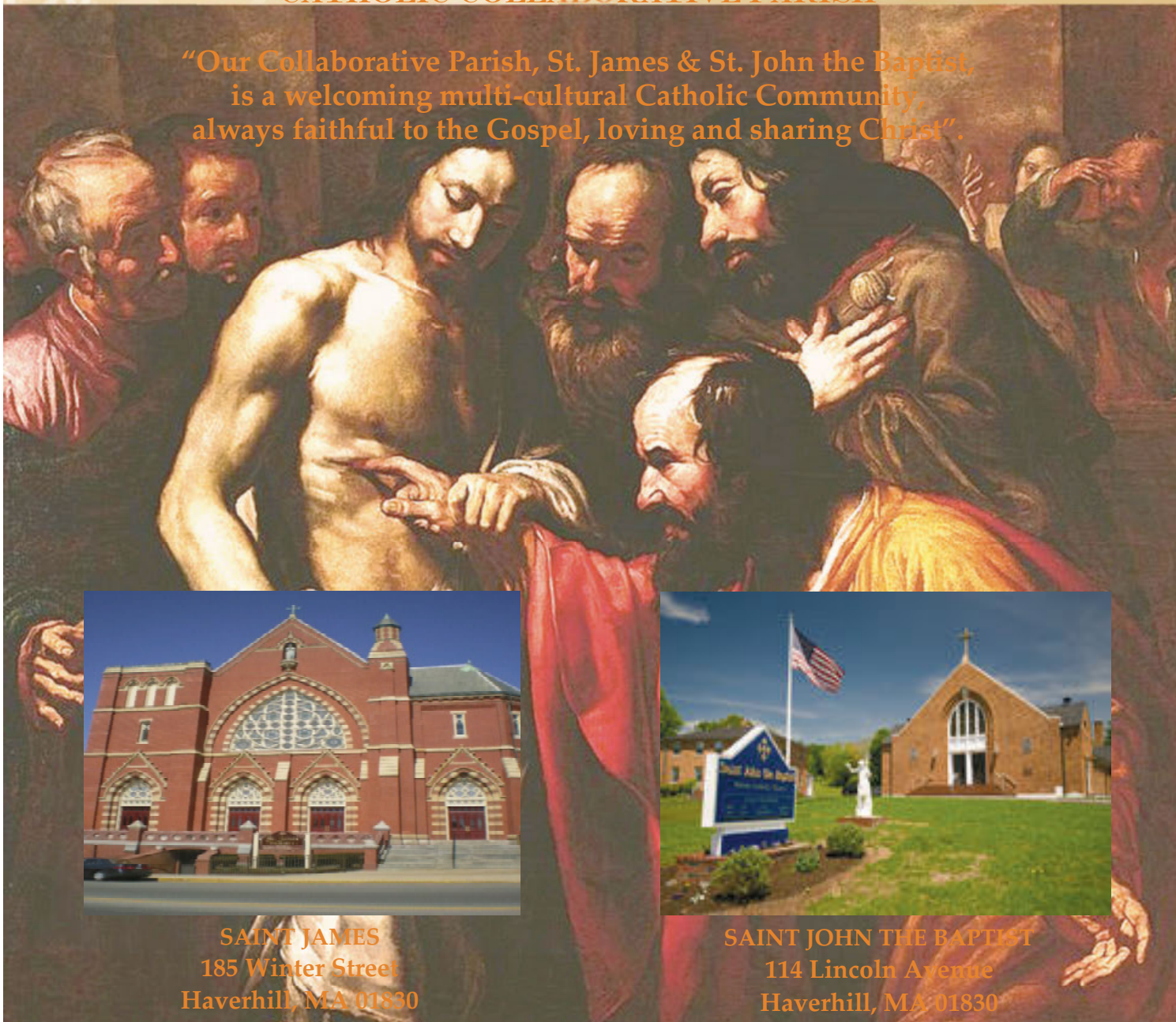


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114 Lincoln Avenue
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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00PM

Sunday: 8:30AM, 11:30AM Spanish, 3:00PM Viet.

Weekdays: 9:00AM

Tuesday – Thursday – Saturday

HOLIDAYS: As announced

MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday: 10:00AM

Weekdays: 9:00AM

Monday – Wednesday – Friday

HOLIDAYS: As announced

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If you are looking for a spiritual home, please introduce yourself to any member of the parish staff or fill out a registration form, available at the entrances of the church. If you would like more information about the Catholic Church, please call the parish office at 978.372.8537.

THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM AT ST. JAMES: 3th Sunday of the month, on the following months: Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec. at 1:00PM.

BAPTISM AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST: 2nd Sunday of the month on the following months: Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec. at the 10:00AM Mass. *(Only 2 children may be scheduled for baptism at each Mass)*

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION: Both Churches, Both Parents and Godparents: 1st Sunday of the month: on the following months: March, June, Sept., Dec. at 11:00AM meeting at the St. John's lower Church. Parents are asked to pre-register at the Collaborative Parish Office/Rectory, one month before baptism instruction takes place. Bringing the child's birth certificate. Please, call the parish office first.

MARRIAGE: Arrangement with a priest of the parish, six months prior to the wedding.

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays: 3:00-3:30PM at St. James lower church or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please call the Collaborative Office if you have a family member or friend who is unable to attend church due to age or infirmity. We will provide pastoral visits with administration of the Sacraments.

COLLABORATIVE PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Father Anthony Le
Permanent Deacon: Jose Nelson Agudelo

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Collaborative Financial: Andrea Sevigny
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Collaborative Coordinator of Faith Formation:
Joelle Mather - stjamesandjohnfaith@gmail.com

Collaborative Coordinators of Music:
Philip Clayton & Cynthia Arsenault

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We are so grateful to all of you who have helped launch a successful 2022 Catholic Appeal campaign. Here at St James Parish we have raised \$11,688 so far, which means we are at 55% of our assessment goal \$21,265 and St John the Baptist Parish we have raised \$2,340 with 31% of our assessment goal of \$7,555. If you have not had a chance to do so, please consider making your gift to the Appeal today by picking up an envelope at the back of the church or make an on-line donation at www.bostoncatholicappeal.org. Participation from every household in the parish is important and every gift makes a meaningful difference in putting faith into action to support the parishes, schools, and communities within our Archdiocese.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 23rd (SJ)
 9:00AM (SJ) **Parishioners of St. James Parish**
 4:00PM (SJ) **Amy McLaughlin**
~ Health, Req. by Judy & Norman

Sunday, April 24th Divine Mercy
 8:30AM (SJ) **Thomas Behan** *~ 2nd Anniv, Req. by family*
 10:00AM (SJB) **Rev. Joseph P. Smyth**
~ For the Repose of his Soul
 11:30AM (SJ) **Milagros Morales** **Danilo Serrano**
Anita Cleto **Jose Brito**
Patria Garcia **Arturo Velasquez**
Edward Soto **Rafael Soto**
James Paul Kocsis
Accion de Gracias a San Miguel
 3:00PM (SJ) **Vietnamese Mass**

Monday, April 25th
 9:00AM (SJB) **Parishioners of St. John the Baptist Parish**
 7:00PM (SJ) **Liturgy of Word and Adoration (Spanish)**

Tuesday, April 26th (SJ)
 9:00AM **James Mahoney** *~ (living) Health*
 9:30AM **Adoration**

Wednesday, April 27th
 9:00AM (SJB) **Monica Gardella**
~ Wedding Anniversary, requested by family

Thursday, April 28th (SJ)
 9:00AM **Parishioners of St. James**
 9:30AM **Adoration**

Friday, April 29th
 9:00AM (SJB) **Rev. Joseph K. Fagan**
~ for the Repose of his soul
 7:00PM (SJ) **Liturgy of Word and Prayer Group(Spanish)**

Saturday, April 30th (SJ)
 9:00AM (SJ) **Stella Harb** *~30th Anniversary*
 4:00PM (SJ) **Katherine & Emile Paquette**
~ In Memory, Requested by Family

Sunday, May 1st
 8:30AM (SJ) **Elvira & Michael Piecuch** *~ Req. by family*
 10:00AM (SJB) **Luongo & Femino Family** *~ Remem. by family*
 11:30 AM (SJ) **Sebastian Garcia** **Nilda Garcia**
Bienvenido Escolastico **Patria Martinez**
Jose Rosario **Roselia Mendez**
Accion de Gracias a San Miguel
 3:00PM (SJ) **Vietnamese Mass**

CHURCH SUPPORT - WEEKLY OFFERTORY

The weekend offerings of April 2/3 at: **St James'** Offertory: \$2,887 (\$2,507 Mass + \$380 online) & Parish Capital Improvement: \$1,480 (\$1,390 Mass + \$90 online) and **St John's** Offertory: \$1,196.10 (\$1,115.10 Mass + \$81 online) & Parish Capital Improvement: \$426.75 (\$426.75 Mass + \$0 online)

The weekend offerings of April 9/10 at: **St James'** Offertory: No funds available at this time and **St John's** Offertory: No funds available at this time. We will update as soon as possible.

Thank you very much for your love and generosity!

2nd COLLECTIONS:

- 4/23-24 Parish Energy and Utilities**
- 5/1 Parish Capital Improvements**



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed Sacrament Altar this week at St. James Parish for
Thomas Behan
 2nd Anniversary, Requested by family.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed Sacrament Altar this week at St. John the Baptist Parish for
Michael Dorsey
 Birthday Remembrance

Pastoral Reflections from Father Anthony

2nd EASTER SUNDAY

Our bodies often carry scars that could be the result of the times we were scratched or had fallen. There are some scars that recall an entire memory. There are scars that make us less beautiful, but are not as painful as once before. When the risen Jesus appeared to the disciples, he helped them identify him by his scars. He showed them the scars on his hands and his side. Those scars say one important thing: He is the One who was crucified and pierced; He already died but now he has won victory over death.

We are surprised to see the risen Lord having scars, even though it's not pretty. He is not embarrassed for his disciples to see. Certainly, they will stay with him forever in heaven. They will evoke memories of sadness, failure and pain as well, but without them there would be no resurrection. Therefore, we do not need to remove the memories of the horrible passion and shameful death of Jesus, because they are forceful evidences of God's endless love for us and humanity.

As believers, we are also going to heaven with our own scars. Living in this life, how can we avoid falls and stumbles? If we accept everything with love, it will become a bridge of salvation. Thus, the Easter Good News is the Good News of the healed scars by God. Do we have the courage to show others our healing scars?

Jesus' Passion made his disciples emotionally wounded. But his scars healed those wounds of theirs with his resurrection love. Thomas must have looked really long at the nail marks of Jesus. It was then that he discovered a deep love. It is a consecrated and humble love that made Jesus stoop down to conquer him. Thomas did not expect that Jesus personally appeared to meet his excessive demands. Thomas' heart filled with fond gratitude when he got out of his hardness, closedness and self-isolation, to step into the world of faith, exclaiming: "My Lord and my God!" (Jn 20:28).

The story of Thomas is instructive and consoling because our path to faith in God is often a slow walk through the moments of doubt and times of confusion which create a rift between ourselves and God. Thomas spelt out his anger and lack of faith when he had reached rock bottom and his hopes were dashed. Is it any different from our lack of faith and anger when our life is shattered by a broken marriage, a death in the family, the loss of job or young person who lets us down? Thomas stands for all of us who travel the road of doubt and at times are unsure of our belief. Jesus respected and understood fully Thomas' situation as he does ours in our moments of crisis and despair.

So, faith always requires a leap from seeing or touching. We can't see God as Thomas did, but we can still see him in other ways: we can see him in the Sacraments, in those who we meet daily, through the smile of a baby, the happiness of family, suffering of the homeless, or so on. Thus, we need to learn how to see God and believe. Sometimes we must learn how to look back on the scars of ours, of our family, community, the Church, and the world, and then believe that the risen Jesus is still present there in the midst of the restlessness and the falls, the failures and the sufferings, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" (20:29). Amen.

**Readings for today's Mass begin on page 153 – 155
of the Breaking Bread Missal 2022
Proper parts of the Mass begin on page 3.**

THANK YOU

On behalf of St James Parish, we would like to extend our thank you and appreciation to all the volunteers for the amazing work done on cleaning the upper and lower church here at St. James. They really put heart and soul on this small project.

We are truly grateful for all the effort done. Thank you and God bless you all!



To the Faith Formation Families!

Or in person program is coming to an end with the last class on April 10th. Here some important information:

1. First Communion will be on May 14, 2022 at St. James Church.
2. First Penance and a short meeting time with students will be on May 7th, 2022 at 10:00am at St James lower Church.
3. For the students that have been homeschooled I will need to view your folders both the blue and purple ones on May 10th.
4. Reminder only students enrolled in the Faith Formation /classes and those that have been baptized can make their first communion/first penance.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns at stjamesandjohnfaith@gmail.com

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Fridays by 12:00PM
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- Cookie, Brownie, Cake mixes.
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Please no medications: (Insulin, cough syrup, cold medications, aspirin, OTC drugs, etc.)

The pantry staff and the clients thank you for your continued support and donations.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY OF ST JAMES PARISH

Annual Report 1/1/22 – 3/31/22



Beginning Balance: \$ 47,291

RECEIPTS:

\$ 1,471	Sunday Boxes and Donations
\$ 100	Donations in Memory of Deceased Parishioners of our Parish
\$ 2,350	Reimbursement – SVDP Rent Assistance Program
\$ 5,000	Donation – SVDP Conference
\$ 9,371	TOTAL

EXPENSES:

\$ 8,719	Rents (17 families)
\$ 5,183	Electric Bills (11 families)
\$ 1,431	Gas Bills (3 families)
\$ 760	Food (19 families)
\$ 181	SVDP Expenses – Answering service and Postage
\$ 344	Miscellanies (4 families)
\$16,618	TOTAL

Ending Balance: \$ 40,044

DIAPER DISTRIBUTION— please support the Saint Vincent de Paul Society’s efforts to help young families in need. We give out diapers at the Parish Center on the second and fourth Saturday of each month, starting at 10 a.m. Please donate cash or diapers, preferably sizes 4, 5 or 6. We also need volunteers for an hour or so on diaper Saturdays. Please call our answering machine at 978-521-8851 and leave a message if you can volunteer.



In their book, *Miracles of the Eucharist*, authors Bob and Penny Lord recount a number of Eucharistic miracles from around the world. One in particular took place in a church in the town of Lanciano in Italy. It was in the 700's A.D. that the bread and wine from the Eucharist became actual human flesh and blood. This flesh and blood have been left in their natural state exposed to normal atmospheric conditions and without the addition of any chemical preservatives. They have been tested many times, most recently in 1970, and have been found to be real human flesh and blood type AB.

Anyone interested in, or questioning, the reality of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist will find this to be a very interesting book. It would make a wonderful Easter gift for oneself or for someone who is going through doubt.

Also! If you or a loved one is doubtful, pray to Blessed Carlo Acutis (Model of Holiness) who lived for Christ. There is a website that explains about this young holy man's life who died at the age of 15 in 2006 – www.miracolieucaaristici.org. It is worth taking the time to view, read and listen to!

If you would like to share your own story about belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, please send it to me at gerannjo@yahoo.com or if you do not have a computer you may send in your hand-written testimony to me at the following street address: Gerald Johnston, 41 Goodale Street, Haverhill, MA 01830-4209.

We all need to hear your story. Your article can appear anonymously if you prefer. However, I need to know your name to confirm. Just let me know if you want it to be anonymous. Thank you and God Bless,

Gerry Johnston, Year of the Eucharist Coordinator.

ANNUAL DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY PRAYER SERVICE

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24th will be celebrated from 2:00pm to 4:00pm at All Saints Church in Haverhill, MA.

This year's program will include: 2:00pm - 3:00pm - Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Litany, Hour of Mercy Prayers, and Chaplet. 3:00pm Catechesis on Healing Prayer, and a Healing Team Presentation. 3:30pm - 4:00pm Rosary followed by Benediction. After Benediction anyone wishing to attend the Healing Prayer service can go downstairs to the Parish Hall to participate. (There will **NOT** be a Mass during this time.) Priests will be available to hear confessions from 2:00pm – 4:00pm. All are invited to attend. Remember to start the Novena on Good Friday, April 15.

For more information or for a brochure about the Novena & Chaplet call Gerry & Ann Marie Johnston at (978) 372 – 3824. Please remember to leave full name and phone number.

LOS SACRAMENTOS

Bautismos en Español: El Segundo Domingo del mes, a la 1:00PM.

Catequesis pre-bautismal: El primer Domingo del mes, a la 1:00PM, en el centro parroquial (161 Winter St.), **obligatorio para los padres y padrinos.** La registraci3n se debe hacer previamente en la Rectoría, con el acta civil de nacimiento.

Bodas: Se debe consultar con el sacerdote o el diácono con 6 meses de anticipaci3n

Confesiones: Sábados: 3:00-3:30PM en St. James in la iglesia de abajo o llamar a la Rectoría por una cita.

Sacramento de los Enfermos: Si tienes un miembro de familia o amigo que no pueda asistir a la iglesia por edad o enfermedad, por favor llamar a la oficina para que se le provee de visitas con la administraci3n de los sacramentos.



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En nombre de nuestros sacerdotes con buena reputaci3n, gracias por su apoyo a la colecta de Pascua de la semana pasada que benefici3 a Clergy Trust. Si te perdiste la colecci3n, a3n puedes hacer un regalo. Consulte el boletín de esta semana para conocer las formas de donar ahora.

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14 de Mayo: 8:00pm a 11:00pm y

15 de Mayo: 8:00am a 5:00pm

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* Se asistira a Misa en espa3ol el domingo del retiro.



GRACIAS

En nombre de la Parroquia de St James, nos gustarí extender nuestro agradecimiento y aprecio a todos los voluntarios por el increíble trabajo realizado en la limpieza de la iglesia superior e inferior aquí en St. James. Realmente pusieron corazón y alma en este pequeño proyecto. Estamos verdaderamente agradecidos por todo el esfuerzo realizado. ¡Gracias y que Dios los bendiga a todos!

GRUPOS

*La Legi3n de María se reúnen los mi3rcoles a la 6:00pm

*La liturgia de la Palabra se celebra los días Lunes, Mi3rcoles y viernes a las 7pm .

*Grupo de Oraci3n Carismático se reúnen los viernes a las 7:30pm en la Parroquia St. James (Iglesia de abajo).



Para reservar una Misa para algún familiar suyo por favor contactar la oficina de la parroquia al teléfono 978-372-8537 o email:

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