

St. James Roman Catholic Parish

A Faith and Family Community

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Mission Statement

St. James Roman Catholic Parish is a warm and welcoming, Christ centered community, dedicated to the service of all.

First Sunday of Lent / I Domingo de Cuaresma

March 9, 2025 / 9 de Marzo de 2025



Giving Statements for 2024 are available at the Office, please stop by and pick yours up. Thank you for your continued generosity!

Las declaraciones de donaciones para 2024 están disponibles en la oficina, visítenos y recoja la suya. ¡Gracias por su continua generosidad!

Weekend Masses † Saturday - 4:00PM

Sunday - 7:30AM-9:00AM-11:00AM-1:00PM (Español)-6:00PM

Daily Mass † Wednesday - 7:00PM

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday-Friday-Saturday - 8:00AM

Holy Days † Please consult the Parish Office

Reconciliation † 2nd & 4th Wednesdays - 6:00PM-6:45PM

Saturday - 2:00PM - 3:30PM, Or by appointment /o con cita previa

Parish Office Hours † Sunday - 8:15AM-2:00PM /

Monday-Thursday - 9:00AM-Noon 12:30PM-4PM /

Friday - 9:00AM-Noon / Saturday - 2:00PM-4:00PM

St. Vincent de Paul † Pantry Phone 623-581-0728

San Vicente de Paul † Teléfono de despensa 623-581-0728

RECONCILIATION CAN ALSO BE ARRANGED WITH AN APPOINTMENT WITH A PRIEST ON WEEKDAYS.

LA RECONCILIACIÓN TAMBIÉN SE PUEDE ARREGLAR CON UNA CITA CON UN SACERDOTE LOS DÍAS DE SEMANA.

OUT OF RESPECT

WE ARE ASKING YOU TO COOPERATE WITH THE SECURITY TEAM WHEN THEY ASK YOU NOT TO (RE)ENTER THE CHURCH DURING CONSECRATION OF THE HOST AND WINE, THE READINGS, THE GOSPEL AND THE HOMILY.

POR RESPETO

LES PEDIMOS QUE COOPEREN CON EL EQUIPO DE SEGURIDAD CUANDO LES PIDAN NO (RE)ENTRAR A LA IGLESIA DURANTE LA CONSAGRACIÓN DE LA FORMA Y EL VINO, LAS LECTURAS, EL EVANGELIO Y LA HOMILÍA

IMPORTANT INFORMATION THIS WEEK / REUNIONES IMPORTANTES ESTA SEMANA

	Wed.,	12 Mar., 8AM	Rummage Sorting
		6PM - 6:45	Reconciliation
	Thurs.,	13 Mar., 10AM	Rosary Makers
		6:30PM	Finance Council
	Fri.,	14 Mar., 5PM - 6:50	Fish Fry
		6PM	ESTACIONES DEL VÍA
			CRUCIS EN ESPAÑOL
l		6PM	Young Adult Group
l		7PM	English Stations of the
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Rummage Sorting

Sat...

15 Mar., 8AM

YOUR ST. JAMES STAFF

† Pastor Fr. Ben Onegiu, AJ † Parochial Vicar Fr. Felix Kauta, AJ † Deacons Dcn. Frank Devine Dcn. Ron TenBarge

† Sisters in Residence Sr. Betty Banja, S.H.S. Sr. Rose Santa Acan, S.H.S

• Office Manager Kristy Hillhouse Ext. 101 Administrative Assistant Terri Simonetta • Director Liturgy & RE Sr. Sophie Lado, S.H.S.

Formation Assistant Terri Simonetta Youth Minister Brianna Chavez • Director of Music James Poppleton Assistant Music Director Mike Giacalone

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Jose Millan • SET Coordinator Christina Metelski

 Gift Shop Mary Ann Zimmerman Ext 120

• Funeral Coordinator Deacon Frank Devine Bulletin Editor Gretchen Fenninger

• Communications Coordinator Thelia Morris

 Office Volunteers Carol Brown

Grace Miller Irene Molette Bobbi Paul Angie Radau

St. Vincent DePaul Phone: 623-581-0728 **Holy Cross Catholic** Phone: 623-936-1710 Cemetery & Funeral Home (Available 24 hours)

YOUR ST. JAMES COUNCIL MEMBERS

Pastoral Council: Pastoral Council@stjames-greater.com

Chair - Bobbi Paul • Vice Chair - Isabel Rogel • Awichu Akwanya • Marge Beach • David Callaghan • Gretchen Fenninger • Jill Frier • Cindy Lancaster • Vince Paul -Knights of Columbus Liaison • Andrew Thomas • Florence Zelman-Fedde

Finance Council: FinanceCouncil@stjames-greater.com

Co-Chairs - Scott Frier and Elaine Gress • Peace Agube • Michael McManus • Rob Miller • DeAnn Norman • Jim Strebler • James Volz

Online Giving

St. James is set up to do automatic payments (ACH) from your checking or savings accounts. The parish will receive your contribution, even if you are out of town or out

If you are interested, please stop by the Parish Office to complete an authorization form or follow the link on our website:

https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/PS-1351/ Accounts will be debited on or after the 27th of each month

THE WEEK AT ST. JAMES . . .

Daily Mass M,T,TH,F,S at 8:00AM and Wed at 7PM

Mon., Mar 10 8:00AM DAILY MASS

Tue., Mar 11

8:00AM - DAILY MASS 9:00AM - 11:00AM Safe Environment Training Status

12:00PM - 2:00PM Hooks and Needles 2:30PM - 3:30PM Legion of Mary 6:00PM - 7:30PM Junior High Group

Wed., Mar 12

8:00AM Rummage Sorting 6:00PM - 6:45PM RECONCILIATION

6:00PM - First Communion and Confirmation Preparation Class

7:00PM - DAILY MASS

Thu., Mar 13

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8:00AM - DAILY MASS

9:00AM - 11:00AM Safe Environment Training Status

10:00AM - 12:00PM Rosary Makers 5:00PM - 6:30PM Español Coro Practicar 6:00PM - 7:30PM Teen Confirmation Class 6:30PM FINANCE COUNCIL 6:30PM - 8:00PM OCIA

6:30PM Cursillo

7:00PM - 8:00PM English Choir Practice

Fri., Mar 14



8:00AM-DAILY MASS 8:30AM ADORATION 4:00PM BENEDICTION 5:00PM - 6:45PM Fish Fry 6:00PM - el Via Crucis

7:00PM - Stations of the Cross - Leads: Pro Life, SJP Staff, Pastoral

Council and Finance Council

Sat., Mar 15 8:00AM-DAILY MASS

8:00AM - RUMMAGE SORTING 2:00PM - 3:30 RECONCILIATION 2:30PM - 3:30PM Choir Rehearsal 4:00PM - VIGIL MASS (SVdP Envelopes)

Sun., Mar 16

MASSES: 7:30 AM; 9:00AM, 11:00AM (CLOW), 1:00PM (Español, CLOW), 6:00PM Mass (Youth)

All Masses: SVdP Envelopes 8:00 - 9:00AM Choir Rehearsal

By Appointment: Safe Environment Training Status

12:00 - 2:30 African Choir Rehearsal

OFFERTORY

Sunday, March 2, 2025 Offertory: \$20,775.75

Our goal is for the Plate Income to cover all Parish expenses.

Thank you for your generosity.





Day	Date	Time	Mass Intention	Comment	Readings	Saint(s) with Feast Day
Mon.	10-Mar	8:00 AM	Jim Sullivan	Deceased	Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Matthew 25:31-46	
Tues	11-Mar	8:00 AM	John Gill	Deceased	Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15	
Weds.	12-Mar	7:00PM	Wil Summers	Deceased	Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32	
Thurs.	13-Mar	8:00 AM	Ray Anthony Espinoza	Birthday	Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Matthew 7:7-12	
Fri.	14-Mar	8:00 AM	Jim Sullivan	Deceased	Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26	
Sat.	15-Mar	8:00 AM	Spiritual Wellbeing of the Members of SJP-SSVdP Living and Deceased		Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Matthew 5:43-48	
		4:00PM	St. James Parishioners			
	16-Mar	7:30 AM	Heleo Doro Hernandez	Deceased	Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18;	
		9:00 AM	Gerardo Campos	Deceased	Philippians 3:17—4:1;	Second Sunday of Lent
Sun.		11:00 AM	Liza Perez Franklin	Birthday	Luke 9:28b-36	
		1:00 PM	Eudocia Orozco	Special Intention		
		6:00 PM	Gloria Gaytano	Deceased		



Masses are still available on the following dates:

Apr 27 May 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 29, 30, 31

Those dates above have one or more Masses currently open. We encourage you to request a special day to have your Mass intentions. In an effort to accommodate everyone, we respectfully ask that requests be limited to no more than two Masses within the same week, Mon-Sat or one Sunday Mass. Please stop by the Parish office.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is every Friday beginning at 8:30 AM and concludes at 4:00 PM. Come visit Jesus, the Prince of Peace, the Creator of the Universe, the Merciful Savior, for just one of these Hours.

During exposition, Jesus cannot be left unattended. Adoration = ONE hour.

We have been told that Jesus has been left alone recently. To prevent this we are requesting that we have 2 people sign up for each hour. Please stop by the office if you have an hour between 8:30 and 4 on Fridays that you can spend visiting Jesus.

Sacrament of Baptism Sacramento de Bautismo

Please contact Terri-Ext 104.

Must be a registered parishioner for six months. Preparation classes are required. A brochure is available in the church foyer.

Sacrament of Marriage

Sacramento de MatrimonioN

Nine months in advance. Preparation classes are required.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Call the Parish Office when seriously ill.

Please pray for the sick in our community, especially those from our Parish.

Eric Abraham, Anaya, Baylor Anderson, Marge Beach, Kim Beatty, Ed Beleski, Joe Benedetto, Laura Conrady Blum, Stephen Brown, Timothy Castelli, Kim Center, Martha Coronado, Joyce Coronel, Ofelia Cruz and Family, Julianna DeMello, Margo Duepner, Anita Duran, Virginia Duran, Marcus Riley Emerson and Family, Cathy Faga, Lois Fenninger, Brian Ferber, Damas Francis, Josephine Francis, Lois Fredrickson, Betty Gallegos, Robert Gallegos, Fernando Garcia, Matthew Gill, Ezexiel Gonzalez, Luisa Gonzales, Nancy and Don Gorny, Liz and Tom Grace, Geoff Grassau, Irene Gregory, Denie Hall, Sondra Hare, Weston Heiser, Richard C. Hernandez, Bill Hoelke, Dave Hornbeek, John Houder, Leslie Irwin, Ann Iusi, Brian Jones, Krista, Bud Lucy, Regina Lucy, Diana O. Macandog, Adriana Maldonado, Tom Martell, Donna Mathews, Michael Mathews, Tim Matlack, Rejy Matyniak, Jimmy McWilliams, Kim Monthie, Marie Agnes Mukandinda, Joy Navoa, Margaret Ndungu, Bill Onacki, Joe Ornelas, Mellynne Oricho, Eudocia Orozco, Charles Palame, Peter Palame, Vince Paul, Carolyn Pawlowski, Scott Pawlowski, Vanessa Perez-Bustos, Ken Pritchett, Elizabeth Ornelas Racanelli, Mia Racanelli, Vinnie Racanelli, Gabriel Reed, Lauren Rodriguez, Joe Ronelas, Larry Ryan, Eduardo Serna & Family, Melissa Simoes, Mary Steinke, John Sullivan, Janice Swiebocki, Francine Tackett, Connie Tirisie, Jim Trentacoste, Anthony Valencia, Cynthia Alvarez Valenzuela, Joseph Vignali, Judy Werntz

Please also remember our homebound parishioners and their caregivers in your prayers.

† Please pray for those who have died and their families †

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DIOCESE'S SEMINARIANS, AND IN PARTICULAR ST. JAMES' TWO SEMINARIANS, ULENGABE MANGYE AND NATHAN MILLER

Pray For All of Our Service Men and Women.

"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior." AMEN.

St. James Youth and Teen Formation Updates

Children's Formation





First Communion and

Confirmation

Preparation Class

Reminder: The next

class is March 12th at 6pm.

Retreat is May 3rd.

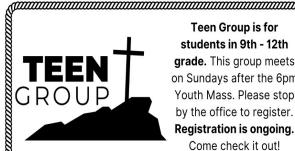
Save the date for the Sacrament Mass on May 24th

Registration for this class is closed.



Our next Family Formation Night is April 2nd at 6pm

YOUTH MINISTRY



Teen Group is for students in 9th - 12th grade. This group meets on Sundays after the 6pm Youth Mass. Please stop by the office to register. Registration is ongoing.

Come check it out!

Dinners for the Teen Group: As mentioned previously the meeting of the Teen Group is providing dinners to help keeping the teens involved.

We would love for you to sponsor a meal for our Teen Group. From Lasagna to pizza to sandwiches, you make it, we eat it. To sign up to provide a meal you can use this QR Code:

or contact Brianna via email, brianna@stjames-greater.com.





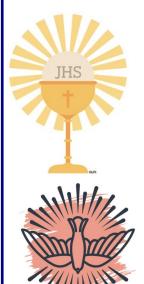
Junior High Group is for ALL students in 7th and 8th grade. Students meet on Tuesdays from 6pm to 7:30pm and runs September to May. Registration is ongoing. Come join the fun!



Teen Confirmation Class:

Our next class is March 13 at 6pm.

Please remember your books!



Please pray for the students who are preparing to receive First Communion and **Confirmation on** May 24, 2025



- Small group Bible Studies
- English and Espanol Groups
- Meeting weekly in our homes
- Days and times vary by group
- Estudios bíblicos en grupos pequeños
- Grupos en Ingles y Español
- · Reunión semanal en nuestras casas
- · Los días y horarios varían según el grupo

Contact bpaulsjc@gmail.com or inquire in the Parish office



OCIA at St. James

Do you Know God?

Do you know your place in His plan?

Do you ever have time for Him besides Sunday's Mass?

Have you received Baptism, Holy Communion, Penance and/or Confirmation?

If you answered "No" to any of these, you need OCIA!!

Call the Office for an Appointment 623.581.0707



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. JOHN FISHER COUNCIL #12856 GLENDALE, AZ

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St. John Fisher Council #12856 (uknight.org)

Monthly Meeting - 1st Tuesday of the Month
St. James Parish Hall
All Catholic Men Are Welcome



Legion of Mary

Mother of God Meets in St. James Hall Tuesdays at 2:30PM

To Learn More Contact Norma at (602) 565-6207



Our ministry meets the 2nd and 4th Tues. from noon (light luncheon) to 2 pm. We create beautiful beanies, booties, Baby blankets, and more to benefit outreach programs as well as for St. James. Please join us and bring your smile, your enthusiasm and, of course, your craft.



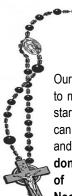
"Be not afraid!"

"Come follow me...." Prayerfully consider participating as a Liturgical Minister: Minister of the Word, Minister of Holy Communion, and Minister of Hospitality.

The Lord callsordinary people to do extraordinary things...

The pandemic, death, aging, illness, and moving has severely altered our liturgical ministry. We seek to grow our Liturgical team for all Masses.

The Lord calls us to Stewardship; to examine our Time and Talents and to share them with one another. Training and Retraining is done by Appointment.



Rosary Makers

Our Lady's Rosary Makers have started to meet again. They had a successful start, but like all of our ministries they can use additional help. All supplies and instructions are provided. Work is done on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month from 10:00AM until Noon in the Hall. If interested please leave your name and phone number at the Front Office (623.581.0707) and someone will contact you.

We need your prayers.



Please prayerfully consider participating in the St. James Prayer Chain which is an informal email notification for prayer intentions. To become a participant, or "prayer partner", simply email

<u>prayerchain@stjames-greater.com</u>. Your email address will be kept private.

Do you need prayers?

Your requests for prayers can be emailed to the same address and we will include your request in our prayers. Prayers for you, loved ones, friends, etc. Please obtain permission before submitting another person. Questions may also be sent to the above email address, or leave a message at the Parish office or 623-581-0707.

Gospel—Luke 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry.

The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread."

Jesus answered him, "It is written, One does not live on bread alone."

Then he took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a single instant. The devil said to him, "I shall give to you all this power and glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I may give it to whomever I wish. All this will be yours, if you worship me."

Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written

You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve."

Then he led him to Jerusalem, made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him,

"If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written:

He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you, and: With their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone."

Jesus said to him in reply, "It also says,

You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test."

When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time.

REFLECTION ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C.

Last Wednesday we celebrated the beginning of our Lenten season. Today we celebrate the First Sunday of Lent. The spiritual activities of Lent, that is, prayer, fasting and almsgiving are meant to deepen our union with God. They also enrich our spiritual lives as we become more aware of the needs of our dear neighbors and strive to love and serve them unconditionally and without any distinction.

The word of God today speaks about our Christian faith as a journey. The Lord who accompanied the people of Israel from Egypt into the promise land, continues to accompany us. Like Psalmist we cry to God on this journey saying: "Be with me Lord when I am in trouble." (Responsorial psalm of the day)

In the second reading, St. Paul charges us to stand firm and profess our faith. According to St. Paul, there are two things, which we are to do in order to be saved. The first is to confess with our mouth that Jesus is Lord! The second is to believe in our hearts that God raised Jesus from the dead.

The gospel reading from St. Luke presents us with the account of Jesus victory over temptations. Let us take with home with us something very important from today's gospel, Jesus went into the wilderness alone. However, the Holy Spirit was there to help him in overcoming the temptations. There are moments in life, when you and I, need to be alone with the Lord in order to be adequately prepared for spiritual battles. Lent is such a moment.

Prayer and fasting prepared Jesus to confront the devil. He confronted his tempter through conversation and dialogue. Today therefore, we are called upon to foster dialogue with our adversaries. We are called upon to extend and olive branch and bring peace to the hurting world. We need a "handshake approach to conflicts."

Jesus was tempted in 3 ways: First, he was tempted to use his power to serve his own needs like food and drinks: "Command this stone to become bread" (Luke 4:3). Secondly, he was tempted to us his power for political purpose – "All this will be yours if you use warship me" (Luke 4:7). Thirdly, he was tempted to use his power merely to show, do something spectacular for his own sake! – "Throw yourself down from here" (Luke 4:9).

While meditating on today's Gospel, I remembered the legend of St. Francis and the "Wolf of Gubbio." According to the story, there was a fierce wolf terrorizing and killing the people and the animals of Gubbio. When St. Francis came to Gubbio he stepped forward and risked being attacked by the wolf. For his weapons, as he approached the wolf, he made a Sign of the Cross invoking the name of the Holy Trinity – "In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen."

As soon as St. Francis made the Sign of the Cross, the fearsome wolf closed its mouth came meekly as a lamb towards St. Francis and and threw itself at his feet. St. Francis preached at the wolf gently, making peace with it. He called the wolf neither and enemy nor a beast. He addressed the wolf as a "Brother wolf." As it were, St Francis asked the "Brother wolf" to stop harming people and in return people would feed him at peace. Lifting his right paw, "Brother wolf" placed it in the hands of St. Francis as sign of compliance and acceptance. Peace and tranquility returned to Gubbio. If we want peace, my brothers and sisters, we must be prepared for dialogue and conversation.

Today, as we meditate about temptations of our Lord, it is worthwhile to reflect about our own spiritual *desert experiences*, the temptations we face in our daily lives. The Gospel reading ends with stern warning to all of us: "The devil departed from Jesus only for a while" (Luke 4:13). We need to be alert, because the devil does not go away for good.

REFLECTION ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C (Continued).

Allow me then, though briefly, my friends, to recommend two ways, on how to overcome temptations.

Pray always: let us pray always, whenever we are tempted. When we pray, we are encouraged to use whatever form and whatever words that come to our mouths or in our minds. Let us not underate the power of the Sign of the Cross and the invocation of the Holy Trinity, whenever we are in danger.

Talk back to the devil: Let us be ready to talk back to the devil. That is why St. Paul says that we must confess with our mouth. Never keep quiet whenever you feel you are under spiritual attack. Use words like:

My Lord and my God! (John 20:28) Get behind me Satan! (Matthew 16:23) Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you! Save my soul!" Jesus, I trust in you!

May God continue protecting us against falling into temptations during this time and always. Amen.

Evangelio - Lucas 4, 1-13

En aquel tiempo, Jesús, lleno del Espíritu Santo, regresó del Jordán y conducido por el mismo Espíritu, se internó en el desierto, donde permaneció durante cuarenta días y fue tentado por el demonio.

No comió nada en aquellos días, y cuando se completaron, sintió hambre. Entonces el diablo le dijo: "Si eres el Hijo de Dios, dile a esta piedra que se convierta en pan". Jesús le contestó: "Está escrito: No sólo de pan vive el hombre".

Después lo llevó el diablo a un monte elevado y en un instante le hizo ver todos los reinos de la tierra y le dijo: "A mí me ha sido entregado todo el poder y la gloria de estos reinos, y yo los doy a quien quiero. Todo esto será tuyo, si te arrodillas y me adoras". Jesús le respondió: "Está escrito: Adorarás al Señor, tu Dios, y a él sólo servirás".

Entonces lo llevó a Jerusalén, lo puso en la parte más alta del templo y le dijo: "Si eres el Hijo de Dios, arrójate desde aquí, porque está escrito: Los ángeles del Señor tienen órdenes de cuidarte y de sostenerte en sus manos, para que tus pies no tropiecen con las piedras". Pero Jesús le respondió: "También está escrito: No tentarás al Señor, tu Dios".

Concluidas las tentaciones, el diablo se retiró de él, hasta que llegara la hora.

REFLEXIÓN SOBRE EL PRIMER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA AÑO C.

El miércoles pasado celebramos el inicio de nuestro tiempo de Cuaresma. Hoy celebramos el Primer Domingo de Cuaresma. Las actividades espirituales de Cuaresma, es decir, la oración, el ayuno y la limosna, tienen como objetivo profundizar nuestra unión con Dios. También enriquecen nuestra vida espiritual al hacernos más conscientes de las necesidades de nuestros queridos vecinos y esforzarnos por amarlos y servirlos incondicionalmente y sin distinción alguna.

La Palabra de Dios de hoy nos habla de nuestra fe cristiana como un camino. El Señor que acompañó al pueblo de Israel desde Egipto hasta la tierra prometida, sigue acompañándonos a nosotros. Como el salmista, clamamos a Dios en este camino diciendo: «Señor, quédate conmigo cuando estoy en apuros». (Salmo responsorial del día)

En la segunda lectura, San Pablo nos exhorta a mantenernos firmes y a profesar nuestra fe. Según San Pablo, hay dos cosas que debemos hacer para ser salvos. La primera es confesar con nuestra boca que Jesús es el Señor. La segunda es creer en nuestro corazón que Dios resucitó a Jesús de entre los muertos.

El Evangelio según san Lucas nos presenta el relato de la victoria de Jesús sobre las tentaciones. Recordemos algo muy importante del Evangelio de hoy: Jesús se fue solo al desierto, pero el Espíritu Santo estaba allí para ayudarlo a vencer las tentaciones. Hay momentos en la vida en los que tú y yo necesitamos estar a solas con el Señor para estar adecuadamente preparados para las batallas espirituales. La Cuaresma es uno de esos momentos.

La oración y el ayuno prepararon a Jesús para enfrentarse al diablo. Se enfrentó a su tentador mediante la conversación y el diálogo. Hoy, por tanto, estamos llamados a fomentar el diálogo con nuestros adversarios. Estamos llamados a extender una rama de olivo y llevar la paz al mundo herido. Necesitamos una "estrategia de apretón de manos para afrontar los conflictos".

REFLEXIÓN SOBRE EL PRIMER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA AÑO C (Continuación).

Jesús fue tentado de tres maneras: primero, fue tentado a usar su poder para satisfacer sus propias necesidades, como comida y bebida: "Dile a esta piedra que se convierta en pan" (Lucas 4:3). Segundo, fue tentado a usar su poder con fines políticos: "Todo esto será tuyo si usas la guerra contra mí" (Lucas 4:7). Tercero, fue tentado a usar su poder simplemente para mostrar, hacer algo espectacular para su propio beneficio: "Tírate de aquí abajo" (Lucas 4:9).

Mientras meditaba sobre el Evangelio de hoy, recordé la leyenda de San Francisco y el "Lobo de Gubbio". Según la historia, había un lobo feroz que aterrorizaba y mataba a la gente y a los animales de Gubbio. Cuando San Francisco llegó a Gubbio, dio un paso adelante y se arriesgó a ser atacado por el lobo. Como arma, mientras se acercaba al lobo, hizo la señal de la cruz invocando el nombre de la Santísima Trinidad: "En el nombre del Padre y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo. Amén".

Tan pronto como San Francisco hizo la señal de la cruz, el temible lobo cerró su boca, se acercó mansamente como un cordero a San Francisco y se arrojó a sus pies. San Francisco predicó al lobo con dulzura, haciendo las paces con él. No lo llamó enemigo ni bestia. Se dirigió al lobo como un "Hermano lobo". Por así decirlo, San Francisco le pidió al "Hermano lobo" que dejara de dañar a las personas y, a cambio, las personas lo alimentarían en paz. Levantando su pata derecha, el "Hermano lobo" la puso en las manos de San Francisco en señal de conformidad y aceptación. La paz y la tranquilidad regresaron a Gubbio. Si queremos la paz, mis hermanos y hermanas, debemos estar preparados para el diálogo y la conversación.

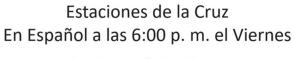
Hoy, mientras meditamos sobre las tentaciones de nuestro Señor, vale la pena reflexionar sobre nuestras propias experiencias de desierto espiritual, las tentaciones que enfrentamos en nuestra vida diaria. La lectura del Evangelio termina con una severa advertencia para todos nosotros: "El diablo se alejó de Jesús solo por un momento" (Lc 4,13). Debemos estar alerta, porque el diablo no se va para siempre.

Permítanme entonces, aunque sea brevemente, mis amigos, recomendarles dos maneras de vencer las tentaciones.

- Orar siempre: oremos siempre, cada vez que nos sintamos tentados. Cuando oramos, se nos anima a utilizar cualquier forma y cualquier palabra que venga a nuestra boca o a nuestra mente. No subestimemos el poder de la Señal de la Cruz y de la invocación a la Santísima Trinidad, cada vez que estemos en peligro.
- **Responde al diablo**: Estemos preparados para responderle al diablo. Por eso dice San Pablo que debemos confesar con la boca. Nunca te quedes callado cuando sientas que estás bajo ataque espiritual. Usa palabras como:

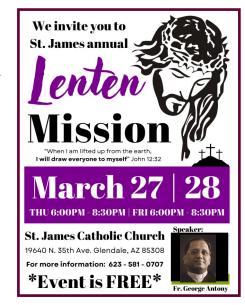
¡Señor mío y Dios mío! (Juan 20:28) ¡Quítate de delante de mí, Satanás! (Mateo 16:23) ¡Jesús, María y José, os amo! ¡Salva mi alma!". ¡Jesús, en ti confío!

Que Dios nos siga protegiendo de caer en tentaciones en este tiempo y siempre. Amén.



Stations of the Cross
In English at 7:00PM Friday







FELLOWSHIP IN ST JAMES HALL

SUNDAYS FOLLOWING

THE 7:30, 9:00 AND 11:00 MASSES!



Amazon Charity Lists (catholiccharitiesaz.org) **Under "Central Program" List** look for

Refugee Resettlement / UMP



What Can I Do To Help Stop Abortion?

www.pro.life



St. James can earn Cash from Fry's via your linking your Fry's Card to St. James.

Many Thanks to the participating St. James Parishioners! Our Thanks to those who have Already Linked their cards to St. James!

Frys Community Rewards - Fry's Food Stores (frysfood.com)







SVdP News:

In today's Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations to wealth, power, and esteem. As we begin Lent, may we open

our hearts to the grace of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Your gift in the SVdP collection will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this, Easter.

This week our pantry needs pasta sauce, granola bars, peanut butter, and jelly.

"Some people come into our lives as blessings. Some come in your lives as lessons."

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

GIFT SHOP

FEATURE ITEM:

This one-of-a-kind egg decorated with pictures of Jesus and Mary is also a music box.

We have several Lenten items as well.



The Gift Shop is open Sundays 8:00 AM -1:00 PM Also Open by Appointment Follow us on Instagram @stjamesgiftshop

Visit St. James' Gift Shop Online!

https://www.stjamesgreatergiftshop.org



AZ Tax Credit Donation to SVdP

We are asking you to consider donating to St. Vincent de Paul at St. James through the Arizona Charitable Tax Credit.

A single persons can donate up to \$470 and married couples can donate up to \$938.

You would then complete Arizona State tax return Form 321, code 20540 when completing your 2024 tax return prior to 4/15/25.





Adults \$13 (13 and Older)
Seniors \$10 (55 and Older)
Children \$6 (12 and Under)
Children Free (5 and Under)

Dinner includes::

- Choice of: Baked Fish, Fried Fish or Grilled Cheese Sandwiches
- French Fries
- Coleslaw
- · Decaf/Regular Coffee, Lemonade, Water
- Welcomes You . Dessert

Fridays in Lent -- 5PM to 6:50PM -- In The Hall



Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus St. John Fisher Council 12856

Fast & Abstinence | USCCB (US Catholic Bishops)

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

Ayuno y Abstinencia | USCCB (Obispos católicos de EE. UU.)

El Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo son días obligatorios de ayuno y abstinencia para los católicos. Además, los viernes durante la Cuaresma son días obligatorios de abstinencia.

Para los miembros de la Iglesia católica, las normas sobre el ayuno son obligatorias desde los 18 años hasta los 59 años. Durante el ayuno, a una persona se le permite comer una comida completa, así como dos comidas más pequeñas que juntas no equivalen a una comida completa. Las normas relativas a la abstinencia de carne son vinculantes para los miembros de la Iglesia católica a partir de los 14 años.

Next Week Learn About
Our Lenten Project
HELPING
UNACCOMPANIED
REFUGEE MINORS &
THEIR FOSTER FAMILIES



₩ Win a Relaxing Getaway & Support St. James! 🗱

Get ready for the ultimate summer escape! One lucky winner will enjoy a FREE 1-week stay at the Roundhouse Resort in beautiful Pinetop (June 13th-20th)! Imagine cool mountain breezes, breathtaking views, and total relaxation—all on us!

But here's the best part: every entry helps support the parish and keeps our community thriving! Don't miss this

Win a FREE Vacation in the White Mountains!

It's never too early to plan your escape to the stunning White Mountains! St. James is excited to offer one lucky winner a **FREE 1-week stay** at the Roundhouse Resort in beautiful Pinetop this June (June 13th-20th)!

How to Enter:

There are THREE easy ways to get your chance to win:

- 1. Drop off your completed raffle ticket and payment at the office
- 2. Enter online at https://stjamesgreater.rallyup.com/pinetop2025
- 3. Scan the QR code



Earn even MORE entries when you enter online and share the raffle with your family and friends on social media!

Ticket Prices:

- \$10 for 10 entries
- \$25 for 30 entries (get 5 extra entries free!)
- \$50 for 75 entries (get 25 extra entries free!)
- \$100 for 200 entries (get 100 extra entries free!)
 (Additional options are available when you enter online!)

All proceeds support St. James, and we truly appreciate your participation.

Good Luck!

Discover more about the resort:

Check out the great amenities at https://roundhouseresortandspa.com/.

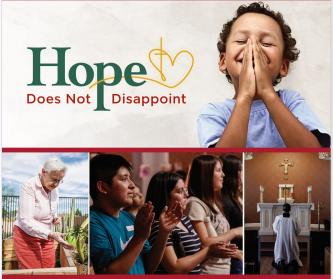
And while you're in the area, be sure to https://stmaryoftheangels.com/, just a few miles from the resort, for Sunday Mass!











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SCAN CODE WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE





ST. JAMES GIFT CARD PROGRAM

CHARITY AND

DEVELOPMENT

Do you need gifts for people out of state? How about the difficult to buy for person? Support St James by purchasing gift cards from the St James Gift Card Program. Hundreds of cards are available.

There is NO cost to you and This is an easy way to support St James

You pay only the face value of the card. St James receives a percentage of the card at NO cost to you. This is just a small example of what is available:



Please have your orders into the office by Sunday, March 16th.

Stop at the Parish Office to pick up an order form.

Questions? Contact Irene Molette at the Office, 623.581.0707



Active Shooter Class scheduled in the church on 03/27/25 at 9:30am.

This class is for folks who cannot drive at night





When planning an event, no matter how large, or how small, have you thought of using the St. James Hall?

The hall provides a convenient place to gather family and friends.

Interested, contact the St. James Office, 623.581.0707.