

When they brought their boats  
to the shore, they left everything  
and followed him.

Luke 5:11



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Reverend Andrew Laboratorio, Parochial Administrator

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## 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

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Secretary, Doreen Walker

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### 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 #1210**

**Entrance Antiphon:** *Ps 95 (94):6-7*  
 O come, let us worship God and bow low before  
 the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

**Entrance Hymn:**  
 # 844                      Here I am, Lord

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 24:7-10  
 In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises,  
 Lord.

**Offertory Hymn:**  
 # 767                      The Way of St. James (words  
    included in the bulletin)

**Communion Antiphon:** *Cf. Ps 107(106):8-9*  
 Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his  
 wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies  
 the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good  
 things.

**Communion Hymn:**  
 # 754                      Be Not Afraid

**Recessional Hymn:**  
 # 690                      On Eagles Wings

**The Way of St. James**

Verse 1: "Come, follow me, and I will make you  
 fisher of people," said the Lord to the fishermen at  
 the sea.

James and John left their nets and followed Jesus.  
 O Lord, show us the way!

Refrain: Lord, show us the way that you revealed to  
 St. James the Great. Lord, show us the way!  
 May we carry your cross, living as daughters and  
 sons of thunder.  
 Lord, show us the way!

Verse 3: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all  
 nations," said the risen Lord to the disciples.  
 James went forth, Baptizing in the name of the  
 Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**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.

**Message from Father Andrew**

The prophet Isaiah heard the Lord saying,  
 "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?"  
 Today, Jesus is also asking us this question,  
 "Whom shall I send to bring love and charity  
 into the world torn apart by hatred and  
 selfishness?" A recent study shows that  
 churches today suffered an alarming decline  
 in membership. The many church scandals  
 have greatly contributed to the decline, but  
 also the growing secularism in our society.  
 Many see the church as irrelevant to their  
 lives. The church is NO longer a home or a  
 place of refuge, peace and belongingness.  
 Some will say they have faith, or they believe  
 in God but not in a church.

In the gospel of Luke, Jesus told the apostles.  
 "Do not be afraid. From now on, you will be  
 catching men." This is our call today as the  
 remaining active members of our church. Let  
 us not be discouraged by the diminishing  
 members of our church. Rather, let us take it  
 as a challenge to become more convincing  
 "fishers of men". Let us ask ourselves,  
 "Am I witness of God's love and mercy? Is  
 my presence in the church reflects joy and  
 hope to others?"

**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.**

*The Adoration  
Candle this week is  
dedicated to*  
**+ Donald  
Korba**

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 this week  
is dedicated to*  
**+ Donald  
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**MASS Intentions**


- Saturday 02/08/2025**  
5:00 + *Dolly Gonzales*
- Sunday 02/09/2025**  
8:30 *Evelyn Bucciarelli*  
10:30 + *Eugenio Fernando*  
+ *Nestor Fernando*  
+ *Rosario Fernando Sr.*  
12:30 *Aguilar Family - birthday*  
*Arevalo Family*  
*Barry & Maria Sanchez*
- Monday 02/10/2025**  
8:00 *Brian Watson Sr.*  
*Justin Cullen - birthday*
- Tuesday 02/11/2025**  
8:00 *St. James Parishioners*
- Wednesday 02/12/2025**  
8:00 *Nancy Caruso - healing*
- Thursday 02/13/2025**  
8:00 *St. James Parishioners*
- Friday 02/14/2025**  
8:00 *St. James Parishioners*  
7:00 *Reynah Ratliff - birthday*

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*  
**+ Donald  
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**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. 1<sup>st</sup> 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

	<b>February 15/16</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>12:30 PM</b>
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	<b>LECTORS</b>	E. Callery D. Campbell	J. Parisi R. Tan	J. Amons J. Kolen	Trining Bagmasbad Marissa Perez
	<b>MUSIC MINISTRY</b>	Trisha Ashley		Greg Krisi	Collegeville Choir

**NOURISHING OUR FAITH:  
“IT’S A CATHOLIC THING”**

**Sacrament Life in the Catholic Church**

The Sacraments are so important in the life and existence of our Church. The Sacraments do not only nourish our faith, but they also guarantee the membership of the Church.

The Sacraments are important as Paul reminds us; “Our struggle is not with flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens” (Ephesians 6:12)

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (1131) states, “Living a sacramental life prepares us for the spiritual battles we face. The sacraments are outward signs of interior grace that Christ gives to us That grace bolsters our hearts to live a life close to Jesus.” At their core, the sacraments are encounters with Jesus. Living a sacramental life means we have the tools to face the challenges of living the Christian life. We must continue to pray for an increased appreciation of the Sacraments in our Church.

**20 Week Club**

There will be a drawing each week for 20 weeks. If your ticket is drawn, you win \$100 for that week. Your ticket is then put back into the pot for additional chances to win.

With 20 drawings, you could win up to \$2,000!

There are more 20 week club tickets in the church. Each ticket is being sold for \$20.00.

*CONGRATULATIONS...*

***Eileen Heron***

*February 1st winner*

**St. James Pancake Breakfast**  
Sponsored by the Event Planning Committee will be rescheduled

If you need a statement for tax purposes please call the rectory.

**Adoration Schedule**

February 3rd - March 4th

There will be one hour of adoration immediately after the 8:00 A.M. Mass.

The regular adoration schedule will resume on March 7th.

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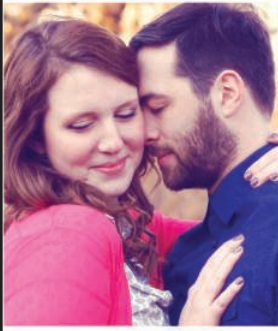
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