

Evenings of Reflection

Please join us on the 2nd Monday of every month at 7:00pm as we gather in Parish Center Rooms 1 & 2 to hear women of our parish share their knowledge and love for Mary.

Scroll down to view additional information about our speakers. Bring a friend and enjoy the fellowship of your sisters in Christ. All are Welcome! For details, contact Andrea Chiafullo at achiafullo@optonline.net.



Feb. 12th
Laura Novak
Topic: Blessed Mother of
the Everyday

Laura is a 'cradle' Catholic who, despite attending many masses, Bible studies, events and activities for the last few years at St. James, only formally registered in December 2022.

In her previous parish, she volunteered as a catechist for middle school students, as an assistant coordinator for the Appalachia Mission trips, and served as a member of the Core Team for the women's retreats. She was employed in public education as a speech therapist, transitioning to a special education teacher, and then retiring from her career in the role of educational consultant on the Child Study Team. She and her husband, Steve, just celebrated thirty years of marriage. Her two adult daughters live in states outside of New Jersey, but they enjoy visiting their children whenever possible. Laura enjoys music, working part-time at the bike/coffee shop in town and watching the effects of spreading kindness.



March 11th Eileen Pinsonault

I was born in Livingston, NJ and have lived in Basking Ridge since 2011. I have worn many hats in my life but above all, I'm a daughter of God, wife, mom, nurse, student and volunteer in ministry. I am blessed to have

a supportive and loving husband, Christian who has encouraged me in all of my endeavors. I am a mother of four daughters. In my professional life I was a dedicated nurse for many years before raising our daughters. I am a student constantly seeking to expand my knowledge. I have found immense fulfillment in volunteering in ministry whether it be with the youth, the elderly, teaching ccd, bible study, SPO, Focus and Legatus. Serving others through acts of kindness, and spreading the message of Jesus's love, hope and mercy I hold dear to my heart. I am grateful for my faith and strive to live a life of purpose, love and service.



April 8th Mary Duhaime

Topic: A Halo of Grace" Mary and her husband Ron were blessed to be parishioners of Saint James for many years. They were born and raised in the Bronx, NY, and moved to East Brunswick. They relocated to Basking,

Ridge where Mary worked in marketing and sales. In 1991 their son Matthew was born, and Mary retired shortly after to care for their baby. She then joined the Women's Ministry. Lead by the Holy Spirit, Mary began the St. James Prayer Chain, Faith Sharing Ministry, Bible Study, Family Centered Catechesis, was Chair of the Evangelization Committee, brought the "Consecration to Jesus Through Mary" to parishioners, and started the Women's Ministry at Our Lady of the Mount in Warren. She studied Spiritual Direction and graduated from Our Lady of Divine Providence School in 2011. In 2013, Mary became a member of the Assoc. of the "Marian Servants of Divine Providence." Mary & Ron live in Shohola, PA resting in the Lord and in the peace and presence of our Lady.



May 13th Betsy Moshier

Betsy is originally from Pittsburgh, PA, and is the seventh of 9 children in her family. She and her husband, Mike, were married in 1993, moved to Basking Ridge and joined Saint James. Betsy is a

Lawyer by trade but has been blessed to be a stay-athome mom after her oldest child was born. In 2000, her family moved to Switzerland for Mike's job, and they spent 6 wonderful years living and traveling there before returning home to Basking Ridge. Mike and Betsy have 4 adult children. In the 30 years since she first joined Saint James, Betsy has participated in Faith Sharing, Eucharistic Ministry, Family Centered Catechesis, Bible Study and the Women's Ministry. She is a sub for the Seven Sisters and is also part of a group that prays the rosary weekly. Betsy enjoys traveling, watching Notre Dame football, playing golf and spending time in the Adirondack Mountains with her family.

St. James Women's Ministry 2023/24 Program Speakers

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All Women are Welcome!

Meeting Dates:

Sept. 11 Oct. 9 Nov. 13 Dec. 11 Jan. 8 Feb. 12 March 11 April 8 May 13 June 10 (*End of Year Wrap Up*)

> St. James Parish Center Rooms 1 & 2

7:00 pm -8:00 pm

For more information
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Sept. 11th Regina DePrima

Topic:
"Behold Your Mother"
Born and raised in Brooklyn,
NY, Regina and her husband,
Deacon Pete, moved to
Basking Ridge in 1981 and
have been parishioners of St.
James ever since. Their family
of five has now grown

into three sons, three daughters, and five grandchildren... all living within a two-mile radius of each other. She devotes much of her time to the St. James Women's Ministry and her vocation of Motherhood has been nurtured by the many Mothers' Retreats she has attended. Her favorite pastime is sharing heart to heart with Godly Girlfriends. Regina is a certified Spiritual Director from the Cenacle of Our Lady of Divine Providence School of Spirituality in Clearwater, Fl. She is a Marian Servant of Divine Providence and is also blessed to be a Sister of the Seven Sisters Apostolate. After making her first Consecration to Jesus through Mary in 2011, her relationship with the Blessed Mother was strengthened and the Holy Spirit living in Mary continues to be the guiding light of her faith journey. Her love for the Blessed Mother and their relationship have brought her even closer to the heart of Jesus. Regina's greatest desire is to echo Mary's words, "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior."

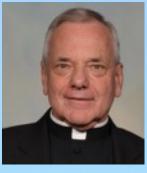


Oct. 9th Susan Sahler

Topic:
Be Not Afraid
Susan grew up in West
Caldwell, NJ. She married
her husband, Brad, 31
years ago. They moved to
Basking Ridge and joined.

St. James parish in 1995. They have two adult children, Brandon (25) and Sabrina (24). Susan's volunteer involvement over the years at St. James includes: CCD, HS faith sharing, HS retreats and summer mission trips, Girls' Challenge Club, and the Moms' Retreat Team. She has also enjoyed participating in many other Women's

Ministry events over the years, as well as several different Bible studies. Being a member of Regnum Christi has further enhanced Susan's faith journey over the past 9 years in many ways, including opportunities with other ministries, mission work and retreats. Susan's professional life has included teaching at all levels from preschool through 4th grade. She is currently the assistant director and enrichment teacher at Little Lambs preschool in Basking Ridge. In her free time, Susan enjoys traveling, biking, hiking, and reading, as well as spending time down on Chadwick Beach Island with her family.



Nov. 13th Msgr. Bill Fadrowski

Joint Meeting with Rosarians

A retired priest in residence at St. James parish, Fr. Bill is a native of Bayonne, NJ, where he attended Saint Joseph School and Marist

H.S. After graduation from Marist in 1962, he entered the Congregation of the Marist Brothers of the Schools and remained a member of that religious community for 25 years until his ordination to the priesthood. Please see St. James website for full bio.



Dec. 11th Karen Sutherland

Karen is the oldest of eight children born to Regina and Robert Griffin.
She grew up in Scotch Plains where Karen and all her siblings attended
St. Bartholomew School.
Karen went on to receive

her degree in Music Education from Marywood University and later received her graduate credits in choral conducting from Westminster Choir College of Ryder University. Karen and her husband Joe have been married for forty one years. They have raised four children together, Christine, Joey and then Kelly and Jeffrey who are twins. Karen and Joe now enjoy nine grandchildren and are looking forward to number ten who is on the way! Karen began her music ministry at St. James in 1990. Karen has taught music education in private and public schools and has recently retired from the Warren Township school system in 2021.

She still loves singing and conducting the choir at church but now is also able to participate in Faith Sharing, Bible Study and Missionary Disciples. Karen enjoys playing with the grandchildren, reading, taking walks, playing the piano, writing music, traveling and watching sporting events especially when her son is coaching.

Jan. 8th Kim Lopez Topic: The Many Faces of Mary in My Life

Kim has been a parishioner at St. James for 24 years. She and her husband Jorge have been married 34 years and have 4 children.



Kim earned a BS in electrical engineering from Rutgers but shortly after moving to Basking Ridge, she stopped working in her field to care for her children full time.

Education and continued learning have always been paramount to Kim, even in how she serves the church. She was a CCD teacher for 20 years, adult chaperone and leader for high school mission trips, and is a long-time bible study facilitator. For the last 4.5 years, Kim has been working for Tri-County Scholarship Fund helping to raise funds for financially disadvantage students to attend Catholic and other values-based K-12th grade schools.

Her faith journey is best described by St. Augustine-"To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek him the greatest adventure; to find him, the greatest human achievement."