

The  
**Saint James Cathedral-Basilica**  
**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**November 19, 2023**



**SAINT JAMES  
CATHEDRAL-BASILICA**

**MASS TIMES:**

**Weekday Mass: Monday–Friday 12:00 PM**

**Sunday Mass: 11:00 AM**

*Most Reverend Robert J. Brennan, D. D., Bishop*

*Reverend Bryan D. Patterson, S.T.L., Rector*

*Deacon Ronald Rizzuto, Pastoral Administrator*

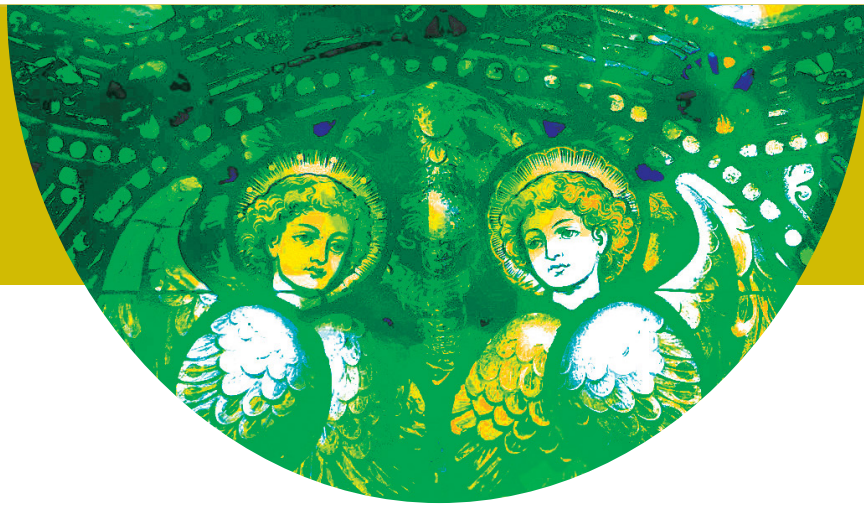
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## From The Rector of Saint James Cathedral-Basilica

Dear parishioners and friends of Saint James,

This is Thanksgiving Week. You already know that I'm going to remind you to have gratitude, express it in some tangible way and be particularly mindful of those who go without. Yes, you know this. But when I read Saint Paul's exhortation to the Thessalonians who had be very concerned about the return of Christ seeming to be delayed, I am put on an alert that rather highlights the need to be thankful.

Paul tells them "For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night. When people are saying, "Peace and security", then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape." How can we read this and not think of those people in Israel caught off-guard, at a music festival even, and who had their lives cut out from under them? How can we not think of those people in Gaza having their lives blasted away by bombs, a whole life here one day and gone another?

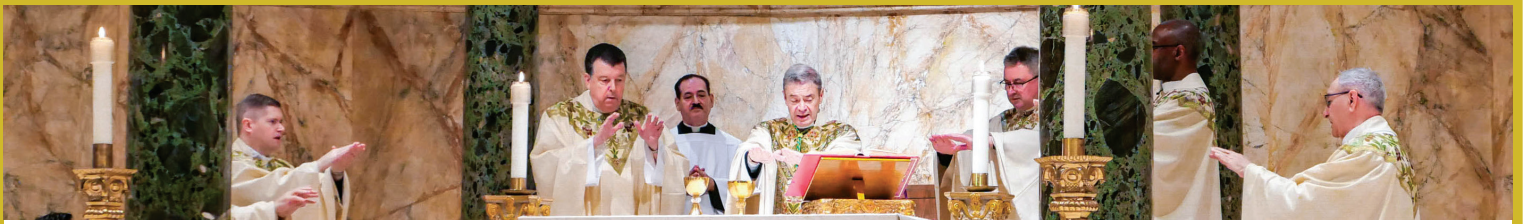
The context is the Lord's coming but life tends to change, even dramatically, suddenly and without warning. As of this writing, we have each other. We are gearing up for a liturgical renewal of our ministries, altar servers, lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and ushers. We are preparing for Thanksgiving and the Christmas holidays planning special meals, special music and top-notch decorating. We can be thankful for our family and friends and even for relationships that haven't worked out yet or maybe have to wait for the 'other side' to iron out.

We have now. The future could be much different, so we ought to make the best of things and love each other as best we can. As the 'Daily Camino' for Thanksgiving reminds us . . . we may not have all those things we think we need to be happy but we have each other and can still stand tall.

Just be thankful for what you got in Jesus' Holy Name.

Blessed Thanksgiving,

*Fr. Bryan Patterson*



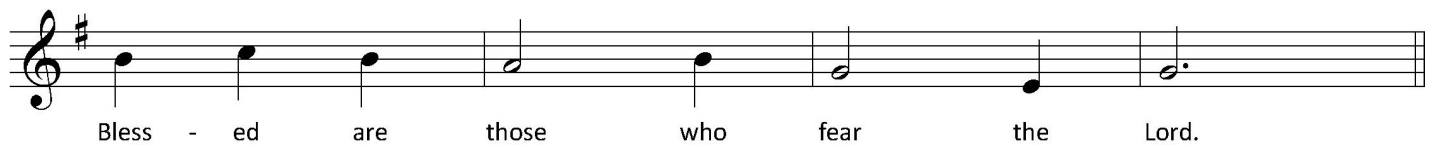
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**READING I****Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31****(Proclaimed in Spanish)**

When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls. Her husband, entrusting his heart to her, has an unfailing prize. She brings him good, and not evil, all the days of her life. She obtains wool and flax and works with loving hands. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her fingers ply the spindle. She reaches out her hands to the poor, and extends her arms to the needy. Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting; the woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her a reward for her labors, and let her works praise her at the city gates.

**Response: TE ALABAMOS, SEÑOR**

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**RESPONSORIAL PSALM****Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5**

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**READING II****1 Thes 5:1-6**

Concerning times and seasons, brothers and sisters, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night. When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober.

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**GOSPEL****Mt 25:14-30**

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one--to each according to his ability. Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money. "After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.' His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.'"

**33rd SUNDAY OT A\* - GLORIA****Open: 706 - Come, ye thankful people, come****Offertory: 696 - Glory and praise to Our God****Communion: 870 - Soon and very soon****Recession: 700 - Now thank we all our God****Postlude: Nun Danket - Siegfried Karg-Elert 1877-1933**

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## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**November 19, 2023**

“Well done, good and faithful servant...” How are you called to use your talents? If Christ may be inviting you to faithful service as a priest or consecrated religious, contact the Vocation Office at **718-827-2454** or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org)

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for the Sunday coffee hour on the following dates: **December 10, 2023**. We need your help and hospitality to make the coffee hour absolutely amazing. Please see **Isabel Navarro** after Mass for the hospitality sign-up hour.

### Second Collection For Catholic Campaign for Human Development November 19, 2023

Proceeds from the second collection on Sunday, November 19 will go to the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. Please consider fostering the seeds of faith with your continued generosity.

### CHRISTMAS IS ALMOST HERE!

Friends and Parishioners of Saint James Cathedral-Basilica have an amazing opportunity to master how to decorate for Christmas from professionals! **Edgar and Tim** are graciously decorating the Cathedral for the Christmas season on **Friday, November 24th, 2023**. You are invited to gain expert decorating techniques while helping to make the Cathedral look great for the Christmas season. The decorations will promptly begin following the 12PM Mass. For more information please see **Isabel Navarro** or **Edgar and Tim** after mass during the Thanksgiving Brunch Coffee Hour.

### FAITH LEADS TO FAITHFULNESS

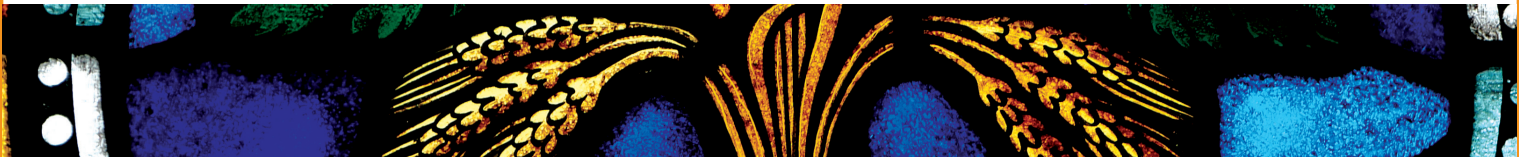
We are all being called to serve God and are in need of candidates interested in liturgical formation as Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers), Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, and Altar Servers at Saint James Cathedral-Basilica.

If you are interested in serving at St. James and meet the requirements for Liturgical formation listed below, please see **Fr. Bryan** or **Deacon Ron** after mass or e-mail at: [rector@brooklyncathedral.net](mailto:rector@brooklyncathedral.net)

### LITURGICAL FORMATION

The process for determining the suitability of candidates for service at the Altar involves:

- \* *Observation* : Candidates should express by words and actions that they are reasonably living their baptismal call to service.
- \* *Discernment*: Prayer is an integral part of continuing to discern their service and the type of service they will offer.
- \* *Collection of information*: Candidates must provide sacramental certificates of baptism, confirmation, and marriage (if applicable).



## MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY - 11:00 AM November 19, 2023	MONDAY - 12:00 PM November 20, 2023	TUESDAY - 12:00 PM November 21, 2023	
People of the Parish	Birthday Wishes for Najla Morawski	For the Souls in Purgatory	<b>LECTORS</b> <b>November 19, 2023</b> <i>Mary Pradt &amp; Mireyda Reyes</i>  <b>November 26, 2023</b> <i>Diane Wilson &amp; Elina Cruz</i>
WEDNESDAY- 12:00 PM November 22, 2023	THURSDAY - 12:00 PM November 23, 2023	FRIDAY - 12:00 PM November 24, 2023	
In Thanksgiving for all Catholic Priests	Blessing and Praise for the Blessed Mother	Anne and Tullio Versachelli	<b>COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:</b> <b>November 19, 2023</b> <i>St. James-Thanksgiving Brunch</i>  <b>November 26, 2023</b> <i>Thanksgiving break-No Coffee Hour</i>

O Mary, you are the Queen of Hearts. Take me under your care and help me to venerate your Heart temporally on earth and eternally in heaven.

Amen.





## YOUR DAILY CAMINO

### 19<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER - SUNDAY

“Take the thousand and give it to the one who risked the most. And get rid of this ‘play-it-safe’ who won’t go out on a limb. Throw him out into utter darkness.”

~ Gospel of Saint Matthew 25:28-30

### 20<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER - MONDAY

“My grandfather told me there are two kinds of people: those who do the work and those who take the credit. He told me to try to be in the first group: there was less competition there.”

~ Indira Gandhi

### 21<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER - TUESDAY

“Give thanks to Almighty God who resists the proud and gives grace to the humble and offer Him all the glory that this Maiden accorded to His majesty by her practice of the richest humility during her childhood and throughout the rest of her life.”

~ Saint John Eudes, CO

### 22<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER - WEDNESDAY

“Now if he sees that you desire to touch me out of carnal desire, he shall become angry and shall slay you instantly. Thus, you shall lose the flower of your youth. However, if he sees that you love me in a clean and pure fashion, as your sister, he shall love you as me, and shall reveal himself to you!”

~ Saint Cecilia

### 23<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER - THURSDAY

“Though you may not drive a great big Cadillac, gangsta whitewalls, TV antennas in the back. You may not have a car at all but remember brothers and sisters you can still stand tall. Just be thankful for what you’ve got.”

~ William DeVaughn

### 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER - FRIDAY

“The hottest places in hell are reserved for those who, in a period of moral crisis, maintain their neutrality.”

~ Dante Alighieri


### 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER - SATURDAY

“If you are ruled by the mind, you are king, if by the body you are a slave.”  
Saint Catherine of Alexandria

~ Saint Martin of Tours

## WEEKLY PRAYERS

### MEMORARE



Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

Amen.

### PRAYER OF SAINT CECILIA

O Eternal God, who gave us in the person of St. Cecilia, a powerful protectress, grant that after having faithfully passed our days like herself, in innocence and holiness, we may one day attain the land of beatitude, where in concert with her, we may praise you and bless you forevermore in eternity.

Amen.

### PRAYER OF POPE SAINT CLEMENT I

Almighty and ever-living God, You show forth Your glory in the strength of Your saints. Help us to be filled with joy in the annual celebration of St. Clement who by his death bore witness to the death of Jesus, which he proclaimed and which he commemorated in the sacrifice of the Mass.

Amen.

### PRAYER OF SAINT CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

O God, who distinguished Your holy virgin and martyr Catherine by the gift of great wisdom and virtue, and a victorious combat with the enemies of the Faith, grant us, we beg You, through her intercession, constancy in the Faith and the wisdom of the saints, that we may devote all the powers of our mind and heart to Your service. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



### MESSAGE FROM THE MAN UPSTAIRS

Every so often when I step out of my apartment, I hear beautiful cello playing coming from down the hall. Earlier this year I got a chance to meet the woman making that music. Deacon Ron approached me about the possibility of having a string quartet record a video in our sanctuary. I offered to open the building for the performers and recording technician and lock up when they finished. That recording session was my introduction to Sarah P. Song - who will play a solo during Communion today.

**Nick Martellacci**  
Music Director

*The Man Upstairs (in the choir loft)*

### About today's soloist



Cellist Sarah Song holds degrees from Indiana University, The Eastman School of Music, Queens College and is now pursuing her DMA at The CUNY Graduate Center with Marcy Rosen. She is a passionate soloist, chamber musician and improviser. She is seen performing

in venues like Alice Tully Hall, Symphony Space, Flushing Town Hall, LGBTQ Center and The Dimenna Center. Sarah is the recipient of The Chamber Music Live Award, winner of the 2020 Concerto Competition at Queens College, semi-finalist at the Coltman Chamber Competition and Classical Tahoe's 2019 quartet fellow. She is an adjunct faculty at Long Island University.

YOU ARE INVITED TO  
THE SAINT JAMES

# Thanksgiving

## BRUNCH

NOVEMBER 19, 2023

PLEASE JOIN US AFTER MASS  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CENTER

## THIS WEEK ON FORMED

### St. Clement of Rome | Catholic Saints

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vennerstrom as they discuss Pope St. Clement of Rome, who was an early Church Father and the third successor to St. Peter.

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/st-clement-of-rome-catholic-saints>

### Ode to Saint Cecilia

The lives of the saints are epic stories and particular expressions of God's grace in humanity. Celebrate St. Cecilia with this audio drama by the Augustine Institute Radio Theatre.

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/ode-to-saint-cecilia>

### Our Mother Mary

What is Mariology? Learn about this fascinating topic in this interview with Dr. Mark Miravalle, Saint John Paul II Chair of Mariology at Franciscan University of Steubenville.

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/our-mother-mary>

# Coffee Hour

## HIGHLIGHT

NOVEMBER 12, 2023



*Hosted By:*  
Candida Perez

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION



### BAPTISM

Parents are requested to contact the Rector to make the necessary arrangements for the Baptism of their child.



### FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education is provided for children from 1st to 8th grade in preparation for the Sacraments and adult classes are also available. Please contact the office for more information.



### MARRIAGES

Couples are requested to make arrangements at least six months before the actual date of the wedding.



### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for a Holy Hour each Friday from 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon.



### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

When we sin, the Holy Spirit calls us to conversion, to turn away from sin and to turn toward God. Friday: 12:40-1:00 P.M.



### VISITS TO THE SICK

Please call the office 718-852-4002 to notify us if any one is in the hospital or ill at home so that a pastoral visit can be made.

### MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends: Sunday 11:00 A.M.

Weekdays: Monday - Friday 12:00 Noon

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

### WATCH THE MASS ON TV

Mass is broadcast live from The Saint James Cathedral-Basilica at 12:00 Noon Monday-Friday and at 11:00 A.M. on Sundays via NET TV. You can watch us via Verizon FiOS (channel 48), Time Warner Cable (channel 97), and Cable Vision (channel 30), and live-streamed on the Internet at <http://netny.tv>