

# THE SAINT JAMES EXPERIENCE

## The Saint James Cathedral-Basilica Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 9, 2024



**SAINT JAMES  
CATHEDRAL-BASILICA**

### SCHEDULE:

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

*Sunday Mass: 11:00 AM*

*Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament: Friday 11:00 AM*

### OFFICE HOURS:

*Monday to Friday 9:00 AM-3:00 PM*

*(Closed on Holidays & For Special Events)*

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

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

*Deacon Ronald Rizzuto, Pastoral Administrator*

*Mrs. Isabel Navarro, Secretary*

*Mrs. Rosa Paulsen-Williams, Secretary*

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## FROM THE RECTOR OF SAINT JAMES CATHEDRAL-BASILICA

Dear parishioners and friends of Saint James,

Today is our first Sunday in Ordinary time since February. We've noted before the prevailing sense that time seems to be going faster and faster. I've said I believe it is mainly to be attributed to our disconnection from the regular cycles of nature caused by artificial lighting and the near ubiquity of computers, screens of all types, digital everything. Are we forgetting we are human beings and not machines?

I can remember the time I was first amazed to meet someone who couldn't read an analogue clock, you know, the kind with 'hands', one for hours, the other for minutes. Hmm, people who never typed something on a manual typewriter, played a record on a turntable, turned a knob on a TV to find a station on UHF (you know, channels 21, 25, 31, 41, 47 . . .) The digital disconnect makes time seem to go faster and faster and past months seem like a very long time ago.

Being out of synch with nature can be bad but the readings for this Sunday highlight a worse case scenario. The reading from Genesis shows how ego-centricity entered human life, the Gospel shows one of its devastating consequences and the reading from II Corinthians how it can be corrected. Genesis details how our natural link with God was frayed and at times even severed. Eve was told she could become like the 'powerful ones', the gods, through knowledge of good and evil. She didn't see that this self-conscious knowledge, "good for me, bad for me" would lead to uncontrolled desire and believing oneself to be a god instead of God being God.

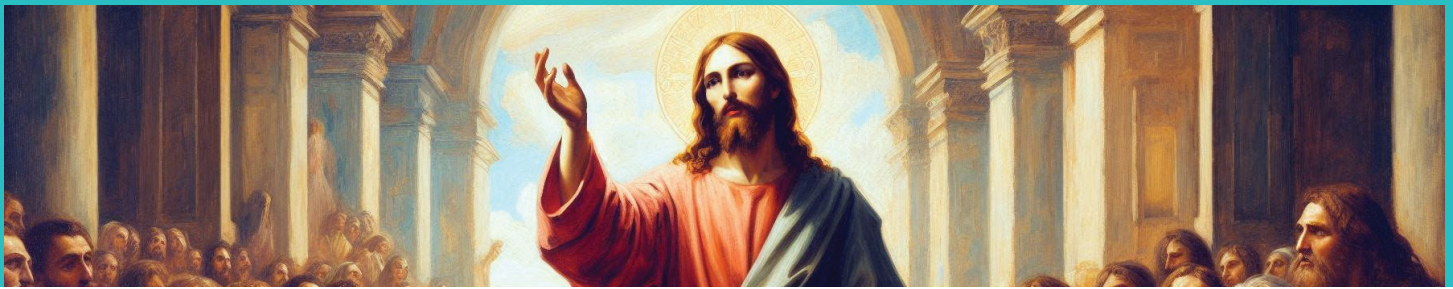
Jesus says that it can get so bad that a person cannot distinguish between God and Satan, attributing to the devil what is of God and of God to the devil. He says it is an unforgiveable sin, blasphemy against the Holy Spirit. The religious experts were saying that Jesus cast out demons by the evil spirit of Beelzebub, thereby attributing to Satan that which of God. This is about as out-of-synch as a person can get.

Saint Paul says that God who raised Jesus from the dead will also raise those who put their faith in him. The conversion to a person who fears God and lives a righteous life can be painful and fraught with difficulties, like the outer person dying while the inner one is reborn, but the new person has a permanent dwelling place in and with God - back in synch.

We continue our prayers, meditations and spiritual study to stay in synch and on board with the One who will save us from self-destruction. To me all this is sobering, even frightening at times, worthy of the scariest of horror movies to think that one could be so deluded as to be unable to tell God from the devil. Even Jesus' own family was told to come to get him because people were saying "He is out of his mind". We should never underestimate the cost of our salvation and the challenges required to stay on right terms with the Lord.

Prayerfully,

*Fr. Bryan Patterson*



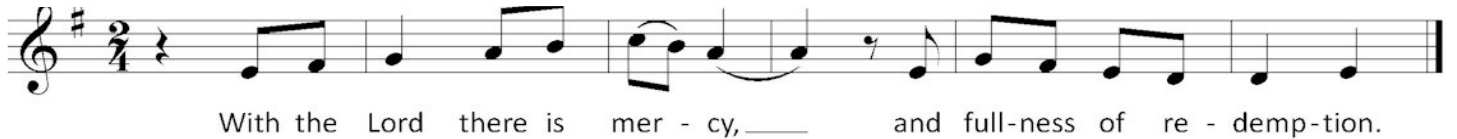
**READING I : Genesis 3:9-15**

**(Proclaimed in Spanish)**

After the man, Adam, had eaten of the tree, the LORD God called to the man and asked him, "Where are you?" He answered, "I heard you in the garden; but I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid myself." Then he asked, "Who told you that you were naked? You have eaten, then, from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat!" The man replied, "The woman whom you put here with me – she gave me fruit from the tree, and so I ate it." The LORD God then asked the woman, "Why did you do such a thing?" The woman answered, "The serpent tricked me into it, so I ate it." Then the LORD God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, you shall be banned from all the animals and from all the wild creatures; on your belly shall you crawl, and dirt shall you eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike at your head, while you strike at his heel."

**Response: TE ALABAMOS, SEÑOR**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM : 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8**



**READING II : 2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:1**

Brothers and sisters: Since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, I believed, therefore I spoke, we too believe and therefore we speak, knowing that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and place us with you in his presence. Everything indeed is for you, so that the grace bestowed in abundance on more and more people may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God. Therefore, we are not discouraged; rather, although our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this momentary light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to what is seen but to what is unseen; for what is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal. For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven.

**GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35**

Jesus came home with his disciples. Again the crowd gathered, making it impossible for them even to eat. When his relatives heard of this they set out to seize him, for they said, "He is out of his mind." The scribes who had come from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "By the prince of demons he drives out demons." Summoning them, he began to speak to them in parables, "How can Satan drive out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand; that is the end of him. But no one can enter a strong man's house to plunder his property unless he first ties up the strong man. Then he can plunder the house. Amen, I say to you, all sins and all blasphemies that people utter will be forgiven them. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an everlasting sin." For they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." His mother and his brothers arrived. Standing outside they sent word to him and called him. A crowd seated around him told him, "Your mother and your brothers and your sisters are outside asking for you." But he said to them in reply, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking around at those seated in the circle he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

**10th Sunday in Ordinary Time B - Gloria**

**Open: 777 - Christ's church shall glory**

**Offertory: 791 - Glorious in majesty**

**Communion 651: I want to walk as a child of the light**

**Recession: 799 - City of God**

*Postlude: Allmayne / Gavotte II - Johnson / Praetorius*

*Postlude: Erbarm Dich Mein - Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750*

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME June 16, 2024

“When the crop permits, the harvest has come.”  
Are you being called by the Lord of the Harvest to proclaim His kingdom as a priest or religious brother or sister? Talk to your priest or reach out to **Fr. Christopher J. Bethge**, the Vocations Director at (718) 827-2454 or [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto: vocations@diobrook.org)

### THE SISTERS OF ST. DOMINIC OF AMITYVILLE CELEBRATE ANNUAL

#### BEAUTY OF THE SPIRIT EVENT Thursday, June 13, 2024 - 11:00AM

Help us celebrate **The Beauty of The Spirit of Women** - Their strength, compassion, and wisdom. Enjoy fantastic auctions and raffles, as well as an inspirational lecture from a sister keynote speaker, Sister Christine Sammons, OP. This year we will have a luncheon buffet reception where guests can choose from an array of delicious menu items. For more information, please contact the office of advancement at 631-842-6000 ext. 246 or visit: <https://sistersofstdominic.org/2024luncheon>

### DEEPEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

#### Meeting Christ in Prayer May 6 - June 27, 2024

**Meeting Christ in Prayer** is an 8-week spiritual program based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. Through prayer, reflection on scripture, and faith-sharing, the retreat gives an opportunity to see Jesus as a companion and encounter him anew. Brother Andy Richards will guide the group starting **May 9 thru June 27 at 6:30 at St. Boniface (190 Duffield St)**. You and your friends are welcome to share you faith journey, whether you are new to Ignatian Spirituality, or it's been years since your last Ignatian retreat. This retreat experience is ideal for existing small groups.

Please read details and register here:  
<https://forms.gle/TFDxDp3Tsa3j9uFS8>

Any questions about the program?  
Please contact **Brother Andy** at [arichards@oratorychurch.org](mailto: arichards@oratorychurch.org)

### THE ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

September 28, 2024

The Sacrament of Marriage should be celebrated. All couples regardless of the anniversary year are invited to renew their vows. Bring your family to witness your exchange and the continued commitment to one another.

The Wedding Anniversary Mass will begin promptly at 11:30 AM and one of our bishops will be the main celebrant. All couples married in the Catholic Church are invited to attend with their families. Special recognition will be given to couples who are celebrating their **25th, 50th, and 75th** Anniversary. All registered couples will receive a personalized certificate and those couples in attendance will have their picture taken with the Bishop.

The fee is \$35 per couple. For more information about the Registration and Payment options go to link below:  
<https://catholicgatherings.org/event/wedding-anniversary-mass>

Any questions please email: [precana@diobrook.org](mailto: precana@diobrook.org)

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024  
11:30 AM**

St. Thomas Aquinas Church  
1550 Hendrickson St., Brooklyn, NY 11234

### 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 June 9, 2024	MONDAY June 10, 2024	TUESDAY June 11, 2024
People of St. James	Gilbert Maghak	For The Special Intentions of Fook Chin Yong & Ah Nya Lim
WEDNESDAY June 12, 2024	THURSDAY June 13, 2024	FRIDAY June 14, 2024
Clement Maghak	Martha Ochoa	Ronald & James Paulsen
LECTORS	June 9, 2024	June 16, 2024
	Diane Wilson & Mireyda Reyes	Dan McCardell & Elina Cruz
COFFEE HOUR	June 9, 2024	June 16, 2024
	Potluck style - Bring a dish & share a smile	No Coffee Hour (Happy Father's Day)





## YOUR DAILY CAMINO

### 9<sup>th</sup> JUNE - SUNDAY

“Jesus came home and, as usual, a crowd gathered—so many making demands on him that there wasn’t even time to eat. His friends heard what was going on and went to rescue him, by force if necessary. They suspected he was getting carried away with himself.” Gospel of Saint Mark 3: 20-21

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### 10<sup>th</sup> JUNE- MONDAY

“Most people are bothered by those passages of Scripture they do not understand, but the passages that bother me are those I do understand.”

~Mark Twain

### 11<sup>th</sup> JUNE- TUESDAY

“Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means “son of encouragement”), sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles’ feet.

~Acts of the Apostles 4:36-37

### 12<sup>th</sup> JUNE - WEDNESDAY

“The trouble with some of us is that we have been inoculated with small doses of Christianity which keep us from catching the real thing.”

~Leslie Weatherhead

### 13<sup>th</sup> JUNE - THURSDAY

“The devil is afraid of us when we pray and make sacrifices. He is also afraid when we are humble and good. He is especially afraid when we love Jesus very much. He runs away when we make the Sign of the Cross.”

~Anthony of Padua

### 14<sup>th</sup> JUNE - FRIDAY

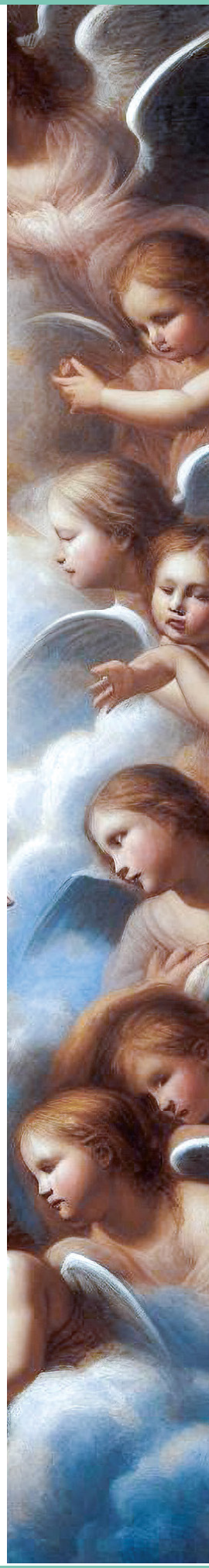
“When I hear somebody sigh, ‘Life is hard,’ I am always tempted to ask, ‘Compared to what?’”

~Sydney J. Harris

### 15<sup>th</sup> JUNE - SATURDAY

“Forgive your enemies, it messes with their minds!”

~Anonymous



## WEEKLY PRAYERS (SAINTS OBVIOUS AND UNFAMILIAR)

### PRAYER OF SAINT ANTHONY FOR THAT WHICH IS LOST

Saint Anthony, perfect imitator of Jesus, who received from God the special power of restoring lost things, grant that I may find (mention your petition) which has been lost. At least restore to me peace and tranquility of mind, the loss of which has afflicted me even more than my material loss. To this favor I ask another of you: that I may always remain in possession of the true good that is God. Let me rather lose all things than to lose God, my supreme good. Let me never suffer the loss of my greatest treasure, eternal life with God. Amen.

### PRAYER BY SAINT BASIL THE GREAT

O Lord our God, we beseech you, to ask for the gift we need. Steer the ship of our life to yourself, the quiet harbor of all storm-stressed souls. Show us the course which we are to take. Renew in us the spirit of docility. Let your Spirit curb our fickleness; guide and strengthen us to perform what is for our own good, to keep your commandments and ever to rejoice in your glorious and vivifying presence. Yours is the glory and praise for all eternity. Amen.

### PRAYER OF SAINT BARNABAS

St. Barnabas, you were eager to join the Apostles in their Christian Faith, as they began the work of preaching the Gospel throughout the world after Christ’s Ascension into Heaven. You willingly gave up worldly pursuits in order to serve God. Pray for me, that I may be zealous and devout in my Faith, as you were. Pray that I may always seek to practice my Faith to the best of my ability. Amen.

### PRAYER OF SAINT MARGARET OF SCOTLAND

Margaret of Scotland pray for us to be generous to the needy, to be zealous reformers and teachers of the Roman Catholic faith, to speak with the “salt of wisdom,” to be “filled with good thoughts,” so that we can become “a pattern of a virtuous life” to those around us. Amen.



## 10 MIRACLES OF SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

### 1. Sermon to the Fishes

In Rimini, faced with heretics who refused to listen, Anthony preached to the fishes, which gathered and listened, moving the townspeople.

### 2. Aleardino's Glass

A knight named Aleardino's glass, which fell and shattered, was miraculously restored to whole by Anthony's prayers.

### 3. The Heretic's Mule

In Toulouse, a heretic challenged Anthony to prove the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. A starved mule ignored fodder and knelt before the consecrated host held by Anthony.

### 4. The Re-attached Foot

A remorseful young man who had kicked his mother had his severed foot miraculously reattached by Anthony.

### 5. The Drowned Child

In Lisbon, a boy named Parrisio drowned during a storm, but was restored to life after his mother prayed to Anthony.

### 6. Tommy & St. Anthony's Bread

A 20-month-old boy named Tommy fell into a pot of boiling water but was saved with no injuries after his mother prayed to Anthony.

### 7. Eurilia Comes Back to Life

A young girl named Eurilia, presumed dead after an accident, was brought back to life through Anthony's intercession.

### 8. A Dead Man Speaks

In Lisbon, to resolve a feud, a dead man was made to speak to prove the innocence of another.

### 9. The Miser's Heart

At the funeral of a wealthy but heartless man, Anthony revealed that the man's heart was found not in his body, but in his treasure chest.

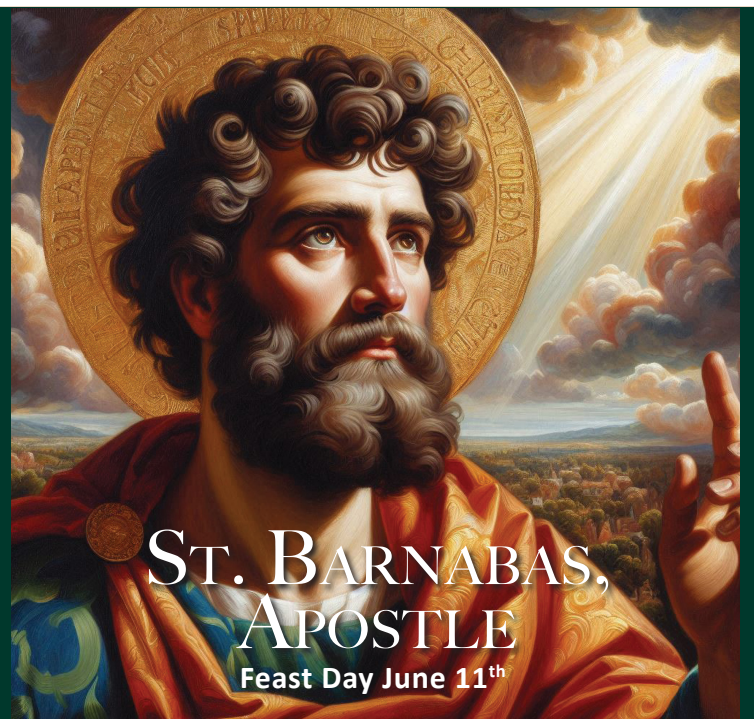
### 10. A Violent Husband

A knight known for his anger was transformed into a peaceful man after Anthony's intervention.



## ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Feast Day June 13<sup>th</sup>



### Who was St. Barnabas?

Barnabas was one of the very earliest followers of Jesus and a leader of the early church. His story is told in the Acts of the Apostles and he is also mentioned in some of Paul's letters. Originally called Joseph, he was given his new name of Barnabas by those who knew him well, it means 'son of encouragement'. His new name certainly fits what we know of his character and actions.

### Barnabas was willing to give from the heart

We first hear of Barnabas in the New Testament due to his simple act of stewardship and sharing. He sold land he owned and donates the proceeds to the church to be used to support the poor.

### Barnabas was courageous in God's service

When Paul came to Jerusalem after his conversion, most of the Christians there wanted nothing to do with him for they had known him as a persecutor of Christians. But Barnabas, guided by God was willing to take a calculated risk on Paul. He sought Paul out, spoke with him, and having weighed him up, vouched for him. We owe much of our New Testament to the work of Paul and in his preaching and evangelism he was used by God in the creation of many of the early Christian communities. Imagine if Barnabas had not been willing to obey God's call?

### Barnabas was generous, compassionate and kind

Later, Paul and Barnabas travelled far and wide, sharing the good news of God's love in Jesus. On one journey they took a young man called Mark with them. This traveling ministry was tough and dangerous; they literally were risking their lives. Part way, Mark turned back. When Paul and Barnabas were about to set out again, Barnabas suggested taking Mark along again. Paul was against it, saying that Mark was not dependable. But Barnabas wanted to give Mark a second chance, and so he and Mark went off on one journey, while Paul took Silas and went on another. Apparently Mark responded well to the trust given him by Barnabas, the "son of encouragement," since we find that Paul recognizes the change in Mark and later speaks of him as a valuable assistant.

### Barnabas rejoiced in what God did in and through other people

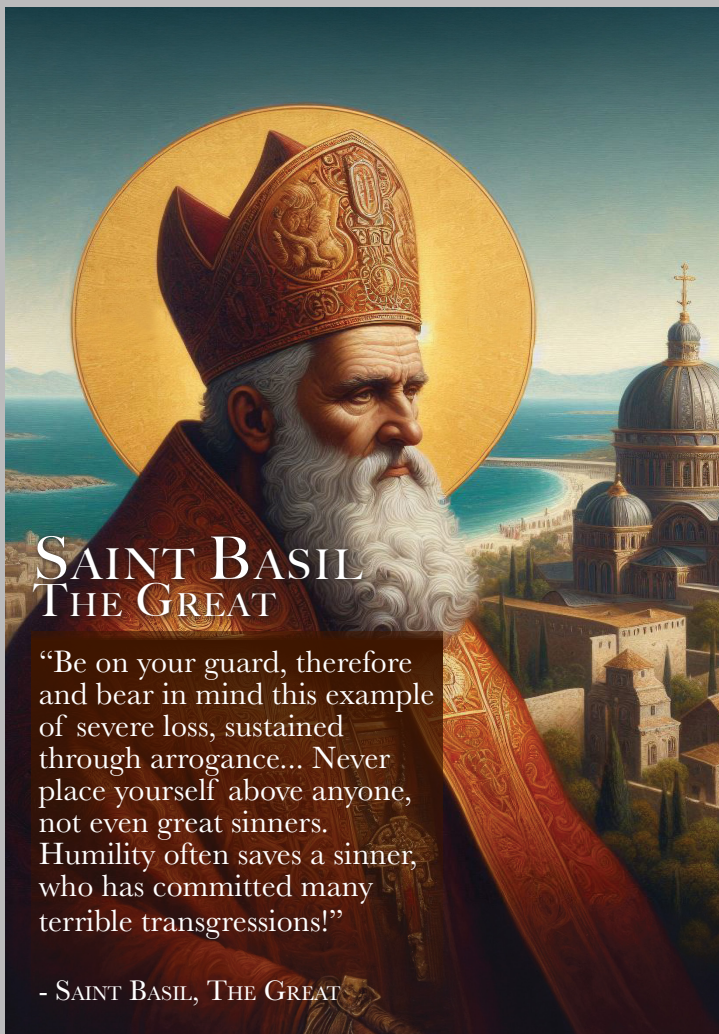
Barnabas, who became one of the leaders of the Church was asked to help in the growth of a new congregation in Antioch. He didn't arrive thinking he'd whip them into shape, instead we read, 'he came and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast devotion.' Barnabas called Paul over to help in this work at Antioch and both he and Paul grew in their faith and ministry. And the Church grew too: a great many people became Christians – indeed it was here at Antioch that the followers of Jesus were first called 'Christians'. Born in Cyprus, Barnabas also died there in AD 61 when he was martyred for his faith. He stayed faithful and willing to give everything right to the end. We celebrate his life and example particularly on his feast day which is June 11th.





## Weekly HIGHLIGHT

Saint James Cathedral-Basilica



### SAINT BASIL THE GREAT

“Be on your guard, therefore and bear in mind this example of severe loss, sustained through arrogance... Never place yourself above anyone, not even great sinners. Humility often saves a sinner, who has committed many terrible transgressions!”

- SAINT BASIL, THE GREAT



#### 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.- 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 P.M.-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.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION