

Do whatever
he tells you.

JOHN 25



SAINT JAMES THE GREAT CHURCH

8320 Brookside Road Elkins Park, PA 19027

Tel. 215-635-6210 Email: stjameselkinspark@comcast.net

Fax 215-635-3346 Website: www.stjameselkinspark.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stjameselkinspark/>

YouTube: [Saint James The Great PA youtube.com](http://SaintJamesTheGreatPAyoutube.com)

Most Reverend Bishop Efren V. Esmilla in residence

Reverend Andrew Laboratorio, Parochial Administrator

Mark Salvatore, Permanent Deacon

MASSES

Weekend

Saturday Evening 5:00

Sunday

AM 8:30 10:30

PM 12:30 **FILIPINO MASS**

1st & 3rd Sundays Bilingual (English and Tagalog)

2nd & 4th Sundays English

Weekdays

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM

Holy Day Masses 8:00 AM 7:00 PM

DEVOTIONS - SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Except Wednesday 7:30 am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 7:30 am Mother of Perpetual Help

Saturday 4:15 pm Eucharistic Adoration

Sunday 8:00 am Morning Prayer

First Friday of the Month

6:00 p.m. Holy Hour (Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Sacred Heart of Jesus Novena, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary)

7:00 p.m. Mass

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament

Monday to Friday immediately after the 8:00 am Mass until 4:30 pm ** Except Thursday until 12:30 pm.

Every 3:30 pm, we have Holy Hour and on Thursday 11:30 am with Benediction

Eloise Gonzales, Coordinator 215-208-0648

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

Saturday 4:20 - 4:50 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Those who are seriously ill or impaired by age are invited to contact Father Andrew to administer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Those who are unable to join in celebrating Sunday Mass will be visited by Father Andrew and by parish Ministers for Communion. If a hospitalization is to take place, please request the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick after Sunday/Saturday Vigil Mass.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents planning on the Baptism of a child are asked to contact Father Andrew to make arrangements. Baptism is administered on Saturday morning or after the 12:30 Mass or within the Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to marry at St. James Church are asked to contact Father Andrew at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date to make arrangements and attend the marriage Pre-Cana classes.

RECTORY OFFICE

Monday through Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Director, Religious Education, Jeanna Lane

Business Manager, Jackie Padua

Music Director, Frank Klose

Secretary, Doreen Walker

Maintenance Supervisor, John Vanet

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Father Andrew Laboratorio, James Amons, William Kiefer, Daniel Kovatich, Jeanna Lane, Eloise Gonzales

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Father Andrew Laboratorio, Ferdie Aczon, Hermie Aczon, Michael Foell, Charles Halpin, Imelda Tan, Frank Wlodarczyk

PARISH REGISTRATION

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO REGISTER IN OUR PARISH. PLEASE CALL AND MAKE APPOINTMENT WITH FATHER ANDREW.

Please note that the Sunday bulletin is submitted to the publisher the Sunday before the bulletin date. Please submit all requests to Father Andrew by that Thursday for approval.

0056 St. James, Elkins Park, PA

Readings #1201

Entrance Antiphon: *Ps 66 (65):4*
 All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

Entrance Hymn:
 # 915 All Are Welcome

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 96:1-3, 7-10
 Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Offertory Hymn:
 # 910 We Are Many Parts

Communion Antiphon: *Cf. Ps 23 (22):5*
 You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

Communion Hymn:
 # 1042 One Bread, One Body

Recessional Hymn:
 # 674 O God Beyond All Praising

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (UNITY PRAYER)

My Adorable Jesus,
 May our feet journey together,
 May our hands gather in unity,
 May our hearts beat in unison,
 May our souls be in harmony,
 May our thoughts be as one,
 May our ears listen to the silence together,
 May our glances profoundly penetrate each other,
 May our lips pray together to gain mercy from the Eternal Father. Amen.

Words of Hope from Father Andrew

Archbishop Perez issued a Pastoral Letter to the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. A pastoral letter is an open letter to all clergy and laity concerning the current situation of the archdiocese. It also contains Archbishop’s hope and vision in addressing real challenges in our church today. I encourage you to read it and to pray about it.

In his letter, the archbishop wrote this: “Today, 83% of our fellow baptized Catholics don’t come to church. That fact needs to make us uncomfortable. We need to have urgency around this.” He invites us to have a pastoral change of heart as we address this reality in our church. He wrote: “I invite you to join me this coming spring for discussions about the future of the Church of Philadelphia. I see our local Church as a hub of evangelization, vibrant with hope and grace. But to move forward, I need to listen to your hopes, dreams, concerns, and desires for renewal. Please join me.”

In our parish, we will soon organize “conversations” on the issues presented by the archbishop in his pastoral letter. I pray that you may be generous with your time.



Reading I: Isaiah 62: 1-5

The spokesman for God breaks a long silence and tells of the glory of the new Zion. There Christ will eventually reveal His glory to all the nations.

Reading II: Corinthians 12: 4-11

Paul, discerning competition within the community about gifts, declares that while there are many gifts, all of them flow from the same Holy Spirit.

The Gospel: John 2: 1-11

This beautiful story presents the first of Jesus’ “signs.” There are Jesus’ miracles. Here John underscores Mary’s intercessory power. He also reminds his readers that it is the Father’s will that guides Jesus’ whole ministry.

*The Adoration
Candle this week is
dedicated to*
**+ Cosimo N.
Sciortimo**

If you wish to dedicate the Adoration Candle for someone, please notify the rectory or drop an envelope with your offering in the basket. \$5.00 offering is requested.

If you wish to participate in the ancient tradition of providing the bread and wine for our liturgies as a memorial for your family or your deceased loved ones, please notify the rectory or drop an envelope with your offering in the collection basket. \$10.00 offering is requested.



*The Bread &
Wine*

MASS Intentions

Saturday	01/18/2025
5:00	+ Carmencita Sayoc
Sunday	01/19/2025
8:30	+ Donald Korba - birthday
	+ Evelyn Bucciarelli
10:30	Anthony & Mariette
	Obfenda
12:30	Sherwinto Sr. & Norilyn
	Ochabillo
Monday	01/20/2025
8:00	+ Regina Saul
Tuesday	01/21/2025
8:00	St. James Parishioners
Wednesday	01/22/2025
8:00	St. James Parishioners
Thursday	01/23/2025
8:00	St. James Parishioners
Friday	01/24/2025
8:00	St. James Parishioners

If you wish to have a Sanctuary Candle burn for a full week in memory of a loved one, please notify the rectory or drop an envelope with your offering in the basket. \$5.00 offering is requested.

*The Sanctuary
Candle this week is
dedicated to*
+ Ian Kwirk

PRAY for the sick

Hugh Bailey, Judy Beahn, Anna Beans, Bishop Herbert Bevard, Patty Biddle, Anthony Bonannoi, Andrea Cardwell, Phylis ChiarLanza, Barbara Cohen, Patricia Edinger, Nolan Forst, Pat Geisler, Vincent Gonzalez, Katie Green, Liam Hagadorn, Joseph Holland, Matthew Kelly, John Knowlton, David Korba, Heather Korba, Sam Kuchna, Stella Lukiewski, Mary MacFarland, Sally Maida, Janet Mair, Colleen McKeever, Bob McNulty, Ryan McNulty, Kate McManus, Shane Metto, Frank Nerney, Ralph Naccarato, Eddie O'Connell, Irvin Quinn, Joseph Reilly, Bernadette Sanchez, Salvatore Sioani, Joe Stanton, Ally Turner, Frank Walsh, Karen Walsh, Frank Wlodarczyk, John Vogl
Remembering those serving in the military
Timothy Bride, Lt. Nicholas J. Thomas, Sgt. 1st Class Glenn Schumacher, Tom Chlebda, SSG Owen Ochs, Major Peter Shayhorn, Sgt. Daniel Steenstra, Ben Clifton, Thales Nesio Freitas, Lt. Shannon Smith, Gy. Sgt. Dan Reilly, Regan Loughney Air Force Academy

<i>January 25/26</i>	5:00 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	12:30 PM
ALTAR SERVERS		Daniel Kovatich	Matthew Arguelles	Gigi Pabustan Anton Asistido
COMMUNION MINISTERS	B. Jeobstl T. McAuliffe	N. Callahan D. Kovatich	M. Fittery J. Kolen	Hermie Aczon Norma Jamil
LECTORS	E. Gonzales T. Stein	B. Coccagna C. Piccone	M. Goodman J. Obfenda	Jovy Yaplito Aida Zoleta
MUSIC MINISTRY	Frank Ashley		Frank, Greg, Joanna, Choir	El Shaddai

NOURISHING OUR FAITH: "IT'S A CATHOLIC THING"

Why Catholics make Sign of the Cross?

The early Church Fathers attested to the use of the sign of the cross. Tertullian (d. c. 250) described the commonness of the sign of the cross: "In all our travels and movements, in all our coming in and going out, in putting on our shoes, at the bath, at the table, in lighting our candles, in lying down, in sitting down, whatever employment occupies us, we mark our foreheads with the sign of the cross" (De corona, 30).

The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that when Catholics are baptized "the sign of the cross, on the threshold of the celebration, marks with the imprint of Christ the one who is going to belong to him and signifies the grace of the Redemption Christ won for us by his cross" (CCC 1235).

Making the sign of the cross is a gesture that says the person is a Catholic. Pope Francis said, "By tracing the cross on our body, we remind ourselves how much God loved us, to the point of giving his life for us; and we repeat to ourselves that his love envelops us completely, from top to bottom, from left to right, like an embrace that never abandons us." (CNA) May we never hesitate nor be ashamed to make a sign of the Cross in public. It is a sign of our faith in God the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

PASTORAL LETTER:

Archbishop Pérez's Pastoral Letter Archbishop Pérez published a Pastoral Letter on Sunday, January 5th.

This letter outlines his hopes for the Church of Philadelphia over the coming years. He is asking for your help in being a part of the process. The first thing to do is to visit <https://trustandhope.org> by clicking the link and then reading the Archbishop's letter to us. After that, please also sign up for one of the Archdiocesan Consultation Sessions and learn even more. We will also have local information sessions here at St. James Church and we will share those dates as soon as we schedule them.

Dear St. James Roman Catholic Church,

On behalf of Drueding Center's families, we would like to extend our heartfelt gratefulness for your generous donation to our holiday program, which included a wide variety of children's toys, gift cards, and diapers, etc. Your yearly support means so much to our families. Your contributions help families *heal from trauma, restore hope, and homelessness* through a trauma-informed and housing-first approach. At Dreuding Center, we provide vital support to families experiencing homelessness through our range of programs, including residential transitional housing, nationally accredited childcare, food pantry services, and aftercare programs that extend support for up to seven years. Additionally, our supportive housing and community-based case management programs assist formerly homeless families on their journey to independence. Thanks to contributors like you, we are able to positively impact the lives of over 500 families annually.

Thank you for ensuring that Drueding Center remains the place ***Where Hope comes alive***™.

With sincere appreciation and gratitude,

Anne Marie Collins, MS (VP/Executive Director)

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

January 5 Collection: \$6578.85
Online Giving: \$880.00
January 12 Collection: \$3716.00
Online Giving: \$450.00

20 Week Club

Please send in your 20 week club tickets! The first drawing will be on January 27th. If you need tickets please call the rectory. Thank you!



Serving NJ & PA • Licensed & Insured

\$25 HEATING SYSTEM TUNE-UP (\$125 Value)
Residential & Commercial



Healing Your Home, One System at a Time

Mobile: 267-775-7098 • Kevin H. Nguyen, PhD
10 Year Warranty On Parts & Labor On New Installations

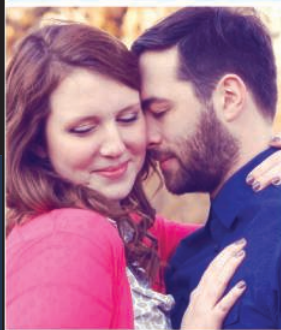
CADWALDER SERVICE CENTRE
AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR AND BODY SHOP
Specializing in *Electrical Diagnosis*
AUTO • FLEET • VINTAGE



Vince A. Lanciano
111 Cadwalader Ave., Elkins Park, PA 19027
215-884-7054
cadwaladerservicecenter@gmail.com

Richard A. Miller
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
8019 Old York Road
Elkins Park, PA 19027
(215) 782-9838
*Will Guide You
In The Right Direction!*

catholicmatch®
Pennsylvania



CatholicMatch.com/
datePA

Mallory's Army Foundation
United Together In The Fight Against Bullying...
Don't Just Teach Kindness... **BE KINDNESS!**
www.MallorysArmy.com
(973) 440-8657 • info@mallorysarmy.org
It's easy to join our mailing list! Just send your email
address by text message:
Text **MALLORYSARMY** to 22828 to get started.
 Message and data rates may apply.



Dudo Electric Inc.
Serving The Community
Since 1985
215.635.0282
Parishioner
David Dudo

WORSHIP



WITH US



Support Our Advertisers!

SHOP LOCAL • EAT LOCAL • ENJOY LOCAL



Make a Difference in Your Community

VOLUNTEER

with the American Red Cross

Join today at redcross.org/Volunteer

OUR SPONSORS & OUR COMMUNITY



Sponsors can offer promotions, discounts and/or up-to-date contact information to the **ENTIRE** community

Finding **FABER**

ANYONE in the community, not only Parishioners, can access realtime offers from their favorite sponsors to save, share & support



Available on Google Play and the App Store



INCREASE YOUR VISIBILITY IN THE COMMUNITY

Place Your Ad Here to Support Our Parish!

CONTACT ME
Cindy O'Neal

coneal@jppc.net
(931) 217-7110



RIDESHARE ZONE

Stop
Ask
Match
Inform

#WHATSMYNAME

Morgan

basement waterproofing

In Our 4th Decade of Quality Service

**French Drains
Foundation Repair
Mold Remediation**

All Work Guaranteed

610-696-0100

www.morganbasementwaterproofing.com

Life Celebration
By **GIVNISH**

You know about our Reputation,
Services & Facilities.
Now, know us for Affordability.
Funerals from \$195
/Month

1-800-GIVNISH www.lifecelebration.com



MELROSE SERVICENTER
formerly Melrose Amoco
7701 Montgomery Ave.
Elkins Park, PA 19027
State Insp. • Emissions Insp.
Front End Alignment - Both (2 & 4 Wheel)
General Auto Repair
Tires/Batteries/Accessories
John F. Reed, Mgr. 782-9900

OPEN YEAR ROUND!

Sprinkles
ICE CREAM SHOPPE
215-887-1233



francismartino@aol.com
FRANCIS MARTINO
INSURANCE
Francis Martino
Insurance Broker
PHONE:
215-379-2400
10 East Township Line Road
Elkins Park, PA 19027

Family Owned and Operated Since 1987

FREE INSPECTION
Licensed & Insured

RIGHTWAY
WATERPROOFING CO.

BASEMENT WATERPROOFING
MOLD REMEDIATION
FOUNDATION REPAIR

Church Member Discounts

215-427-1727

www.RightwayWaterproofing.com




JOSEPH P. FARLEY
Plumbing & Heating
Registered No. 3121
P.A.043294
ALTERATIONS - JOBBING
309 Central Avenue
379-0881

RE/MAX Regency Realty

Larry Aita
REALTOR®
Seniors Real Estate Specialist

Cell: (215) 478-4344
Office: (215) 517-8800
larryaita@myrealtorpa.com
www.larryaita.com
Let's Get Moving!
Free 1 Year Home Warranty
With All New Listings.

Each Office Independently Owned and Operated



Sloane
MOVING • STORAGE
Over 90 Years of Experience!

P: (215) 576-8459
F: (215) 576-0940
info@sloanemoving.com
www.sloanemoving.com
855 Township Line Road
Elkins Park, PA 19027

2019
ROSENELLO'S
WINDOWS
SIDING & ROOFING
Ask about our locally manufactured #1 rated window in the United States!
215-244-3993
info@rosenelloswindows.com

PA158514 (PA) | 13VH1822900 (NJ)

BECAUSE YOUR BASEMENT HAS WATER.

BUCK CONSTRUCTION
267-656-7077
www.buckconstruction.org

Serving Families Since 1900
Joseph J. McGoldrick Funeral Home, Inc.
Joseph J. McGoldrick, F.D. 1924-2013
Thomas M. McGoldrick, F.D. Supervisor
James T. Meyers, F.D.
Francis X. Givnish, FD
507 West Avenue, Jenkintown, PA 19046
www.mcgoldrickfh.com 215-884-0800



LIMITED TIME OFFER \$500 OFF*

- FOUNDATION REPAIR
- BASEMENT WATERPROOFING
- CRAWL SPACE REPAIR
- CONCRETE LIFTING

215-515-7623

GET A FREE INSPECTION

Groundworks®
Foundation Solutions Crafted with Pride
FORMERLY IFO Basements & Concrete

*Ten percent off any job over \$2500 up to a max of \$500. Coupon must be presented at time of inspection. Offer may not be combined with any other offer. Limit one per customer. Ask inspector for further details. Promo valid through 12/31/2024.

RODRIGUEZ FUNERAL HOME, INC.
1101 East Erie Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19124
(215) 537-8686

Join Us...
for our Pre-Planning Seminars
Get your ducks in a row.
We'll guide you through the steps of preparing your final wishes, options for placement of your remains, funeral personalization, and addressing the financial options of final expenses.

Call Us For More Info About Upcoming Dates & Locations!
844-451-9614
www.PhiladelphiaCatholicCemeteries.com

PHILADELPHIA CATHOLIC CEMETERIES.COM




Milian E. Rodriguez, F.D.
Supervisor

HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY
We are excited to announce our latest addition of a highly desirable mausoleum space.
Garden of Assumption.
We have mausoleum spaces with beautiful features. Advance planning of your final arrangements will allow you to have your choice of a wonderful mausoleum space for both you and your loved ones.

Available Now for Reservation!
Contact Holy Sepulchre Cemetery at 267-520-4914



FALL SERVICES

Property Cleanup • Aeration
Dethatching • Planting
Hardscaping • Landscape Design

MIM
Tree Service and Landscaping

(267) 276-8934
(609) 977-1333

