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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday, January 3:

*The Most Holy Name of Jesus
4:30PM - †Charles & Mary Hanway

Sunday, January 4:
*The Epiphany of the Lord
9:00AM - Souls away from the Catholic Faith
12:45PM - †Christina Bartlow

Monday, January 5:
*Saint John Neumann, Bishop
8:00AM - Souls away from the Catholic Faith

Wednesday, January 7:
*Saint Raymond of Peñafort, Priest
8:00AM - Alexander & Sarah Murray Family

Thursday, January 8:
8:00AM - †Mary Sanger

Friday, January 9:
8:00AM - †Draga Zuptich

Saturday, January 10:
4:30PM - †Larry Hunt

Sunday, January 11:
*The Baptism of the Lord
9:00AM - For the People
12:45PM - Special Intention

This week's altar flowers are provided in honor of Alex and Sarah Murray's 20th wedding anniversary

If you become hospitalized, please contact the parish office.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Gina Smith	Justine Schroff
Joseph Thiltges	Joyce Thomas
Dianne Pulley	Vanessa Dozier
Judith Reed	Shirley Fuson
Josie Gilbert	Ezra Penney
Steve Steiner	Susan Zuptich
Richard Coleman	
Melissa Riches	
Patricia Saulan	
Henry Saulan	
Denice Weinmann	
Ron McDaniels	

St. James Vocation Ministry Team

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Welcome to Saint James Catholic Church!

You may register at the parish office or email office@saintjamescatholic.church

Jan. 10

Lector: Bernie Stevenson
MC: Jack Short
Acolyte 1: Ben Allison
Acolyte 2: Connor Pearce
Thurifer:

Jan. 11

Lector: Holy Name Society
MC: Matthew Aberer
Acolyte 1: Charlie Bartulica
Acolyte 2: John Welchert
Thurifer: Evan Wohletz

If you would like to provide altar flowers one week on behalf of your family or in memory of a loved one or event, please text or call Kelly

574-276-9378

STAY INFORMED OF MASS CHANGES AND EVENTS HAPPENING AT ST. JAMES!

Text

SAINTJAMESCHURCH to 84576


When changing mailing address, phone number, email address, or leaving the parish. Please notify the parish office.

St. Francis Xavier is seeking an Administrative Assistant who is friendly and organized who will greet visitors, maintain parish records, calendars, and sacramental documentation.

Qualifications:

- Strong organization and time management skills
- Excellent written and verbal communication abilities
- Proficiency in Microsoft Word and Excel
- Ability to maintain confidentiality and work discretion,

If interested, please contact John Lutz at St. Francis office, (816) 232-8449 or email at jlutz@sfxstjoe.com

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30PM

Sunday: 9:00AM
12:45PM

Monday: 8:00AM

Wednesday: 8:00AM

Thursday: 8:00AM

Friday: 8:00AM

Confessions

30 Minutes before Mass

*Saturdays at 3:30PM

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 8:30AM - 7:00PM

Confessions 6-6:50PM

Coram Deo is a Eucharistic-centered Catholic group which exists to meet the needs of young adults in the St. Joseph area and to provide opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship. Meet on Thursday, January 8, at the Mir House of Prayer at 6:10pm for Adoration, followed by an evening at The Axe Factor! All young adults aged 22-35 are invited to attend. We hope to see you there!

Coram Deo Moms Group is meeting this Tuesday, January 6, at 9:30am. Questions? Contact Ally at allygabler@gmail.com.

Weekly Offerings 12/15-12/31

Collection Plate: \$21,893.53

Mass Intentions & Memorials \$10.00

Basement Fund: \$52,321.00

Online Giving: \$2,228.14

TOTAL: \$76,449.67
DEC. TOTAL: \$132,145.19

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Thoughts by Father Jonathan Davis

The Epiphany of the Lord. The word Epiphany means manifestation. In the Epiphany He was shown to the nations of the world represented by the three wise men. On this day we remember the arrival of the three wise men also called the three Kings, to worship the newborn King, Jesus Christ. They followed a star which guided them to Bethlehem. The three kings gave Jesus the most valuable gifts. From the book of the Prophet Isaiah which was written seven hundred years before the birth of Jesus Christ, we hear, "Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD. (Is. 60:6)" This prophecy was fulfilled with the coming of the three magi. They gave Jesus gold, frankincense, and myrrh. The gold signifies the royalty of Jesus. Jesus is the King of Heaven and Earth. Frankincense represents His divinity. Incense was offered to a god as a form of worship. The three magi from pagan lands now offer incense to Jesus because He is Emmanuel, which means, God with us. The gift of Myrrh was very significant too. Myrrh was a rich oil used to embalm a body for burial. This signified that Jesus would die. Jesus would die to save us from our sins. We can imagine that Mary kept this oil and it was used to anoint Jesus' sacred Body when He was laid in the tomb on Good Friday. We should follow the example of the wise men when we come to Mass. We come to Mass for the same reason that the three wise men went to Bethlehem. They wanted to adore the King of Kings. We can imagine how the wise men were kneeling in adoration of Jesus Christ. That should be our desire when we come to Mass, to adore Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist on bended knee.



The Missionary Sisters Servants of the Word Offers home visits to families of the parish! If you would like to schedule a visit with the Sisters to discuss The Way methodology of faith formation, please schedule an appointment at **(816)500-2057**

The Saint Monica Club, founded in 2021 to pray for priests, vocations, and those away from the Catholic Faith. Join us in praying the rosary and Litany of the Saints on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 6:20-6:45PM at St. James Church.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)
Interested in joining the Catholic Church? Perhaps you've been away from the Church for a while and want to come back to full communion? If this describes you, please email or call the parish office to register.



January Prayer Intentions

Bishop Johnston: For peace and reconciliation among estranged families, within our nation, and between nations.

Holy Father: Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.