025



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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Our Speakers

Danielle Bean

Danielle Bean is creator and host of <u>Girlfriends</u>, an award-winning podeast that supports and encourages Catholic women from all walks of life. She is author of ten books, including You Are Enough, Giving Thanks and Letting Go, and Whisper: Finding God in the Everyday. Danielle has a special heart for families, and she encourages others to find humor in daily challenges and the joy God intends for every one of us. It is in her primary vocation to marriage and motherhood that Danielle finds the inspiration for all of her work.

Lisa Cotter

Lisa Cotter is a Catholic speaker and author known for her practical insights on relationships, femininity, and living life with excellence. Lisa is the author of Reveal the Gift: Living the Feminine Genius and Dating Detox: 40 Days of Perfecting Love in an Imperfect World. Her work has been featured on Ascension Presents, the Hallow App, EWTN, Formed.org, Steubenville Youth Conferences, the SEEK Conference, and numerous other outlets.



Day Includes

Mass celebrated by Bishop Parkes
Four (4) talks
Adoration & confession
Light breakfast & lunch provided*
Local vendors

*Vegetarian & gluten-free options available.



Registration \$50 per person

Three (3) ways to sign up!

- Online at StJamesSav.com/womens-conference/
- Scan the QR code at right ~or~ use the form below



Women's Conference Registration

Saturday, January 25, 2025

Name:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Home Parish:	

Please make checks payable to St. James Church.



St. James Weekly Calendar

1/5 The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00-11:15am SJC Choir-Mercy Conference Rm

10:15-11:15am PREP-SJS

Please join us for the Rosary for Fr. Firmin and his continued healing daily after the 8:30am

1/6 Monday

7:45–8:15am Confessions–Fr. Gabriel –Office

9:00am Rosary-PC/gym

1:00-2:30pm Contemplative Prayer Group-MCR

1/7 Tuesday

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Fr. Firmin-Office

9:00am Rosary-MCR

3:00-5:00pm SJS Faculty Mtg-SJS

6:30-8:00pm RCIA-MCR

1/8 Wednesday

6:20-7:30am TMIY-PC/gym

7:45-8:15am Confessions-Fr. Gabriel-Office

9:00am Rosary-MCR 9:45-11:15am Bible Study-MCR

1/9 Thursday

7:45-8:15pm Confessions-Fr. King-Office

9:00am Rosary-MCR

6:30-8:00pm Parish Council Meeting-TBD

1/10 Friday

7:45-8:15pm Confessions-Fr. Firmin-Office

9:00am Rosary-MCR

3:00pm Mass Setup-PC/gym

1/11 Saturday

8:30am Rosary-MCR

3:45-4:45pm Confessions-TBD-Office

1/12 The Baptism of the Lord

8:00–11:15am SJS Choir–Mercy Conference Rm 10:00am Baptism–IOH–Fr. Frank Ziemkiewski

10:15-11:15am PREP-SJS



Council of Catholic Women

Support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

from CCW

There will not be a January meeting. We will resume February 3 at 6:30 PM. Karen Dills will show us how to make a flower arrangement.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Offertory for Sunday

December 22, 2024 \$32,511.63

YTD Offertory: July 1st through December 22nd

 2023-24 Actual
 \$697,792.42

 2024-25 Budget
 \$702,738.43

 2024-25 Actual
 \$675,211.90

2024 ACA Progress Report as of 12/17/2024

Total Given & Pledged \$189,331.74 ACA Parish Goal: \$134,000 % Participation: 22.72

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



Cursillo Weekend Encounter

What is Cursillo?

It is a movement of the Catholic Church that makes it possible for people to live what is fundamental to being a Catholic Christian. It

helps people discover and fulfill their personal vocation, and promotes the creation of core groups of Christians who transform their environment through living the Gospel. It is for you if you feel called to a deeper commitment to your faith and are looking for a way to sustain your Christian journey. There will be a Cursillo weekend encounter in Collins, GA on Thurs, Jan 30 – Sun, Feb 2 for women and on Thurs, Feb 13 – Sun, Feb16 for men. For more information, contact Sally Arman sallyarman@comcast.net 912-598-2177 or Chuck Medlock chuckmedlock@aol.com 912-661-3962.



Mass Schedule & Intentions

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

1/5 The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

7:30 am Special Intention, Matilda Montoya

8:00 am (IOH)

Special Intention for the healing of victims of abuse and for the purification of the Church

9:00 am + Bernie & Butch DeNitto

11:30 am For the People

**Christopher Awiliba, Tomas Beroch, Godfred Boachie-Yiadom | Noah Pace | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

1/6 Monday

1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

7:00 am + Le Van Cu 8:30 am + Jack Kouvel

**Brett Brannen, Joey Buencamino, Anthony Phong Bui, Juan Carlos Castillo | Fred Williams | Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso

1/7 Tuesday

1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

7:00 am Special Intention, Beth Filson

8:30 am + Earl Derby

**Michael Cerrone Robert Chaney, Douglas Clark, Casey Cole, William Cook | Stephen Owusu Dwamena | Sr. Rachael Elizabeth Wilson

1/8 Wednesday

1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52

7:00 a.m.

8:30 a.m. + Loretta Hipp

5:30 p.m. + Bob Rohland, 1st Anniversary

**Gabriel Cummings, Benjamin Dallas, Matthew Ericksen, Rafael Estrada | Gilbert Ofori Mensah | Sr. Stephanie Gabriel

1/9 Thursday

1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Ps 72:1-2; 14 and 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22

7:00 am + Ly Ngoc Tuan 8:30 am + Joyce Egan

**Romanus Ezeugwu, Eric Filmer, Daniel Firmin, Luis Fonseca, Mariusz Fuks | Benjamin Aler | Sr. Joan O'Reilly

1/10 Friday

1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

7:00 am

8:30 am + Cecilia De Borde

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

1/11 Saturday

1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 3:22-30

9:00 am Special Intention, Tony & Martha Hejka

5:00 pm + Janet Messina

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

1/12 Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4; Ps 29-1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10, Acts 10:34-38, Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

7:30 am + Barbara Karl 9:00 am + Holli Strozzo 11:30 am For the People

**Christopher Awiliba, Tomas Beroch, Godfred Boachie-Yiadom | Noah Pace | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

The Nursery is available for children 4 and under during the 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. 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.

~ Through Christ our Lord. ~ Amen.

We pray for the sick of our Parish Community:

Fr. Daniel Firmin, Josie Lee, JoAnn Faust, John Broderick, Nathan Walker, Vicky Reyes, Dick Buchner, Maria Polito, Thomas Turchiano, Brian DeRouen, 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:

Paul Baldwin, Marie Robinson, Delores Flemming, Donna Katula, Elizabeth Berube, and all our deceased family and friends.



Welcome to our new members:

Bradford and Jessica Battista & Family
Heather Kelly and Family
Gerilynn Knowles & Family
Thomas Selig



Early Learning Center

Become a Little Charger!

The 2025-2026 Waitlist Opens Online January 6, 2025





Benefiting St. James Catholic School

The American Legion Ballroom March 29, 2025 • 6:30 PM *Tickets on Sale Soon*





For more information, contact Marcia Larner (407) 625-8840 or sjsgala@sjcs-savannahga.org

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) UPDATE

The St. James PREP classes will resume on Sunday, January 5, 2025, at 10:15 a.m. A General Parent Meeting is also scheduled that day; parents/guardians of PREP students should plan to attend!



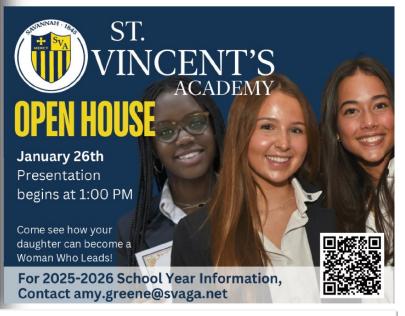
Saint James Catholic School is looking to fill the following positions. Applicants must have clearances and Virtus training. If you or someone you know might be interested and qualified, please send a cover letter and resume with pertinent information to the contact person listed below.

<u>Substitute teachers</u> - Please contact Ms. Erika Minnis at <u>erikami@sjcs-savannahga.org</u> or 912-355-3132.

<u>Classroom aide</u> - Qualifications include willingness to learn the school and classroom routines, taking direction, assisting the classroom teacher in clerical and academic areas.

Please contact Sister Joan at srjoan@sjcs-savannahga.org.

<u>Part-time staff for after school care</u> - Regular hours are 2:30 – 6 p.m. up to five days a week. Competitive hourly rate. Please contact Sister Joan at <u>srjoan@sjcs-savannahga.org</u>.





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.**







TEN VIRTUES of MARY

The Blessed Mother is our perfect example of what it is to be a woman in love with the Lord. Saint Louis de Montfort defined ten virtues that Mary exhibited that define her life. These virtues are challenging, but they are not impossible. This season will shed light on each of these virtues while offering a roadmap to holiness. Each session provides a practical framework so you can deepen your prayer life, improve your relationships, and enrich your family life.



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ALICIA HERNON

Co-founder

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MARI PABLO Catholic Speaker & Evangelist



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SR. ALEXIA ZALDIVAR Servant of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary



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- 4 ARDENT CHARITY
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- 5 Profound Humility & Universal Mortification JORDAN LANGDON

- 6 LIVELY FAITH
- 7 SURPASSING PURITY SR. ALEXIA ZALDIVAR
- 8 HEROIC PATIENCE
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- 9 UNCEASING PRAYER KATIE HARTFIEL



SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN

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PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Multiple Days of the Week Different times of day Hosted in parishioners' homes

SCHEDULE:

30 minutes of fellowship 20-30 minute video 30 minute discussion Groups begin the week of Feb. 3, 2025!

REGISTRATION:

To register, scan the QR code, or visit stjamessav.com. For help registering, please call the Parish office at 912-355-1523.



The Sharing Tree Committee Thanks You!

Dear St. James Parishioners,

Once again, we would like to say "Thank you" for your generous outpouring of gift cards and gifts to this year's Christmas Sharing Tree. Because of your generosity, we were able to provide over 330 gifts and gift cards all to the local community. This included:

The elderly in subsidized housing at Williams Court Apartments.

At-Risk Children and Youth at Park Place Outreach and Greenbriar Children's Center.

Mentally challenged adults residing in Miller & Donnelly Houses here in Savannah.

Expectant mothers at The Savannah Care Pregnancy Center.

At-Risk families at Good Samaritan Clinic

St. Mary's Health Center

We are told again and again that many of these recipients would not receive a single gift if it wasn't for the kindness and generosity of our parishioners here at St. James. It is overwhelming to see the love expressed for others in this ministry!

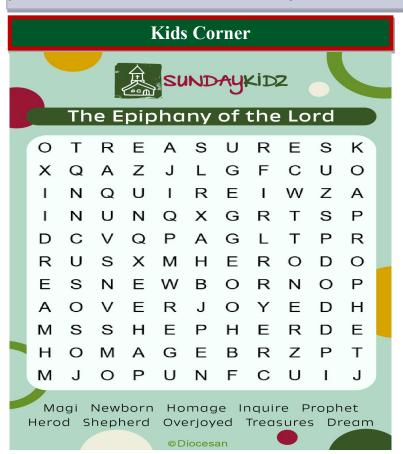
The Sharing Tree initiative takes place in stages from late October until the week before Christmas. Many helpers make the process run smoothly. We would especially like to thank those who volunteered to organize & sort the gifts and deliver them to their final destinations.

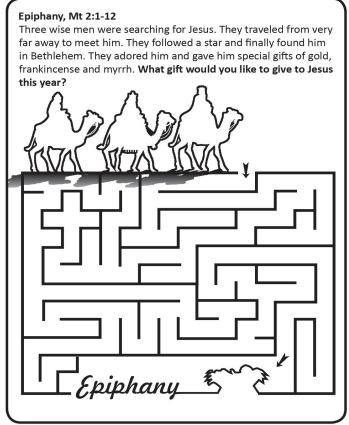
Thank you to everyone who provided gift cards, gifts and monetary donations so that we could share Christmas with "the least of these." The Christmas Sharing Tree Committee is an outreach of the Christian Services Cluster of our parish. All are welcome to assist in this ministry. For more information or to volunteer, please contact the church office.

St. James Church Food Pantry Ministry News

There will NOT BE a Food Pantry for the month of January. Our next Food Pantry is February 8th.

For more information, please call the Food Pantry line at 912-800-9006. If you would like to volunteer, please email Mary Lisicia at marylisicia@yahoo.com or call the church office at 912-355-1523. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please make the check out to St. James Catholic Church and place in the memo line — "SJC Food Pantry" or you can donate online at our website: www.stjamessav.com





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