

Pastor
Rev. Pablo Muñoz
I.V.E.

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Associate Pastor
Rev. Pablo Bonello
I.V.E.

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Deacon John Turner



Schedule of Masses

Sunday Obligation

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m. (Español)

6:00 p.m. (Español)



Daily Masses

Monday thru Friday

7:30 a.m.

Saturday

8:00 a.m.

**All daily Masses are in
the Church**

**Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament**

8:00 p.m.

**Monday - Wednesday
In the Church**

**Thursday - Friday
In the Rectory Chapel
Benediction**

9:00 p.m.

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Monday thru Friday
Closed on Federal
Holidays

<http://www.stjames-mountrainier.org>

SAINT JAMES' CATHOLIC CHURCH



Cima - St. John the Baptist with Saints

Mass Intentions

Saturday - 12/4 - 8:00 a.m. – Souls in Purgatory - McDermott Family
 4:00 p.m. - Healing Sr. Mary Ann (L) - Joseph Fugere
 6:00 p.m. - St. James Parishioners - Mass in Spanish

Sunday - 12/5 - 8:00 a.m. - Healing Sr. Mary Ann (L) - Joseph Fugere
 9:30 a.m. - Angelo Cordone - Anna & Maria Cordone
 11:30 a.m. - St. James Parishioners - Mass in Spanish
 6:00 p.m. - St. James Parishioners - Mass in Spanish

Monday - 12/6 - 7:30 a.m. - Healing Sr. Mary Ann (L) - Joseph Fugere

Tuesday - 12/7 - 7:30 a.m. - Healing Sr. Mary Ann (L) - Joseph Fugere

Wednesday - 12/8 -7:30 a.m. - Jose Guarino - Belen Guarino

Wednesday - 12/8 - 7:00 p.m. - Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Thursday - 12/9 -7:30 a.m. - Zelma Vigneau - Joseph Fugere

Friday - 12/10 - 7:30 a.m. - Zelma Vigneau - Joseph Fugere

Saturday - 12/11 - 8:00 a.m. – Zelma Vigneau - Joseph Fugere
 4:00 p.m. - St. James Parishioners
 6:00 p.m. - St. James Parishioners - Mass in Spanish

Sunday - 12/12 - 8:00 a.m. - In Thanksgiving - Joseph Fugere
 9:30 a.m. - Jose Guarino - Belen Guarino
 11:30 a.m. - Nuestro Señora de Guadalupe-Mass in Spanish
 6:00 p.m. - Nuestro Señora de Guadalupe-Mass in Spanish

Please pray for our sick and homebound parishioners.

Mary Cooksey	Bill Ballantyne
Nancy Endsley	Danny Farrell
Bernie Bergling	Marie Breen
Rosita Tate	Shirley VanLeeuwen
Joe Massey	Gregory Swenton
Louise Clemens	Patricia Myers
Aquilina Todio	Donna Wynn
Alvaro Ortega	Emma Galiano
Denny White	Lucinda White
Tom Trudeau	Elenore Brady
Tom Bruner	Michael Hennessey
Betty Carr	Barbara Preston
Kami Elliot	Susan Crocetto
Dick Barnard	Ambrosia David
Dorothy Clayton	Nadine Groves
Martina Dominguez	Alan Croskey
Karen Dominguez	Julia Olinda
Zenaida D. Marcelo	Esther Farrell
Timmy Ferguson	Robert Tate
Deacon John Turner	Mary Turner
Madelyne Woodyard	Ted Bissell
Valdez Vda. De Gomez	John Kiefer
Margaret Joyce Hoffman	

Prayers for our Military

Please pray for all of our military personnel and their families.

Weekly Contributions

Oct 24 - \$2779	Oct 31 - \$1,288
Nov 7 - \$3,481	Nov 14 - \$2,676
Nov 21 - \$2,537	Nov 28 - \$2,345

Please call the Rectory if someone should be added or removed from the list of our sick and homebound parishioners.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.



Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: *A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.*

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

His winnowing fan is in his hand. He will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Pastor's Corner

On this Second Sunday of Advent, the Church puts before us the figure of John the Baptist, the voice crying in the wilderness: **Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths** (Lk 3:4). Is repentance an attitude of my heart? Because in order to meet our Redeemer, we must repent, that is, approach him with joyful faith, leaving behind those ways of thinking and living which prevent us from following him completely. This invitation of St John the Baptist resounds strongly on this Second Sunday of Advent. It is a prophetic cry that continues to resound through the centuries. During this Advent season, as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of Christ, let us prepare a place for him in our hearts.

Fr. Pablo Muñoz Iturrieta, IVE

Tuesday, December 7th

On the first vespers of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, all St. James parishioners are invited to the imposition of Cassocks to the IVE Novices, and habits to the SSVM sisters at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Mass will take place at the crypt church at 2:30 PM.

Communio meeting

It's been a while since we've met! This Sunday night, December 5th, will be our next gathering of the Communio.

Fr. Pablo will present on the spirituality of St. John of the Cross. The venue is the St. James rectory, 3628 Rhode Island Ave., Mt. Rainier, MD.

As usual, the line-up is:

7:00 PM Food and fellowship (please bring something to share);

7:45 PM Vespers; 8:00 PM Discussion;

9:00 PM Conclusion

St. Jerome's School and St. James

We are looking forward to working together with **St. Jerome's School**, and becoming **regionalized** with them. It would mean that St. Jerome's School will also be our school.

We are still waiting for our Cardinal/Archbishop's consideration and approval in order to move forward with this plan. Please pray for this intention, so that more of our families may send their children to Diocesan Catholic schools.

Please, visit our website and leave some feedback!

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A note on Christmas Day and January 1st

This year, the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord falls on a Saturday, and therefore there will not be a Saturday 4:00 PM Mass this year, for it wouldn't count for Sunday Mass.

The Office of Worship has recommended that there be no evening Mass on that Saturday. On a night when families (and many priests themselves) gather at home for Christmas dinner, a Mass on Saturday evening would likely not be attended by many people. Thank you for your understanding.

This year, the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God is not a holy day of obligation because it falls on a Saturday. There will be 4:00 PM Mass on that day.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

The Prince George's County Area Agency on Aging Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program is seeking caring people to help make a difference in the lives of long term care residents.

You must be at least 21 years of age and have reliable transportation. We ask that you make a commitment to visit an area nursing home 4 hours per week. Initial mandatory 3-day training is being offered Mondays, December 6, 13 and 20, 2010. Call 301-265-8483 or e-mail Jeanne O'Neil at jhoneil@co.pg.md.us for more information regarding this opportunity.

Confessions

Saturdays

3:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (English)

Sundays

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Baptisms

By appointment only.

301-927-0567

Weddings

Contact the Pastor six months in advance.

Special Collections

Monthly Maintenance and Improvements Collection and Stone Soup Collection for the needy are on the First Sunday each month.

St. James' Ladies' Sodality

First Sundays at 8:00 a.m. Mass

St. James' Holy Name Society

Second Sundays at 8:00 a.m. Mass

St. James' Ladies of Charity

Third Sundays at 8:00 a.m. Mass

Spanish Prayer Group

*Every Thursday Evening
7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.*

Legion of Mary

*Wednesday Evenings
7:30 p.m.*

Rosary Prayed Daily

The Rosary is prayed before daily Mass, Mon - Fri.

Holyday Schedule

Tuesday, December 7th

*Vespers of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
Imposition of Cassocks to the IVE Novices,
and habits to the SSVM sisters*

At the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Mass at 2:30 PM

Wednesday, December 8th

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

7:30 AM English

7:00 PM (Bilingual)

Sunday December 12th

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Regular Sunday Masses

4:00 PM Procession followed by Mass (Spanish)

7:00 PM Celebrations at the Hughes Room

Friday, December 24th

5:30 PM English

7:30 PM Spanish

12:00 PM Midnight Mass (Bilingual)

Christmas Day Masses on Saturday, December 25th

10:00 AM English

11:30 AM Spanish

There is no 4:00 PM Mass

Friday, December 31st

Vespers of the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

6:00 PM (Bilingual)

Saturday, January 1st

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

10:00 AM English

11:30 AM Spanish

4:00 PM (Sunday Mass)

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Please thank Celia for her help in making this bulletin possible. Also, share with her, and us at the Rectory, any comments or suggestions you may have.

Fr. Rafael Fuentes and his Mission in Sudan, Africa



Remember Fr. Rafael? He was with us these past two years, as a seminarian first, and then as deacon, helping us with the Oratory, CCD, and Baptisms.

Now he is a missionary in Africa, where he had offered himself to go in order to serve the poorest of the poor.

Please, keep him in your prayers!

St. James' on Suite Magazine

The 2010 edition of Prince George's Suite Magazine commemorating Mount Rainier's 100th Anniversary included an article on St. James Catholic Church entitled "Standing on Faith." It was written by journalist Emily Brown. Go to our web site www.stjames-mountrainier.org for more information on this article.