


December 27, 2020

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



Scripture Readings: Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Psalm 105:1-9; Hebrews 11:8-19; Luke 2:22-40
“...as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive.” - Colossians 3:13
Forgiving is one of the hardest things for people to do. We can’t give what we don’t have. We need to receive God’s mercy and forgiveness first before we can give it to others. Go to the sacrament of Reconciliation and receive God’s mercy and forgiveness. Then, share give the gift of forgiveness with someone – a family member, a friend or a co-worker. Pick up the phone or text someone right now.

Liturgical Assignments January 2/3		
	Lector	Extraordinary Minister
4:30 p.m.	Bernie Stevenson	
9:00 a.m.	Mary Jo Marek	
	Altar Servers	
4:30 p.m.	Colin & Brady Rocha	
9:00 a.m.	Gary Elder / Grayson Flint	
Weekday		

Money Counters: Mike Lynch / Sharon Lynch

Sacrificial Offerings to God		
December 19/20		\$ 8,510.00
Envelopes		
Plate		230.00
Votives		78.50
Repair/Utility Fund		221.25
Retirement for Religious	not in budget	5,000.00
Misc.		1,075.00
TOTAL		\$10,114.75
Average Weekly Offertory Needed		\$14,360.00


ANNOUNCEMENTS

This weekend the second collection will be taken up for the repair/utility fund.

Friday, JAN 1st is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Mass Times:
Thursday, DEC 31st – 4:30PM
Friday, Jan 1st – 9:30AM (Latin)


St. James Parish Greatly Relies on Your Generous Christmas Offering.
This is the time of year when God gave Himself as a gift to us all in the person of Jesus Christ. In this Holy Season, please remember that your sacrificial gift supports the needs of our parish and school throughout the year.
Thank you and God bless you!

CATHOLICISM - RCIA
This year we are showing Bishop Robert Barron’s beautiful video series on the Church. Parishioners are encouraged to attend any class on any given Sunday. We gather in the Casper Erk Rm (parish center) on Sunday mornings at 10:15AM.
JAN 3 – A Body Both Suffering and Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and The Church-Part 2
Bishop Barron explores the Catholic Faith’s unique understanding of the relationship of Jesus Christ and the Church and presents the reality of the Church as a truly global culture. From the Church’s center in Rome to the cities of New York, Lagos, Manila, and Rio de Janeiro, Bishop Barron explores the Catholic conviction that the life and presence of Christ continues to embrace humanity in all its joys and sorrows through the presence of the Church.
If you have further questions please contact Josh or Lindsey Bachman by email at lindseybachman@gmail.com.



In preparation for Lent, Father Totton invites all men seeking authentic freedom to join their brothers in Christ for **Exodus 90**, which will kick off on **January 4, 2020**. **Exodus 90** is a 90-day spiritual exercise that gives Catholic men a clear path for the journey to freedom through prayer, asceticism and support. More than 30,000 men around the country have made the Exodus and transformed their lives. You can, too!
For more information go to <https://exodus90.com/how-it-works/>. If you have further questions or wish to enroll, please contact Father Totton by email at jtotton@saintjamescatholic.church or call 816-238-0853.

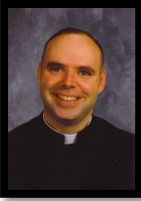
Hearing Loop System
For the hearing impaired – if your hearing aid has a T (telecoil) setting, our sound system is now set up to transmit the microphone audio directly to your device.



THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES	
Sunday, December 27	Mass at 7AM (subject to change) Holy Hour /Confessions – 8AM Mass at 9AM (livestream on Facebook) NO RCIA Confessions – 11AM Latin Mass at 11:30AM
Mon.	Confessions – 7:30 to 7:55AM Legion of Mary – 8:30AM, C. Erk Rm Chaplet of Divine Mercy – 3PM, Church
Tues.	Confessions – 7:30 to 7:55AM Chaplet of Divine Mercy – 3PM, Church Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy -5:30PM Holy Hour/Confessions – 6PM
Wed.	Confessions – 7:30 to 7:55AM NO Adoration Chaplet of Divine Mercy – 3PM, Church
Thur.	Office Closed
Fri.	Office Closed Happy New Year!
Sat.	Confessions – 3:30PM Mass at 4:30PM
Sunday, January 3	Mass at 7AM (subject to change) Holy Hour /Confessions – 8AM Mass at 9AM (livestream on Facebook) RCIA -10:15AM, C. Erk Rm Confirmation Class – 10:15AM, School Confessions – 11AM Latin Mass at 11:30AM

Christmas Message from Father Totton

I would like to greet all who read this – whether you are an active parishioner, a friendly neighbor or an out-of-town visitor – with a hearty *Merry Christmas!* This celebration brings much joy to our hearts as we celebrate – and continue to glory in – the *Nativity of Our Lord*, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords who deigned to come among us and to share in our life on earth, in order to give Himself for us, that we may be transformed by His Divine Love!
While this year has brought particular struggles, for our parish, and for the world around us, we take comfort in the Truth of the Incarnation of the Divine Word and His power to overcome even sin and death. As the Christmas story unfolds over these days, we recognize that every life, even that of a Divine King, is subject to obstacles and adversity and yet, in Christ, we can overcome and grow from the challenges we face.
Finally, I would like to offer words of tremendous gratitude for the many Christmas greetings, cards and gifts that I have received from various parishioners. Furthermore, I would like to thank you especially for your continued support of Saint James Parish as we seek to make progress in paying off our recent church restoration and shoring up our ordinary operating expenses. May the Virgin Mother bless you with her Divine Child today and throughout the year to come.




-Fr. Totton

Join Our Journey

There are extra Building Envelopes for your donations to the Renovation Project on the table in the vestibule. Thank you for your generosity!

“O Father, in your Truth (that is to say, in your Son, humbled, needy and homeless) you have humbled me. He was humbled in the womb of the Virgin, needy in the manger of the sheep, and homeless on the wood of the Cross. Nothing so humbles the proud sinner as the humility of Jesus Christ’s humanity.”
St. Anthony of Padua (1195-1231)



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 27
Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
7:00 a.m. – *Charles & Mary Hanway* ✚
9:00 a.m. – *Rita Andriano* ✚
Sunday within the Octave of Christmas
11:30 a.m. (Latin)
Pro Populo

Monday, December 28
The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
8 a.m. – *Jennifer Cox Johnson* ✚

Tuesday, December 29
St. Thomas Beckett, Bishop and Martyr
8 a.m. – *Cynthia Kaminanga Karson* ✚

Wednesday, December 30
Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
8 a.m. - *Virginia Girard* ✚

Thursday, December 31
St. Sylvester I, Pope
8:00 a.m. – *Rev. Alexander Sinclair* ✚
Vigil Mass
4:30 p.m. - *Rev. Evan Patrick Harkins* ✚

Friday, January 1
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
9:30AM (Latin) – Pro Populo ✚

Saturday, January 2
Vigil Mass
4:30 p.m.- *Dan Ramirez* ✚

Sunday, January 3
Epiphany of the Lord
7:00 a.m. – *Special Intention, SF*
9:00 a.m. – *Pro Populo*
Sunday within the Octave of Christmas
11:30 a.m. (Latin)
Robert Kneib ✚

(A cross indicates that the Mass intention is for a deceased loved one.)