

Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.

JOHN 20:27



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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

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

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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.

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Readings #1166

Entrance Antiphon: 1 Pt 2:2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

Entrance Hymn:

One Spirit, One Church

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Offertory Hymn:

O Sons and Daughters

Communion Antiphon: Cf. Jn 20:27

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

Communion Hymn:

Ang Katawan Ni Kristo

Recessional Hymn:

O Spirit All Embracing

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.

Message from Father Andrew

Grateful to all of you who have made our Lenten journey and Easter celebration blessed. Christ is risen, alleluia, alleluia!

Congratulations to the 7 members of our parish family who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, April 26, 2025 at the 5:00PM Mass. May the Holy Spirit make them more like Christ and strengthen them to be more active members of the Church. We thank Archbishop Adams for celebrating this sacrament with us.

As the church mourn the passing of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, let us remember him with gratitude. He taught us to live the gospel values with fidelity. His reminds us to always have hope, to live a simple life and always have compassion to the needy. As we celebrate this Divine Mercy Sunday, let us recall Jesus' message to St. Faustina, "My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners." May the soul of Pope Francis, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



Reading I: Acts 5: 12-16

Many people came to believe in Jesus through the signs and wonders worked by the Apostles, especially by Peter.

Reading II: Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

This first vision describes Jesus in both divine and human terms. White hair for the "Ancient of Days," and a voice like the rumbling of the Lord's glory.

The Gospel: John 20:19-31

Jesus is raised not simply with a body, but with the same body that had been crucified only days before. St. Thomas makes what is the climatic confession of faith in John's gospel: "My Lord and my God."

The Adoration Candle

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

The Sanctuary Candle

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.

MASS Intentions

Saturday	04/26/2025
5:00	St. James Parishioners
Sunday	04/27/2025
8:30	St. James Parishioners
10:30	+ Eriek Zlupko + Mercedes Reyes + Merle Delacruz
12:30	+ Deatriz & Jose Reyes + Ferdinand Reyes + Joseph Greco
Monday	04/28/2025
8:00	St. James Parishioners
Tuesday	04/29/2025
8:00	+ Katherine N. Vicoli - 29th anniversary + Rosalina Santos
Wednesday	04/30/2025
8:00	+ Helene A. Spause
Thursday	05/01/2025
8:00	Philip & Ada Reyes - 46th wedding anniversary
Friday	05/02/2025
8:00	+ Barbara Seneca Dempsey
7:00	+ Deceased members of Salvador DeGuzman Family + Deceased members of Zoleta & Romera Families

PRAY for the sick

Hugh Bailey, 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, 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, Gale Trusky, 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

	May 3/4	5:00 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	12:30 PM
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NOURISHING OUR FAITH: SAVE THE DATE

As communicated a few weeks ago, the event planning committee is putting a calendar of activities for the year 2025. Here are the two events coming soon to our parish. Please save the dates:

- **Friday, April 25 th at 6:30PM – Parish Ministers Gathering**
 – Pot- luck dinner for all Parish Ministers, including Lectors, Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers and the Choir. Immediate family members are welcome to participate. Events Committee will provide plates, utensils, etc. plus coffee, tea and water.
- **Friday, May 23 rd at 6:30PM – Family BINGO – This event is open for public.** Tickets will be available soon. Donation of gift cards and other items for prizes will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Father Andrew or Dan Kovatich for details.

Saint James Stock’s Pound Cake Fundraiser May, 2025

St. James Parish is sponsoring a Stock's Pound Cake Fundraiser for the weekend of May 10th and 11th, 2025. Standard Pound Cake comes with Vanilla or Chocolate icing. Also, Marble Pound Cakes are available with Vanilla icing. Each Pound Cake will cost \$18.00. Please complete the order form below and either place it in the box in the vestibule of church, drop in the collection basket, or place it in the basket on the back porch of the rectory on or before Sunday, April 27th. All orders must be prepaid and checks may be made payable to "ST JAMES CHURCH". PICKUP WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE BROOKSIDE ROAD ENTRANCE TO THE SCHOOL HALL ON SATURDAY, MAY 10* between 4-5 PM and on SUNDAY, MAY 11** between 9:30AM-10:30AM Please help us make this fundraiser a success for our Church. Thank you so much for your participation. You will not be disappointed –these cakes are delicious and they freeze very well. Any questions, please call the Rectory at 215-635-6210. If you are unable to participate in this fundraiser, please consider making a monetary donation. Thank you!

Congratulations to those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation:

- Alfonso Castillo
- Adrian Castillo
- Joon McLaughlin
- Matthew Ngo
- Kellan Praediger
- Maura Sheerin
- Charlotte Kaeser

Thank you to Jeanna Lane and Terrence McAuliffe for helping them embracing the faith more courageously.

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...

*April 13th winner: Celeste Fina
 April 20th winner: Bonnie Coccagna*

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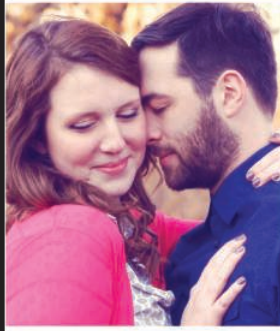
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