

**MASS FOR THE WEEK  
December 1 - December 9**

**SAT.,12/1**

5:30 Rosa Gaspar/Olivia Tavares

**SUN.,12/2 First Sunday of Advent**

7:00 Deputy Chief Craig A. Bahrs, Jr./Melissa Taylor Bahrs & Christina Bahs

8:15 Joseph Sullivan/Daughter, Pat Ahlemeyer

9:30 Rosalie Rohwedden/Pat & Andrew Archambault

10:45 Special Remembrances of the Week

12:00 Mary McDermott/Bill & Family

5:30 The People of the Parish

**MON.,12/3 St. Francis Xavier, Priest**

6:25 Catherine Lewis/Francis R. Lewis

8:00 Alan Login, Living/Bill Raiser

**TUES.,12/4 St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor  
Of the Church**

6:25 Stephen Stronzer/His Family

8:00 Donald W. Madsen/His Family

**WEDS., 12/5**

6:25 Bernadette O'Sullivan/Mary Hassell

8:00 Alan Login, Living/Bill Raiser

**THURS.,12/6 St. Nicholas, Bishop**

6:25 Herman & Madden Families/Mr. & Mrs. Robert Herman

8:00 Ryan Gibson/Michael Collins

**FRI.,12/7 St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor  
Of the Church**

**FIRST FRIDAY**

6:25 Jane Frances Carbone/Les Carbone

8:00 Don & Daniel Callahan/Their Family

5:30 Maureen Hopkin Sutphin/Husband, Children & Mother

**SAT., 12/8 The Immaculate Conception of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 Lawrence Pegut/Sharon & Vinnie Smith

12:10 Stephen Stronzer/Pat Stronzer

5:30 George Zielenbach,III/His Sisters

**SUN.,12/9 Second Sunday of Advent**

7:00 Magrit Keating/Linda & Kevin Keating

8:15 Joseph Hegner, Sr./Joe Hegner

9:30 Susan McNamara, Living/Her Family

10:45 Special Remembrances of the Week

12:00 Frances Clarkson Durkin/Rita & Lew Kline

5:30 The People of the Parish

**Mass Readings**

Sun.,12/2 Jer 33:14-16 Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14

1 Thes 3:12-4:2 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Mon.,12/3 Ps 122:1-9 Mt 8:5-11

Tues.,12/4 Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

Lk 10:21-24

Wed.,12/5 Is 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-6 Mt 15:29-37

Thurs.,12/6 Is 26:1-6 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a

Mt 7:21, 24-27

Fri.,12/7 Is 29:17-24 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Mt 9:27-31

Sat., 12/8 Gn 3:9-15, 20 Ps 98:1-4 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12

Lk 1:26-38

Sun.,12/9 Bar 5:1-9 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11

Lk 3:1-6

**Memorials**

**Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam**

Our Lady's Candle Is Offered for All First Responders

**MASS REMEMBRANCES.** This Sunday at the 10:45 Mass, we remember our special intentions of the week: A Special Intention; A Friend; Michael Wrage/Edgerly Family;



**Banns of Marriage:** The following couples are preparing to celebrate the sacrament of Marriage as they answer God's call to live in his love:

3rd Time: Vincent Tranchina & Lauren Lubischer



### 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: Maire Gallagher; Jerry; Barbara Clark; Mary Knapp; Karen; James Fenlon; Sheila Nolan; Connor Murphy; Rex Gimotea; Vera Gangemi; Irma Castillo; Robert Kryger; Dorothy Young; Karen Erhardt; Joe; Donna; Dolores; Bill McDermott; Olivia; Liz Readie; Matthew Keenan; Carol Setton; Carol Griffin;

**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.**

### Please Pray for the Recently Deceased

Deceased Parishioners, Family and Friends of St. James Parish: Lillian C. Conrad.

### Please pray for the men and women of our armed forces,

especially Maj. Steven Carbone; Staff Sgt. Matthew D'Alessandro, USMC; Steven James Gluth; Jason Palendrano; Staff Sgt. Matthew Roberts; Jonathan Welch; Maj. Nicholas Abbate & Capt. Justin Abbate (brothers), USMC; Majors Brian C. Jones(Truex) & Crystal Jones (Husband & Wife); Capt. Josh Pershing; Brendan Gilroy; SSGT 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; Spec E4 Thomas F. Welch, V; Navy, AOAA Brian J. Truex; Sgt. Kevin Andia, USMC; Lt. Jeffrey Trezza, Ens. James Rimmele, Coast Guard; USMC LCPL Walter Anderson;

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PASTOR

*You may memorialize a loved one with our Christmas Decorations Intentions. Please pick up a form found in the bulletins or at the Church doors and return it to the rectory **no later than December 10<sup>th</sup> for publication in the bulletin.***

Msgr. Philip Lowery

### THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**FOCUS:** The Jesus who is born in time and history is also the Christ who will come in glory to judge all.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD:** In a time of great upheaval and chaos for Israel, Jeremiah reassures the people of better days to come, when a descendent of David will rule them with integrity and honesty. Looking forward to the return of Christ in glory, Saint Paul reminds us that we must strive for true holiness now. In the Gospel, Jesus reminds us that no matter what befalls us in this life, we are to have confidence in him, the Son of Man.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

BSA (Broad Street Auditorium) HS(High School)  
**SUNDAY,12/2**

REP; Gr. K-7, 9:15-10:30AM, 8<sup>th</sup> Gr., 9-10:30AM  
**3PM, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Church**

**4:00-5:15, Youth Group Meeting, Eck Center**  
**MONDAY,12/3**

**8PM, Knights of Columbus Meeting, Parish Mtg. Rm. located in the RBC building on Broad Street**  
**TUESDAY,12/4**

7:30 PM, Folk Choir, Church

**WEDNESDAY,12/5**

6 PM, Rosary Prayer Cenacle, the Convent

7 PM, St. James Choir, Church

**THURSDAY,12/6**

7:30-9M, Peace of Christ Prayer Grp., RBC

**FRIDAY,12/7**

**SATURDAY,12/8**

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

**SUNDAY,12/9**

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

**3PM Divine Mercy Chaplet, Church**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM OUR PARISH

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

**OUR DAILY BREAD** reaches out to those in temporary financial need. Your donations to the Poor Boxes enables us to assist them. Thank you!

**SAINT JAMES YOUTH GROUP MEETING:**

**December 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Join us for GAME NIGHT! Play one of ours, (Jenga, Apples to Apples, Taboo, Connect Four...) or bring your favorite game! MEETING TIME CHANGE: 4:00 pm to 5:15 (BEFORE 5:30 Mass), in the Eck Center.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION**

*Spend some time with a visit to Jesus at November Nocturnal Adoration on Friday December 7<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday December 8<sup>th</sup>. St. James hour is at 12 midnight. Nocturnal Adoration starts at 9 PM and runs till closing at 1 AM. For more information, email [franklr@verizon.net](mailto:franklr@verizon.net) and use Adore in subject.*

*And remember that afternoon Adoration and Benediction will be from 4 PM to 5 PM.*

*Watch and pray with Christ, one hour, one day, each month. All are invited.*

**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 Parish Meeting Room located in RBC 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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Community service opportunities for teens:** We invite RBC students and all parish teens to help in the Sunday morning REP program that runs from September into April from 9:15-10:30AM. Letters to attest to community service hours will be gladly provided.

**THE DIOCESE OF TRENTON****Bishop John C. Reiss Religious Education**

**Scholarship Fund:** Scholarships are awarded for course work or seminars in theology, religious/Pastoral/Liturgical/Catechetical studies at a recognized Roman Catholic Institution of higher learning and may be used toward the following: Doctorate Programs, Workshops, Seminars, Conferences and Stand Alone Courses and are available to persons currently engaged in Religious Education Ministry in the Diocese of Trenton.

For further information contact Brian Jefferes at 609/403-7133 or [BJeffe@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:BJeffe@dioceseoftrenton.org). For a scholarship application contact Doreen Griffin-Gallway at 609/403-7144 or [Dgallw@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:Dgallw@dioceseoftrenton.org). Completed applications due by 2/28/2019.

## FROM OUR SCHOOLS

### Saint James School

#### 2019 Open House Dates for Prospective Families

Sunday, January 13 for Preschool, Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade 1:00 - 2:00 PM

Tuesday, January 29 for Preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade 9:00 - 11:00 AM

#### 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! This preschool program incorporates story time, a music session, and a gym class allowing your little one to experience the excitement of being in a friendly learning 'school' environment.

The Read, Rock, & Roll! program is held for 6 weeks starting January 16 and meeting on select Wednesdays from 10 - 11 AM at Saint James School. We welcome children ages 2 ½ - 5 but space is limited and fills up quickly. Please register your child by calling 732 741-3363 ext. #1. Although these story times and activities are aimed at preschool children, younger siblings are welcome. So 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](http://www.mysaintjames.com) for more information.

#### Thanksgiving Food Drive

As the holidays draw near, many families begin preparing for abundant feasts and old family traditions. However, for many more, the holidays often mean a struggle simply to provide a Thanksgiving turkey for their children. We would like to thank all of our students, teachers, and families who donated so generously towards this year's annual food drive to help the less fortunate. The results were amazing! The outpouring of generosity allowed the students to collect '35 bountiful baskets'. Organized by the student council and teacher moderators Mrs. Lucisano and

Mrs. Varno, each classroom preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, were asked to fill two laundry baskets. The baskets were filled to the brim with goodies and staples and also included a turkey gift certificate. Lunch Break distributed the baskets to needy families in our area.

What a great way to teach our children to share their good fortune with neighbors in need. We are blessed to have such compassionate and generous families in our school and parish, who again have helped make this food drive very successful. Events such as this reinforce the belief that individuals can make a difference.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

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

The Knight of Columbus - Council 525 - Saint James and Saint Anthony, will be selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets after all masses during the weekend of this weekend. In addition they will have several other magnets with captions like "In God We Trust", "PRAY", and "COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS".

Retirement Fund for Religious: A donor writes, "Your flyer touched my heart - seeing the retired religious, such memories surfaced." Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please give to next week's second collection.

St. Anthony of Padua's Music Ministry presents their **Christmas Concert** featuring Camille Saint Saens' **Christmas Oratorio** and Benjamin Britten's **Ceremony of Carols** on Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 121 Bridge Avenue (732-747-0813). Admission \$20 for Adults, \$15 for Seniors & Students. Tickets available at the church or at the door. Church is handicapped accessible.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter, Central New Jersey** is a weekend for married Christian couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. Attend a Marriage Encounter weekend and learn the tools needed to keep your marriage strong.

It's not a retreat, nor a marriage clinic, nor group sensitivity. It's a unique approach aimed at revitalizing Christian Marriage.

This is a time for you and your spouse to be alone together. To rediscover each other and together focus on your relationship for an entire weekend. Every marriage deserves that kind of attention!

Phone 1-732-904-9636 for registration and information.

[www.aWeekendForYourMarriage.org](http://www.aWeekendForYourMarriage.org)

**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.

**Waterspirit's "Winter Solstice"**: Pause in the middle of busy holiday preparations and experience the sacred in the darkness and the coming of the light of the Winter Solstice. In music and ritual hope is sparked and peace is deepened as the darkness is illuminated by the light of fire. The Core of Fire dancers are featured. Reservations preferred. 7-8:30PM. Donations accepted according to means. To register or for more information email [waterspirit981@gmail.com](mailto:waterspirit981@gmail.com) or call 732/923-9788. Waterspirit at 4 E River Rd., Rumson.

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

*Pope's Intention for: In the Service of the Transmission of Faith.* That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

**OUR PARISH MINISTRIES** – to get involved email your contact info to [saintjamesredbank@stjames-redbank.com](mailto: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	Lynda Fiorenza
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

