

# WELCOME TO ST. JAMES PARISH

## May 13, 2018 – 7th Sunday of Easter

### Our Mission

*See a face, learn a name, hear a story. Love one another!*

*(Please use a name tag. This will help in getting to know each other in our Community of Faith).*

### OUR MINISTRIES

#### EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS:

*Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 8:00 a.m.*

*Tuesday and Thursday: 5:30 p.m.*

*Saturday: 8:00 a.m.*

*Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:30 p.m.*

*Sunday Masses: 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m., 6:00 p.m.*

#### PARISH CENTER CHAPEL

##### Eucharistic Adoration:

*Monday—Friday—9:00 a.m. –5:00 p.m.*

*Divine Mercy Chaplet: Friday— 3:00 p.m.*

*Wheelchair accessible*

#### PARISH CENTER HOURS:

*Monday—Friday—9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.*

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** will be Mondays at the 8:00 a.m. Eucharist. Prior notice is not necessary

All those who are dealing with a serious illness and/or will be undergoing surgery during that week are invited to receive this sacrament.

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Parents must register with Patty D'Andrea at the Parish Center to schedule a baptism and to receive information regarding a mandatory Pre-Baptism class.

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** (Church)

*Saturdays: 12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. , Thursday before First Friday:*

*4:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. or by appointment*

**PARISH NURSES:** If you would like to meet with a Parish Nurse, please call Margie Balint at 203- 378-3081

2110 Main Street, Stratford, CT 06615

Telephone 203-375-5887

Fax. 203-378-1562 - [www.stjamesstratford.com](http://www.stjamesstratford.com)

We have gluten free eucharist available. Please let the acolyte or deacon know prior to mass if you need to receive this type of Eucharist.

**Pastor:** Rev. Thomas F. Lynch

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Rogerio Perri

**Deacon:** John Piatak

#### Leadership Team

##### Trustees:

- **Pastoral Council:** Tom Kelly and Jim Hodska
- **Finance Council:** Dan Caron
- **Pastoral Planning Team:** Richard Zboray
- **Parish Manager:** Marcy Kelly

#### Adult Pastoral Ministry

- **Ministry with Men:** Jim Travers, Bob Carriero, Tom Gilbertie, Jeff Nocchioli, Mike Curran
- **Ministry with Women:** Angie deMello & Mary Tesla

#### Communal Prayer

##### Worship

- **Liturgical Music:** Jeremy Hutchins
- **Liturgical Environment:** Michele Hoekenga

#### Pastoral Services

- **Lifelong Formation:** Betsy Redgate
- **Principal St. James School:** Jack Lynch
- **Ministry with Teens** Bob Nagy and Karen Smith
- **Ministry with Sick & Shut-Ins:** Pat Stockdale
- **Charity, Justice, and Peacemaking:** Janine Walsh
- **PATH—**Debby Carroll
- **St. James Prison Ministry** - Alphonse DeJulio and Denis Granado
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry—**Mary Perille
- **Gratitude Ministry—** Suzanne Smith, Jane Begnino, Elaine Letsch, Terry Van Dam, Ligia Masilamani

- **Young Adult Network—**Ruwani Williams

#### Support Services

- **Pastoral Stewardship:** David Zamachaj
- **Business Manager:** Natalia Zamachaj
- **Business Office:** Dolores Lathlean
- **Administrative Assistant:** Patty D'Andrea
- **Digital Ministry:** Tonya Overby
- **Parish Personnel Manager:** Paul Fasold

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, May 14 2018**  
8:00 a.m. Jackeline Sanchez—Prayerful Intentions

**Tuesday, May 15, 2018**  
5:30 p.m. John Mahoney and Vivian Mulhern

**Wednesday, May 16 , 2018**  
8:00 a.m. Julianne Buynak Prior

**Thursday, May 17 , 2018**  
5:30 p.m. Frances Blanco

**Friday, May 18 , 2018**  
8:00 a.m. Kathleen Johnson—Birthday Blessings

**Saturday, May 19, 2018**  
8:00 a.m. Brother Jerry Market  
4:30 p.m. Joe Miller

**Sunday, May 20 , 2018**  
7:30 a.m. Joyce DiNapoli  
9:15 a.m. George Ahearn  
11:15 a.m. Josephine Shea  
6:00 p.m. Lawrence Baldelli, Jr.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** - Claire Hromjak, Mike Perille, Hank McLaughlin, Rhina and Bill Carmona, Andrew Donovan, Robert Lambert, Val Jones, Fr. Leonel Medeiros, Lucas McHale, Kathy Faryniarz, Izabel Perri, Mary Semedo, Robert Hayes, Ruth Hamilton, Sr. Joan Flynn, rsm, Michael Birch, Roger Emond, Eleanor Hart, Magdalen Staron, Kathleen Dunn, Jose Martins, Frank (Smitty) Smith, Anna Trahan, Dorothy Haggerty, Jo-Ann Pressman, Harold Pressman, Amanda Diccio, Frank Dempsey, Violeta Rogowski, AJ, Lori Hayes-O'Brien, Irene Kukla, Perina Torreso, Pam Young, Linda Burke, Mike Hanke, Nancy Anne Macisco, Edmund Ramos, James Ramos, Julia Stewart, Emmanuel Bell, Peggy Moales, Donna Nimeth, Walter Stelmack, Alan Handsman, Brett Keating, Kathy Sullivan, Wanda Baronoski

**Faithfully Departed:** *Nicolle Lanuin, Amadere Santama, Elizabeth Burke*

### CHARITY, JUSTICE, AND PEACEMAKING

Janine Walth

**Saturday, May 19**—Join us at 9:00 a.m. to make sandwiches for visitors to Merton House.

**Sunday, May 20**—We meet at 10:00 in the parish parking lot to load up cars and bring toiletries, snacks and clothing to our neighbors at Merton House.

**Parish Garden**— Girl Scout troop 38305 will prep the gardens again this year and we will have some donated plants. If you would like to reserve a patch for planting and to take care of during the summer, please contact the Parish Center at 203-375-5887.

## Weekly Offertory

Week Ending 5/6/2018

|                        | <u>2017-18</u>     | <u>2016-17</u>     |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| In Church Collections  | \$7,666.61         | \$8,062.05         |
| Electronic Offertories | <u>\$4,859.08</u>  | <u>\$4,772.24</u>  |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>\$12,525.69</b> | <b>\$12,834.29</b> |

### MINISTRY WITH SICK AND SHUT-IN

Pat Stockdale - Please contact the Parish Center if you know of a parishioner who is in the hospital or nursing home so that we can arrange a visit from a member of our ministry.

### PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING: (5/12-5/18/18) SEVEN DAY VIGIL CANDLES:

*Church Tabernacle : Happy Mothers Day to all moms!*

*Chapel Tabernacle : For our homebound parishioners*

### CHAPEL INTERCESSORY CANDLES: ()

**Candles will burn for the following intentions:**

*Candle # 1: All men and women in the military*

*Candle # 2: For the prayer intentions submitted through on-line giving*

### *Readings for Sunday, May 20, 2018*

*1st Reading : [Acts 2:1-11](#)*

*Second Reading: [1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13](#) or [Gal 5:16-25](#)*

*Gospel: [Jn 20:19-23](#) or [Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15](#)*

### **MINISTRY WITH MUSIC**

Jeremy Hutchins

This year, the St. James Music Ministry is calling ALL singers and instrumentalists to share their time and talent on Sunday May 20th, The Solemnity of Pentecost. 9:15 + 11:15 Masses. If you are unable to attend the first rehearsal, please contact Jeremy Hutchins - [jhutchins.stjamesparish@gmail.com](mailto:jhutchins.stjamesparish@gmail.com)

Rehearsals:

Thursday at 7:00 p.m.— May 17

Personal Care Assistant for homecare for a female. A variety of personal care tasks including bathing, dressing, feeding are required. Approximately 20 hours/week. Morning, evening, and weekend hours available. Please call Rich at 203-375-2931 for more information.

**2018 Annual Catholic Appeal**  
*(Joy in Christ, Our Gift to Share)*

*“Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have; God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.”*

- Hebrews 13:16

This quote should remind us that as Catholics, we are called to always share what we have. And to not become too cynical about what is happening in the world.

I don't know about you, but every so often I need a reminder about everything, even those acts that, as a Catholic, should be second nature.

The nature of our world is such that we start looking at everything with a jaded eye.

Please don't become jaded—help those in need by donating to the Annual Catholic Appeal.

If you have already donated—'Thank You!'

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**Appeal Update:** As of Wednesday, May 9, St. James parishioners have donated \$84,025 to this year's appeal. That is 64.63% of our \$130,000 goal.

**FAITH FORMATION**

Betsy Redgate

**Diocese of Bridgeport Wellness Fair- May 17, 11:00-4:30- Catholic Center, Jewett Ave.** A variety of services will be available. Great raffle prizes and give aways throughout the day.

**Christian Yoga-** final session on Tuesdays, 12-1:15 beginning May 8. Six weeks for \$60 or drop in's \$12.

***Pentecost—May 19 and 20, 2018***  
***Don't' forget to wear red!***

*“The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother,” ~Saint Therese of Lisieux*

*To all women who have nurtured us with love and compassion.*

*Happy Mother's Day*

**MINISTRY WITH MEN**

Jim Travers, Bob Carriero, Tom Gilbertie,  
Jeff Noccioli, Mike Curran

**Beloved Sons** - Consider joining us, men just like you, at the next Beloved Sons gathering. As it is scheduled twice a month (every first Thursday/third Saturday) we'll meet next Saturday (5-19) (6:15-7:45 AM) at the parish center. Via the reading and discussion process of Lectio Divina, we will share the Pentecost Sunday gospel (John 20:19-23) and see just where it takes us. Friendship and fellowship, augmented by a decent cup of coffee and a muffin, will give all of us disciples a chance to gather together to see just where the Holy Spirit moves us. It will take your breath away.

**Save the Date**

**Fr. Tom's Retirement Party**  
**June 10, 2018**

The party will take place immediately following the 11:15 A.M. Mass

*St. James Community of Faith congratulates the following children as they receive their First Communion this weekend:* Brayden Bereski, Drew Bereski, Sloane Driscoll, Joshua Fields, Ahmad Harris, Ethan Mazzocchi, Olivia Merwin, Dominic Shultz.



**After the Diagnosis...A Guide for Living by Fr. Tom Lynch and Barbara Mariconda**

Books and journals will be available at the Parish Center. See Marcy to purchase

*Ministry with Women of  
St. James presents*



*You are invited to attend the Women's Communion Breakfast  
Sunday, June 3rd*

*Courtyard By Marriott in Shelton*

*9:30-1:00 pm*

*Celebration of 7:30 am Mass at St. James Church. Registration starts at 9:00 am at the  
Courtyard By Marriott, at 780 Bridgeport Avenue, Shelton 06484. Bring a friend or two!*

*\$20.00 per person*

*Tickets available the last two weekends in May after Mass  
and at the Parish Center. Call 375-5887 for reservations.*

***Please Note:***

The Women's Ministry gathering—"Tea With Fr. Tom" is closed. We cannot accept anymore registrations and there will be no walk-ins that day. Thank you for your support.