

Fourth Sunday of Advent



Scripture Readings: Micah 5:1-4;
Psalm 80:2-19;
Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45

“For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy.” (LUKE 1:44)

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you “leap for joy?” If not, don’t blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass each week? Or, do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.

Liturgical Assignments – December 26	
	Lector
4:30 p.m.	No Vigil Mass
9:00 a.m.	Mary Jo Marek
	Altar Servers
4:30 p.m.	No Vigil Mass
9:00 a.m.	Peter & Charlie Bartulica
Weekday	School Servers
Money Counters	
Elizabeth Marek / Jeanie Waggoner	
Sacrificial Offerings to God – December 4/5	
Envelopes	12,725.57
Plate	508.46
Votives	43.51
Religious Retirement	Not in budget 1,053.00
Repair/Utility Fund	35.00
Misc.	865.00
TOTAL	\$14,177.54
Average Weekly Offertory Needed	\$14,360.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The Sunday 7 am Mass Will Continue

Father Totton has made the decision to officially add the 7 am Mass to our regular Sunday schedule.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

Servers are needed for 4:30 Christmas Eve and 10 am on Christmas morning.

We also need a lector for the 10 am Christmas morning Mass.

Please call the parish office if you can volunteer.

NOTE: There will be NO 8 am Mass on Friday, DEC 24th.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve – Vigil Mass at 4:30 pm

Midnight Mass – Latin

Christmas Morning at 10 am

There will be NO 4:30 pm Vigil Mass on

Saturday, Christmas Day.

Mass times for Sunday, DEC 26 are 7 am, 9 am, and 11:30 am (Latin).

To meet your Holy Day and Sunday obligation, you must attend separate Masses – no “two for one” this weekend.

This year, Saturday, January 1st is not a holy day of obligation.

Thank you to all who donated and purchased items for our bake/craft sale. We made \$793.00 because of your support.

St. James Altar Society

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

St. James Parish Epiphany Party

SAT, JAN 1st after the 4:30 Mass

Don’t pack up the tree and mistletoe on Christmas Day - the fun has just begun! Come celebrate the season of Christmas and the Feast of the Epiphany with merriment, karaoke, and your parish family! Please bring your favorite casserole to share. Drinks, dessert, and salad will be provided. Saturday, January 1st, 5:30pm. Msgr. Moriarty Hall (church basement).



THIS WEEK AT SAINT JAMES	
Sunday, December 19	Mass at 7AM Holy Hour/Confessions – 8 am Mass at 9 am RCIA – 10:05 am – C. Erk Rm CCD/Confirmation – 10:15 am, School Confessions – 11 am Latin Mass at 11:30 am
Monday	Confessions – 7:30 am Legion of Mary – 8:30 am, C. Erk Rm
Tuesday	Confessions – 7:30 am Holy Hour/Confessions - 6 pm
Wednesday	Confessions – 7:30 am
Thursday	Confessions – 7:30 am Parish Office Closes at Noon
Friday	NO Confessions or 8 am Mass Parish Office Closed Christmas Eve Mass – 4:30 pm Midnight Candlelight Mass (Latin)
Saturday	Merry Christmas! Mass at 10 am NO 4:30 pm Mass today
Sunday, December 26	Mass at 7AM Holy Hour/Confessions – 8 am Mass at 9 am Confessions – 11 am Latin Mass at 11:30 am

Christmas Gifts for Birthright of St. Joseph



Birthright’s focus is on loving the mother, reminding her that there is hope and ensuring she is not alone.

There is a box in the back of church where donations can be dropped off before December 21.

Suggested donations: money/gift cards, bottles, lotion, baby wash, burp cloths, outfits or sleepers (0 to 3 months), any clothes up to size 2T, diaper rash cream.



Remember Your Parish this Christmas

St. James Parish greatly relies on your generous Christmas offering. Thank you and God bless you!

The Vatican II Documents

Bishop’s Annual Appeal Update for St. James
25 families - \$6,010.00 38% of our \$15,750.00 goal

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsi.org for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 19

Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:00 a.m. – *Kristin Hughes +*

9:00 a.m. – *Michael & Frances Hernandez, Mary Ann Ellis +*

Fourth Sunday of Advent

11:30 a.m. (Latin)

Pro Populo

Monday, December 20

Late Advent Weekday

8 a.m. – *William Whetsell +*

Tuesday, December 21

St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8 a.m. – *Evelyn Stevenson +*

Wednesday, December 22

Late Advent Weekday

8 a.m. – *Mildred Zuptich +*

Thursday, December 23

St. John of Kanty, Priest

8 a.m. – *Patricia Neumann Clark +*

Friday, December 24

8 a.m. – **NO Mass**

Christmas Eve Mass

4:30 p.m. – *Russell Stevenson +*

Saturday, December 25

Midnight Mass (Latin)

Pro Populo

Christmas Morning Mass

10 a.m. – *Laudy & Genny Przybylski +*

Sunday, December 26

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:00 a.m. – *Charles & Mary Hanway +*

9:00 a.m. – *Chance Kelley +*

Sunday within the Octave of Christmas

11:30 a.m. (Latin)

Pro Populo

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