

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, December 16, 2019

6:30 p.m. +Tina Hall

TUESDAY, December 17, 2019

7:00 a.m. +Nick Stevenson

8:00 a.m. +William B. French

WEDNESDAY, December 18, 2019 (Mass at School)

8:00 a.m. +Derek Dvorjak

THURSDAY, December 19, 2019

8:00 a.m. +Leo E. Lewis

FRIDAY, December 20, 2019

8:00 a.m., Virgil & Sarah Pierce

SATURDAY, December 21, 2019

(Saint Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church)

8:00 a.m. +Elaine Pelletier

5:00 p.m. +Vickie McCubbin

SUNDAY, December 22, 2019

(Fourth Sunday of Advent)

8:00 a.m. +Louise Wiseman

10:00 a.m. +Mary Baldwin & Joe Kareth **(Incense)**

12:00 p.m. +Tom & Carol Lynch

5:00 p.m. *Missa pro populo*

+Denotes Deceased

THIS WEEK AT SAINT JAMES

MONDAY, December 16, 2019

7:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*

7:00 p.m. Confessions, *Church*

7:00 p.m. Grupo de Hombres, *Library*

7:00 p.m. Hispanic Women's Prayer Grp, *RTR #3*

TUESDAY, December 17, 2019

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*

12:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting, *PO Bsmt*

12:00 p.m. SVDP Outreach Quarterly Mtg, *RTR*

6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1496 Meeting, *RTRs*

6:30 p.m. RCIA, *SJS*

6:30 p.m. Exploring Catholicism, *SJS*

WEDNESDAY, December 18, 2019

9:00 a.m. CWOSJ, *RTR*

9:15 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*

5:00 p.m. Room in the Inn, *RTR*

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

THURSDAY, December 19, 2019

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*

6:30 p.m. Bible Study, *RTR*

7:00 p.m. Dogma on Draft, *Off Campus*

FRIDAY, December 20, 2019

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*

8:30 a.m. Homeschool Meeting, *RTR*

SATURDAY, December 21, 2019

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*

3:00 p.m. Confessions, *Church*

7:00 p.m. Catequistas Spanish Meeting, *RTR*

SUNDAY, December 22, 2019

10:00 a.m. Nursery, *RTR #3*

10:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word, *RTR #2*

3:00 p.m. Spanish Confirmation Class, *RTR*

5:00 p.m. Spanish Community Dinner, *BH*

***Full calendar available on parish website**



SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

307 West Dixie Avenue
Elizabethtown, KY 42701
www.stjames-etown.org
(270) 765-6268

WEEKEND MASS TIMES: 5 p.m. on Saturday;
8 a.m., 10 a.m. and noon on Sunday
Mass in Spanish 5 p.m. on Sunday

DAILY MASS TIMES: 6:30 p.m. Monday,
8 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday (*When school is in session, Wednesday morning Mass is at SJS*)

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or would like to schedule a Marriage or Baptism, please contact the parish office.

For more information about Saint James Catholic School call 270-765-7011 or visit www.sjschoolonline.org



ADVENT VESPERS- The Saint James Schola will be leading vespers during the season of Advent before the 5:00 PM Saturday Masses.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HISPANIC MINISTRY

3^{er} Domingo de Adviento

Avisos Parroquiales Comunidad Hispana

Confesiones en Español

Todos los Domingos 4:15 PM Iglesia de Saint James

Catecismo (niños)

Miércoles 18 de Diciembre a las 7:00 PM

5^a Posada Navideña (Bilingüe), Escuela de Saint James

Catecismo en Español (adultos)

Domingos 3:00 PM

Salón Rodney Thomas, Parroquia de Saint James

Posadas Navideñas

Del 14 al 21 de Diciembre, a las 7:00 PM

Domicilios Varios

Consulte el calendario de las Posadas Navideñas 2019 de la Parroquia de Saint James para más detalles

Adoración Eucarística y Cena Familiar

Viernes 20 de Diciembre

Familias de Formación de Fé (RSVP requerido)

Cena Navideña y 9^a Posada

Domingo 22 de Diciembre a las 6:30 (al terminar la misa en Español) en el Gimnasio de la parroquia.

Ven con tu familia. NO FALTES ;

Misa de Nochebuena en Español

Martes 24 de Diciembre a las 7:00 PM

Asiste y celebra el nacimiento del Niño Jesús en la víspera de Navidad.

Mantente Informado!

Envía un mensaje de WhatsApp o un e-mail para poder incluirte en nuestra lista de comunicaciones, Y así puedas ser informado de eventos o cambios de horarios.

E-mail hispano@sjschoolonline.org

Facebook Ministerio Hispano de St. James

WhatsApp (270-723-4957)

PARISH LIFE



Raising Pro-Life Children

It often takes many decades to correct social injustices and human rights' problems. For example, it took many decades to abolish slavery.

Our generation might not see an end to the injustice of abortion. However, the younger generation is becoming increasingly pro-life and it is vitally important that we raise pro-life children. If so, they will one day see our nation becoming one of liberty and justice not just for some, but for all human beings.

A baby and, indeed, life itself, is nothing short of a miracle. As faithful Catholics, we should be teaching our children ---at every opportunity---that all human beings, at all stages of development, should be cherished, respected, loved and protected at all times.

Also, we need to teach children that being pro-life does not only mean opposing abortion. Sometimes, children are born with disease, Down syndrome or some other problem---and these children are nevertheless all precious gifts from God and are extremely valuable, no matter what.

Teaching children to have a pro-life attitude is the indispensable antidote to today's selfish, "me-first" society, with many people more concerned about pleasure or money than the inherent value and dignity of every human life. Pro-Life Articles. pro-lifearticles.org

"A person's a person, no matter how small." Horton Hears a Who! Dr. Seuss.

Call to Action Alert!

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has issued a Call to Action Alert relayed to us by the Archdiocese of Louisville's Dignity of Life Publication. The opening paragraph of the Call to Action Alert states: "Global abortion providers might get an extra \$57 million a year, if an amendment to a spending bill is passed by Congress. And pro-life and pro-family groups might get blacklisted by the same bill. Raise your voice + tell Congress that this is unacceptable."

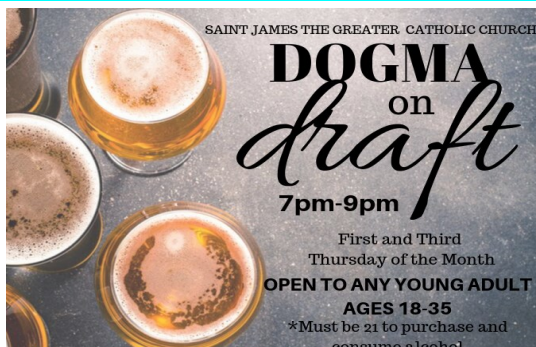
At the internet link below you can learn details of the effort to block this amendment. A form found there will enable you to join this effort by emailing your objection to your Senators and Representative in Congress:

Please join us in this effort.

http://www.votervoice.net/Shares/B_wSfA2kACI_QANWnaV7FBA



Maternity - 4T Donations: If you are looking for options to get rid of things as your family outgrows them, keep Clarity Solutions in mind! Especially for maternity and baby items **newborn-4T!**



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 www.sjschoolonline.org



**Saint James
Catholic School**

**AFTER SCHOOL AND EXTENDED CARE
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Saint James Catholic School seeks caring individuals who enjoy working with children for Preschool Extended Care and After School Care programs.

Qualifications:

Must have at least a high school degree, a positive attitude and the ability to supervise children.

Experience preferred.

Completion of a background check and Safe Environment Training required prior to start.

If interested, please send letter of interest and resume to Preschool Director, Brandi Newman at bnewman@sjschoolonline.org



**7th Annual Black and White Knight
February 1st, 2020**

Tickets available January 1st!

If you would like to donate or become an event sponsor, please contact Chris Bauer at 270-268-6666



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

If Saint James Catholic School is **Closed** – Mass will be cancelled & the Parish Office will be closed.

If Saint James Catholic School is on a **Delay** – Mass will be held as scheduled at Saint James Catholic Church

(Afternoon and evening activity updates will be communicated by their leaders.)

Every effort will be made to include Saint James Catholic Church on TV and radio cancellation announcements. Please use caution when making the decision to attend Mass during winter months.

PARISH LIFE

We look forward to celebrating the Solemnity of Christmas with you and your family. Below is the Christmas Mass schedule so that you can make plans to attend the Mass that works best for your family.

Because Christmas is a Holy Day of Obligation, please make plans to attend both a Sunday Mass and a Christmas Mass.

Fourth Sunday of Advent Masses:

**Saturday 12/21 at 5 pm
& Sunday 12/22 at 8 am, 10 am, Noon
Mass in Spanish at 5 pm**

**Christmas Eve: 4 pm, 7 pm Mass in Spanish
& Midnight Mass**

Christmas Day: 10 am



Christmas Children's Choir

Children from 1st to 8th grade are invited to join a special choir that will sing carols before the 4 PM Christmas Eve Mass.

Contact Tim Watts at the parish office with questions.

ATTENTION: Sacristans, Lectors, EMHCs & Ushers:

Sign-up sheets for Holy Day Masses (Christmas & Mary, Mother of God) will be placed in the binder in the narthex. *Christmas Masses* will be on pink paper and *Mary, Mother of God Masses* will be on blue paper. Thank you for your dedicated service and support.



The bulletin is furnished to the Parish without charge. The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing costs with which the church would otherwise be burdened.

Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity.

During our annual visit from Adam West with Diocesan Publications we learned there is a different paper option from which we can choose for our bulletins, so we have opted to change the paper beginning in January. Thanks again to our wonderful sponsors!

Adam West can be reached at (614) 867-1396 or awest@diocesan.com if you have any questions regarding advertising.

Support our Saint James Rosary Guild

Great Christmas gift idea! See parish office for details!

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WORSHIP

Celebrant/ Homilist Schedule at Saint James

Date	Mass	Celebrant	Homilist
Sat. 12/21	5:00 p.m.	Fr. Scott	Fr. Scott
Sun. 12/22	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Scott	Fr. Scott
Sun. 12/22	10:00 a.m.	Fr. Martin	Fr. Scott
Sun. 12/22	12:00 p.m.	Fr. Kirby	Fr. Scott
Sun. 12/22	5:00 p.m.	Fr. Scott	Fr. Scott

Please note: Presider and Homilist schedule are subject to change.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

Third Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Second Reading: James 5:7-10

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

Advent is a season of hopeful anticipation, a time of preparation – for celebrating the birth of our Savior, and of readying ourselves for his eventual return. In God's goodness he gave us his own Son, who willingly took on our humanity to save us. Jesus forgives sins, heals the suffering and teaches the truth – he is the long-awaited Messiah.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14

Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24



SAINT VINCENT de PAUL OUTREACH

All donations are **GREATLY** appreciated. We currently need the following: Pancake Mix & Syrup, spaghetti sauce and diapers (size 3).

CHRISTMAS PURSE COLLECTION

This weekend will be this year's last Christmas purse collection. Please join our parish community in thanking those who serve us throughout the year. A member of the Knights of Columbus will be at each door to receive your gift.

Please submit any items for the **December 29th and January 5th bulletins by December 18th**. Thank you for your understanding! Please email items to: lpoverstreet@stjames-etown.org

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekend of December 7th & 8th

Amount Collected \$ 26,158.72

November Electronic Donations \$ 35,784.90

**NOTE: Collections that are paid through automatic withdrawals are drafted on the last business day of the month.*

"Strengthen the feeble hands, make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart: Be strong, fear not!... Your God will come and save you." Isaiah 35:3-4

Saint Theresa of Avila reminds us that Christ has no body on earth but ours, no hands but ours, no feet but ours. When the weak and fearful come into our lives, it is through our hands and our works that they are healed. God works through us when we accept the challenge.

2019 Collection for Catholic Charities

Our parish will conduct the annual collection for Catholic Charities next weekend. This collection supports the work of Catholic Charities of Louisville. Your generosity helps fund many vital ministries and social services, including the Sister Visitor Center, the Mother-Infant Care program, the Bakhita Empowerment Initiative to combat human trafficking, Migration and Refugee Services, Common Earth Gardens, and Common Table. Please give generously to this collection for Catholic Charities. ***If you would like to support this fund, simply mark your donation "Catholic Charities" and place in the collection basket during Mass.***



2019 Catholic Services Appeal - Bringing Christ to Others

Our Parish Target: \$168,400
Our Parish Participation Goal:
414 households

Thanks to those who have already responded with a gift to the 2019 Catholic Services Appeal. To date we have raised \$116,497 toward our goal through the support of 270 households. During this season on Advent, please consider making a gift to the Catholic Services Appeal. Gifts can be made through our parish office or online at www.ArchLou.org/CSA.

This bulletin is completely provided without charge through the advertisements on the back covers. Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity. Our sponsor of the week is:
ZTrim Lawn Care

PARISH LIFE

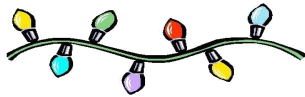


Youth Group & Confirmation Dates to Remember!

December 15th—Christmas Party with
Christmas Caroling

December 20th—Movie Night @ Loretto Center

December 22/29—No Confirmation Meeting or
Life Night. Merry Christmas!



December 18 -
Classroom catechesis
December 20 -
Family Team Night

O Come, let us Adore Him:
Christmas Encounter + Dinner – RSVP required



December 17 -
A Walk through the Mass
(Eucharist part II)

Saint James Cemetery has a reserved section that is called the Garden of the Innocents. In this section, infants that are lost during pregnancy or at birth can be remembered or buried. Members of the parish can have their child's name engraved on a plaque in the Garden at no cost to you. Please contact Dan Pawley (270-401-9117) if interested.

MARQUETTE METHOD OF FERTILITY AWARENESS
Married and Engaged Couples Are Invited:

INTRODUCTORY CLASS RESCHEDULED:
Wednesday, January 8th 6:30 - 8PM
Saint James Church Parish Office Basement

FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO REGISTER CONTACT:
Angela Hobbs, RN, BSN
(270)735-3883 or giftofyourfertility@gmail.com



Volunteers Needed for the 10:00 AM
Sunday Mass Nursery. Please contact
Noel Kubat at nokubat@yahoo.com
with questions or to volunteer!



Blessings to one and all as we continue to
prepare for Christmas during the beautiful
season of Advent.

Mr. Don Waters, who has been our Director of Facilities and Maintenance for 15 years, is retiring on January 17, 2020. I am pleased to announce that Mr. Andrew Padgett has accepted my invitation to succeed Don as Director of Facilities and Maintenance. Mr. Dave Martin will continue as a member of the facilities team. Andy will join us full-time on January 6th.

Andy comes well qualified. He is currently working as Custodian and Maintenance Manager of the First Baptist Church in Brandenburg. A native of Meade County, he has accumulated a wealth of experience working in various maintenance positions over the last 17 years. His knowledge of plumbing, electrical, HVAC, and grounds upkeep meets our needs well. You may know Andy personally from his participation in the Saint James Community Picnic and as an active parent at Saint James School including coaching in our athletic program.

We will soon have an opportunity to thank Don for his many years of service as well as welcome Andy.

Father Martin



Our Lady of
Medjugorje,
Queen of Peace
calls you

Join Fr. Scott on a Spiritual Journey
PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

September 27, 2020—October 3, 2020

Flight to and from Louisville/Dubrovnik

Coach bus to and from Medjugorje

Price will be announced soon!

Space is limited, reserve your space via email

For details contact: Fabiola Sánchez at
fsanchez@stjames-etown.org