

December 4, 2022

Second Sunday of Advent



Scripture Readings:
Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72
Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12

“Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.” Matthew 3:10
Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the Church or do you buy more things that go unused? Our time, talent and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

Liturgical Assignments – December 10/11	
	Lector
4:30 p.m.	Matthew Ball
7:00 a.m.	J.L. Robertson
9:00 a.m.	Mike Aberer
	Altar Servers
4:30 p.m.	Josh Green / Volunteer needed
9:00 a.m.	Peter & Charlie Bartulica
Weekday	School Servers
Money Counters	
Mary Jo Marek / Carol Hunt	
Sacrificial Offerings to God – November 26/27	
Envelopes	9,030.57
Plate	445.67
Votives	39.60
Repair/Utility Fund	717.00
Miscellaneous	20.00
TOTAL	10,252.84
Average Weekly Offertory Needed	\$14,360.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This weekend the second collection will go to the repair/utility fund.

Next weekend the second collection will be taken up for the annual **Retirement Fund for Religious**. This fund helps religious communities care for their seniors both today and tomorrow.

Thursday, DEC 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, is a Holy Day of Obligation.
Mass times: WED, DEC 7th – 4:30 pm
THU, DEC 8 – 8 am and 7 pm (Latin)

Congratulations to **Christopher Joseph Wohletz**, son of Robert & Rachael Wohletz, who was baptized here last weekend.

Hazel Maxine Pummell, sister of Carolyn Doldt, passed away on November 25th. Please pray for the repose of her soul and the consolation of her loved ones.

Food Drive Next Weekend
St. Vincent de Paul Society’s monthly food drive is next weekend. Nonperishable items should be left in the vestibule.

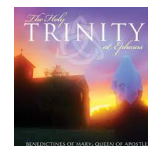
Altar Society Christmas Dinner
This Monday, December 5th, MMHall - 5:30 pm Social, Dinner at 6:00 pm. Meat provided, bring a covered dish and a \$10 gift exchange. All ladies of the parish are welcome!

Christmas Memorials - \$15.
Deadline is Thursday, December 15th.
Note: Donations to Christmas memorials go toward the flowers used to decorate the altar for the Christmas season. Remaining donations are put in our operating fund.



The Imitation of Christ – Sundays of Advent.
Please join Deacon Hemke downstairs after the 9:00 Mass as we delve further into the spiritual insights of the Catholic classic, **The Imitation of Christ**. Hopefully, these discussions will inspire you to draw closer to Jesus in prayer and understanding as we draw closer to His Birth and Incarnation.

New CD Available
The Benedictines of Mary in Gower have a new CD, “The Holy Trinity at Ephesus”. These will be for sale in the back of church this weekend.



THIS WEEK AT SAINT JAMES	
Sunday, December 4	Mass at 7AM Holy Hour/Confessions – 8 am Mass at 9AM The Imitation of Christ – 10 am, MMHall Coffee and Donuts – 10 am CCD – 10:05 am, School RCIA – 10:05 am – C. Erk Rm Confirmation – 10:05 am - School Confessions – 11 am Latin Mass at 11:30 am
Monday	Confessions – 7:30 am Legion of Mary – 8:45 am, C. Erk Rm Altar Society Christmas Dinner – 5:30 pm Msgr. Moriarty Hall – (church basement) Knights of Columbus Mtg- 7 pm, Erk Rm
Tuesday	Confessions – 5 pm Mass – 5:30 pm
Wednesday	Confessions – 7:30 am
Thursday	Confessions – 7:30 am No Adoration Office Closed
Friday	Confessions – 7:30 am Office Closed
Saturday	Confessions – 3:30 pm Mass at 4:30 pm
Sunday, December 11	Mass at 7AM Holy Hour/Confessions – 8 am Mass at 9AM The Imitation of Christ – 10 am, MMHall Coffee and Donuts – 10 am, MMHall CCD – 10:05 am, School RCIA – 10:05 am, Casper Erk Rm Confessions – 11 am Latin Mass at 11:30 am

Church Directory Update
We are in our next phase of getting our directories ready to print. If you were unable to get your picture taken during the allotted times provided, you may submit a photo. Bring your photo to the parish office. The cost for submitted photos is \$15. Make out checks to St. James Church. The deadline is December 5th.
If you have an issue with your free photo or photo order please call 419-522-5011. There should be a resolution within 10 days. We expect our books to be ready by springtime.

St. Joseph Community Chorus Christmas at the Cathedral with the Fountain City Brass Band
Sunday, December 18 at 3 PM and
Monday, December 19 at 7:30 PM
Cathedral of St. Joseph, 519 N 10th St., St. Joseph, MO
Tickets available at the door or online
at www.stjoechorus.org/tickets
Adults \$22 Seniors \$20 Students and Children Free

Annual Catholic Appeal Update for St. James
Households: 36 Current \$7,365.00
47% of our goal
This year’s goal for our parish is \$15,750.00.
Please make sure you mark St. James in St. Joseph as your parish when you send in your check or donate online.

MASS INTENTIONS	
Sunday, December 4 Second Sunday of Advent 7:00 a.m. – <i>Pro Populo</i> 9:00 a.m. – <i>Robert Weaver +</i> Second Sunday of Advent 11:30 a.m. (Latin) <i>Philip & Mildred Zuptich +</i>	
Monday, December 5 Advent Weekday 8 a.m. – <i>Nicholas Seufert +</i>	
Tuesday, December 6 Advent Weekday 5:30 p.m. – <i>Wayne Totton +</i>	
Wednesday, December 7 St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 8 a.m. – <i>Lois Shipps</i> Feast of the Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass 4:30 pm – <i>For Pope Francis and Priests</i>	
Thursday, December 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception 8 a.m. – <i>Father Donald Sturm +</i> 7 p.m. – (Latin) <i>Pro Populo</i>	
Friday, December 9 St. Juan Diego 8 a.m. – <i>Rev. Michael Coleman +</i>	
Saturday, December 10 Third Sunday of Advent 4:30 p.m. – <i>Dallas Hunt +</i>	
Sunday, December 11 Third Sunday of Advent 7:00 a.m. – <i>Katherine Miller +</i> 9:00 a.m. – <i>Patricia Neumann Clark +</i> Third Sunday of Advent 11:30 a.m. (Latin) <i>Pro Populo</i>	

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