

Parish Center Office Hours:

Sunday ~ Closed
Monday: 9am-8pm

Tuesday & Wednesday: 9am-5pm
Thursday: 9am-8pm

Friday: 9am-12 Noon
Saturday: 10am-2pm

Parish Center Phone ~ 631-584-5454

Parish Center Fax~ 631-862-9675

Web ~ www.sspj.org

Pastoral Team

Father Tom Haggerty
Father Patrick Osei-Poku
Deacon Ronald Blasius
Deacon John Keenan
Deacon Ken Maher
Margaret Adams
Virginia Portanova
John Cordes
Lynn Sisti
Charlotte Czujko
Barbara Luna
Dominick Avento
Cathy Darrow
Frank Brancaccio

Pastor
Associate Pastor
Deacon
Deacon
Deacon
Director of Music
Business Manager
Director of Facilities
Coordinator of Parish Social Ministry
Religious Education Coordinator Grades 1-2
Religious Education Coordinator Grades 3-6
Religious Education Coordinator Grades 7-8
Religious Education Administrator
Youth Minister

Pastoral Council

Claire DiCarlo, Chris Donnelly, Richard Frazita, Lou Guerra, Kelsey Greco, Cynthia Lombardi, Martin Marut, Ann Mondrone, Mary Ann Pose, Noel Rannazzisi, Tom Sica, Dr. John Primavera

Trustees

Jerry Linder ~ Tina Cafaro

SSPJ School—Principal Ruth E. Testa

School Phone : 631-584-7896 School Fax: 631-584-3258

Sacraments

Baptism— Celebrated twice per month. Parents are asked to register at the Pastoral Center for Pre-Baptism Program.

Marriage—Couples are asked to contact the Pastoral Center before visiting the reception hall. The Marriage Preparation process is nine months before your proposed wedding date.

Confirmation—Seventh and Eighth grade students are prepared to celebrate through Religious Ed or SSPJ School. Adults prepare through RCIA.

Reconciliation— Available Saturdays from 4:00pm-5:00pm in the Church or by contacting the Parish Center for an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick— In case of serious, unexpected illness, please contact the Parish Center office to arrange for a Priest to pray with the person who is ill. Anointing of the Sick is held on the first Sunday of the month following the 12:00mass please see the Sacristan before mass.

R.C.I.A.— Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (non-Catholic adults desiring to become Catholic) are asked to contact the Parish Center Office.

Eucharistic Adoration In The Church— Thursday 2-4pm Friday 8-9pm

Father Tom's Letter

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate Trinity Sunday. The mystery of the Trinity is just that – a mystery. But we experience this mystery when we experience loving relationships – in family, among friends, in community. May our loving God - Father, Son and Spirit - continue to bless and guide us in all ways, especially in our relationships.

And so we pray,

*In the name of the Father,
(who gives us his only child)
and of the Son
(who gives us himself, revealing eternal Love for us),
and of the Holy Spirit.
(our constant companion now and always).
“We can only stand in awe-struck silence
before such love that is beyond boldest expectation, beyond all telling.”*

(Last paragraph from Karl Rahner)

On Sunday, June 3rd, at the 10am Mass we will be presenting the Anthony Weidner Award to Claire DiCarlo in acknowledgement of the selfless and faith-filled way in which she has ministered, nurtured and graced our Children's Liturgy of The Word. Her creativity and organization have called forth Apostles of Hope and have helped our young ones each week at Mass to come to know and love Jesus more deeply. Claire, thank you so much! And may God's blessings continue to be poured upon you.

To all of our wonder filled Apostles of Hope, please set aside the evening of June 9th for our Volunteer Party when we celebrate you who birth life and hope in our community. Following Mass we will dine and dance - and dance some more! Details are in the bulletin.

Congratulations to all who are celebrating graduations! Whether it's from pre-school, high school, college, graduate school or anywhere in between, may God continue to bless and guide your journeys. Rooted in God's love and wisdom, go forth to witness, share and enjoy!

This Monday's Memorial Day celebration offers us a time to pause in thankful remembrance for all who have so faithfully served our country and to pray for peace in our world. May the Spirit of God open our hearts and minds to seek new insights and pathways to peace. Mass will be celebrated at 9:15am.

As you read this I am on retreat at the Jesuit retreat house in Gloucester, MA. I will be praying for you, and I ask you to pray for me.

And,

Why didn't the lifeguard save the hippie? Because he was too far out, man.

I saw a documentary on how ships are kept together. Riveting!

I was overcharged for velcro last week. What a rip off!

Peace,

Father Tom

Apostles: We Who Are Sent...Hope: God's constant gift of new possibilities

The Good News of Sts. Philip & James School



Enrolling Now

We Extend a Welcome and a Welcome Back to all!
Fees waived for all returning SSPJ Students

Enrolling for the 2018- 2019 School Year!

SSPJ School Pre-K -5th grade & SSPJ Academy 6th - 8th grade

*The best gift you can give a child is a Catholic Education.
It is a gift that will last a lifetime.*

Sts. Philip & James School offers:

High Academic Standards

Strong Faith Formation

Community Support

Character development in a safe and welcoming environment

Personal and individualized attention

Strong focus on providing leadership and service to others

And, SO MUCH MORE

You are welcome to stop in and visit!

View the SSPJ Website and Facebook Page to see all that we have to offer.

Kindly Contact , Mrs. Ruth Testa, School Principal

For additional information

Or, to setup a tour/class visit,

Please call: 631-584-7896

Saints Philip and James Parish Renovation Campaign

"Responding to the Call, as Today's Apostles of Hope"

Goal	\$1,500,000
Total Pledged	\$1,295,333
Paid to Date	\$1,036,808
% of Cash Received	80%
# of Gifts	616
% of Goal	86%

Thank you for your support!

On behalf of Father Tom and the entire campaign committee we wish to thank all parishioners who have made a gift to the campaign.

Help us to reach our Goal!

We are coming closer to reaching our goal and invite you to support the campaign by making a one-time gift or pledge. Pledge envelopes are available at Mass or at the Parish Center. You can also visit our web-site, www.SPNJ.org, and donate using Faith Direct.

Thank you for your prompt pledge payments!

Pledge reminders are mailed on the 15th of each month. If you have any questions concerning your pledge or payment schedule, please contact Joe Cascio at 631-921-1578.

"Always give
yourselves fully to
the work of the Lord,
because you know
that your labor in
the Lord is not
in vain."

-1 Cor. 15:58

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN program

It's not all about raising money –
it's about raising disciples.

A Blessing Upon Those Who Serve



A Eucharistic Celebration for those who serve all of us in our community and abroad was held on

Sunday, May 20, 2018 at the 10:00am mass.

May God protect and guide all who serve with his love and guidance and we, who receive the fruits of their efforts hold them with sincere gratitude in our hearts.



Respect Life News

It is not too late to donate to the Respect Life Baby Shower.

We are still in need of diapers (sizes 1-4)/wipes, baby clothes newborn to size 4, all baby items such as bath supplies, bottles, strollers, bath tubs, towels, etc.

Please call **862-9370** or bring them to Katie's Way Collection on June 9, 2018
AT:

403 Lake Ave. St. James 1PM and 3PM
**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE DONATIONS
IN THE CHURCH**

May is Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month

Cystic Fibrosis is the most common fatal inherited genetic disease, chronic and progressive from birth.

Only 50% of the people with CF live past the age of 18 with a median survival rate between 37 and 41.

Please help CF stand for a cure found with a small donation to the Cystic Fibrosis Great Strides Walk being held on June 10, 2018 at the Holtsville Ecology Center

[Www.cff.org/greatstrides](http://www.cff.org/greatstrides)
TEAM: LOVING LUCAS



Music Ministry

In honor of Memorial Day on Monday we will be singing 'America the beautiful' Prayers go out to all serving our country, past and present.

At the 10am Mass, the Adult Choir will sing, as their special hymn, There Is A longing # 402 in the Music Issue. This is one of the new hymns we will be adding to our Mass Music. It's very lively and easy to learn.

Again, I need to remind everyone that being in the choir doesn't mean you have to read music. About half the choir members DON'T know how. It doesn't stop the group from working hard to learn any piece of music I give them. I pick music that is suited to the liturgy and what the choir is able to learn. With commitment and dedication, they get the job done.

Take the time during the summer to consider joining one of our three choirs as an Apostle of Hope.



The Hands that Make a Difference are the Hands that Volunteer...

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION **PARTY**

THE SSPJ PASTORAL TEAM WISH TO SAY “THANK YOU!”

Honoring our “Apostles of Hope” who serve all Parish Ministries

You and a guest are cordially invited to join us on,

Saturday, June 9, 2018

Please join us at the 5pm Mass for a special blessing

Followed by a fun evening of

Dinner, Music and Dancing

***Please consider joining these festivities with great food,
wine and music***

From 6:00pm—9:00 pm the auditorium

Thank You for all you do!



Kindly mail, drop off at the rectory office, or place in the collection basket.

Clearly label your envelope “VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION PARTY”

YES!I WILL JOIN THE CELEBRATION!!

Please respond before: MONDAY, MAY 29, 2018

NUMBER OF ADULTS (ONLY) ATTENDING (Circle 1 or 2)

NAME(S): _____

Ss. Philip and James
Office of Youth Ministry
631-584-5454

Vacation Bible Camp



July 16th - 20th

9:30am – 12:00pm
Monday - Friday
For children ages 4-9 years old.

Theme “Miracles of Jesus”

Vacation Bible Camp is a long-standing tradition at Saints Philip and James. VBC is a one week experience where 4 -9 year olds are introduced to our faith through music, dance, arts & Crafts, outside activities and daily assemblies. VBC is a place for children to sing, laugh, learn, pray and meet new friends. Special events and Surprises at the end of the program.

* \$25 Tuition includes supplies, a daily healthy snack and a VBC T-Shirt.
Registration forms will be received at the Rectory One Carow place St. James, NY 11780

CAMPER REGISTRATION 2018

Camper's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

DOB _____ Age _____ Grade (as of 9/18) _____

Phone # _____ Cell # _____

E-Mail _____ Allergies _____

Emergency Contact _____

Contact # _____ Relationship _____

Special Needs: _____

T-Shirt Size (Children's) S M L (Adult) S M L XL

WE ARE ALMOST AT OUR CMA GOAL!!!
We are currently at 91% of our Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal of \$119,700!
In any small way, might you help us reach our goal?
Many thanks for your kindness and generosity of heart!

GOAL
\$119,700.00

Pledges at
5/22/2018

\$109,330.



2018 Catholic Ministries Appeal

Monday is Memorial Day and we would like to recognize and show our appreciation to all who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country and the freedoms we enjoy.

We would like to ask you to take a moment tomorrow to pray for those that have served and are serving our nation. Many families have lost loved ones, and our military men and women that have survived will face countless struggles and challenges for the rest of their lives.

On Monday when we honor and celebrate their service and sacrifice, let us also remember the once homeless veterans, who because of your support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal, have been helped through our ministries and programs like Catholic Charities *Project Veterans' Independence*.

Thank you for your support! You make a difference in the lives of so many through your prayers and generosity!



SSPJ Parish Calendar For The Week of May 27th, 2018

Sunday, May 27th, 2018

10:00am Children's Liturgy
11:00am Stained Glass Club
7:00pm AA Meeting

Auditorium
Stained Glass Wksp
Philip & James Room

Monday, May 28th, 2018

No events scheduled in honor of Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 29th, 2018:

1:30pm Spirit of Love Prayer Group
6:00pm Chords of Faith Year End Party
7:30pm Chords of Faith Rehearsal

Prayer Room In Church
Cantina
Choir Loft

Wednesday, May 30th, 2018:

7:00pm Youth Ministry

Auditorium

Thursday, May 31st, 2018:

2:00pm Eucharistic Adoration
7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Chur
Choir Loft

Friday, June 1st, 2018:

3:00pm Stained Glass Club
7:00pm AA Meeting
8:00pm First Friday Nocturnal Adoration

Stained Glass Workshop
Philip & James Room
Church

Saturday, June 2nd, 2018:

4:30pm Guild Car Raffle Ticket Sales
5:00pm Children's Liturgy
7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 7 Eagle Court of Honor

School Lobby/Outside
Auditorium
Auditorium

Weekly Collection:

Sunday May 20, 2018

Sunday Collection: \$12,241.
Faith Direct: \$3,823
Children's Jug: \$28.

Total Collection: \$16,092.

Many thanks for your generous support of
Sts. Philip & James Parish



On June 3, 2018 we celebrate Corpus Christi, the Solemnity of the most holy Body and Blood of Christ.

While we commemorate the Eucharist as our spiritual nourishment, we should not forget that there is also much physical hunger in the world.

For that reason members of the Peace and Justice Committee will ask parishioners after all the masses on Corpus Christi Day to sign "Bread for the world" letters to our elected representatives. We will urge them to protect key programs that will reduce hunger and poverty as they work on the 2019 budget and spending bill.

The Rosary is said every morning Monday thru Friday after the 7:30AM mass in the church also every morning before the 9:15AM mass

Monday thru Saturday in the prayer room.

Eucharistic Adoration is available every Thurs. 2-4PM and Fri. evening 8-9 PM in the main church



Banns of Marriage First

Shawn MacDowell-
St. Peter's Islip
To
Christine Cortopassi
SSPJ

Third

Michael James Smith-SSPJ

To

Jessica Donna Killer
Holy Cross-Nescoset

Mass Intentions, For the week of May 27th, 2018

Saturday, May 26th, 2018

8:00pm Louise Tyminski

Sunday, May 27th, 2018

8:00am For The Parishioners of SSPJ

10:00am Ted Petry

12:00Noon Collective Mass:
Harrison Thrasher, Jr.
Graciela Osorio
Jerry Amato
Terry Byrne
Leona Peters
Carmine DiConzolo

Monday, May 28th, 2018~Memorial Day

7:30am Lisa Scotto

9:15am Kathryn M. Hurley

Tuesday, May 29th, 2018

7:30am Francis Walsh

9:15am Mary Fritz

We Ask You to Remember Our Brothers & Sisters In your Prayers
those who are ill...

Anna Capizzio
Angela Amoroso
Angela Boccio McComb
AnnMarie M.
Baby Mattia Lubrano
Betty Schmidt
Brett Dowling
Brennan Steinorth
Bryan Van Colt
Carole Hennessy
Carol Walz
Catherine Burseind
Christel DeBlasio
Christopher Tallarico
Christina Meringolo
Daisy Abruzzo
David Shankles
Dawn Kopel
Dylan Lauro
Eileen Zink
Elinor Glasser
Faith VanGostein
Florence Donahue
Gerard Duffy
Ginny McAuley
Greg
Helen McDowell
Hillary Boehme
James Gietzen
Jeanine Esposito Tansey
Josette Perconti
Joseph Perconti
Joe Alberigo

John Bombace
John Capizzio
John Hernandez
Julianne
Kathleen N.
Kitty Cronin
Krista Farley
Kylie Quigley
Laura Andrucki & family
Linda Sue
Louis Giordano
Mark Montesano
Marie DelCiello,
Marie Fabry
Marie Loughlin
Mary McDonough
Michael LaVecchia
Nancy Fornabia
Pasquale Santoro
Patricia Casey
Patricia Fontana
Patricia Monetti
Paulette Agoglia
Robin Graham Denis
Raymond Fox
Rosemary Morgan
Sean Winters
Suzanne McCue
Terence Hobbess
Teresa Orlik
Thomas McKay
Terry Pace
Vivien Cordes

Wednesday, May 30th, 2018

7:30am Eileen Carlson
9:15am Mary Fritz

Thursday, May 31st, 2018

7:30am Charles Saladino
9:15am Collective Mass:
Joseph Agostino

Friday, June 1st, 2018

7:30am Joseph Clarke
9:15am John Herrmann

Saturday, June 2nd, 2018

9:15am Laura Dennis
5:00pm Michael G. DiMeglio

Sunday, June 3rd, 2018

For the Parishioners of SSPJ

8:00am
10:00am John Pavelka

12:00Noon Collective Mass:
Rev. Otto Froehlich
Rev. William Murphy
Connolly & Kathjen Families
Gloria Goodyear
Jessica Lorraine Nadzan

We Pray for those Who Serve



LCDR. MEGAN M. SHUTKA-VIK, USN
CAPT. WILSON MARKS, USN
CAPTAIN MICHAEL DOLAN, JR.
LT. COL. JOHN KAIRES
SPC. NICOLE A. CANNON
SGM. MICHAEL P. BORRELLI (US ARMY)
CAPT. JOHN TULLY, USN
LT. COL. JAMES TULLY, US ARMY
JOSEPH SAGGIO, USNC
CAPTAIN PAUL WILLMS
STAFF SGT. MICHAEL LONGHENRY
LT. COL. PAUL T. JACKSON,
STAFF SGT ALEXANDER PARRELLA, USAF
RICHARD SOTOMAYER, USAF
SGT. CONNOR F. SCOTT, USMC
CORPORAL DANIEL P. STEELE, USMC
SGT. CORY O'HARA USMC
CDR. ROBERT J. MARSH, USN
PFC. CHARLES CHRISTOPHER HOWELL
JOHN VINCENT KNOBLOCH, USMC
STEVEN CAVA, USN
ERIC SEELIN, USMC
CW2 CHRIS MUNZ
CW2 NATASHA WORTMAN
CORPORAL JAMES T. CASEY, USMC
GREGORY DEVANEY, USMC
SGT. JOSHUA MAHONEY, US ARMY
KEVIN JONES, U.S.C.G.
RICHARD MAIER, U.S.M.C.
PRIVATE JOSHUA OLSEN, USARNG
GLEN CRIMA-U.S. ARMY
PFC. ANTHONY SCIAMETTA
MARIO CATANIA, USMC
RYAN ANTHONY NASCIMENTO, U.S.M.C.
ENS. RYAN M. SHOWS U.S.N.
STAFF SGT. RYAN REXRODE U.S.M.C.
DR. KARA VANDEKIEFT, LT.COL USAF
SGT. STEPHEN D. OUTCAULT, USMC

Safely Home... We Remember,

Martha Bartone
Concetta Cerritto

News From Our Religious Education Ministry

*"Participating in the faith formation of our children,
that is where a relationship with Jesus, is born..."*

*It begins with loving parents
and continues in the faith filled hands of a Catechist"*

**Our Religious Education Program Is Seeking Catechists
For All Grade Levels:**

**From Communion II(2nd grade) through Confirmation II (8th grade)
And Our Special Needs Religious Education Program.**

*We encourage you to pray upon the vocation of Catechist,
If you sense the Holy Spirit inviting you to this special vocation,
Please pray about it...*

He will give you everything you need to accomplish this awesome task.


If you would like more information
On becoming a Catechist,
please contact
our Religious Education Office at 631-584-3204.

**Registration for the 2018-2019 Religious Education
School Year will begin on June 1, 2018:**

Please visit the Parish website at: www.sspj.org and follow the
instructions to enroll your child/children in our Religious Education
Program for the
2018-2019 school year.

Any family registering a First Grader or a child new to our Parish, is
asked to contact us to schedule an appointment to register your child.

Please contact us via email at religioused@sspj.org
or by phone at 631-584-3204
To arrange a convenient appointment date and time.



*A teacher plants the seeds of knowledge,
sprinkles them with love,
and patiently nurtures their growth
to produce tomorrow's dreams.*

PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE RETIREMENTS OF

MRS. RUTH TESTA

SSPJ School Principal
(2014 – 2018)
SSPJ School Teacher
(1987 – 2014)

MRS. ELIZABETH LAMATTINA

SSPJ School Teacher
(2001 – 2018)

MR. ARTHUR DUNN

SSPJ School Teacher
(1973 – 2018)

THURSDAY, JUNE 14TH
SSPJ SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Price \$55 per person

Principal's List Sponsor

\$1,000

- Listing in event program
- One full table of 10 seats for dinner
- Three memory journal messages

Scholar Sponsor

\$500

- Listing in event program
- Four tickets for dinner
- Three memory journal messages

Honor Roll Sponsor

\$250

- Listing in event program
- Two tickets for dinner
- Two memory journal messages

SEATING IS LIMITED, ADULTS ONLY PLEASE

Any questions, please call SSPJ School at: 631-584-7896

TICKET SALES

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SPONSORSHIP: ☐ PRINCIPAL'S LIST ☐ SCHOLAR ☐ HONOR ROLL

☐ RESERVE _____ SEATS @ \$55/EACH

☐ MEMORY JOURNAL MESSAGE @ \$20/EACH (PLEASE ATTACH A TYPED MESSAGE)

☐ I AM UNABLE TO ATTEND, PLEASE ACCEPT MY DONATION OF: _____

TOTAL: _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO STS. PHILIP & JAMES SCHOOL, 359 CLINTON AVENUE, ST. JAMES, NY 11780

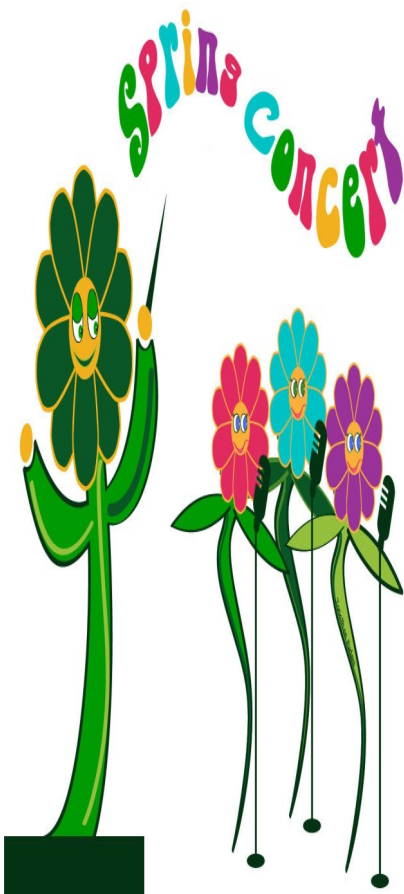
SSPJ School News!!!



Congratulations
SSPJ Choral Club
Members on a job
well done!

Your Spring Concert
Performance was
outstanding!

Thank you for
sharing your talent
with us and singing a
wonderful medley of
Friend Songs!





RAFFLE



2018 Sts. Philip & James Car Raffle

1 Carow Place, St. James, NY 11780

DONATION: 1 for \$20 / 6 for \$100

1st PRIZE:

Win a 2018 Mercedes-Benz CLA250 4MATIC®
2 Year Lease

(Subject to Terms and Conditions of Lease Contract)

OR **\$15,000**

2nd Prize: \$250...3rd Prize: \$100...4th Prize: \$100...5th Prize: \$100

Drawing will be held on Sunday, June 24, 2018. Sts. Philip and James Church, the last night of the Family Festival. Winner need not be present. Must be 21 years of age or over to participate.
Thank you to Mercedes-Benz of Smithtown for their continuous generosity and support. In the event that less than 1,000 tickets are sold, prize becomes a 50/50 cash prize.

Mercedes-Benz
of Smithtown



630 Middle Country Road, St. James NY
Mon-Fri 8am-8pm • Sat 9am-5pm • Sun 11pm-4pm
631.265.2204 / MBoSmithtown.com


COMPETITION
AUTOMOTIVE GROUP
competitionautogroup.com

Sts. Philip & James 2018 Family Festival

JUNE 21ST - 24TH

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Please consider one of our 2018 Family Festival sponsorship opportunities

FESTIVAL SPONSOR:

As a Festival Sponsor your name will appear in SSPJ festival promotions as well as be prominently displayed at the festival. Festival Sponsors will receive 10 Pay-One-Price tickets.

RIDE SPONSOR:

As a Ride Sponsor your name will be displayed at a ride at the festival.
Ride Sponsors will receive 4 Pay-One-Price tickets.

FAMILY FESTIVAL SUPPORTER:

As a Family Festival Supporter your name will be displayed on signage along with other supporters. Festival Supporters will receive 2 Pay-One-Price tickets.

Pay-One-Price tickets are good for unlimited rides any one day of the SSPJ Festival.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please email Nancy Paz Greubel at npaz@fpfconstruction.com or call (516) 220-2771

BECOME A SPONSOR

- | | Price |
|---|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Festival Sponsor | \$1,500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ride Sponsor | \$500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Supporter | \$200 |

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Please list our donation as follows: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Please return no later than June 13th.

Please make checks payable to: Sts. Philip & James, Family Festival Committee 359 Clinton Avenue, St. James, NY 11780



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES COUNCIL
COUNCIL #12839

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018

Smithtown Landing Country Club
495 Landing Avenue • Smithtown, NY 11787



FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Contact: Thomas Sica
(631) 521 - 4771
sikachu45@hotmail.com

Registration: 8:30 am
Shotgun Tee Off: 10 am

Breakfast Sponsored By:
Doda's Gold Shield Catering

May the Course Be With You



This Year's Honoree:

Mike Tully



NAME: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Number of Players: ____ \$175.00 per person
(includes Golf Cart, Lunch, Cocktail Hour, Dinner)

Dinner only: ____ \$75.00 per person

Total: \$ _____

Number attending: _____

Please Make Checks Out To:

Sts. Philp & James K of C Council #12839
P.O Box 201 St. James, NY 11780

For Credit Card or PayPal:

Please Visit Our Home Page / Website:
www.kofcsspj.org

Sponsorship:

- ____ Dinner Sponsorship @ \$1,000 - (2 Available)
- ____ Lunch Sponsorship @ \$500 - (2 Available)
- ____ Driving Range Sponsorship @ \$500 (2 Available)
- ____ Tee Signs Sponsorship @ \$100 each
- ____ Cart Sponsorship (1) \$300
- ____ Putting Green Sponsorship (4) @ \$250 each
- ____ Pin Flag Sponsorship (18) @ \$125 each

Sponsorship Information:

Reflections from Youth Ministry...The Good Fridays amidst everyday Life....

Chris Saracino
Youth Leader
Senior , Smithtown High School

Roman Soldier

I was honored to be a soldier at Living Stations of the cross at SSPJ. When I was first presented with the role, I was hesitant. I was nervous to be in front of all these people. However, after realizing how important this event is to the parish, I took on the role and was willing to do my absolute best. Knowing that everyone in the parish is family, I no longer was worried. Last year, I was only a reader of one station and I knew how meaningful it is so being a soldier was amazing to me.

For weeks leading up to Good Friday, myself and other kids from youth ministry prepared each and every step. We worked together with the great help from Frank Brancaccio and a couple other adult leaders. After many rehearsals, we were confident in bringing the parish a wonderful performance. With hard work and dedication, everything went fantastically. Not only was this experience fun but one I will never forget. But, it allowed me to grow in my faith. I grew closer to God and after this experience, Good Friday will hold an extra special place in my heart.

I am so grateful for Youth Group and the parish allowing me to be in the position I am to even become a soldier. Again, I am so glad this parish is a family and I had the opportunity to participate in an event that works through people in all different ways. This has been one of the best decisions of my life, and I hope I can become a soldier again next year when I am a senior.

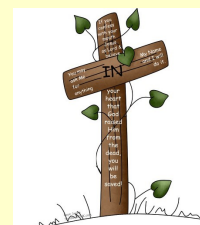


Matthew Schepis , Junior Smithtown High School East

Liturgical Dancer

I have been part of our parish's presentation of the Living Stations of the Cross for three years now, and it is always such a humbling experience to be a part of. Each year, I have participated in liturgical dancing, which is performed before the Living Stations. Our dance is meant to be a prayerful experience, and also to create the atmosphere for the events that are depicted after it concludes. Every year, every youth and every adult involved in preparing for our two presentations on Good Friday works so hard to make our Living Stations the best that it possibly can be for us and for those that come to pray with us. The reward is immeasurable.

Being a part of a prayerful experience like this has changed my life. As I pray the dance and the Stations of the Cross, it's impossible to imagine the pain and suffering that Jesus endured for us all on Good Friday. The Living Stations of the Cross goes to show us that even though our sin was great, His love was greater. To be a part of the Stations and to also watch the Stations unfold is one of the most surreal experiences I could be involved in. I am beyond grateful to have been allowed to perform for and pray with the parish in the name of our Savior.



Celebrating the Liturgy- With Grateful Hearts We Serve

PRESIDER SCHEDULE-FOR June 2nd & 3rd,, 2018

Saturday, June 2, 2018 5:00 PM	Sunday, June 3, 2018 8:00 AM MASS	Sunday, June 3, 2018 10:00 AM MASS	Sunday, June 3, 2018 12:00 MASS
Father Patrick Osei-Poku	Father Patrick Osei-Poku	Father Tom Haggerty	Father Tom Haggerty
Deacon John			Deacon John

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS SCHEDULE -FOR June 2nd & 3rd, 2018

Saturday, June 2, 2018	Sunday, June 3, 2018	Sunday, June 3, 2018	Sunday, June 3, 2018
5:00 PM	8:00 AM MASS	10:00 AM MASS	12:00 NOON MASS
A. Keenan	M. Kenney	H. Orlando	C. Rubano
H. Keenan	A. Mantia	P. Schifilliti	D. LaVecchia
T. Laiz	P. Martin	J. Alternative	B. Chandler
R. Piazza	W. Ramos	G. Amen	J. Hanrahan
G. Priebe	K.. Rapp	D. Bleggi	M. Lebrun
J. Primavera	E. Sica	R. Bleggi	J. Linder
L. Taurassi	T. Sica	T. Boboris	M. Napoli
L. Tepedino	C. Haff	T. Cafaro	T. Pace
D. Toto	W. Haff	M. Dolce	A. Santo
R. Wilms	J. Harvey	C. Donnelly	V. Rubano

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE -FOR June 2nd & 3rd, 2018

Saturday, June 2, 2018	Sunday, June 3, 2018	Sunday, June 3, 2018	Sunday, June 3, 2018
5:00PM MASS	8:00AM MASS	10:00 AM MASS	12:00 NOON MASS
P. Bisel	M. Russo	B. Kieran	N. Hoonhout
C. Williams	B. Keese	O. Jacobs	I. Cole
B. Doran	K. Keese	M. Stephens	E. Zeman
L. Doran	K. Dobokowski	A. Kaiser	P. Mazzola
R. Green	S. Dobokowski	N. Fazzini	

LECTOR SCHEDULE -FOR June 2nd & 3rd, 2018

Saturday, June 2, 2018	Sunday, June 3, 2018	Sunday, June 3, 2018	Sunday, June 3, 2018
5:00PM MASS	8:00 AM MASS	10:00AM MASS	12:00 NOON MASS
E. Nicastro	A. Mondrone	C. Lombardi	G. Law
J. Contrino	P. Kanuika	M. Koke	P. Geier

CAMPS 'R' US

WHERE SUMMER VACATION IS OUR JOB!

ST. JAMES CAMPUS AT SSPJ SCHOOL!



ACCREDITED

AWARD
WINNING

AFFORDABLE



#BESTSUMMEREVER!



LEARN MORE!
877-850-CAMP
CAMPSRUS.ORG

Campers, ages 3 and up, enjoy fun-filled summers with incredible activities, including Sports, Arts & Crafts, Swimming, Gaming, GaGa, Go Karts, Bowling, Field Trips, Special Events and much more. Our premier facilities, top-notch staff, and unique affordability have earned us the reputation as one of the best summer camps on Long Island!



Summer is Filled With Fun at *Camps 'R' Us!*

Getting Ready for Next Sunday

June 3rd - Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ - Cycle B

Scripture Readings ONLINE

The website of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops provides the text of the Scripture Readings. Go to: www.usccb.org. Click on the date.

Reflections on Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Exodus 24:3-8

Psalms 116

Hebrews 9:11-15

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

"Blood is thicker than water." We recognize that family relationships imply family loyalty. Common history and common origins mean that we share a common bond. Today's readings focus on the obligations and relationships formed because of a blood bond. To share a common history is to live a common life.

In the passage from Exodus, Moses returns from the mountain and reports God's demands for a covenant relationship with the Chosen People. Moses obtains the people's commitment and then symbolizes that bond linking Israel with Yahweh. He writes the terms of the relationship and erects an altar and twelve pillars. Only after reading the terms does Moses sprinkle the people with blood. The end result is the creation of a new family.

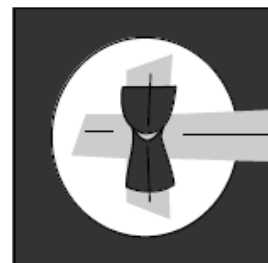
The only day on which the high priest could enter the Holy of Holies of the Jerusalem Temple was the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). The high priest atoned for the sins of his household by using the blood of a bullock. He atoned for the sins of the people by sprinkling the blood of both the bullock and a goat in the Holy of Holies, thus keeping alive the bond between God and Israel. The author of Hebrews sees Good Friday as the Day of Atonement. Jesus' own blood makes possible our entrance into the heavenly sanctuary.

Today's gospel links Jesus' death with Israel's great feast of liberation, the Passover. At the first Passover, the blood on the doorpost prevented the death of the firstborn. The bread broken at the Last Supper symbolizes the disciples' sharing in Jesus' self-offering. Drinking from the cup of his blood creates a new and dynamic common bond.

The Eucharist is a precious experience. Its very nature implies a bond with God and with the community. Our destinies are intertwined. We cannot be loners, for blood is a common bond.

- John Craghan, Th.D., S.S.L.

Copyright 1997, Liguori Publications / Liguori, MO 63057-9999



This is my Body

This is my Blood

For reflection...

In the Eucharist we are joined both with Christ and with each other in love. How are we and our parish "Eucharist" to each other?

Recall an experience of a meal in which you really felt united with those around the table. What insights might this lend to our experience of Eucharist?

In the first reading, blood seals the covenant between God and the Israelites. What is the relationship between blood and life? What kinds of covenants/solemn agreements have you made in your life? What might they reveal to you of Eucharist?

Jesus gives us himself in Eucharist to nourish and sustain us. Disciples of Jesus model his self-giving love. Who are some of the people you know who give of themselves for others?

What are your thoughts or feelings as you receive the Body and Blood of Christ?

ON FRIENDSHIP

One of the richest experiences of grace that we can have this side of eternity is the experience of friendship.

Dictionaries define friendship as a relationship of mutual affection, a bond richer than mere association. They then go on to link friendship to a number of words: *kindness, love, sympathy, empathy, honesty, altruism, loyalty, understanding, compassion, comfort*, and (not least) *trust*. Friends, the dictionaries assert, enjoy each other's company, express their feelings to each other, and make mistakes without fear of judgment from the other.

That basically covers things, but to better grasp the real grace in friendship a number of things inside that definition need explication.

First, as the Greek Stoics affirmed and as is evident in the Christian spirituality, true friendship is only possible among people who are practicing virtue. A gang is not a circle of friendship, nor are many ideological circles. Why? Because friendship needs to bring grace and grace is only found in virtue.

Next, friendship is more than merely human, though it is wonderfully human. When it is genuine, friendship is nothing less than a participation in the flow of life and love that's inside of God. Scripture tells us that *God is love*, but the word it uses for love in this case is the Greek word *agape*, a term which might be rendered as "family", "community", or "the sharing of life". Hence the famous text ("*God is Love*") might be transliterated to read: *God is family, God is community, God is shared existence, and whoever shares his or her existence inside of community and friendship is participating in the very flow of life and love that is inside the Trinity*.

But this isn't always true. Friendship and family can take different forms. Parker Palmer, the contemporary Quaker writer, submits: "If you come here faithfully, you bring great blessing." Conversely, the great Sufi mystic, Rumi, writes: "If you are here unfaithfully, you bring great harm." Family and community can bring grace or block it. Our circle can be one of love and grace, or it can be a one of hatred and sin. Only the former merits the name friendship. Friendship, says St. Augustine, is the beauty of the soul.

Deep, life-giving friendship, as we all know, is as difficult as it is rare. Why? We all long for it in the depths of our soul, so why is it so difficult to find? We all know why: We're different from each other, unique, and rightly cautious as to whom we give entry into our soul. And so it isn't easy to find a soulmate, to have that kind of affinity and trust. Nor is it easy to sustain a friendship once we have found one. Sustained friendship takes hard commitment and that's not our strong point as our psyches and our world forever shift and turn. Moreover, today, virtual friendships don't always translate into real friendships.

Finally, not least, friendship is often hindered or derailed by sex and sexual tension. This is simply a fact of nature and a fact within our culture and all other cultures. Sex and sexuality, while they ideally should be the basis for deep friendship, often are the major hindrance to friendship. Moreover, in our own culture (whose ethos prizes sex over friendship) friendship is often seen as a substitute, and a second-best one at that, for sex.

But while that may be in our cultural ethos, it's clearly not what's deepest in our souls. There we long for something that's ultimately deeper than sex – or is sex in a fuller flowering. There's a deep desire in us all (be that a deeper form of sexual desire or a desire for something that's beyond sex) for a soulmate, for someone to sleep with morally. More deeply than we ache for a sexual partner, we ache for a moral partner, though these desires aren't mutually exclusive, just hard to combine.

Friendship, like love, is always partly a mystery, something beyond us. It's a struggle in all cultures. Part of this is simply our humanity. The pearl of great price is not easily found nor easily retained. True friendship is an eschatological thing, found, though never perfectly, in this life. Cultural and religious factors always work against friendship, as does the omnipresence of sexual tension.

Sometimes poets can reach where academics cannot and so I offer these insights from a poet vis-à-vis the interrelationship between friendship and sex. Friendship, Rainer Marie Rilke suggests, is often one of the great taboos within a culture, but it remains always the endgame: "In a deep, felicitous love between two people you can eventually become the loving protectors of each other's solitude. ... Sex is, admittedly, very powerful, but no matter how powerful, beautiful, and wondrous it may be. If you become the loving protectors of each other's solitude, love gradually turns to friendship."

And as Montaigne once affirmed: "The end of friendship may be more important than love. The epiphanies of youth are meant to blossom and ripen into something everlasting."