

# WELCOME TO ST. JAMES PARISH

*May 20, 2018 – Pentecost*

## 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 21, 2018**  
8:00 a.m. Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Gedeon  
Jean Jacques Gedeon

**Tuesday, May 22, 2018**  
8:00 A.M. Crispi Sanson—Special Intention

**Wednesday, May 23, 2018**  
8:00 a.m. Lena Bobko

**Thursday, May 24, 2018**  
5:30 p.m. Andrew Donovan - Healing and birthday blessings

**Friday, May 25, 2018**  
8:00 a.m. Orianie Aridau Gedeon

**Saturday, May 26, 2018**  
8:00 a.m. Joseph Jurkowski  
4:30 p.m. Bobby Permanad Capideo

**Sunday, May 27, 2018**  
7:30 a.m. Annie Vazquez  
9:15 a.m. Betty Burke  
11:15 a.m. Ryan Wade  
6:00 p.m. St. James Parishioners Living and Deceased

**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 Dunn, 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 Torresos, 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, Marybeth Connell, Marie Minahan, Marie Ruggiero Appleby, Barbara Roberston, Eric Lunde

**Faithfully Departed:** . Wanda Baronavski, Edward James Stamper

CHARITY, JUSTICE, AND PEACEMAKING  
Janine Walsh

**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 5/13/2018

	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2016-17</u>
In Church Collections	\$8,346.00	\$7,383.39
Electronic Offertories	<u>\$3,809.08</u>	<u>\$4,104.24</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12,155.08</b>	<b>\$11,487.63</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: (5/19/ - 5/25/18) SEVEN DAY VIGIL CANDLES:

*Church Tabernacle : For Our Confirmation Candidates*

*Chapel Tabernacle : Love*

**CHAPEL INTERCESSORY CANDLES:** (5/19-5/25/18)  
**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 27, 2018*

*1st Reading : [Dt 4:32-34, 39-40](#)*

*Second Reading: [Rom 8:14-17](#)*

*Gospel: [Mt 28:16-20](#)*

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.

### PLEASE NOTE:

**TUESDAY, MAY 22—DAILY MASS WILL  
BE AT 8:00 A.M.**

**CONFIRMATION IS AT NIGHT AND  
SET-UP WILL START AT 5:00 P.M.**

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

*"I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare."*

- C. S. Lewis

In many of the previous quotes and comments about generosity and donating to the Annual Catholic Appeal I have mentioned praying to God about how much to give. I believe that this quote from C. S. Lewis will help those who (like myself) sometimes have a hard time hearing how much God wants me to give.

Even though it is much easier for us to give out of our surplus, those in need really require that, as the saying goes, we give until it hurts. (Even if it only hurts a little.)

If you have already donated—'Thank You!'

For those of you who haven't donated yet, please pray on it this week.

**REMINDER**—The Annual Catholic Appeal officially ends on June 30. While, in the past, we have taken longer to meet our goal, please help us achieve our goal by June 30. That way (and here's the motivation for doing this) you will not have to see these messages again until next year.

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**Appeal Update:** As of Thursday, May 17, St. James parishioners have donated \$85,620 to this year's appeal. That is 65.86% of our \$130,000 goal.

**MINISTRY WITH MEN**

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

**Beloved Sons**—The next schedule Beloved Sons gathering is Thursday, June 7 (7:30-8:30 PM) at the parish center. We will be breaking open the gospel story for that weekend, the 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time (MK 3:20-35). In these not so Ordinary times, why not join with other men for faith, fellow-ship and sharing. It's a house that just cannot be divided.

**Save the Date**

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

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

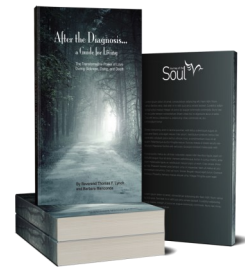
**FAITH FORMATION**

Betsy Redgate

**Interested in becoming a Catholic?** If you or someone you know is interested in joining the Catholic Church, our program for adults begins in September. Sacraments will be received at the Easter Vigil. Please contact the Parish Center for more information.

**Want to know more about your Catholic Faith?** Visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) to find everything you might want to know about our prayers, practices, traditions and beliefs. This website is sponsored by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops.

**Centering Prayer-** a free app for your phone that provides you with a guided experience of this prayer method.



**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

A female parishioner is looking for a homecare companion. Light house-keeping. If interested, please contact Marcy at the Parish Center. 203-375-5887

# COME HOLY SPIRIT



Spirit of God, awaken within me  
the knowledge of who I am called to be  
as a beloved son/daughter of God,  
our Father,  
and as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Spirit of God, help me to grow  
in this awareness so it  
permeates my heart and everything I do.

Spirit of God, help me to believe  
you have chosen me from  
all time to be your living presence  
in this world. Let this be my destiny and my  
greatest passion.

Spirit of God, set me afire with  
the power of your love.  
so I can live the gospel  
in new and deeper ways.

Spirit of God, give me the courage  
to allow you to transform me  
so that I may actively  
be the Lord's disciple in the world.

Amen.