

# *Happy Father's Day*



St. James the Greater  
Montague, New Jersey

St. Thomas the Apostle  
Sandyston, New Jersey

# Famous Fathers of Faith

Fathers have an awesome vocation. They are called upon to preview what God the Father in heaven might be like. It is a great responsibility, but it also deserves respect and devotion from the rest of us.

Fathers throughout Bible history have struggled with this calling. Many have succeeded. The lives of many of them have come down to us today. See how well you know the Dads of the Bible.

1. Which father in the Old Testament had twelve sons ?  
\_\_ Joseph \_\_ Simeon \_\_ Isaiah \_\_ Jacob
2. Who was the grandfather of Jesus ?  
\_\_ Joachim \_\_ Joseph \_\_ Elkinah \_\_ Nathan
3. Who should have been named after his father, except that both parents objected ?  
\_\_ Peter \_\_ Nathaniel \_\_ John \_\_ Zechariah
4. Which title did Jesus use to address God as Father ?  
\_\_ Rabbi \_\_ Abba \_\_ Elohim \_\_ Lord
5. Who became the father of children more numerous than the stars in the sky ?  
\_\_ Jeremiah \_\_ Job \_\_ Judas Maccabeus \_\_ Abraham
6. What are the names of Adam's three children, as mentioned in Genesis ?  
\_\_ Abel \_\_ Seth \_\_ Cain \_\_ Orville \_\_ Wilbur
7. Who was the father of King Solomon ?  
\_\_ King Herod \_\_ King Rehoboam \_\_ King David \_\_ King Jeroboam
8. Who was the father of James and John, among the earliest disciples of Jesus ?  
\_\_ Zebedee \_\_ Bartholemew \_\_ Timothy \_\_ Jeremiah
9. "*Honor thy father and thy mother*" is one of the Ten Commandments. Which one ?  
\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> \_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> \_\_ 5<sup>th</sup> \_\_ 6<sup>th</sup> \_\_ 7<sup>th</sup> \_\_ 8<sup>th</sup>

Answers next week.

To all our Dads and Grandpas: thanks for all that you have done, and continue to do, for your families and for all of us. God bless you on your special day.

(Take the rest of the day off !)

Father Wayne



**TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**June 20, 2021**

**St. James the Greater**

The Sanctuary Lamp this week burns in  
Memory of Barbara Gioielli at the  
Request of her Family

**SATURDAY, June 26**

8:00AM – Ray Sorg  
req. by his Family

**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**June 27**

8:00AM – Edwin Muhlbeck  
req. by Mike & Linda Spinapolic

11:30AM – Frank DiBennardo  
req. by the Cabrera Family

**ST. JAMES THE GREATER**

**\$ 737.00 – Regular Collection – June 13, 2021**

**\$ 459.00 – Online Giving**

**\$2,477.00 – Weekly Budget Need**

***Consider a gift to St. James Parish in your will.***

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**For On-Line Giving: log onto our website:  
saintjamesthomas.org Then go to On-Line Giving  
link.**

The 8:00am St. James Coffee Hour takes place the first Sunday of the month except for July, August and September. **Postponed until further notice.**

**St. James Altar & Floral Society** If any ladies in the parish are interested in joining, please call Joan Henn at 973-293-3690 or Linda Spinapolic at 973-293-7031.



**Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima Statue/Legion of Mary**

This beautifully adorned statue is a visible reminder of the love God has shown in the Blessed Mother. Placing such a beautiful image in your home turns hearts to prayer and brings grace to those who open their hearts to any image of God's love. If you would like to have the statue of Our Lady of Fatima in your home, or need any further information about the Legion of Mary in our parishes, please contact the parish office. *Pray the Family Rosary*



We ask your continued prayers for the following men and women of our parish who are serving our country in the Armed Forces: Brandon Heimall, Mikey Heimall, Nicholas and Karissa Kealy, Ryan Kowal, Joseph Mannion, Hunter Olenick, Christopher & Ana Sarao, Nicole Sarao, Marissa Snook, Peter Spinks and James Orr.

**St. Thomas the Apostle**

The Sanctuary Lamp this week burns for the  
Intentions of Albert L. Dunn at the  
Request of his Family

**MONDAY, June 21**

9:00AM – Prayer Service

**TUESDAY, June 22**

9:00AM – Prayer Service

**WEDNESDAY, June 23**

9:00AM – Prayer Service

**THURSDAY, June 24**

No Mass

**FRIDAY, June 25**

9:00AM – Mary Jo Brandon  
req. by Prayer Shawl Ministry  
-Intentions of Albert L. Dunn  
Birthday Celebration  
req. by his sister, Rosie

**SATURDAY, Vigil, June 26**

4:30PM – Carol Stanmore  
req. by Nancy Lodema and Family

**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**June 27**

9:30AM – Grace Reich  
req. by her Family

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE**

**\$2,317.00 – Regular Collection – June 13, 2021**

**\$1,221.00 – Online Giving**

**\$4,410.00 – Weekly Budget Need**

***Consider a gift to St. Thomas Parish in your will.***

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**TO CHRIST THE DIVINE HEALER WE PRAY FOR:**

John Adamsky, T.J. Albert, Ellen Bilofsky, Agnes Ciesielski, Maria Colletti, Barbara Connolly, Joan Costa, Bill Fulton, Gerry Gacquin, Patricia Harrington, Erin Hockenberry, Anil Jain, Tony & Jodi Lupo, Teresa Mantani, Dolores Menzella, Joshua Murch, Richard Nowicki, Michael Paino, Deacon Joe Roder, Ginny Sabia, Brian Scarpone, Shirley Strong, Jen Vaughn, John Veres, Jr., Tarra Wagner, Casandra Westbrook and Ricky Wunder



### Registrations for 2021/2022 Catechetical Year

Re-registrations for children and teens for the upcoming catechetical year will be sent out by mail soon.

Parents of children entering first grade, new children to the parish or children enrolled in Catholic school or home school who will be preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Holy Eucharist or Confirmation must call the Religious Education Office to register. To enroll your child(ren) in the parish program, you must be a registered and participating member of the parish.

### The Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Before Jesus began teaching, another special man went out among the people to tell them to get ready for Jesus. He was a relative of Jesus, the son of Mary's cousin Elizabeth. His name was John and he was called "The Baptist." This is his story.

Elizabeth was married to Zechariah and they were both good and holy people. But they were very old and sad that they never had children. One day in the temple, an angel appeared to Zechariah and told him that he and his wife would have a son named John who would help turn people to God. Zechariah was surprised and didn't believe the angel. Because of this, the angel told him that he would not be able to speak another word until all of this became true. Zechariah was not able to speak a word until Elizabeth had her baby and they named him John. Zechariah then spoke again and began praising God. Soon people came to know that John was very holy.

When John grew up, he lived in the desert. He wore simple clothes made of camel hair and a rough belt of leather. He ate locusts, insects and wild honey. He reminded the people of another very holy prophet of long ago named Elijah. John the Baptist asked people to stop sinning. He asked them to get ready for the coming of their promised Savior. To show that their hearts and lives were clean and ready for Jesus, John poured water over them in the Jordan River. This was a kind of baptism. Some people thought that John was the promised savior, but John told them that he wasn't. He explained that he was only preparing the way for someone much greater than himself.

On June 24<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the birth of St. John the Baptist. We thank him for the example he gives us. We, too, can help others not to sin, by sharing our love and knowledge of Jesus. *St. John the Baptist, pray for us!*

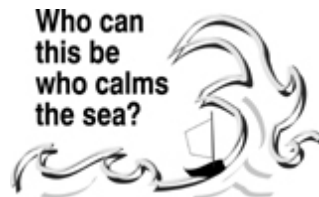
**Did you know...our cathedral – and the seat of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Paterson, is named in honor of St. John the Baptist. Maybe over the summer, you can visit the beautiful Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson and go inside to say some prayers or even attend Mass!**



### Congratulations Graduates

*"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." ~ Jeremiah 29:11*

Congratulations and many blessings to all who are graduating from Elementary School, Junior and Senior High School, College or Graduate School. May you know of the prayers and best wishes of many who are praying for you to continue to seek the help of God as you move forward to different schools or career opportunities. May you always call on the Holy Spirit for His gifts to help make decisions which will always give glory, honor and praise to Our Lord, Jesus Christ.



A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS  
**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly  
Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

### **Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 20, 2021**

**"Leaving the crowd, they took Jesus with them in the boat just as he was. A violent squall came up and waves were breaking over the boat, so that it was already filling up. Jesus was in the stern, asleep on a cushion. They woke him and said to him: 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Quiet, be still!' The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them: 'Why are you terrified?'"**

Jesus suggested that they cross the sea. While asleep, the climate changed, the wind, waves and rough sea confronted them. Even the fishermen were afraid. Their question, 'Do you not care that we are perishing?', would find a clear answer in the three words. He cared, calm ensued, and normality returned. They responded to His peaceful presence.

Crises cause us to panic. How rarely we turn to the Lord and ask, 'Teacher do you not care?' The answer is 'yes' and we wish to find His guiding hand to assure us of His constant care in great things and in small. He is not asleep, we are. In times of tumult and distress we seek His calming hand. He is with us now.

## *This Week in Our Parishes*

STC – St. Thomas Church or Fr. Lewis Center  
SJC – St. James Church or Church Hall  
REC – Fr. Gacquin Religious Ed Center

**Sunday, June 20, 2021**  
*12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Monday, June 21**

**Tuesday, June 22**

**Wednesday, June 23**

**Thursday, June 24**  
*Feast of the Birth of John the Baptist*

**Friday, June 25**

**Saturday, June 26**

**Sunday, June 27, 2021**  
*13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

1:00 p.m. STC St. Thomas Parish Picnic

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**Next Sunday's Readings: 13<sup>th</sup> Ord**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: *Wisdom 1: 13-15; 2: 23-24*

Resp. Psalm: *Psalms 30*

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: *2 Corinthians 8: 7, 9, 13--15*

Gospel: *Mark 5: 21--43*

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**FORMED.org** Simply go to our parish website: [saintjamesthomas.org](http://saintjamesthomas.org). At the home page, scroll down to the FORMED banner to register (first time) or login (each time after).

**Suggestions from FORMED:**

**Listen: "The Body and Blood of Christ"**

by Dr. Scott Hahn

In this presentation, Dr. Scott Hahn, a former Presbyterian minister, provides the Biblical basis for the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, and the significance of the Feast of Corpus Christi. This talk also gives us a greater understanding of our vocation to be the living presence of Christ to the world.

**St. Thomas Parish Picnic Next Sunday, June 27.** Join us for a relaxing Sunday afternoon under the trees of the Great Lawn at our annual parish picnic. There will be food and music and a chance to be together with other parishioners and friends. Bring a lawn chair if you'd like. **We begin at 1 p.m. and go till 4 p.m.** Hope to see you there.

**Welcome to Father Louis Caputo,** and the Vocationalist Fathers from the **Sanctuary of Mary** in Branchville. They are covering the Masses for this weekend, while Fr. Wayne is in Florida, getting an annual dose of family life.

**Brief History of the Sanctuary.** The **Sanctuary of Mary, Our Lady of the Holy Spirit** located at 252 Wantage Ave., Branchville, began with the vision of Fr. Sylvester Livolsi, to establish a place of prayer and intercession to our Blessed Mother. In the early 70's, he designed and built the Sanctuary himself, with the help of a dedicated group of volunteers who shared his dream. This group formed the *Association of Mary* and met every Saturday for Mass, Bible study, the Rosary and lunch. In 1975, Bishop Lawrence Casey formally dedicated the Sanctuary and appointed Fr. Livolsi as Guardian and Custodian of the shrine.

Pilgrims began arriving in bus loads and enjoyed the wooded area and chapel on weekend days-of-recollection. To accommodate pilgrims, St. Joseph's Hall was built, followed by St. Michael's Pavillion and the 'God the Father' Chapel. Outdoor Stations of the Cross were also erected. Up to 600 people attended services at a time. For Fr. Livolsi's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Ordination in 1998, 12 busloads of people were in attendance. Fr. Livolsi died in 2008.

In 2009, the Sanctuary became site of the S.O.L.T. Fathers, the Society of Our Lady of the Blessed Trinity, based in Corpus Christi, Texas. Under the leadership of Fr. Jim Mulligan, group retreats increased and Brothers and Sisters of the Order ministered here. These continued until staffing shortages forced them to leave in 2014.

In November 2018 the property was transferred to the Society of Divine Vocations (the Vocationalist Fathers.) With the guidance of Superior Fr. Louis Caputo, the Sanctuary continues to be a source of God's blessings and Our Lady's intercession. **Mass is offered there each evening at 6 p.m.** Plans for retreats and days of reflection are also unfolding.

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