

SS. PHILIP
& JAMES

CATHOLIC PARISH

1 Carow Place, St. James, NY 11780

(631) 584-5454

July 27, 2025

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Triptych: Crucifixion and other Scenes, Duccio, 1302 - 1308. Royal Collection Trust, UK, London, United Kingdom.

Philip said to him, "Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us." - John 14:8

MASS TIMES

Weekday 7:30 AM, 9:15 AM

Saturday 9:15 AM, 5 PM (Vigil)

Sunday 8 AM (Live-streaming via Facebook), 10 AM, 12 NOON

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4 - 5 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 1:30 - 7 PM

The Parish Directory

Parish Information



GENERAL INFORMATION

Phone Number (631) 584-5454
Parish Fax (631) 862-9675
Website www.sspj.org
Address 1 Carow Place
St. James, NY 11780

Office Hours Mon. & Thu. 9:30 AM - 5 PM
Tue. & Wed. 9:30 AM - 8 PM
Fri. 9:30 AM - 1 PM

CLERGY

Pastor Rev. Sean Magaldi
Associate Pastor Rev. Dennis Gannon
Associate Pastor Rev. Martin Adu Gyamfi
Deacon John Keenan

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Phone Number (631) 584-3204

GRADE LEVEL COORDINATORS

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bluna@sspj.org
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DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES

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SSPJ SCHOOL

Principal William J. Biangasso
Phone Number (631) 584-7896
School Fax (631) 584-3258

TRUSTEES

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Lisa Keane Maureen Burke
Nancy Sanders Matthew Carey
Sheila Cavooris

*Thank you for your generosity
Financial Support Needed Weekly
to meet Parish budget: \$16,700*

Weekly Collection - Sunday, July 20, 2025:

Collections from Weekend Masses: \$10,146.00

Faith Direct
(126 Participants Weekly): \$ 3,374.00

Total Collection: \$13,520.00

2nd Collection for
Victims of Flood in Texas : \$106.05

*Faith Direct:
Visit sspj.org and click on the Faith Direct icon.
Use SSPJ Parish code: NY232*

Sacraments and Sacramentals

SACRAMENTAL RECORDS

To request a copy of your certificate of Baptism, Marriage, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation please call the rectory.

OCIA

For adults looking to become Catholic or receive Confirmation, please call the rectory to ask about our OCIA program.



BAPTISM

Celebrated twice per month. Parents are asked to contact the rectory for a Pre-Baptism Program.

RECONCILIATION

Available Saturdays from 4 - 5 pm in the Church or by contacting the rectory for an appointment.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In case of serious, unexpected illness, please contact the rectory to arrange for a Priest to pray with the person who is ill.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

For First Holy Communion, second grade students are prepared to celebrate through Religious Ed or SSPJ School. For Confirmation, seventh and eighth grade students are prepared to celebrate through Religious Ed or SSPJ School. Adults prepare for both sacraments through OCIA.

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.

Please Remember Those Who Serve For Us In Your Prayers



LCDR Megan M. Shutka-Vik -USN | CAPT Wilson Marks -USN | CPT Michael T. Dolan Jr. -D.O, ARMY
 Sgt Cory O'hara -USMC | Lt Col John Kaires | SGM Michael P. Borrelli -ARMY
 CAPT John Tully -USN | LTC James Tully - ARMY | Joseph Saggio -USNC | Richard Sotomayer -USAF
 SSgt Michael Longhenry | Lt Col Paul T. Jackson | SSgt Alexander Parrella -USAF
 Christopher A. Hionidis -USAF | Sgt Connor F. Scott -USMC | PFC Charles Christopher Howell
 Hank Moloney -USAF | Steven Cava -USN | Emmett Moloney -USN | CW2 Natasha Wortman
 LT Kyle Melvin -USN | LT Jillian Melvin -USN | Cpl James T. Casey -USMC | Glen Crima -ARMY
 SGT Joshua Mahoney -ARMY | Spc Nicole A. Cannon | 2LT Dillon Reynolds -USAF
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 Kevin Jones -USCG | Michael Hionidis -USMC | Elizabeth C. Oliver -QM 2ND Class SW USN
 CW2 Chris Munz | Carl Josephson -USAF | Daniel Josephson -USAF | Samantha Josephson -USAF
 MIDN Erin Nicastro -USNA | MLDN Kate Nicastro -USNA | Justene Patch -2ND Class USN
 Matthew Patrick Gallagher -ARMY | LT Commander Christopher Shank MD | Eric Seelin -USMC
 2LT James A Koester -ARMY | Maj Brendan Johnston -USAF | Lt Connor Toomey -USMC

The Pastoral Letter from Rev. Sean Magaldi

My Dear Friends in Christ and Our Blessed Mother,

In the Spring Semester of 2006, I went on a retreat at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington. On Saturday night of the retreat, the priest leading the retreat informed us that we would have Adoration. Msgr. McDonald, who would eventually become a mentor, was the rector of the seminary. He led the hour of Eucharistic Adoration. When he placed the Blessed Sacrament into the monstrance, a gold vessel that resembled the sun, I looked at Jesus, and it finally clicked: He is truly present in the Eucharist.

That night was the first time I ever experienced Adoration. It was a night that changed my life forever. It is because of that night that I want to encourage our Monday Adoration. Thanks to the generosity of some parishioners, we can now sign up for specific slots. You remain free to come when you want, but we need to fill up the slots to keep Adoration going. We cannot leave Jesus unattended. Signing up is very easy. You can sign up manually in the book by the prayer basket, visit this website: <https://stsphilipjames.weadorehim.com/en>, or scan the QR code on the poster.

Eucharistic Adoration can transform lives. I can write more about what we can do at Adoration at a later date, but until then, I want to quote Pope Benedict. In his apostolic exhortation “Sacramentum Caritatis” (“The Sacrament of Charity”), he reflects on the profound value of Eucharistic Adoration. Pope Benedict XVI writes, “The act of adoration outside Mass prolongs and intensifies all that takes place during the liturgical celebration itself” (SC, 66). Pope Benedict is helping us understand that Adoration extends the beauty and power of the Mass into our lives, fostering a deeper communion with the Lord outside of Mass.

He continues, “Only in Adoration can a profound and genuine reception mature. And it is precisely this personal encounter with the Lord that then strengthens the social mission contained in the Eucharist, which seeks to break down not only the walls that separate the Lord and ourselves, but also and especially the walls that separate us from one another.” I encourage each of you to consider signing up for Adoration on Mondays. Just like He changed my life nearly twenty years ago, I know He can and will change yours.

In Christ,
Fr. Sean



SS. Philip & James Adoration

“Could You Not Keep Watch with Me for One Hour?” (Matthew 26:40)

Monday’s 1PM – 7PM

<https://stsphilipjames.weadorehim.com/en/signup>

EUCCHARISTIC
Adoration



If you would like to serve as a weekly Adorer for Monday Exposition,
you can sign up by scanning the QR code above,
contacting an Adoration Coordinator or by visiting:

<https://stsphilipjames.weadorehim.com/en/signup>

Adoration Coordinator’s

Bill Toscano – 631-312-2172

Sarolta Toscano – 646-287-0661

Email: stsphilipjames@sites.weadorehim.com

SS. Philip and James Catholic Parish

One Carow Place

St. James, New York 11780

Altar Memorials, Prayer Intentions, Mass Intentions and Schedule

Please contact the rectory at (631) 584-5454 to request a memorial.



WE PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Please contact the Office of Parish Social Ministry, (631) 584-5454, to include the name of a brother or sister in need of prayer.

Louis Fabiano, Maria Lee, Margaret Remhild, Samya Salama, Barbara Hobbes, Michael Mattia, Michael Scorca, Grayson Danielski, Ann Marie, Amanda Rose Critella, Amanda Cacoperdo, Carmela Montesano, Donna Fabrizio, David Beleck, Brittany Lundberg, Ed Ceraso, Edward Luna, Jessie Lokai, John V Leone, Kathleen Martin, Kerry Larry, Mia Mednick, Patrice Henry, Rob Remhild, Ronnie Reichert, Stephanie Seban, Tonia Perdue, Joan Cooper, Tim Tippet, Madeline Kelley, Diane Toto, Phillip Giarrupeto, Judy Hanrahan, Patricia Schecher, Nora Danko, Joanna Szymanski, Luke Salvatore Montesano, Anthony D'Angelis, Katie Hobbes, Leon Donach, Paul Robertelli, Donna Belulloovich, Theresa Quinn, Janet Ocasio, Stephanie Eagle, Baby Brooks, Anna Marie, Matthew Cooke, Brian Stewart, Samantha Misurda, John Vincent Leone, Roger, Thomas Brick, Mariella Rooney, Sheila Eith, Bella Rigogliosi

Saturday, July 26th	Reconciliation 4:00-5:00pm	9:15am	Edwin Reichert
	Cantor: Murtha Lector: Drechsler/Pilero EMs: Rapp/Lombardi/Sisti/Byrne/Toto	5:00pm	Peter Portanova
Sunday, July 27th	Cantor: Meringolo Lector: Czujko/Marino EMs: Czujko/Kenney/Koke/La Serra/Tully	8:00am	For the People of the Parish
	Cantor: Meringolo Lector: Doran/Kollmer EMs: Luna/Rapp/Clarke/Keane/Amen/Sotomayer	10:00am	Carol Walz
	Cantor: Hill Lector: Geier/O'Connor EMs: Craine/Latino/Stack/Bleggi	12:00pm	<u>Collective Mass</u> Michael Colletta, Larry Collorafi, Derrick Fichera
Monday, July 28th	Adoration 1:30-7:00pm In the Church	7:30am	Connie Roncone
		9:15am	John Matthews
Tuesday, July 29th		7:30am	Ronald Dunphy
		9:15am	Morris Schiller
Wednesday, July 30th		7:30am	Joan Molnar-Becht
		9:15am	Donald "Sonny" Cannetti
Thursday, July 31st		7:30am	Connie Roncone
		9:15am	For the Souls in Purgatory
Friday, August 1st		7:30am	For the Pope
		9:15am	Forrest McMullen
Saturday, August 2nd	Reconciliation 4:00-5:00pm	9:15am	Sister Marie Gerard Hoffman
	Lector: Halluska/Morosky EMs: Byrne/Drechsler/Licari/Toto/Rapp	5:00pm	Suzanne Rosati
Sunday, August 3rd	Lector: Fitzpatrick/White EMs: Dervan/Koke/Portanova/Sehne/Sica	8:00am	For the People of the Parish
	Lector: Contrino/O'Connor EMs: Napolitano/Conti/Parish/Consenz/Clarke/Keane	10:00am	Dorothy & James Davis
	Lector: Hoffmann/Waldmann EMs: Latino/Rubano/Rubano/Margaret	12:00pm	<u>Collective Mass</u> Michael Colletta, Regina Cacioppo and Rita Stasiak

A Letter from the New SSPJ School Principal William J. Biangasso

Greetings,

My name is William Biangasso, and I am both humbled and honored to be the new principal here at Saints Philip and James School. I am a life-long product of Catholic education as my parents instilled the Gospel values and sense of responsibility that comes from being part of Catholic school and parish community in my sisters and I at a very early age. Extra-curriculars, sports, various parish activities, and a stellar education were what we came to expect, and I come to you with similar expectations.

I have spent the better part of my professional career which spans over 25 years as a Catholic school leader and educator. I have held numerous positions in this time, ranging from classroom teacher, dept. chairperson, National Honors Society advisor and moderator, board trustee and treasurer, and now as principal of this wonderful school.

In my short time here, the families, faculty and parish staff, and of course Fr. Sean welcomed me with open arms and showed me first-hand why we are both a family and the best kept secret on Long Island. It is my hope to build upon our successes and collaboratively oversee the growth of our parish and school community.

In closing I am thankful to Fr. Sean and his team for having faith and confidence in me to be principal of our school. It is a privilege and an honor I don't take for granted. I look forward to seeing you at various parish functions and getting to know all of you. I wish God's blessings and good health upon us all and am excited for what I am sure will be a very successful start to the 2025-2026 school year.

Sincerely Yours,
Mr. William J. Biangasso

Parish Social Ministry

WE REMEMBER, ALL THOSE WHO ARE SAFELY HOME IN THE ARMS OF JESUS

Mildred A. Kelly

Marie Salerno

BOOK KIOSK NEWS

Check the book kiosk in the lobby for required summer reading material for some schools!

PRAYER BLANKETS

Prayer Blankets will be blessed on Saturday, August 2, 2025 at the 5 PM Mass. If you have a family member or friend in need of the love and support of our SSPJ Family, please feel free to take one.

THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

The Respect Life Committee invites all to join us in praying the Rosary at 8 AM, M-F, in the prayer room of the Church.

Let us pray together to bring our faith into public life to protect the most innocent and the vulnerable. Take a moment to call our governor telling her to veto the assisted suicide bill. Visit bit.ly/veto-pas.



Katie's Way

Collecting new and gently used baby items and delivering them to the Life Center of Long Island. These items benefit mothers, children, and expectant mothers in need. Your donations build a community that supports mothers who choose life for their unborn children under difficult circumstances. Suggested donation items: diapers, wipes, bottles. Gently used baby and toddler items such as car seats, high chairs, strollers, clothing, toys, etc. New baby and toddler items, including diapers, wipes, formula, baby food, clothing, etc.

PLEASE DROP OFF AT:

56 TILLOTSON AVENUE, ST. JAMES, NY

OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

Paper Towels

LAUDATO SI

While celebrating a new formulary of the Mass for the care of creation, Pope Leo said, "We must pray for the conversion of many people, inside and outside of the Church, who still do not recognize the urgency of caring for our common home".

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Once again, it is time for our school supplies collection. We have children in our community in need of teacher mandated items. If you can help, kindly take a school supply card from the baskets in the back of the Church. You may return your **UNWRAPPED** donation, along with the card to the parish office during the week, or place it in the St. Anthony's Bread closet in the back of the Church. Monetary donations are also gratefully accepted. As always, thank you for all you do!

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS: You are never alone

AA 24 Hour Hotline	(631) 669-1124
Al-Anon	(631) 669-2827
Birthingright	(631) 821-9727
Child Abuse	(800) 342-3720
Dept. of Social Services	(631) 854-2300
Domestic Violence	
-Brighter Tomorrow	(631) 395-1800
-Vibes	(631) 360-3607
-The Retreat	(631) 329-2200
LI Against Domestic Violence	(631) 666-8833
Elder Abuse	(631) 761-7470
Food Stamps	(631) 789-9546
Gamblers Anonymous	(855) 222-5542
Good Shepherd Hospice	(631) 376-3758
Mental Health Emergency	(631) 952-3333
Narcotics Anonymous	(631) 689-6262
Nassau/Suffolk Law	(631) 232-2400
Poison Control	(516) 542-2323
Hope House	(631) 473-6030
Office for the Aging	(631) 853-8200
Overeaters Anonymous	(631) 260-6615
Rachel's Hope-Post Abortion	(888) 456-4673
	(631) 751-7500
Suicide Hotline (Services in English and Spanish)	
Catholic Charities Mental Health Clinics:	
Medford	(631) 654-1919
Bay Shore	(631) 665-6707

Congratulations to Our Newly Baptized Catholics!



Giuliano Rose Piccininni
with parents, Godparents and
celebrant Deacon Dave Otton,
Baptized on July 13, 2025.



Cole Brian Kocka
with parents, Godparents and
celebrant Rev. Martin Adu Gyamfi,
Baptized on July 13, 2025.



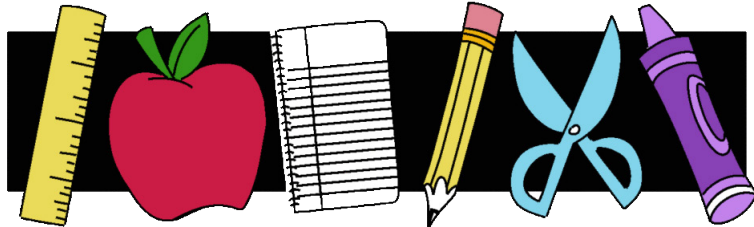
Sloane Elizabeth Maguire
with parents, Godparents and
celebrant Rev. Martin Adu Gyamfi,
Baptized on July 13, 2025.



Sienna Taegan Tusa
with parents, Godparents and
celebrant Rev. Martin Adu Gyamfi,
Baptized on July 13, 2025.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Registration is now open for the
2025-2026 Religious Education year!

In order to register please go to our website – www.sspj.org and look for Religious Education on the top bar. Click on that and “**Registration**” will be the first choice. Please read the “**Registration Checklist**” first as it lists all the forms that must be filled out. For payment, there is a direct link to Faith Direct.

Religion Books for the 2025-26 calendar year will be distributed for grades 1-7 on the following dates:

August 13: from 9 am – 12 pm, in the Bethany Center

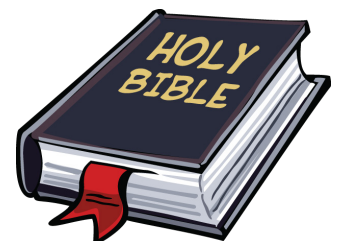
August 14: from 2 pm – 5 pm, in the Bethany Center

August 19: from 5 pm – 7 pm, in the Bethany Center

All returning 8th graders should already have their Decision Point books! Looking forward to seeing everyone!



PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!!



SSPJ Youth Group Summer Series

Join us for Eucharistic Adoration
followed by a Sports and Games Night



Wednesday, July 16th
7:00pm–8:30pm

Wednesday, August 20th
7:00pm–8:30pm

NO RSVP NEEDED. Please contact Sandy at
srago@sspj.org with any questions.

Music Ministry

WEEKLY REFLECTION FROM MUSIC DIRECTOR MARGARET ADAMS

Jesus teaches us the Our Father.

Prayer takes us out of ourselves and puts us before God. When we seek God and His kingdom, we become one with Him and live the word that He teaches. We know and live your will for us.

Christmas in July!

Believe it or not I am starting to work on Advent and the Christmas Concert/ Mass Music. On these hot days it's fun to imagine the cool crispness of the Christmas Season. With cold AC in the office, it's not that hard!

Christmas is in the air!

Calling All Pilgrims!

Msgr. Brian McNamara, along with Fr. Louis Cona, is hosting a pilgrimage to Rome/Loreto/Cascia/Orvieto and Assisi from November 3 to November 12, 2025, during the Jubilee year. We will see Pope Leo XIV at the General Audience and visit the main shrines and basilicas, with daily Masses at the shrines and basilicas as well. For more information, check the St. Patrick (Smithtown) bulletin OR check the pilgrimage website: www.206tours.com/msgrmcnamara/jubilee.



No One's Alone

**Our Community Commitment To You Is
That No One Feels That They Are Alone**

If you are an individual who lives alone without local family or friends to support your well being, we would like to hear from you!

Our New Ministry is all about sharing our Christian love by making a weekly phone call to reach out to you and check on your well-being. Life Alert Systems are greatly encouraged. However, loneliness, not feeling needed adds to accidents. A friendly weekly call will give you something to look forward to, and we want to do just that!

Sign up now by filling out the attached form, and place it in the collection basket, bring the completed form to our office, or call Parish Social Ministry. It's as simple as that, and you will receive a weekly call to brighten your day!

Release Form

No One's Alone Ministry:

In signing this form, I am asking for a member of my church community to call me to check on my well-being and/or visit me with a house call either to check on my well-being and/or bring me communion.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Name & Number: _____

Signature for phone call or house visit: _____

Date: _____

NYS Catholic Conference



Stop Physician-Assisted Suicide in New York

New York is on the brink of legalizing physician-assisted suicide. Bill A136 has already passed the Senate and Assembly. The only thing standing in its way is Governor Hochul's veto – and she needs to hear from you.

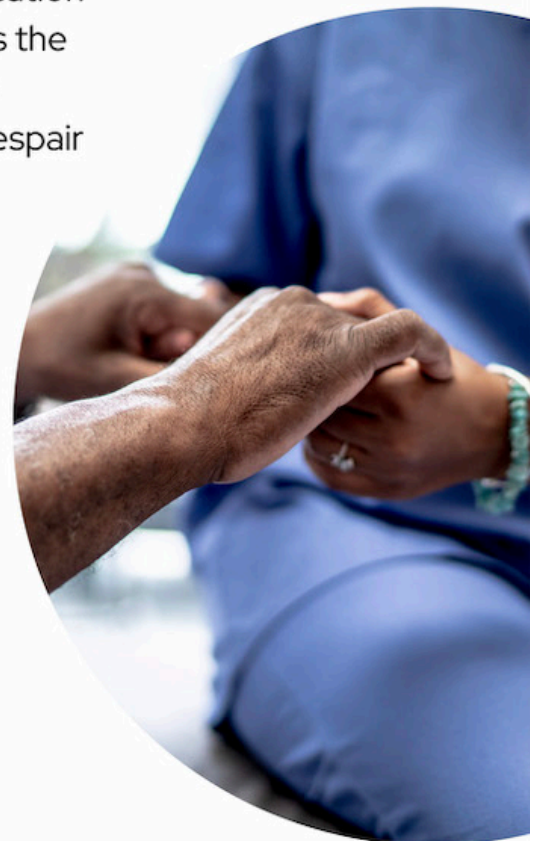
This bill would allow doctors to prescribe lethal medication with the sole purpose of ending a patient's life. It puts the most vulnerable among us – the elderly, people with disabilities, and those facing emotional or financial despair – at even greater risk. **Suicide is not healthcare.**

We must speak out to protect the dignity of every human life. Assisted suicide is a dangerous and deadly path – one we must not go down.

Take Action!



Contact the Governor's office now to oppose this deadly practice! Visit bit.ly/veto-pas or use the QR code.



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and Dawn of Hope*"

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AUGUST 3, 2:00 pm

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Bishop John
O. Barres



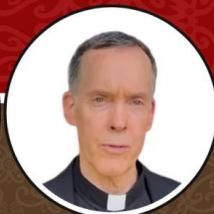
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Massa



Sr. Talitha, OCD



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Lilles



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Gospel Reflection

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

August 3, 2025

Gospel - Luke 12: 13-21

Reading of the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus,
"Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me."
He replied to him, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?"
Then he said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed,
for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

Then he told them a parable.
"There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest.
He asked himself, 'What shall I do,
for I do not have space to store my harvest?'
And he said, 'This is what I shall do:
I shall tear down my barns and build larger ones.
There I shall store all my grain and other goods
and I shall say to myself, 'Now as for you,
you have so many good things stored up for many years,
rest, eat, drink, be merry!'"
But God said to him,
'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you;
and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?'
Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves
but are not rich in what matters to God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Gospel Reflection Process

- ♦ **Pray** a simple prayer to the Holy Spirit: "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."
- ♦ **Read** the passage slowly. As you listen, ask in silence, "Lord, what are you saying to me in this passage?"
- ♦ **Listen** for a word or phrase that calls your attention or touches your heart.
- ♦ **Share** a brief story or experience of how the word or phrase connects to your life at this moment.
- ♦ **Ask** in silence, "Lord, what do you want me to do?" Share what Jesus is inviting you to do.