

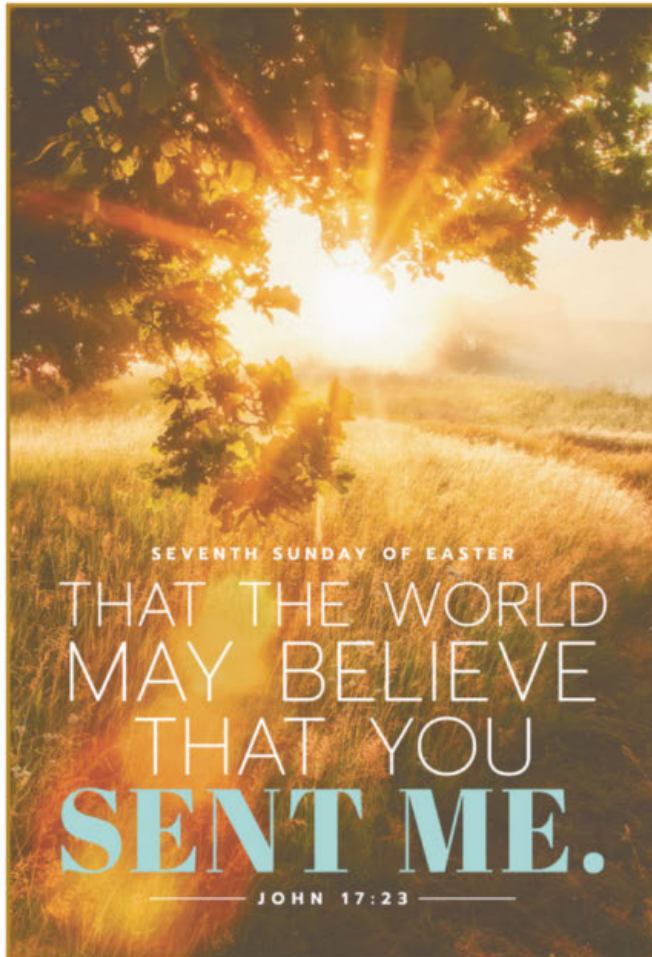


## *St. James the Greater Roman Catholic Parish*

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

*"Where you are a stranger, but once!"*

7th Sunday of Easter / June 1, 2025 / 7º Domingo de Pascua / 1 de junio de 2025



### *Parish Hours*

**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** † 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays -  
6:00PM-6:45PM

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

**Parish Office Hours** † Sunday - 8:00AM-  
1:00PM /

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

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

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

0728 Hours: Food Pick-up Only Monday 12

Noon to 3:00PM, Wednesday & Saturday

9:00AM until 11:30AM



# ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH — A FAITH AND FAMILY COMMUNITY

## 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
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- **Director Liturgy & RE** Sr. Sophie Lado, S.H.S.  
Formation Assistant Terri Simonetta  
Youth Minister Brianna Chavez Ext. 105
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Assistant Music Director Mike Giacalone
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- **Holy Cross Catholic** Phone: 623-936-1710
- **Cemetery & Funeral Home** (Available 24 hours)

## Intentions

### Monday, June 2nd

8am — Donna Smith (Health)

### Tuesday, June 3rd

8am — St. James Pilgrims at Uganda Martyrs Celebration in Uganda

### Wednesday, June 4th

7pm — Tom Serrano (Deceased)

### Thursday, June 5th

8am — Eugene Monroe (Deceased)

### Friday, June 6th

8am — Debbie and David Spaoa (Health)

### Saturday, June 7th

8am — Legion of Mary, Mother of God Members and Family  
4pm — Steve Brown (Deceased)

### Sunday, June 8th

7:30am — Seminarian Nathan Miller and Family (Special Intention)

9am — John Ingram Sr. (Deceased)

11am — Clodius Akwanya (Deceased)

1pm — Facundo Simental and Ventura Reyes (Deceased)

6pm — St. James Parishioners

## St. James Council Members

### Pastoral Council:

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:

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

## Finicial Blessings

Sunday, May 18, 2025 Offertory.....\$9,976.00

Weekly Offertory Budget..... \$14,115.00



\*Monthly donations will be debited on or after the 27th of each month\*

**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.

**Sunday Readings**

**First Reading:**

Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked up intently to heaven and saw the glory of God. (Acts 7:55)

**Psalm:**

The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth. (Ps 97)

**Second Reading:**

“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.” (Rv 22:13)

**Gospel:**

“Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me, because you loved me before the foundation of the world.” (Jn 17:24)



**Monday, June 2nd**

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday, June 3rd**

Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday, June 4th**

Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday, June 5th**

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

**Friday, June 6th**

Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday, June 7th**

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

*This Week at St. James...*

**Monday, June 2nd**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass      8:30am –4:00pm Adoration

**Tuesday, June 3rd**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass      4:00pm Benediction

9:00am –12:00pm Safe

Environment Training

Support

5:30pm –8:00pm SVdP

District Meeting

6:00pm –8:45pm Knights of

Columbus Monthly Meeting

**Wednesday, June 4th**

7:00pm –7:30pm Daily

Mass

**Thursday, June 5th**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass

9:00am –12:00pm Safe

Environment Training

Support

5:30pm –7:00pm Español

Coro Practicar

6:00pm –7:00pm Sisters at

Home in Sobriety

7:00pm –8:30pm English

Choir Practice

**Friday, June 6th**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass

8:00am –2:00pm Gift Shop

Sale Setup

**Saturday, June 7th**

Mass Times: 8am and 4pm

7:00am –4:00pm Gift Shop

Sale

7:00am –8:00am Rummage

Sorting

8:30am –9:30am Legion of

Mary First Saturdays

2:00pm –3:30pm

Reconciliation

2:30pm –4:00pm Choir

Rehearsal

**Sunday, June 8th**

**Pentecost**

7:00am –4:00pm Gift Shop

Sale

8:00am –9:00am Choir

Rehearsal

12:00pm –2:30pm African

Choir Rehearsal

12:00pm –1:30pm

Formation for Sr. Sophie

12:15pm –1:00pm Rosary

2:15pm –2:45pm Rosary -

Divine Mercy Chaplet



**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.

*From Fr. Ben's Desk*

**ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

Jesus promised his followers that He will be with them to the end. Hence, He commissioned them to continue His work on earth courageously, to be a personal witness who is suited to the needs of every age. What happened on the day of Ascension was something like what happened in the relay race. In this race, a baton is passed from one runner to the next. Likewise, when our Lord ascended into heaven He passed the baton of his work to the Apostles. They in turn passed it on to the people who came after them; they in turn passed it on to us and now it is our turn to pass it on to others. "You are my witnesses" (Acts 1:18), said Jesus as He ascended. That was said to every follower of His, from the one who saw His life, Death, Resurrection and Ascension, down to us who have only heard about Him, yet have believed. Some Christians think they will sneak comfortably into heaven without bearing witness for Christ. Too many Christians live their Christianity inside their heads; it never gets out through their hands, feet and lips. To witness is to spread the Good News which we can do either by preaching or writing. Even those who feel they can't do either of them, can surely do one thing: they can live Christianity. In fact, being a witness to Christ in the world for any believer has to begin with oneself.

The secret of success in passing on the Good News in the world is in our own personal life as a witness to Christ teachings. A great and a foolish king complained that the rough ground hurt his feet, so he ordered the whole country to be carpeted with cowhide. The court jester laughed when the king told him of his order, "What an absolutely crazy idea, Your Majesty," he cried; "Why all the needless expense? Just cut out 2 small pads to protect your feet." That is what the king did. And it is rumored that this is how the idea of shoes was born. This court Jester is indirectly telling us believers something about the importance of personal witness. If a believer wants to make the world a joyful place through the Gospel, if he or she wants to bring peace of Christ to the world through the righteousness, his or her own soul needs to be right with God and with one's neighbor. As the Chinese proverb goes; "If there is right in the soul there will be beauty in the person; if there is beauty in a person there will be harmony in the home; there will be order in the nation; and if there is order in the nation, there will be peace in the world."

Our Christian witness needs to be personal. Yes, but it also has to be also a witness to what our contemporary world needs. One of the needs of our time is hope. No wonder during this Jubilee year Pope Francis encourages us to be Pilgrims of hope. Of course, everyone hopes for something; if there is no hope, the heart will break. However, most people hope in superficialities such as commercial products or financial investment. Because of the short span of human life, many hesitate to take on far-reaching hopes, but the Christian hope is far-reaching, for it is an echo of man's end that lies in God. Christian hope is founded upon faith in God, aspiring for the riches of the Kingdom, promised through Christ. So, St. Paul prays: "May you know the great hope to which God, our Lord Jesus has called you, the wealth of his glorious heritage" (Eph 1:18).

## Ministry Highlights

# Big Thanks

Special thank you to all the catechists for the 2024-2025 year for formation!

Thank You Catechists! Your service is greatly appreciated!  
We know your commitment makes a real difference in the lives of our children and the parish as a whole.



### Youth Ministry

Many thanks to our youth, parents, and volunteers for a blessed and faith-filled year! We look forward to seeing you again soon - have a safe and joyful summer!

## Greater Hangouts

Young Adults Night at St. James the Greater

Join us every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month 6pm to 8pm!  
Ages 18-30

Come hang out with other Catholic young adults for a laid-back night of community, conversations, and Christ-centered fun. Whether you're a regular Mass-goer or just curious. Each month is a little different-games, food, music, bible study and more. No pressure. Just good people and holy vibes.

Location: St. James Roman Catholic Parish  
19640 N. 35<sup>th</sup> Ave. Glendale, AZ 85308

Come as you are. Bring a friend. Let's make Friday nights *greater*



**\*June 1st Registration opens for returning families!\***

#### 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 Matrimonio

Nine months in advance. Preparation classes are required.

#### Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Call the Parish Office when seriously ill.

## *In the Loop*



Fellowship in St James Hall  
Sundays Following  
The 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 Masses!

Come Meet Your Fellow Parishioners and Have Donuts  
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Sunday, June 8th

from 8 – 2

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### *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.



**This week our pantry  
needs cereal, saltines  
and chili.**

**SVdP:** Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples... and now through us.

When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and into the hearts of those who are poor.

**Please Note, as of July 1st, Weekend Masses at St. James Parish will be at the following Times: Saturday remains at 4:00PM; On Sunday they will be at 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00PM (Español) and 6:00PM**

**Tenga en cuenta que, a partir del 1 de julio, las Misas de fin de semana en la parroquia de San Jaime se celebrarán en los siguientes horarios: el sábado se mantendrá a las 16:00 h; el domingo serán a las 8:00 h, 10:00 h, 12:00 h (Español) y 18:00 h.**

**Tafadhali Kumbuka, kuanzia tarehe 1 Julai, Misa za Wikendi saa Parokia ya Mtakatifu James itakuwa katika zifuatazo Saa: Jumamosi inabaki saa 4:00PM; Siku ya Jumapili watakuwa saa 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00PM (Español) na 6:00PM.**

*What's Happening*

**DID YOU KNOW?**

St. James' 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary will be celebrated in 2032. Our goal is to improve and beautify our facilities. Plans include enhancing the altar area, replacing the church floor, renovations of the bathrooms and kitchen, as well as makeover of the courtyard. A team is currently working to develop a comprehensive plan for improvements and repairs, which will be presented to the parish in the coming months.

Future Repairs Needed 2.3 St. James Roman Catholic Parish, 2025

**SABIAS QUE?**

El 50 aniversario de St. James será celebrado en el 2032. Nuestra meta es mejorar y hacer mas bonitas nuestras instalaciones. Los planes incluyen mejorar el area del altar, cambiar el piso de la iglesia, renovar los baños y la cocina, asi como una remodelacion del patio. Actualmente un equipo está trabajando para desarrollar un plan integral de mejoras y reparaciones, que se presentará a la parroquia en los próximos meses.

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*4th Annual Tea Party*



**BLOOD DRIVE**  
 Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>  
 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM  
 Parish Hall Rooms 3-6

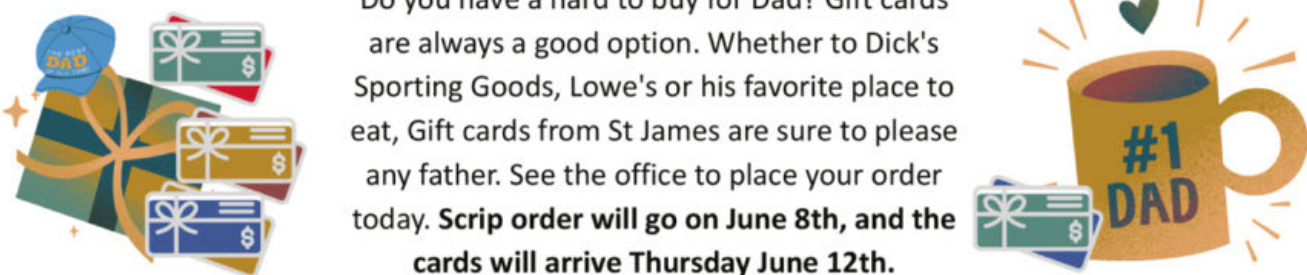


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