

MASS FOR THE WEEK
February 10 – February 18

SAT., 2/10 St. Scholastica, Virgin

5:30 John Ducey/Emma Ducey & Family

SUN., 2/11 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day of the Sick

7:00 Knights of Columbus Living Members/
Council 525

8:15 Joseph E. Lang/His Wife

9:30 Ray Tierney/Dr. Jennifer Dowd

10:45 Special Remembrances of the Week

12:00 Joan Germain/The Scarpulle Family

5:30 The People of the Parish

MON., 2/12

6:25 Anthony Parkes/Ann Parkes

8:00 Claire & Bill Faistl/Susan & Don Faistl

TUES., 2/13

6:25 Neil Fitzpatrick/Ryan Stronzer

8:00 John Cahill/Rita & Lew Kline

WEDS., 2/14 ASH WEDNESDAY

6:25 Jane Frances Carbone/Les Carbone

8:00 Thomas B. Schweers, Sr./His Family

12:10 Rudolph & Domenick Sama/Their Family

4:00 SERVICE ONLY, Ashes Distributed

5:30 Anna Marie Callahan/Husband, Robert

7:30 Michael Colbert/M. Connolly

THURS., 2/15

6:25 Dec'd. Members of the Harris Family/
Emma Ducey & Family

8:00 Michael Allingham/His Family

12:10 Michael Allingham/Sidney & Loretta
Johnson

FRI., 2/16

6:25 Teresa Sroka/Donna Massett

8:00 Martin Connolly, Living/M. Connolly

12:10 Milton Leighton/Eileen Scaliti

SAT., 2/17 The Seven Holy Founders of the
Servite Order

8:00 Neil Fitzpatrick/M. Connolly

5:30 Margaret Ann Mehldan/Gilda & Umberto
Niro

SUN., 2/18 First Sunday of Lent

7:00 Priests & Deacons of St. James Parish/
Knight of Columbus Council 525

8:15 Luz I Pinlac/Victor & Family

9:30 Jane Schmitt/Her Family

10:45 Special Remembrances of the Week

12:00 Patricia Beckert/Mellor Family

5:30 The People of the Parish

Mass Readings

Sun., 2/11 Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11

1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1 Mk 1:40-45

Mon., 2/12 Jas 1:1-11 Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76

Mk 8:11-13

Tues., 2/13 Jas 1:12-18 Ps 94:12-15, 18-19 Mk 8:14-21

Wed., 2/14 JI 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-6a, 12-14, 17

2 Cor 5:20 – 6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs., 2/15 Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 9:22-25

Fri., 2/16 Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-6a, 18-19 Mt 9:14-15

Sat., 2/17 Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-6 Lk 5:27-32

Sun., 2/18 Gn 9:8-15 Ps 25:4-9 1 Pt 3:18-22 Mk 1:12-15

Memorials


MASS REMEMBRANCES. This Sunday at the 10:45 Mass, we remember our special intentions of the week: A Special Intention; A Friend; JoAnne Alsobrooks/The Betts'; Radzik Family, Living & Dec'd./Patricia Radzik; Rosemary B. & James J. Edelen, Jr./Children; Robert C. Mulcahy/Francis R. Lewis; John F. Lewis/Francis R. Lewis; Anthony Mancino/Mark & Paige Benigno; Peter Lamb/Layton Family; Josephine Ann Evans/Brian & Odette Fitzsimons;



Please Pray for the Sick

Come to us, O risen Savior, faithful physician of our bodies and souls, and grant relief to our sick and aging who suffer: Joe; Catherine Sharkey; Debbie Fitzpatrick; Andre; Maire Gallagher; Jerry; Barbara Clark; Roberta Keenan; Donna; Dolores; Mary Knapp; Karen; James Fenlon; D.; Sheila Nolan; Mary McDermott; Bill McDermott; Cindy Schmitt; Connor Murphy; Vivian Viscardi; James Madden; Dave Park; Marlene Hotaling;

Please Note: Names on the Prayers for the Sick list will be removed at the end of the month. Please feel free to call if you would like someone kept on the list for the new month.

 **Baptism** The parish family of St. James welcomes into the Catholic faith those baptized last Sunday:

Sophie Jane DiFortuna, Child of Robert & Kristyn

Please pray for the men and women of our armed forces, especially Capt. Steven Carbone; Staff Sgt. Matthew D'Alessandro, USMC; Steven James Gluth; Owen Michael (Bergin) McCann USN; Jason Palendrano; Staff Sgt. Matthew Roberts; Jonathan Welch; Shane Martin Dalton, USMC., Capt. Nicholas Abbate & Capt. Justin Abbate (brothers); Majors Brian C. Jones(Truex) & Crystal Jones (Husband & Wife); Capt. Josh Pershing; Brendan Gilroy; Lcpl. Brian Dilger, Jr., USMC; LTC Robert Duchaine; Maj. Carlo Brancato, USMC; Capt. Robert Beery; Capt. Thomas Beery; Capt. Sean Screen (Iraq); Sgt. James Conklin (Afghanistan); 1LT Cooper Lewis, USMC; Pvt. Robert Bartos, Army; Spec E4 Thomas F. Welch, V; Navy, AOAA Brian J. Truex; Sgt. Kevin Andia, USMC; Lt. Jeffrey Trezza, Ens. James Rimmele, Coast Guard;

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PASTOR

Next weekend is Pledge Sunday for the Annual Catholic Appeal throughout the Diocese of Trenton. Each year the Bishop seeks the support of all members of the diocese to further the work of our ministries. Each of us has a vital part in all we do in Christ's name, and each of us can share in all we do with a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Our single Act of Faith propels the works of love that build up our Church. You make that happen with a generous gift to the ACA.

This year St. James Parish's share of the goal is \$110,000.

As the people of the Diocese of Trenton, you have an opportunity to help others see Christ working in our midst. I ask you to take a moment and truly reflect on any help you can give. We truly need everyone to participate. This year we again are striving to reach our goal of \$7 million.

I am always grateful and moved by the level of support you give to our parish. I thank you for this support, and may God continue to bless you and your family.

Msgr. Lowery

The following message is from Bishop O'Connell regarding our Lenten Obligations:

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

During the days and weeks of penance that lie ahead --- from *Ash Wednesday, February 14th until Holy Thursday, March 29th* --- the Catholic Church throughout the world commemorates the penitential season of Lent. The model Jesus gave us for "these forty days" was his own experience in the desert and the temptations that followed him there where he encountered Satan face to face. And yet, Jesus, there in the desert --- alone, fasting and in intense prayer --- beat back the devil and triumphed over temptation, as strong and as unrelenting as it was throughout those forty days. We enter the desert of Lent like Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit, to face our devils, our temptations head on. But we are not alone. The Lord Jesus Christ is with us. And so, too, is the Church, the entire community of faith observing Lent. Here is what the Catholic Church in the United States requires of us as baptized Catholics:

The days of FAST (only one full meal) and ABSTINENCE (no meat) are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No dispensations are granted on these solemn days except for reason of sickness or those provided in canon law below.

Valentine's Day falls on Ash Wednesday, February 14th this year. Since Ash Wednesday is one of only two solemn penitential days, no dispensations will be granted

St. Patrick's Day, March 17, falls on a Saturday this year.

All other Fridays of Lent are days of ABSTINENCE (no meat).

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to FAST (only one full meal) as above. From the age of 14, people are also obliged to ABSTAIN (no meat: this obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat).

The obligation to observe the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious one for Catholics. Failure to observe one penitential day in itself is not considered a serious sin. It is the failure to observe

any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of penitential days, that must be considered serious.

The obligation, the privilege really, of receiving the Eucharist at least once a year --- often called "Easter duty" --- for those in the state of grace should still be fulfilled during the period from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 17-18th^h to Trinity Sunday, May 26-27th**. However, the Church's law does permit this precept to be fulfilled at another time during the year when there is a just cause.

I want to encourage Catholics to go to confession and to make use of the sacrifices and traditions that have always been part of our Lenten practices in the Church.

We do, indeed, fast and pray with the Lord Jesus and with our fellow Catholics. May this Lent be a time of penance leading to grace and joy for us all at Easter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M.
Bishop of Trenton

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FOCUS: Sin separates us from God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD: In the first reading, a man with a skin infection is deemed unclean and separated from the community. In Corinthians, Paul tells us to be imitators of Christ, and to do everything for the glory of God. In the Gospel, Jesus cures a leper, and then tells him not to speak of the healing to anyone.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

BSA (Broad Street Auditorium) HS(High School)
SUNDAY,2/11

REP; Gr. K-7, 9:15-10:30AM, 8th Gr., 9-10:30AM

3PM, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Church

6:30-8PM, Youth Group Meeting, Student Center

MONDAY,2/12

TUESDAY,2/13

7:30 PM, Folk Choir, Church

WEDNESDAY,2/14

6 PM, Rosary Prayer Cenacle, the Convent

THURSDAY,2/15

7:30-9M, Peace of Christ Prayer Grp., Parish Mtg. Rm.

FRIDAY,2/16

SATURDAY,2/17

6:30AM, That Man Is You, Student Center

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM OUR PARISH

Our Lenten 12:10PM weekday Mass will begin this Thursday, February 15th.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP will be collecting clean and empty prescription bottles (**labels removed!**) to send to Imprint Hope, a nonprofit in Uganda designed to raise awareness, break down barriers, and overcome the stigma that children with disabilities in Uganda face on a daily basis. Imprint Hope envisions a world where all children with disabilities are appreciated for their unique talents and provided an opportunity to actualize their full potential. When we send the empty bottles over, we can help the parents of these children provide a clean and safe way to store their children's medicine.

St. James Youth Group, "The God Squad," is sending a big thank you to our parishioners for contributing to the annual "Souper Bowl" of Caring collection. Due to your outstanding generosity, \$2050 will be distributed to Our Daily Bread, St. Anthony's Food Pantry, and the Barn for the Poorest of the Poor to assist them in their charitable work. May God bless you for your kindness!

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Join us each Sunday at 3PM in the Church for the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God...it is right to give Him thanks and praise. **Come to the Peace of Christ Prayer Group** for an opportunity to get together with others who give thanks and praise to our God and pray for each other's needs. We meet in the High School Meeting room on Thursday evenings at 7:30 PM.



ROSARY PRAYER CENACLE invites you to say the Whole Rosary, sing hymns to Our Lady and read the meditation every Wednesday at 6PM in the Convent.

OUR LADY NEEDS YOUR HELP: Please come say the Rosary every 2nd & 4th Monday, 2 to 3 PM at the Meridian Rehab Center, Shrewsbury. Call Lucy Rounds, 732/747-9044 for information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Families must be registered in St. James Parish in order to enroll children in this program and submit a copy of the Baptism certificate for new students who were not baptized here. Call 732 747-6006 for information and forms. Classes meet on Sunday mornings from September through April. Children are expected to continue religious education studies after reception of their sacraments in order to be fully prepared for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation in 8th grade.

FROM OUR SCHOOLS

Saint James School

Looking for a nurturing and engaging Preschool or Kindergarten?

Give us a call, schedule a tour – learn about what Saint James School has to offer. Bring a friend!

Thursday, February 22 for Preschool, Kindergarten through 8th Grade 9:00 - 11:00 AM

Saint James Hosts Free Preschool Program

Searching for a good Preschool? We have it right here!

Saint James School is hosting a fun filled **free** program called *Read, Rock, and Roll!* for parent and child! Get a head start on preschool and ensure that your child is ready to enter a fall school program.

The program is held for 6 weeks starting March 14th and meets on Wednesdays from 10 – 11 AM at Saint James School. We welcome children ages 2 ½ - 5, space is limited and fills up quickly. Please register your child by calling 732 741-3363 ext. #2.

Although these story times and activities are aimed at preschool children, younger siblings are welcome. Come and visit our exceptional preschool learning program, explore the space, meet new families and see all that we have to offer! Visit our website at www.mysaintjames.com for more information.

Polar Plunge 2018

Crazy? Perhaps. Frigid? For sure! But fun? Definitely!!

On Sunday, January 28th, a large group of SJS enthusiasts dared the frigid water of the Atlantic to partake in the 12th annual Polar Plunge for Catholic Schools. These fearless students, parents, and friends raced across the beach in the rain and plunged into the ocean to take an ice-cold dip to help raise over \$13,000 for our school. Thank you to our chilled polar bears and their generous sponsors for a terrific plunge. The Polar Plunge is so much more than an icy dip into the Atlantic and we are so very grateful for their participation and generous support. Everyone had a great time... even those who managed to stay out of the water!

COMMUNITY NEWS

BIRTHRIGHT, a crisis pregnancy organization, is in need of volunteers, 8-12 hours a month. We are located at 294 Broad Street, Red Bank.

If interested, please call Karen Fitzgerald, Director, 732-747-4240.

The St. James Senior Citizens Club meets the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Red Bank Senior Center at **1 PM**. Call Sr. Ethel for more information, 732/741-0724.

Attention Men! Join other Catholic men from across the Diocese of Trenton at the **21st Annual Men's Conference** on Saturday, February 24, at **St. Gregory the Great in Hamilton Square**. The theme of this year's conference is "The Age of Mercy". The day runs from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm and will feature Holy Mass celebrated by **Bishop David O'Connell**, as well as inspiring talks by **Ralph Martin**, an internationally renowned Catholic Radio & TV Host, Author and Evangelist; **Bob and Maureen Digan**, the couple whose family

experienced a miraculous healing that was used as the verified miracle for St. Faustina's beatification, and **Gez Ford**, Lifeteen Minister and co-founder of Tabor House. There will also be music, Catholic vendors, and the opportunity to fellowship with other men who are looking to grow in their walk with Jesus and dynamically live out their Catholic faith. A youth breakout session will also be offered for young men from 8th grade to college age. Cost is \$25 per person in advance (\$30 at the door); \$10 for students. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information or to register online go to www.catholicmenforjesuschrist.org. To register by mail, send the name(s) of each person registering, your check, and a **self-addressed stamped envelope** to:
Catholic Men for Jesus Christ
PO Box 816
Morrisville, PA 19067

St. Anthony of Padua Church, Red Bank: St. Anthony's Music Ministry presents as part of their Recital Series Bella Musica String Quartet performing various classical and popular musical selections. Sunday, February 25th at 4 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 121 Bridge Avenue. Admission \$10 available at the church or at the door. Church is handicapped accessible.

Second Collection next weekend is for Black & Native American Missions.

St. Patrick's Day: Knights of Columbus Fr. McGivney Council presents an evening of Irish music, songs and comedy with Seamus Kennedy. Come enjoy this wonderfully entertaining Irish balladeer on Friday, February 23rd, 8PM at St. Leo the Great, Lincroft. Tickets: \$15/Advance; \$20/Door. Seniors \$10. Call 732/618-1683 for information and tickets.

Classic Danube River Cruise & Passion Play: Join Msgr. Sam Siranni, Msgr. Tom Gervasio, Fr. Garry Koch, and others, June 7 to 16, 2020. See flyers in the Church.

Catholics United For Life invite you to join the Rosary Vigil For Life every Saturday, 9AM to 10AM rain or shine, at the planned parenthood abortion facility, 69 East Newman Springs Road, Shrewsbury.

**INTENTIONS OF HIS HOLINESS,
POPE FRANCIS I FOR FEBRUARY**

Pope's Universal Intention for Evangelization:
Say "No" to Corruption. That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

OUR PARISH MINISTRIES – to get involved email your contact info to saintjamesredbank@stjames-redbank.com

Faith in Our Future Greg Arnold

Adult Choir	Ashley Kate Gimotea	Our Daily Bread	Martha Christofili
Folk Choir	Joe Clark	Hospitality	Stephanie Snow
Knights of Columbus	Tom Wiczerzak	Senior Citizens	Sr. Ethel Friedman
Social Concerns	Jim Schmitt	Youth Group	Ann-Marie & Dave DeStefano
That Man is You	Jack Paul	Altar Servers	Christian Buckman
Lazarus Ministry	Pat Ahlemeyer	Religious Ed Program	Fillie Duchaine
RCIA	Deacon Bryan Davis	Peace of Christ Prayer Group	Sue Kuhar
Ushers	Pat Flood	Young Adults	Colleen Owens & Nick Guardia