

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**THIS WEEK AT SAINT JAMES**

**MONDAY, January 2, 2017**

*(Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church)*

6:30 p.m. Meredith & Spencer Families

**TUESDAY, January 3, 2017**

8:00 a.m. Terry Avenido

**WEDNESDAY, January 4, 2017**

*(Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious)*

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of Freddie Smith Family  
Elsie Gerbus

**THURSDAY, January 5, 2017**

*(Saint John Neumann, Bishop)*

**Mass will be held at Saint James Catholic School**

8:00 a.m. Derek Dvorjak

**FRIDAY, January 6, 2017**

*(Saint Andre Bessette, Religious)*

8:00 a.m. John & Phillip Thomas  
Joseph William Polin

**SATURDAY, January 7, 2017**

*(Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest)*

8:00 a.m. Madeline, Martha, & Joseph Tran

5:00 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Fenton  
Nancy Poppe

**SUNDAY, January 8, 2017**

*(The Epiphany of the Lord)*

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Charles E & Mary  
Hager Family & Extended Family

10:00 a.m. Mary Baldwin & Joe Kareth  
Bob Zoglmann

12:15 p.m. Tony Tillett  
"Joe Bill" Polin

5:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish

**MONDAY, January 2, 2017**

**Parish Office Closed**

7:00 p.m. Confession, Church

7:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church

**TUESDAY, January 3, 2017**

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church

5:00 p.m. Adult Education Committee Meeting, P. Office

6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 297, RTR#3

6:30 p.m. Bible Study, B.H Library

6:30 p.m. RCIA, Old Middle School

6:30 p.m. Endow Bible Study for Women, P.O. Basement

7:00 p.m. Respect Life Committee Meeting, P. Office

**WEDNESDAY, January 4, 2017**

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church

9:00 a.m. CWOSJ Fellowship, RTR

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4:00 p.m. Room in the Inn Shelter, B. Hall-Lower Level

6:30 p.m. Family Faith Formation, SJS Gym

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Church

**THURSDAY, January 5, 2017**

9:15 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church

5:15 p.m. Father Leo Planning Meeting, P. Office

**FRIDAY, January 6, 2017**

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church

10:00 a.m. Saint James Homeschool Association, RTR

6:30 p.m. Date Night: Embracing God's Plan for  
Marriage, B. Hall-Lower Level

**SATURDAY, January 7, 2017**

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church

3:00 p.m. Confession, Church

6:00 p.m. Epiphany Potluck Dinner, B. Hall

**SUNDAY, January 8, 2017**

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts, RTR

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11:00 a.m. Confirmation Class, Youth Room

**2016-17 Parish Pastoral Council Members**

**Lou Edmondson, Chair**

**Ron Bryan, Social Concerns**

**Deacon Bill Clark, Finance/Administration**

**Geoff Clark, Parish Voice**

**Cheri Ellis-Reeves, Secretary**

**Paula Knowles, Stewardship/Mission Advancement**

**Jeff Lanz, Worship**

**Coty Oropilla, School Board Liaison**

**Stacia Reynolds, Parish Life**

**Val Stokan, Faith Formation**

*To contact the parish council via email [parishcouncil@sjschoolonline.org](mailto:parishcouncil@sjschoolonline.org).*

**ADORATION of the MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT**

+ Saturday 8:30 a.m-9:00 a.m.

+ Monday 7:00 p.m-10:00 p.m. (Following 6:30 p.m. Mass)

+ Friday 8:30 a.m-5:30 p.m.

Please consider spending one hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Find peace by simply sitting in the Presence of God.

**The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**

will take place on the first Monday of each month during the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

## SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

### SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL



We welcome all new families to the Hardin County area and offer a quality education where students can grow academically, spiritually, and socially. Please visit us at 401 Robinbrooke Blvd. Elizabethtown, KY or online at <http://www.edline.net/pages/sjs-etown>

Teachers and staff of Saint James Catholic School are on Christmas Break through through January 2.  
*The spring semester will resume January 3.*

# Save the Date

4<sup>th</sup> Annual Black and White Knight

February 4, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

Dinner catered by Swans Landing

Live and Silent Auctions

Entertainment by Big Black Cadillac

### Archdiocesan Safe Environment Training

Are you interested in: - coaching? - being a catechist?  
- chaperoning our students and young people?  
- working with children in any capacity in our parish/school community?

The Archdiocese of Louisville, and Saint James Catholic Church, are committed to ensuring that children and youth who worship, study or participate in church and/or school-sponsored activities can do so in the safest and most secure setting possible. In an effort to fulfill this commitment, all employees or volunteers who have contact with children or youth (18 and under) for ANY length of time are required to participate in one 2-hour Safe Environment Training Workshop.

*Saint James will host a Safe Environment Training Workshop on Monday, Jan. 9 at 6:30pm in Batchelder Hall. No registration Necessary, sign in upon arrival.*

### SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Saint James School was named a Delegation of Excellence!

-Carson Ching won Speaker of the House  
-Matthew Barnes was the Speaker of the House for the 6th grade program at the Capital.

-Averie Housh, Anikah Kienzle, and Molly Morton won Outstanding Bluegrass Bill with their bill "An act to adopt 911 texting" and passed their bill in the Senate and was signed by the Governor.

-Alex Harris, Maddie Stevenson, Tuan Ngo, and Caleb Clark's bill, "An act to require CPR training for middle schoolers" was passed in the House and Senate and signed by the Governor.

-Sam Kessinger won Outstanding Speaker.

-Chase Moreman won Outstanding Delegate.

*Congratulations!!*

### PARISH LIFE

#### SAINT JAMES MEN'S RETREAT



Manhood, Find Your Hero Within  
*Our Lives as Friends, Husbands, Fathers*  
**March 10-12, 2017** Bethany Retreat House, Dickson, TN

\$150 Fee\* – Includes private room and home-cooked meals

Facilitators Father Daniel Brandenburg, LC,  
Father Martin Linebach and Sister Marie Hannah  
will present conferences on:

- Drone or Leader? *The Secrets to Meaningful Work*
- Loner or Band of Brothers? *The Role of Friendship in a Fulfilled Life*
- Husband and Father: *Being the Hero of Your Family*

There will also be time for prayer and fellowship. Please register by January 30 by contacting the parish office at 270-765-6268. \*If needed, scholarship opportunities are available. Contact Father Martin Linebach at [frmlinebach@stjames-etown.org](mailto:frmlinebach@stjames-etown.org) for more information.

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Saturday December 10, two Cub Scouts from Pack 130 and parishioners of St. James Catholic Church, toured the St. Vincent de Paul Store in Elizabethtown, KY where they interviewed the floor manager Ms. Lauren Evans.

They are learning of the multiple ministry groups that work to serve the church and

how the church helps aid people in our community.

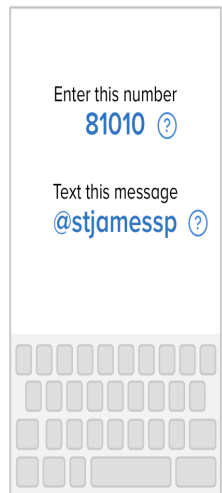
Jack Stevenson and Paul Thomas Minor, 3rd grade students of Saint James Catholic School, are working on the PARVULI DEI Religious Award that will be awarded by Archbishop Kurtz in January 2017.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY**

In case of inclement weather, Mass and all other activities at Saint James Catholic Church will be cancelled if Saint James School has cancelled classes or is running on a delayed schedule.

**ATTENTION –  
Saint James Families**

Do you have school-aged children who **do not** attend Saint James Catholic School, but would be interested in participating in sports activities within Saint James? If so, please use the information shown to register for regular notifications from Saint James Sports when it becomes available. You will receive a text and/or notification about upcoming registration and sign-ups for sporting activities so that you know how to involve your children in our parish.



Can't text? [Email instructions](#)



Dear St. James Parishioners:  
Happy New Year!

As a member of the parish council and stewardship chair for Saint James Catholic Church, I am excited to share with you our plan for the annual stewardship renewal process.

Stewardship is the life-blood of our parish and members of the stewardship committee at Saint James have been working hard to help us renew our commitment to stewardship and what it means as we strive to be better disciples of Christ. Throughout the month of January there will be a variety of opportunities to help CONNECT, EDUCATE and INSPIRE all parishioners to engage in stewardship. We hope you and your family will take advantage of the many opportunities we are making available to you.

To kick-off the annual renewal process there will be a video emailed to all households from Father Martin and Father Shayne. In addition, we will host Gary Montgomery on January 18 and 19 at 6:30 p.m. and he will share with us why "It's Fun to be Catholic." This two-night event is meant to challenge us to see how stewardship can inspire us to live as disciples of Christ. This is one of those events you do not want to miss! We will also provide you with several stories of discipleship from Saint James parishioners throughout the month. These are just the highlights of what is planned during January.

We do not have plans to host the annual stewardship fair this year, instead we have put our energy toward other projects that we hope will inspire our parishioners throughout the month of January and the entire year. Please pray that our relationship with Christ will continue to strengthen our desire to be good stewards of our rich Catholic faith.

**Paula Knowles  
Stewardship Chair**

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**STEWARDSHIP**

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION**

“From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.”

John 1:16-17

Only through the fullness of Jesus do we receive grace and truth. We are unable to earn such gifts on our own. Do we truly recognize and appreciate the gifts that come only from a loving God, or do we sometimes think we are the source of our own blessings? Good stewards of God’s blessings recognize the source and understand those gifts are meant to be shared with others.

**ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL**

Connect. Educate. Inspire. Our annual stewardship renewal process is just around the corner! Throughout the month of January our stewardship committee has prepared a variety of opportunities for our parishioners to consider how God is calling each of us to be involved in our parish. We hope to CONNECT, EDUCATE and INSPIRE everyone to get involved in the Saint James Catholic Church community!

**A preview of a few things to come...**

**Carpool Karaoke** featuring our Pastor, Associate Pastor and maybe a featured guest

**Stories of Discipleship** from several Saint James parishioners

**AND...**

**“It’s Fun to be Catholic” ....Come Find Out Why**

A two-night event featuring former sportscaster and speaker, Gary Montgomery. *Mark your calendars now for January 18 and 19.* You do not want to miss out on this

INSPIRING event.

*More details will follow.*



**SAINT VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY  
WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!**

Body soap, Paper Towels, Peanut Butter and Jelly.

**ALL YOUR DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED.  
THANK YOU!!!!**

**WORSHIP**

**Celebrant/ Homilist Schedule at Saint James**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Mass</u>	<u>Celebrant</u>	<u>Homilist</u>
Sat. 1/7	5:00 p.m.	Fr. Martin	Fr. Martin
Sun. 1/8	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Martin	Fr. Martin
Sun. 1/8	10:00 a.m.	Fr. Martin	Fr. Martin
Sun. 1/8	12:15 p.m.	Fr. Martin	Fr. Martin

*Please note:*

*Presider and Homilist schedule are subject to change.*

**TODAY’S SCRIPTURES**

**Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God**

First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27

Second Reading : Galatians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 2:16-21

Today, the Church honors the Blessed Virgin Mary, who was chosen by God the Father to be the mother of his Son. As Jesus was both fully human and divine, the Church confesses that Mary is truly “Mother of God” (CCC 495). So may we join together this day in adoring Mary, who is the Mother of God and our spiritual mother.

**NEXT WEEK’S SCRIPTURES**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Second Reading : Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12



**+VOCATION VIEW+**

The Lord will come when we least expect him. Is he knocking now, asking us to serve as a priest or religious? ( Luke 12:49-53)

PARISH LIFE



**Next Session:** Tuesday, Jan. 3 at 6:30pm  
Old Middle School



**Next Session:** Wednesday, Jan. 4 at 6:30pm  
Saint James Catholic School  
Missed a few sessions? Make it your family's  
"New Year's Resolution" to jump back in!



No youth group tonight! We will have our first youth group back next weekend! The spring schedule will be out this week! Look for it on the Facebook or Twitter page or on the Remind messages!

Calling ALL JUNIORS!! Our junior retreat will be held Friday, January 20-Sunday, January 22 at Mt. St. Francis in Indiana! The early application fee has already passed but there is still time to apply!! Contact Olivia at [odvorjak@stjames-etown.org](mailto:odvorjak@stjames-etown.org) for an application!

**CONFIRMATION:**

**First Years: No class today! See you next week!!**  
**Second years: Please keep working on your service opportunities! Required meetings are Sunday, February 26th at 1:30 and Sunday, April 23rd at 1:30.**  
**Mark your calendars!!**

PARISH LIFE

And the angel answered Mary, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy - - - the Son of God." Luke 1:35



**REFLECTION.** On New Year's Day, the octave (8th day) of Christmas, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Holy Mother of God. This title was given to Mary at the Council of Ephesus in 431 A.D. The Council taught the humanity and divinity of Jesus could not be separated, that they exist in one person. Therefore, we can rightly give to Mary her most honored title; the Mother of God. Mothers bring new life, a great gift from God, into the world. The civilization in which we live today can rightly be described as neo-pagan. It is the duty of today's Christians, and all people of good will, as it was for the early Christians, to labor in the Lord's vineyard. All Christians are called to effect a conversion to love in the modern world. Respecting life from womb to tomb would be a good starting point.

**PRAYER.** Heavenly Father, we thank You for the gift of holy Mothers. Their willingness to bring new life into the world is a sign of God's love for all creation.

Ed Cecil, Respect Life Committee

DAILY DEVOTIONAL FOR 2017

Saint James Catholic Church is in the process of placing an order for Magnificat – a Catholic daily devotional. If you would like to place an order for the April 2017 through March 2018 subscription the deadline is January 15. The annual cost for Magnificat is \$34.95 per subscription. If you would like to be included in the Saint James order, please contact the parish office receptionist. Checks are due at the time of order and should be made payable to Saint James Catholic Church.

Bulletin Deadline 10:00 a.m. Friday, the week before publication. Please email items to: [lpoverstreet@stjames-etown.org](mailto:lpoverstreet@stjames-etown.org)