St. James the Apostle Catholic Church

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Office Hours Monday-Friday 9:00am-12noon/1:00-4:00pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays 3:00 - 3:45pm in Chapel
Morning Prayer weekdays Monday-Friday 8:00am in Chapel
Adoration: Ist and 3rd Friday (3pm) and 2nd and 4th Thursday (7pm)
Masses: Daily: Monday - Friday 8:30am/Saturday Vigil 4:00pm/Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am and 1:00pm

Pastor: Reverend Michael Cormier

Retired Clergy: Reverend Paul Goudreau

Deacon: Rev. Mr. James Minary

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Mark Manko

Parish Clerk: Mrs. Judy Licari

Director Of Faith Formation: Rev. Mr. Mark Manko

Director of Youth Ministry: Mrs. Lorraine Parsons

Business / Network Manager: Ms. Randi Hodgson

Maintenance: Mr. Butch Toohey

Sacristan: Mr. Robert Dunn

Music Coordinator: Mrs. Tina McCann



"Thus it is written that the Messiah would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations." Luke 24:46-47

Pastor's Gomer

I pray these lines find all doing well. As so many of you know, I was in Massachusetts last week, my uncle passed and I was honored to have celebrated his funeral. A truly good man—my Godfather and Confirmation Sponsor. It is my faith and HIS Faith and Love for God that even allows me to celebrate a funeral Mass for a loved one, no doubt he is in Heaven with the rest of the family.

I also was given an amazing gift from God while there—one man's gift is another man's curse. It snowed while I was there!!! I LOVED IT WHILE THE REST OF Massachusetts would have killed me if they knew of my joy over snow. I rejoiced in silence but took the slowest walk from a restaurant to the car in order to be in the falling SNOW.

Jesus in today's reading tells us or rather gives us the greatest gift which is ours if we truly follow HIM—Peace! God wants so much for us to experience peace, a kind of peace the world does not offer. The world wants us to "add on" in order to achieve peace, get that boat, that newest phone, those certain sneakers and you will be at peace—that only works for a short "fix". Peace that God offers requires "letting go of"

simplifying, requiring only God and resting in His care, knowing HE WILL provide what we truly need—leading us to true peace!

Have a great week!,

Love,

Fr. Míke

From the desk of the Business Manager,

I am going to begin publishing a brief summary of the financial State of our Parish every quarter. Todays installment will be about the wonderful progress we are making on getting out of debt. Our 6 year debt reduction plan, which was implemented in May of 2015 is right on course!!! In the past 30 months of the having the second debt collection, we have reduced our total debt \$260,735!!! On June 30, 2015 our total debt sat at \$796,474.00. On January 31, 2018 it sat at \$535,739.00!!! This means that we will be completely out of debt in the next 42 months, exactly at our proposed 6 year plan deadline!! I can not begin to thank all of the dedicated, hardworking, caring, Parishioners, staff, and above all, Father Mike, for their unending commitment to this. We have to work together to achieve this together, and St James is one of the most giving Parishes I have had the pleasure to be part of. I am so proud of you, please keep up the good work!!!

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Mass Intentions

<u>Monday: 04/16</u> 8:30am

<u>Tuesday: 04/17</u> 8:30am

Wednesday: 04/18 8:30am

<u>Thursday: 04/19</u> 8:30am

Friday: 04/20 8:30am

Saturday: 04/21 Vigil 4:00pm

<u>Sunday: 04/22</u> 8:00am

10:00am

1:00pm

Paul Scagnelli

Raymond DeDea And Richard Dwan

Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tom Dalton

Mryann Rooney

Donald Robert

Adrienne Schuler

James Ouelette

Parishioners

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

Offertory Collection	\$12,714.67
Attendance:	1,224
Offertory	\$7,157.00
Non-Envelope Offertory	\$2,654.67
On-Line Giving	\$2,903.00
Total Offertory	\$12,714.67
Debt Reduction	\$3,270.87

Altar Candles

The candle burning on the altar in the Chapel and Church for the month of April is **in memory of Stella and Anthony Dinoski** and were donated by **Robert Dinoski**.

Readings for the Week of April 16, 2018

Sunday	Third Sunday of Easter Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48
Monday	Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday	Acts 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday	Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday	Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51
Friday	Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday	Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of The Church Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

Our Parish Family

We welcome into the parish community all new members and those returning Home to us.

We remember all who are sick at home or in the Hospital.

We remember in our prayers those who have died: Sylvia Lipori and Stanley Budnik.

Candles & Flowers



Remember your loved ones or your special intentions. You can do this with candles that burn all week in the Chapel or in the

grotto or a monthly candle. You can also request to support the flowers that are on the altar for the week.

Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested 727-869-3130.

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Bishop Gregory Parkes will ordain Deacons Kyle Bell, Louis Turcotte and Timothy Williford to the priesthood on Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle, St. Petersburg.

All are invited to attend the ordination and reception immediately following in the Parish Center.



HOLY AND HUMOROUS

On Monday, April 30th at 7pm John Bell of the Iona Community will visit Higgins Hall (St Lawrence Church) in Tampa to present a light-hearted presentation on the hidden humor in Holy Scriptures.

John Bell is an ordained minister of the Church of Scotland, a challenging homilist, a hymn writer and musician in great demand throughout the world. Though he is a frequent visitor to America this is a rare opportunity to hear him in Florida.

SPIRIT FM'S 5TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Please plan to join Spirit FM and over a 1000 of your closest girlfriends from throughout the Diocese of St. Petersburg for a day of faith, friendship and food. That is right—food! We have an amazing line-up of speakers to celebrate our 5th anniversary, including acclaimed chef, Father Leo Patalinghug.

Tickets are on sale now at <u>www.myspiritfm.com/WomensConference</u> or call Danielle at 813.289.8040, ext. 231.



The Diocese of St. Petersburg

Will Be Consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on May 6

In an effort to lead all people closer to the Heart of Jesus, Bishop Gregory Parkes will consecrate the parishes, schools, charities, ministries and all people who live in the five counties of the Diocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. All are invited to the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle on May 6 at 3 p.m. for a Holy Hour led by Bishop Parkes to take part in this special celebration during the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the Diocese of St. Petersburg.

To consecrate means to dedicate or set aside for a sacred purpose. Mary's life was set aside for the sole purpose of serving Jesus. By following her example, Catholics can completely give themselves to Christ in a powerful way and give their lives to Him in service and love.

For more information, visit www.dosp.org/heartofmary/.



SCRIP

As the end of the school year approaches are you looking to give that little extra something to your child's teacher? How about a SCRIP card for Outback, Olive Garden, Cracker Barrel, Applebee's or Red Lobster?

Are you planning on traveling for this Summer? Did you know your favorite hotels are probably on the SCRIP list? When planning your vacation, don't forget to stock up on your favorite gift cards to take with you...no more worrying about keeping enough cash with you. Stay in comfort at the Best Western, Comfort Inn, EconoLodge, Hyatt, Marriott, and Quality Inns. Planning on a Disney trip? You can purchase Disney Gift Cards! With SCRIP, you can stop and eat on the road at Dunkin Donuts, Burger King, Cracker Barrel, Starbucks, Taco Bell and Wendy's. You can even purchase gas cards, so you never have to worry if you have money for gas, just keep some in your glove compartment! The next SCRIP order will be placed on April 22nd, so pick up an order form as you exit the church.



S.T.A.T.I.C. CALENDAR

April 28	5:30-8:30pm	Saturday	TERRI'S TEARS FUNDRAISING DINNER
May 6	10:00am	Sunday	FIRST COMMUNION
May 12	5:00-7:00pm	Saturday	YOUTH NIGHT /youth room
May 12/13	All Masses		CARNATION SALE

Please stop by the youth table to sign up and check out what is happening. If you have any questions, ideas, suggestions please contact me.

Best way is call / text : (727) 967-3768. You can also email me at <u>youth.group@stjamesportrichey.org</u> Youth Ministry office : (727) 869-3130 ext. 1309.

Thank you and May God bless and protect us all. Mrs. Lorraine Parsons



<u>Today is our monthly visitation</u> at the Regency Park Assisted Living. Last month we visited the residents and went to Dairy Queen for our quarterly Ice cream Social. The residents won again, 41-39! That was a close game , we lost but we had so much fun. We have more resident players as you can see in the photo here, though we missed Mr. Hank and Ms. Ellie (they had to go somewhere that day) ! Thank you to our youth who came; Michael, Christina, Jahra, Cierra, Zelinda and we would like to welcome Sabrina (we are so happy you were able to join us). Mrs. Judy Licari, thank you so much for keeping up with the scores so I could cheer and gave encouragement and support to the youth (LOL!- the game was too close) and of course with Mrs. Cathi Kessel who took pictures and cheered the group , too. Thank you all.

APRIL 15, 2018 • ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH • THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Baptism: Congratulations on the upcoming birth of your child! The Baptism of your child provides an opportunity to examine your own Christian Life and spirituality and we want to extend this to your child Please contact the Parish Office to inquire about the preparation process for the Sacrament of Baptism.

Marriage: At least six months preparation needed.

Renewal/Blessing of Marriage Vows: Please contact the Parish Office one month before.

The Sick: If you know of anyone who is sick, at home or in the hospital, and in need of a visit please contact the parish office.

Joining the Parish: To join the parish we invite you to visit us in the parish office, Monday—Friday. Our hours are 9-12 and 1-4. Stop by and meet us and we will get all the necessary information from you. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at 727-869-3130. We look forward to meeting you and saying hello.



A Word from Deacon Jim

All are invited to join Deacon Jim who will be conducting a retreat leading up to Bishop Parkes Consecration of the Diocese of St. Petersburg event. Deacon Jim will be meeting with anyone who wishes to attend these meeting. We will be using the Book that Bishop Parkes recommends titled "33 Days to Morning Glory". These meeting started on Sunday April 8, 2018 in our Chapel at 7PM and will continue every Sunday until May 6 where we will conclude with a Holy Hour in the Chapel from 7 to 8 pm. For more information, call Deacon Jim at 727-534-7430.