

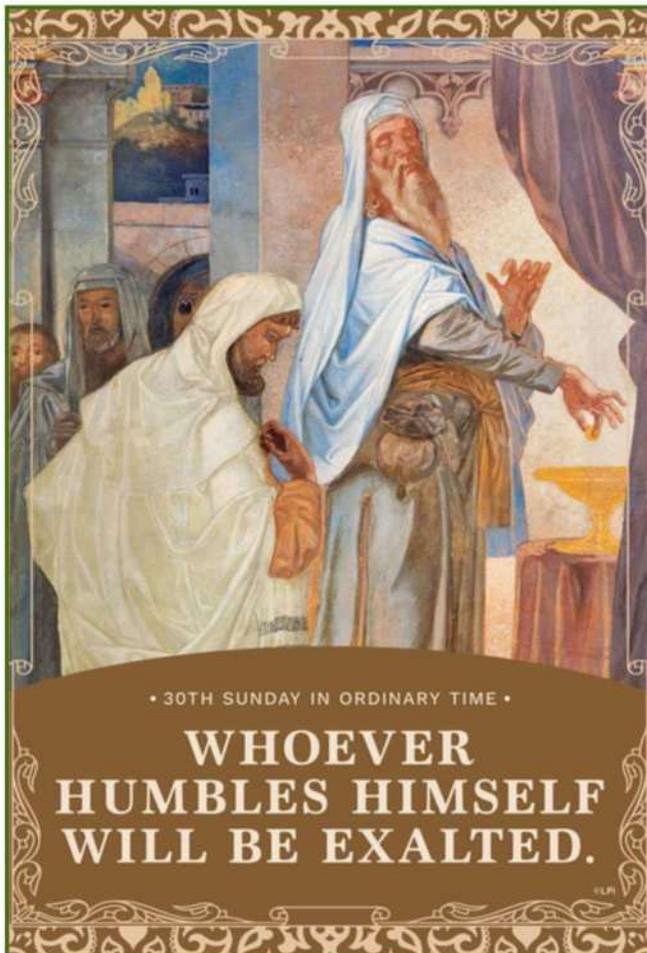


## *St. James Roman Catholic Parish*

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

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

30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time / October 26, 2025 / 30<sup>o</sup> Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario / 26 de octubre de 2025



### *Parish Hours*

**Weekend Masses** † Saturday - 4:00PM

Sunday - 8:00AM - 10:00AM -

12:00PM (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

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

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## Intentions

- Monday, October 27th**  
8am — Norman Ehrlich (Deceased)
- Tuesday, October 28th**  
8am — Anna Thao Vuong (Deceased)
- Wednesday, October 29th**  
7pm — Martino (Deceased)
- Thursday, October 30th**  
8am — Vu Family (Special Intention)
- Friday, October 31st**  
8am — Mary Vu (Deceased)
- Saturday, November 1st**  
8am — Gilbert Colinayo (Deceased)  
4pm — Deceased Poor and Forgotten Members of St. James Parish
- Sunday, November 2nd**  
8am — Joey Benedetto (Deceased)  
10am — Mike Di Maio (Deceased)  
12pm — St. James Parishioners  
6pm — De Mello & Fernandes Deceased Family and Friends

## St. James Council Members

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## Financial Blessings

Sunday, October 12, 2025 Offertory.....\$10,969.96  
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:**

The one who serves God willingly is heard; his petition reaches the heavens. (Sir 35:12-14, 16-18)

**Psalms:**

The Lord hears the cry of the poor. (Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 (7a))

**Second Reading:**

The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen. (2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18)

**Gospel:**

“For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” (Lk 18:9-14)



**Monday, October 27th**

Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17

**Tuesday, October 28th**

Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

**Wednesday, October 29th**

Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6/Lk 13:22-30

**Thursday, October 30th**

Rom 8:31b-39/Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31/Lk 13:31-35

**Friday, October 31st**

Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6

**Saturday, November 1st**

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

*This Week at St. James...*

**Monday, October 27th**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch

**Tuesday, October 28th**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass  
9:00am –12:00pm Safe Environment Training Support  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch  
2:30pm –3:45pm Legion of Mary  
6:00pm –7:30pm Junior High Group

**Wednesday, October 29th**

7:00am –11:00am Rummage Sorting  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch  
7:00pm –7:30pm Daily Mass

**Thursday, October 30th**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass  
9:00am –12:00pm Safe Environment Training Support  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch  
5:30pm –7:00pm Español Coro Practicar  
6:00pm –7:30pm Teen Confirmation class  
7:00pm –8:30pm English Choir Practice

**Friday, October 31st**

8:00am –8:30am Daily Mass  
8:30am –4:00pm Adoration  
11:30am –7:30pm Pumpkin Patch

**Saturday, November 1st**

All Saints Day  
Mass Times: 8am and 4pm  
SVdP Distribution of Bags  
10:00am –12:00pm OCIA  
2:00pm –3:30pm Reconciliation

**Sunday, November 2nd**

Mass Times: 8:00am, 10am, 12pm (Spanish), 6pm  
SVdP Distribution of Bags  
7:00am –8:00am Choir Rehearsal  
9:00am –10:00am Choir Rehearsal  
11:00am –1:30pm African Choir Rehearsal (Sundays)  
11:00am –12:00pm Choir Rehearsal  
11:15am –12:00pm Rosary Support  
1:15pm –1:45pm Rosary - Divine Mercy Chaplet  
1:30pm –3:00pm Magnificat Charismatic  
2:00pm –4:00pm Christmas Pageant Rehearsal  
7:00pm –8:30pm Teen Group



**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*

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C.

The focus of the reading this week remains on prayer, with special attention to who gets God's ear and why. ***We don't have to be perfect to pray, or even say the perfect prayer.*** It is more important to allow some room for God to work in us. This is more likely to happen when we bow our heads in recognition of who God is and who we are.

In today's Gospel passage, Luke shows ***Jesus directly confronting the underlying attitude of the Pharisees that are at the heart of the opposition to him.*** It is a parable about two men praying in the temple, one a pharisee, the other a tax collector. ***The disparity in social prestige is glaring:*** the former had an extremely lofty religious reputation and the latter's position was held in scorn by people who saw tax collectors as collaborators of the Romans.

The pharisee was telling God about all the good things he was doing for Him. ***"Praying, fasting, tithing, keeping laws."*** He was almost demanding God to admire him and approve of him. Jesus is warning us about self-righteousness. He is warning us against the self-opinionated attitudes of an egoist. Jesus is warning us against all sorts of pride. The proud put themselves at a distance from others. Pride brings self-esteem which is negative.

***The prayers and self-concept of the each of the men are interwoven.*** The Pharisee thanks God for the good fellow that he is, contrasting himself in the process with the whole "rest of humanity" and with the tax collector near him. In contrast the tax collector can't even raise his eyes and ask for God's mercy for the sinner that he is. The pharisee may be correct when he says that ***he is not greedy, dishonest, adulterous, and that he fasts twice a week and tithes.*** It has already been shown, however, in their previous reaction to Jesus' message, the pharisees lack of extra degree of personal generosity that Jesus requires of his disciples. For this reason, the tax collector's self-reflection and prayer are on target. In relation to how much Jesus asks of us we are all in need of His mercy. Luke's message is that prayer should express the realization that we can give even more. In our prayer we plead for the divine mercy that powers all giving.

## Ministry Updates



ST JAMES CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 2025

TELL ONE, TELL ALL...St James Christmas Pageant is on **Friday, December 19, 2025 @ 7:00 pm.** (Children to arrive at 6:00 pm in costume.) Mandatory dress rehearsal Thursday, December 18th, time to be determined. **Adult and Youth Group volunteers are needed!**

We are inviting the children Pre K-6 grade to participate in the reenactment of "The Story of the Birth of Jesus". We are currently casting the following: \*Mary, \*Joseph, \*Messenger Angels (3), Choir of Angels, \*Innkeepers/Townsperson, \*Chief Priests, \*Shepherds, Stable Animals (Camels, Cows, Donkeys and Lambs) Magi (3 Kings, Star of Bethlehem)

Please note all cast indicated with an "\*" requires practices as these are speaking parts. At this time, these speaking part practices are scheduled at St James on Sundays at 2:00 pm. These practices will be: November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and December 7, and 14.

There is no cost to participate in this pageant, as costumes will be provided; however, there will be a free will offering on the day of the pageant. We do ask that you be as generous as possible as these funds go directly to the Children's and Music Ministries.

This is a wonderful Christmas gift your children can give to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Don't miss out! If you are interested in signing up for this pageant, please contact Jeannie Mascaro through the front office.

### Family Formation!

Next Family Formation is  
**Wednesday, November 5th**  
at 6pm.



**First Reconciliation:  
Next class is November  
12th at 6PM**

## JOIN THE YOUTH GROUP



Junior High (6th - 8th grade):  
Tuesdays 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Teen Group (9th - 12th Grade):  
Sundays 7:00pm - 8:30pm



**SPONSOR**

Do you want to **help the youth group** but without the drama? **Sponsor a meal** for our **Teen Group** on **Sunday night**. From Lasagna to pizza to sandwiches, you make it, we eat it. To sign up just scan the QR code or contact Brianna via email, [brianna@stjames-greater.com](mailto:brianna@stjames-greater.com).

### 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.

# Stay Connected



Fellowship in St James Hall  
Sundays Following  
The 8:00 and 10:00 Masses!

Come Meet Your Fellow Parishioners and Have Donuts  
and Coffee (\$1.00 ea.)

Youth Group and Family Formation is now serving the donuts!

## Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped with and  
shopped at our fall rummage sale. We raised around  
**\$11,750 for St. James!** We still need more volunteers  
for sorting, setup and tear down. Come meet the  
wonderful people in this ministry and make some new  
friends. Remember - many hands make light work.

### ADOBE MOUNTAIN THANKSGIVING DESSERTS

It's time for Adobe Mountain's School's Thanksgiving.  
For those of you that don't know, Adobe Mountain is  
Arizona States prison, housing the boys and girls  
under 18 years who break the laws of our  
communities. For many years, St. James has provided  
treats to the kids after their Thanksgiving dinners.



All treats must be purchased at grocery stores or  
bakeries and presented in their original package.  
Please leave the receipts with the treats.



Chaplain will pick up all treats by **11:30am on  
Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>.**



Thank you for the love and care you have given these  
kids!



Thinking about becoming  
Catholic?

Come and see what the Catholic faith is all about! Sign up  
for OCIA today by signing up at the front office.

**\*Assistant teachers needed! Contact the front office if  
interested.**



This week our pantry needs  
**soup, jelly, pasta sauce, and  
toilet paper.**

**SVdP:** In this Sunday's Gospel, the tax collector's  
prayer allows God to be God and so allows God to  
pour mercy into his heart. When we pray and give  
alms to the poor, we allow God's mercy to be  
poured into their hearts.

Thank you for your generous donations, in today's  
SVdP collection, you make a difference to the poor  
and needy in our areas.

"The greatest tragedy of life is not unanswered  
prayer, but unoffered prayer."  
F.B. Mayer

**Looking for Volunteers to help in the pantry!  
Contact the front office if interested!**



Liturgical Ministry  
Training



**"Be not afraid"** to serve! God calls each of  
us to share our gifts. Learn to serve as a  
*minister of the word, minister of the Holy  
Eucharist, and minister of hospitality.*

**First Wednesdays at 10:00 AM**

**First Saturdays at 9:30 AM**

Come, be part of something beautiful!

\*Training and Retraining is done by Appointment.

# THANK YOU SO MUCH

Huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who has  
been generously donating items for the Fall  
Festival!! We couldn't do this without the  
help from our amazing community! Stay  
tuned for photos in next week's bulletin!

*What's Happening*

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**\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION!\***

This year November 1<sup>st</sup>, All Saints Day is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation. HOWEVER, Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> Mass at 4pm WILL NOT fulfill your Sunday Obligation. Everyone MUST attend Mass on Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

"What did the birds say to St. Francis on Halloween?"



THE FAITHFUL FUNNIES

**"Twick-or-Tweet!"**



St. Francis of Assisi is often depicted with birds, a nod to his witness of preaching God's goodness to all creation.

GLP!

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