

## Incarnation - St.James Parish

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#### **EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS**

#### **SATURDAY 4:00pm @ Incarnation** Confession 3:00-3:45

or by appointment

## SUNDAY 7:30am | 11:00am @ Incarnation 9:30am @ St. James Confession by appointment

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY 8:00am @ Incarnation

#### TUESDAY, THURSDAY, SATURDAY 8:00am @ St. James

#### **HOLY DAY MASS**

Vigil 7:00pm @ Incarnation Holy Day 7:00pm @ Incarnation Holy Day 8:00am @ St. James

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

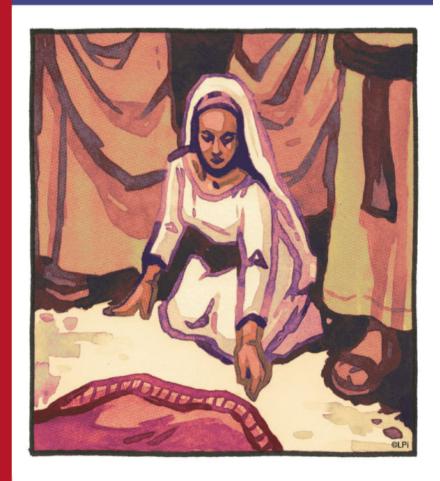
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# JUNE 30, 2024

#### **Independence Day Prayer**

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

We all know these words by heart. They are from the United States Declaration of Independence. However, are these words held with the same reverence around the world as they are held here at home? Sadly, no. There are many places in the world where it is a life-threatening endeavor to practice one's faith, that faith that was given to each human by that Creator who endowed us with inalienable rights.

Let us take a moment to remember all those people in the world who are not free to seek life, liberty or happiness.

#### Let us pray...

O God,

You willed that the Jewish people be free from slavery by their Egyptian captors.

You will that all people should be free to worship You without fear

and to celebrate their religious beliefs freely, even if they have not yet found You.

Grant that those of us who live in this great nation will thank you daily for our freedom,

and work for the freedom of others around the world

that do not yet have the freedom to practice their faith openly and proudly.

We seek your wisdom where hatred abounds,

and ask for humility to offer our good works to others who live in fear and bondage.

We ask all this through Christ our Lord,

who frees us from sin and death through the wood of the cross.

Amen.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The Incarnation –St. James Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is asking for volunteers to answer a call to action. If you are willing and able to hear the "cries of the poor", "seek and find the forgotten, the suffering or the deprived", and have hearts that "bring God's love to the poor" through generosity, not just with donations, but also with your time and energy, please consider joining this wonderful organization. If you would like more information, please call the parish office.



#### PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today.

## **Interfaith Caregivers of Incarnation/St. James Parish**

Would you like to perform the corporal works of mercy by helping people in your community? Do you know of anyone in need of help? Interfaith Caregivers of Incarnation St. James parish is dedicated to promoting the independence and dignity of homebound elderly and disabled people by matching them with caring volunteers who assist with the tasks of everyday life. Volunteers perform necessary chores, visits, telephone calls, respite care, transportation to appointments, minor house or yard work, grocery shopping, paperwork or minor repairs. For more information, contact Michelle at 609-902-3668 or email mmperone@verizon.net

## RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

#### The Touch of Christ

For a long time, I didn't understand why the virtual Masses of the pandemic were so wearisome to me. Theoretically, shouldn't it be a tired mother's dream, fulfilling her Sunday obligation from the couch, not having to worry how much noise the kids are making?

But it wasn't. Seeing Mass without experiencing it left me hungry. It left me starving.

Then a wise priest explained it to me. "Watching virtual Mass is like taking a virtual shower," he said.

Grace might not be something we can see with our eyes, but it is very much something that is transmitted physically. Jesus has a human body for a reason. He needs to touch people.

We see that nowhere more clearly than in this Gospel. The crowds are pressing on him, everyone trying to get close, everyone trying to share his space. The hemorrhaging woman claws her way through, desperate to make physical contact with him, any part of him, even his cloak. The synagogue official begs Jesus to come and "lay hands" on his daughter, knowing that this is the only way for her to survive. He doesn't ask for Jesus' good thoughts or approving gaze. He knows that isn't what he needs.

In the Gospels, Jesus saves people chiefly through his own touch because he wants to show us — you and me, sitting in the pews — something very important about how we are saved.

But where do you and I find the touch of Jesus Christ? Where do you and I find salvation?

It's in the water flowing over the infant's forehead. It's in the Host dissolving on our tongues. It's in the oil that is pressed to the skin of the confirmand, the dying man, and the brandnew priest. It's in the embrace of the newly married couple. It's in the extended hand of the priest as he says, "Your sins are forgiven."

It's still here, two thousand years later. It's still waiting for us to reach out and grasp it.

"If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured." — Mark 5:28 ©LPi



#### WELCOME NEW FAMILIES

We welcome new families to Incarnation-St. James Parish and request you register as soon as possible. Sincere membership is determined by registration, faithful participation at Mass and sharing of one's time, talent and resources with this community of faith. The parish can not issue certification of eligibility for sacramental sponsorship if a person is not an active parishioner.

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## A COMMUNITY OF PRAYER

#### THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2024

1 4:00 For the People of ISJ

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2024**

1 7:30 Nancy Lipski

Req. by Lipski Family

**Samuel Peroni** 

Reg. by Ida Scardone

SJ 9:30 Ronald Verrelli

Req. by Dina Zangrilli

**Americo Silvestri** 

Req. by Lidia Silvestri & Family

1 11:00 Paul Zarodnansky

Req. by Daughter

**Rose Raymond** 

Req. by Children

#### **MONDAY, JULY 1, 2024**

I 8:00 Barbara Ann Dutko

Reg. by Tom Slowinski

Mary Ann T. Krakosky

Req. by Diana & Paul Steward

#### **TUESDAY, JULY 2, 2024**

SJ 8:00 Mafalda (Babe)Fabe

Req. by Margaret Amico

Giuseppe & Giovannina Giancarli

Req. by Peter & Josephime Zangrilli

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 2024

1 8:00 Mrs. Veronica Mbaezema

Reg. by Sister Paracleta Ezema

For Repose of her Mother

**Shirley Hardmeyer** 

Req. by Nancy Paolini

#### THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2024

SJ 9:00 Malfalda Fabe

Req. by Edith Ann Mrazik

Pina Gagliardi

Req. by Mr & Mrs Giacomo Alessi

#### **FRIDAY, JULY 5, 2024**

1 8:00 Pastor's Intention

#### SATURDAY, JULY 6, 2024

SJ 8:00 Neil Marchesi, Sr.

Req. by Edith Ann Mrazik

I 4:00 Edward H. Sikorski

Reg. by Matthew Sikorski

Deceased members of Vagnozzi, Corrado,

Perone, Panzitta, & Hanuschik Family

Reg. by Michelle Perone

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2024**

1 7:30 For the People of ISJ

SJ 9:30 Ronald Verrelli

Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Loreto Pullo

Cecilia Gorham

Req. by Lorraine Karpowich

I 11:00 Joyce Stanko

Req. by April Cardinale

**Emiliana Codilla** 

Reg. by Deacon Joe & Ann Hannawacker

#### **LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JUNE 30, 2024**

Reading 1 - Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

Psalm 30

Reading 2 - II Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Gospel - Mark 5:21-43

Anointing of the Sick/Communion to the Homebound: Please notify the Parish Office when serious illness occurs or when the sick, aged, or incapacitated are confined to home for an extended period. Arrangements can be made to bring communion to those unable to attend Mass.

#### Please remember the sick in your prayers:

Richard Austin, MaryAnn Cochran, Maureen Corbett, Marjorie Cornell, Frank Coyle, John Fecak, Barbara M. Gallagher Alfredo & Helen Gentile Emily Greschak, Linda Immordino, Christopher Kirea, Debbie Kripplebauer, Rob Kunick, Dona Lewis Maria Matteo, Maryanne McCue, Callum Dixon-Merz, Paul Newman, Jeff Page, Joe Pfieffer, Robert Qunick, Angela Rivella, MJ Ranfone, The Leonard Family, Leni Sattler, Douglas Schleifer, Teresa Schleifer, Ann Szostak, Clara Stefane.



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### Reflections from Fr. Stan

Dear Parish Family,

If it hasn't started already, this week fireworks will light up the sky, fire crackers will be exploding (and I'll be trying to calm Champ as all of this is happening), people will be traveling to visit family and friends, and once again as a nation we will pause to celebrate Independence Day, commemorating the day in 1776 when the Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence.

This holiday is a time for reflection, gratitude, and celebration. The theme for this year's Independence Day revolves around unity and resilience. Did you even know that there was a theme for Independence Day? I didn't.

From the struggle for independence, thirteen colonies — each one very different, and there were many disagreements and compromises — a new nation was born. While it declared boldly that all men are created equal, and all would participate fully in the life of the nation. Even from the start the vision was marred by excluding women from voting and governing and enshrining the institution of slavery denying millions of men, women and children of their God-given dignity.

It has been called a "great experiment," and we are still in the lab studying and refining this process we call the United States. From the struggles of the past to the unprecedented challenges that face us today, we strive to keep that founding vision not just alive, but we are always attempting to refine and expand what we hope will be enduring values of freedom, democracy and solidarity.

As we come together to celebrate American Independence Day 2024 on July 4, let us honor the past and embrace the present. There have been and continue to be flaws, but at the same time we have made great strides upon which we can build. Let us envision a future guided by the principles of freedom, equality, and unity. Whether attending parades, hosting barbecues, or watching fireworks, may this Fourth of July be a joyous reminder of the enduring spirit of the American people. I also want to encourage you to take time to attend Mass here at ISJ (9:00 am at the St. James worship site) or to take a moment for prayer, asking God's forgiveness for our flaws, his blessings on our attempts to create the "more perfect union," and his guidance as we continue this great experiment into the future.

Happy Independence Day!

Fr. Stan De Boe, OSST Pastor

Thank you for your ongoing Catholic Stewardship, support & generosity of the Incarnation-St. James Parish. Nothing can be done without you & your financial support. Weekly collections:



## GOD BLESS AMERICA

PLEASE NOTE: THE ISJ PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY, JULY 4TH AND ON FRIDAY, JULY 5TH. ENJOY THIS HOLIDAY WEEKEND! THE OFFICE WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY, JULY 8TH.

#### OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protect of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse hotline:1-888-296-2965 or via e-mail at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org.

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.



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