

The  
St James Cathedral-Basilica  
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
June 26, 2022



*Parish founded in 1822 – Designated Cathedral in 1853  
Elevated to Minor Papal Basilica in 1982*

## **Sunday Mass**

**11:00 AM**

## **Weekday Mass: Monday – Friday**

**12:00 PM**



*In finem dilexit eos*

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

Dear parishioners and friends of Saint James,

Not long ago I was standing outside a large church in a procession waiting for the beginning of a Mass with many visiting dignitaries to be in attendance. There were a number of on-lookers around and I managed to strike up a conversation with a woman and her children. Although she lived very close to the church, she had little idea about what went on in it. She was curious to learn what all the commotion was about and I tried to explain. By chance, a bishop was passing by and I managed to introduce them. The bishop was very cordial and he too tried to explain what was going on. The mother seemed happy to have met someone who appeared important but it didn't seem, to me anyway, that she really understood anything that we were saying.

I am still amazed that there could be people who have no idea at all about religion. Perhaps because I am a priest and have taught world religion classes, I could be labeled a religion geek of sorts. By now anyone could see I take religion very seriously but that doesn't mean that it *is* serious just because I think so. There are people terribly interested in all sorts of things that I could barely force myself to know about but I wouldn't say they are unimportant because they don't interest me.

It is from personal experience that I have become this concerned about spirituality and religion. My faith in God is not at all theoretical. To me it is a matter of life and death. To my surprise it seems that large numbers of people are completely unaware of what Isaiah the Prophet wrote, "On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, The web that is woven over all nations." (Isaiah 25:7). People walk around as in a dream, *soñando con los ojos abiertos* (dreaming with their eyes open) and think they are awake. There is something that prevents people from seeing the truth.

But it does happen that people are shaken out of their slumber and then they do seek the truth. This is what happened to Elisha when he met Elijah the prophet. This is what Saint Paul is writing about, in that people are chasing in the flesh, in their egos, after things that have no real substance and can never really satisfy. Only the Spirit gives lasting life and value. This awakening comes when the veil is lifted.

So, don't be alarmed when Jesus seems to be saying that to say goodbye to your friends and family or to bury your dead father are irrelevant. What he is saying is that considering the state of the world, one ought to be seeking the Kingdom of God first, before anything else. When one has God's will as their priority, they are better able to see what else has to be done. Put God first and *then* say goodbye, *then* bury your father. If we seek to do those other things first, then God is still only a part of our lives and not our life itself. The veil then remains. Would you really rather do all those and surely all other kinds of things first and lose the Kingdom of God and eternal life in the process?

Take courage,  
Fr Bryan

**Entrance Hymn: #: 654—God Has Spoken By His Prophets**

**Offertory Hymn: #: 652—Praise To You, O Christ, Our Savior**

**Communion Hymn: #: 811—The Summons**

**Recessional Hymn: #: 810— Wherever He Leads**

# The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

## READING I

1 Kgs 19:16b, 19—21

Proclaimed in Spanish)

The LORD said to Elijah: “You shall anoint Elisha, son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah, as prophet to succeed you.” Elijah set out and came upon Elisha, son of Shaphat, as he was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen; he was following the twelfth. Elijah went over to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Please, let me kiss my father and mother goodbye, and I will follow you.” Elijah answered, “Go back! Have I done anything to you?” Elisha left him, and taking the yoke of oxen, slaughtered them; he used the plowing equipment for fuel to boil their flesh, and gave it to his people to eat. Then Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant.

**Response:** TE ALABAMOS, SEÑOR

## REPONRSORIAL PSALM

Ps 16



## READING II

Gal 5:1, 13—18

Brothers and sisters: For freedom Christ set us free; so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. For you were called for freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather, serve one another through love. For the whole law is fulfilled in one statement, namely, *You shall love your neighbor as yourself*. But if you go on biting and devouring one another, beware that you are not consumed by one another. I say, then: live by the Spirit and you will certainly not gratify the desire of the flesh. For the flesh has desires against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; these are opposed to each other, so that you may not do what you want. But if you are guided by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

## GOSPEL

Lk 9:51—62

When the days for Jesus' being taken up were fulfilled, he resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem, and he sent messengers ahead of him. On the way they entered a Samaritan village to prepare for his reception there, but they would not welcome him because the destination of his journey was Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this they asked, “Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?” Jesus turned and rebuked them, and they journeyed to another village. As they were proceeding on their journey someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” Jesus answered him, “Foxes have dens and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head.” And to another he said, “Follow me.” But he replied, “Lord, let me go first and bury my father.” But he answered him, “Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” And another said, “I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home.” To him Jesus said, “No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God.”

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sunday</b> 11:00 AM	<b>June 26th</b> Jesus & All the Saints
<b>Monday</b> 12:00 PM	<b>June 27th</b> Paul Durocher
<b>Tuesday</b> 12:00 PM	<b>June 28th</b> Shouriah Karnati
<b>Wednesday</b> 12:00 PM	<b>June 29th</b> Alison S Brooks Flateau
<b>Thursday</b> 11:00 AM	<b>June 30th</b> Paul Durocher
<b>Friday</b> 12:00 AM	<b>July 1st</b> Craig Walker & Mary Bivens
<b>Sunday</b> 11:00 AM	<b>July 3rd</b> Stanislaw Rulig

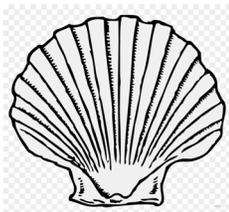
### Lectors

**June 26, 2022**

Diane Wilson & Helena Battle

**July 3, 2022**

Beatrice DiCostanzo & Elina Cruz



### *Watch the Mass on TV*

Mass is broadcast live from St. James at 12:00 noon daily Mon-Fri and at 11:00 am on Sundays via NET TV. You can watch us via Verizon FiOS (channel 48), Time Warner Cable (channel 97), and Cable Vision (channel 30). We are also streamed over the Internet at <http://netny.tv>.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Second Collection

**Sunday June 26**

Peter's Pence & Vatican Contribution

### Save the date . . .

**August 14, 2022 at 2:00 pm**

Bishop Robert Brennan will celebrate Mass Sunday, August 14, 2022 at 2:00 pm to commemorate the Jubilee Year of the Cathedral Basilica of St James. He has invited His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan and His Excellency, John Barres to concelebrate. All are invited to join in celebrating this milestone for the Diocese of Brooklyn. More details will be made available as we get closer to the date.

### Senior Housing

Catholic Charities Brooklyn & Queens announces the opening waitlist for Pope Francis Apartments at Loreto, 2377 Pacific Street, Brooklyn, NY. For information on age, income requirement and restrictions please call the Catholic Charities call center at 718-722-6001. You may also apply online at <https://www.loreto2apts.com>

You can find the **Online Giving** link on [brooklyn-cathedral.org](http://brooklyn-cathedral.org) under **Giving > Scheduled Offering**.

Online Giving



## DIOCESAN NEWS

### Diocesan Pilgrimage

Saturday, Oct 22, 2022 . . .

Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Offering: Multi-lingual Rosary, Confessions & Mass celebrated by, Bishop Robert J Brennan, Bishop of Brooklyn. Buses will be departing from various parish locations.

For further information, 718-965-7313 or  
Pilgrimage@diobrook.org

### Annual Catholic Appeal 2022

The *Annual Catholic Appeal* seeks to raise a minimum of \$8 million to provide programs and ministries throughout the Diocese and support the local efforts of parishes like ours.

*The goal at Cathedral Basilica of St. James is \$11, 815.*

Once we exceed our goal, we will then receive 100 % of the funds raised above the figure directly back to our parish.

For questions regarding the *Annual Catholic Appeal*, or to schedule an appointment to make a gift to the parish, please contact the Parish office at—  
718-852-4002.

*Respond in Faith, Hope & Charity*

### Older Adult Services

Catholic Charities of Brooklyn & Queens is pleased to announce that all our Senior Centers throughout Brooklyn and Queens have lifted our capacity limits and will gradually resume programming at 100% capacity. For more information on the Catholic Charities network of Senior Center and other service for older adults, visit us at [www.ccbq.org](http://www.ccbq.org) or call  
718-722-6001

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

### ~ MASS SCHEDULE ~

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Weekdays: Monday through Friday 12:00 Noon

### ~ SACRAMENT OF PENANCE ~

Friday: 12:40-1:00 p.m.

### ~ BAPTISM ~

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

### ~ MARRIAGES ~

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

### ~ ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

### ~ VISITS TO THE SICK ~

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

### ~ FAITH FORMATION ~

Religious Education is provided for children from 1st to 8th grade in preparation for the Sacraments. Adult classes are also offered for those seeking full initiation in the Catholic Church.

### ~ OFFICE HOURS ~

Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

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