General Parish Information

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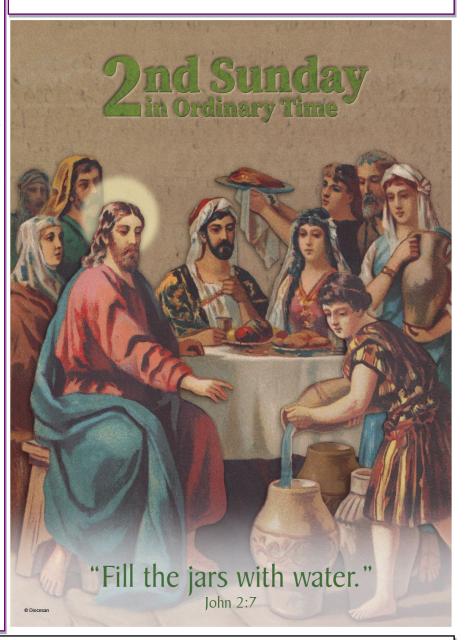
Mass Schedule

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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	Administrative Assistant
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Sunday:7:30, 9:00 & 11:30 am (Nursery available) 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:
Reconciliation: Weekdays Mon-Fri: 7:45 - 8:15am; Tues-5pm, Saturday: 3:454:45pm, and by other times by appt.
Baptism:
Marriage:

JANUARY 19, 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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PASTOR'S CORNER 2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

1ST RECONCILIATION

In the Gospel of John 20:22-23 we read, "He breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them; whose sins you retain are retained." With that, Our Lord Jesus gave to the Apostles and their successors and the priests ordained by them the power to forgive sins. The priest in the confessional continues the healing ministry of Jesus. He came to heal us from the wounds of our sins and reconcile us to God the Father and to one another. This work continues in Sacrament of Confession/Reconciliation.

Thursday evening this week, approximately 50 of our young people will experience for the first time the beauty, healing, and mercy of God in this sacrament! If you have ears to hear, there will be an abundance of joy in heaven that evening! "There is more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine who think they have no need of repentance." (Luke 15:7) Please pray for these young souls that they may come to know in a magnificent way the mercy, grace, and love of Jesus in this sacrament.

This leads me to a question: when was the last time you experienced the mercy, grace, and love of Jesus in the Sacrament of Confession/Reconciliation? At St. James there are plenty of opportunities - Monday - Friday, 7:45 AM - 8:15 AM; Saturday, 3:45 PM - 4:45 PM. Come to the fountain of mercy!

2025 St. James Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday, January 25, St. James will have our 2025 Catholic Women's Conference with Lisa Cotter and Danielle Bean as our presenters. Bishop Stephen D. Parkes, Bishop of Savannah, will start the day off with mass and there will be opportunities for prayer, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and Confession/Reconciliation. We have a wonderful team who worked with Sr. Stephanie to develop the day-long conference. I am looking forward to welcoming 200 women who have taken the day to be with Jesus and their Sisters in Christ!

PRAYER FOR OUR CHARGING FORWARD IN FAITH AND EDUCATION CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

As we continue to build and bring the vision of the Church and School to reality, I ask for your prayers. Prayer cards are available in the Narthex. Here is a prayer composed for the success of our capital campaign:

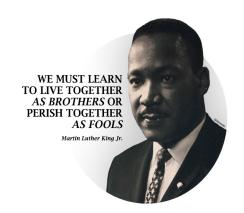
God our Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your abundant blessings bestowed upon St. James the Less Catholic Parish and the good work you have begun in our community. Standing upon all You have done in the past and all you are doing in the present time, we rejoice in the future You lay before us. May we charge forward in faith and education, being formed as disciples of Jesus Christ, Your Son, striving for excellence in all we do, and growing in faith, hope, and love. Through the intercession of St. James the Less, Your Apostle, may we be generous in sharing all that we are and all that You have given us. Help our vision become a reality, O Lord, and let all we do and build glorify Your Name. Amen.

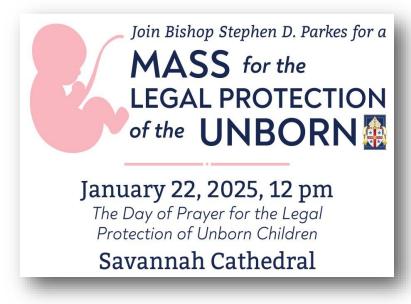
Please continue to pray for the success of our campaign and that the projects be completed safely and in good time!

St. James the Less, pray for us

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

~ Fr. Daniel Firmin





Mass Schedule & Intentions

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

1/19 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

7:30 am Special Intention, Kerry McBride ~ Fr. Firmin

9:00 am + Joyce Egan ~ Fr. King 11:30 am For the People ~ Fr. Gabriel

**Odel Medina, Pablo Migone, Richard Minch, Thomas Murphy | Justin Motes | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

1/20 Monday

Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 2:18-22

No 7:00 a.m.

8:30 am + Thomas Mahoney, Jr. ~ Fr. Gabriel

**Thomas Nellis, Kim Son Nguyen, Martino Nguyen, Peter Hung Nguyen | Noah Pace | Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso

1/21 Tuesday St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28

7:00 am Special Intention, Susanna Powers ~ Fr. Gabriel

8:30 am + Christopher Morris ~ Fr. King

**Fred Nijem, Patrick O'Brien, Daniel O'Connell, Paul O'Connell | Fred Williams | Sr. Rachael Elizabeth Wilson

1/22 Wednesday Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 3:1-6

7:00 a.m. + William Wall ~ Fr. King 8:30 a.m. + Jack Kouvel ~ Fr. Gabriel

5:30 p.m. Fr. Firmin

**Kevin O'Keefe, Paulinus Okpala, Keith O'Neill, Barnabas O'Reilly | Stephen Owusu Dwamena | Samantha Scharf

1/23 Thursday

Heb 7:25-8:6; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Mk 3:7-12

7:00 am Fr. Firmin 8:30 am Fr. King

**Brian O'Shaughnessy, Patrick Otor, Peter Oyenugba, Ronald Pachence | Gilbert Ofori Mensah | Sr. Alexis Karen Reavill

1/24 Friday St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10, 11-12, 13-4; Mk 3:13-19

7:00 am Fr. Gabriel

8:30 am + Colleen Marie Hipp ~ Fr. Firmin

**Francis Patterson, Steven Patti, Steven Pavignano ,Saimel Perdomo | Benjamin Aler | Sr. Megan Elizabeth Capurso

1/25 Saturday Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

9:00 am Fr. Firmin 5:00 pm Fr. Gabriel

**Thomas Peyton, Robert Phillips, Carlos Pinzon, Stephen Pontzer | Benjamin Harper | Sr. Rachael Elizabeth Wilson

1/26 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30

7:30 am For the People ~ Fr. Firmin 9:00 am + Mary Dimock ~ Fr. Gabriel

11:30 am Special Intention, Michale & Josie Williams ~ Fr. Firmin

**John Quang, Gerald Ragan, Carlos Rivero, Luis Rosado, Mark Ross | Matthew Aondofa Nyikwagh | Samantha Scharf

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, Anthony Viola, 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.

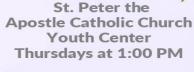
~ Through Christ our Lord. ~ Amen.

We pray for the repose of the souls of:

Paul Baldwin, Marie Robinson, Michelle Ansley, John Broderick, Dominador Monterola, Delores Flemming and all our deceased family and friends.

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A support program to cope with grief & loss



The 9 week program begins Thursday, February 13th

For more information or to sign up to participate contact:

Diane Farthing dgfarthing@aol.com 770-309-2019 Sheila Lowe miloga89@gmail.com 912-656-9109



St. James Weekly Calendar

1/19 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

No PREP

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

1/20 Monday

Church office Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Day

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

9:00am Rosary-PC/gym

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

1/21 Tuesday

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

9:00am Rosary-MCR 6:30-8:00pm RCIA-MCR

1/22 Wednesday

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

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

1/23 Thursday

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

9:00am Rosary-MCR

3:00pm SJS Children's Rosary–MCR 6:30pm First Reconciliation–PC/MCR

1/24 Friday

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

9:00am Rosary-MCR

3:00pm Mass Setup-PC/gym

1/25 Saturday

8:00am-5:00pm Women's Conference-Benedictine

8:30am Rosary-MCR

3:45-4:45pm Confessions-Fr. Firmin-Office

1/26 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

10:15-11:15am PREP-SJS

The St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee



The St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee is currently seeking all children ages 8-18 to participate in the Flags of Ireland Unit for the 2025 St. Patrick's Day Parade and other activities.

Space is limited so to reserve your spot, or if you have any questions, please contact Jake Roberts
912-659-3146 or flag_unit@
savannahsaintpatricksday.com

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Offertory for Sunday

January 12, 2025 \$37,322.92

YTD Offertory: July 1st through January 12, 2025

 2023-24 Actual
 \$835,285.52

 2024-25 Budget
 \$841,206.10

 2024-25 Actual
 \$803,333.15

2nd Collection

Black & Native Americans \$4,033.00

2024 ACA Final Report as of 1/10/2025

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GAVE TO LAST YEAR'S APPEAL!

Total Given & Pledged \$195,058.21 ACA Parish Goal: \$134,000 % Participation: 29.16

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



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











Council of Catholic Women Support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality,

Catholic women in spirituali leadership and service.

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.







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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- 8 HEROIC PATIENCE ALICIIA HERNON
- 9 UNCEASING PRAYER



SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN

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PROGRAM INFORMATION:

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

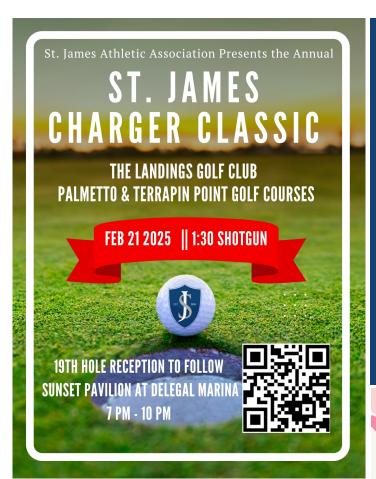
SCHEDULE:

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.





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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>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>.

GALENTINE'S DAL Handbag Bingo

Come play bingo with your best gals & try to win a fabulous bag!

Friday, February 7th, 2025 in the Parish Center / Gym

Doors open at 6:15, games start at 7:00

\$30 per ticket or \$200 for a table of 8 Includes 3 cards for 10 games

50/50 and basket raffle tickets available at the event – cash only!

BYO snacks and beverages! Table decorating is encouraged!

Scan QR code to sign up!



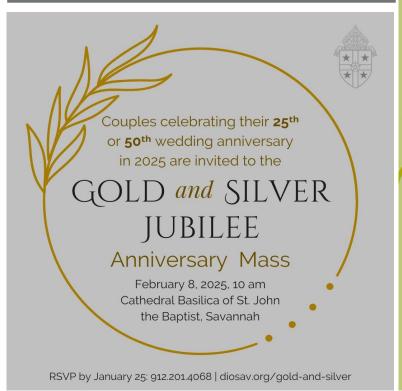




Come join us as we begin the TMIY Spring 2025 Semester of "Apostles of the New

Springtime", beginning Wednesday, February 5. Program will run for 13

consecutive Wednesdays from 6:20 - 7:30 am. This is our 10th year of the TMIY (That Man is You) Catholic Men's program. Come grow in your Catholic faith and become part of our TMIY brotherhood. Call Brian Kennedy, cell 912 661-0546 or Paul Lambert, cell 912 484-4670 for more information.



Kids Corner



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Wedding Galilee Invited Wine Stone Ceremony Jars Water Reveal Believe

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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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Granola bars

The Food Pantry is every third Saturday of the month in the school cafeteria from 10:00 am - 11:30 am. For more information, please call the Food Pantry line at 912-800-9006. If you would like to volunteer, please email Mary Lisicia at <u>marylisicia@yahoo.com</u> or call the church office at 912-355-1523.

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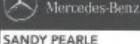
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