

MASS INTENTIONS

Masses held at St. James School and the Convent are not open to the public due to COVID-19.

Thank you.

MONDAY, December 7, 2020

(Immaculate Conception - Vigil)

6:00 p.m. +Mary Frances Van Meter

TUESDAY, December 8, 2020

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. *Missa pro populo* **(School)**

12:00 p.m. +Christine Amburger & +Carol Geoghegan

WEDNESDAY, December 9, 2020

(Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin)

8:00 a.m. +Joseph Henry Perry Jr. & +Sonny Miller

THURSDAY, December 10, 2020

(Our Lady of Loreto)

8:00 a.m. +Chris Hennessy

FRIDAY, December 11, 2020

(Saint Damasus I, Pope)

8:00 a.m. +Families of Priscilla Walker & Sandra Atalig

SATURDAY, December 12, 2020

(Our Lady of Guadalupe)

8:00 a.m. Don & Luz Crisp- 50th Wedding Anniversary

5:00 p.m. +Willard Bradley

SUNDAY, December 13, 2020

(Third Sunday of Advent)

8:00 a.m. *Missa pro populo*

10:00 a.m. +Maria Su Pham **(Incense)**

12:00 p.m. +Mary Frances Van Meter

3:00 p.m. +Luis and Rita Ortiz

+Denotes deceased.

SAINT JAMES SCHEDULE

MONDAY, December 7, 2020

6:30 Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*

6:30 p.m. Confessions, *Church*

6:30 p.m. Safety Committee, *RTR*

6:30 p.m. Novena- Our Lady of Guadalupe, *BH*

TUESDAY, December 8, 2020

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

12:00 p.m. Health & Wellness Committee, *RTR*

3:30 p.m. Hispanic Grief & Healing, *RTR*

6:00 p.m. To Jesus through Mary Mtg, *P.O. Bsmt*

7:00 p.m. Novena- Our Lady of Guadalupe, *Church*

9:00 p.m. National Night of Prayer for Life, *Church*

WEDNESDAY, December 9, 2020

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

9:30 a.m. CWOSJ, *RTR*

2:00 p.m. Grief & Healing Mass, *Church*

6:30 p.m. FFF: Team Night, *RTR*

7:00 p.m. Novena- Our Lady of Guadalupe, *Church*

THURSDAY, December 10, 2020

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

6:00 p.m. Right to Life KY Mtg, *BH*

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

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

7:45 p.m. Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena, *Church*

9:00 p.m. Men's Study Group, *RTR*

FRIDAY, December 11, 2020

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

9:00 p.m. Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena & Mass, *Church*

SATURDAY, December 12, 2020

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

9:00 a.m. Hispanic - Baptism Prep., *RTR*

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

5:00 p.m. Advent by Candlelight, *RTR & BH*

SUNDAY, December 13, 2020

11:00 a.m. RCIA Meeting, *P. O. Basement*

1:15 p.m. Hispanic Confirmation Prep, *RTR*

1:30 p.m. Baptisms, *Church*

6:30 p.m. Youth Group/Confirmation Prep, *BH*

**Schedule is subject to change in the event of a funeral.*

2019-20 Parish Pastoral Council Members

Rev. Michael T. Wimsatt, Pastor

Rev. Kirby Rust, Associate Pastor

Rev. Juan L. Gomez, Associate Pastor

Lou Edmondson, Chair

Greg Schrecke, Finance/Administration

Cherri Ellis-Reeves, Secretary

Sister Augusta, Faith Formation

Paula Knowles, Stewardship/Mission Advancement

Jeff Lanz, Worship

Coty Oropilla, School Board Liaison

Mimi Pike, Social Concerns/Outreach

Lorna Vertrees, Parish Life

Grace Filburn, Youth Representative

Sister Marie Hannah Seiler, O.P., School Principal

Jennifer Hartlage Moran, Director of Mission Advancement

Daniel & Jackie Ortiz, Liaisons for Hispanic Ministries

You can contact the parish council via email at:

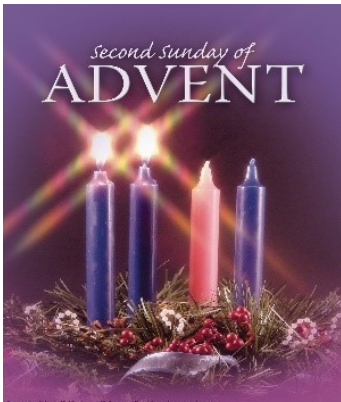
parishcouncil@sjschoolonline.org

Eucharistic Adoration ~ 20th anniversary Testimonials.

"We have been here for nearly 20 years and for the most part, we are thrilled with all the activities and interventions created by the priests, sister, and laypersons. But most favorite for us is participating in the Adoration Ministry either individually, as a couple, or as a group during the daily exposition of our Lord. Whether we are actively kneeling in prayer, reading various religious materials, or just sitting there quietly, the comfort we received during these periods of interaction are immeasurable. We strongly recommend a few minutes either daily or weekly or as often as possible, to begin Adoration Prayer as a means of talking to the Lord about whatever matters, or concerns you have on your mind. He will listen!" ~ George & Francia Bennett. To schedule an hour, call 270-737-5213. You'll be pleased you did!

The Second Sunday of Advent

COMUNIDAD HISPANA



2do Domingo De Adviento Avisos Parroquiales

Comunidad Hispana

Misa Dominical en Español
Todos los domingos a las 3pm,
Continuamos siguiendo las
indicaciones sanitarias, así
que no olvides tu cubrebocas!

Oficina Parroquial

Abierta de Lunes a Viernes de 8 am a 12 pm y de 1 pm a 4:30 pm. Numero de Telefono (270)765-6268

Confesiones en Español

Todos Los Domingos 2:15 pm

Pláticas de Bautismo, Matrimonio y Confirmacion

Contactar a la oficina parroquial con el Padre Juan Luis Orozco,

HORA SANTA - ADORACION AL SANTISIMO

Todos los jueves 7pm, completamente en español, con cantos y alabanzas,

Fiesta a, La Virgen Santa Maria De Guadalupe

Lunes 7 de dic, en el Salon Parroquial Batchelor Hall 6:30pm
Jueves 10 de dic, seguido de la Hora Santa en la Iglesia
Viernes 11 de dic, 9pm Rosario, 10pm Misa, 11pm cantos a la virgen, 11:50pm Mañanitas a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Integrantes al Coro en Español de la Parroquia

Si a usted le gusta cantar or toca algun instrumento lo invitamos hacer parte del coro de la Iglesia, mas detalles con Tim or Fabiola

Colaboradores en la Liturgia

Queda pendiente este ministerio para mas colaboradores, mas adelante mas detalles,

Facebook Pagina Oficial

Saint James Ministerio Hispano En nuestra pagina publicamos todos los servicios, Busque nuestro blog tambien en **Telegram**, ahi tambien compartimos los anuncios,

PARISH LIFE

The Divine Child's Birth

Advent leads the Church to the Silent Night when God Himself is revealed as one of us. This season leads us to the joy of His birth. If God has joined His nature to ours, how can we ever allow our nature to be despised? If He has come to bring us Divine Life, and will return to take us to the skies, how can it be all right to throw people in the garbage? May His birth shed protection on all about to be born, and as we work to end abortion, may we "wait in joyful hope for the coming of Our Savior, Jesus Christ." Priests for Life



It's Time for a Spiritual Audit!

In virtually every aspect of Life, corporate, athletic, education etc., there is a constant evaluation process to measure growth and improvement. Now it is a good time to assess our spiritual progress. Have we made a difference? If God were totally our "faith in action" would He be pleased with what we have done (or failed to do)?

Evils plague our society, such as abortion, pornography "comprehensive sex" education, tax funding of Planned Parenthood, and other anti-God, anti-life and anti-family issues.

As Christians, we know that the Bible commands us to be active in serving God. Service is an action word, so we know that we cannot serve God by sitting on the sidelines, or being a "fence sitter". Are we as Catholics influencing our world, or is today's relativism and secularism influencing us much more?

Are we setting an example to the next generation to protect marriage and to defend life, from conception until natural death, or are we just "passively" pro-life? Do we speak up when in a position to defend innocent life? Do we hold our elected representatives accountable?

Obviously, we cannot do it all, but we can certainly do something! Literally, thousands of lives are at stake each and every day. If we do nothing we collude with the pro-aborts, the purveyor of pornography and those that wish to remove God from society. By doing nothing, we reap what they sow!

"Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, sins" James 4:17

By Pro-Life Articles Author

Please remember The National Night of Prayer for Life which will take place during the four hours from 9 pm Dec. 8th to 1 am Dec. 9th at St. James.

Please sign up today at the back of the Church.

The National Night of Prayer for Life prayer service consists of exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 20 decades of the Rosary, prayer to St. Michael, and silent prayer. One rosary will be said at the beginning of each of the four hours.

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 Online at www.sjschoolonline.org or call 270-765-7011.

PARISH LIFE

Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule: we will have three Masses for the Immaculate Conception Holy Day: Monday, December 7th @ 6:00 p.m. & Tuesday, December 8th @ Noon. There is an 8:00 a.m. Mass scheduled for the School, and should it be closed that day, the Mass will be at the church.

Parishioners who may want to advertise in our bulletin: There are several opportunities for your ad in available advertising space on the back page of our bulletin. If interested, contact our bulletin rep., Adam West, at 614-867-1396 or awest@diocesean.com.

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:

Ky Farm Bureau - Mika Tyler

We will make every effort to have weekday Mass at St. James Church even in the event that St. James School is delayed or closed because of the weather. We will also make every effort to keep the parish office open for regular business hours under the same circumstances.



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

Please use appropriate caution when deciding whether or not inclement weather allows you to safely travel to and from St. James Church for Mass. Also, please note that the parking lot and walkways surrounding may or may not be cleared of snow and ice depending on the availability of our maintenance staff.

Eucharistic Adoration during inclement weather will be as regularly scheduled and follow the daily Mass schedule. The status of afternoon and evening events at St. James Church will be communicated by the leader of the activity. Thank You!

If you know homebound parishioners that would like a bulletin, let us know their name, address, and phone number. Call the parish office at 270-765-6268 or send email to parishoffice@stjames-etown.org.

HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINES: Diocesan Publications requests earlier submission of bulletins in December. Deadlines are a day sooner in December and **the December 27th bulletin will be submitted on December 18th.**

Blessing of the
CHILD IN THE WOMB



Expectant mothers are invited to receive a special blessing for the child in their womb during the Advent season!

This blessing will take place during the Masses over the weekend of December 12 and 13. Please call the parish office or register on our website so we can anticipate your presence! Contact Sister Mary Agnes if you have any questions (srmagnes@stjames-etown.org).

Christmas Mass Schedule:

Thursday, December 24 - 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 24 - 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 24 - 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Thursday, December 24 - Midnight Mass

Friday, December 25 - 10:00 a.m.

Bulletin Deadline: MONDAY, the week before publication. Please email items to: dsears@stjames-etown.org

FAITH FORMATION

What's Happening This Month



Next Baptism Preparation Class: Sun., Jan. 3, following the 10 AM Mass in the Rodney Thomas Room

Pre-registration is required. Please contact Sr. Mary Agnes for more information (srmagnes@stjames-etown.org).

1st Communion & 1st Reconciliation Preparation Classes

Parents and students will meet once a month at 9:00 AM in the Rodney Thomas Room. The next class will be over Zoom on **December 13**. Please contact Sr. Mary Agnes for more information (srmagnes@stjames-etown.org).

Confirmation Preparation Class (9th & 10th Grade) & Youth Group (11th & 12th Grade):

We tentatively plan to resume on Sunday, December 13 @ 6:30 PM in the Church! Contact Fr. Kirby for more information (frkrust@stjames-etown.org).

Please be attentive to email and remind for updates as we monitor the COVID-19 situation.

Family Faith Formation (FFF):

We meet at 6:30 PM on Wednesdays on the Church campus!



- Wednesday, 12/9 - Family Team Night
- Wednesday, 12/16 - Advent Parish Penance Service
- Wednesday, 12/23 - No class - Merry Christmas!

Please contact Sr. Augusta for more information (sranickel@stjames-etown.org).



Meets weekly in the Parish Office basement after the 10 AM Mass on Sunday.

Contact Sr. Augusta for more information (sranickel@stjames-etown.org).

Please keep those in RCIA at our parish in your prayers!

Catechumens: Kaleb Adams & Joey Dixon

Candidates: Ryan Flowers, Marilyn Johnston, Callie Lopez, Heather Parisi, and PJ Postma.

REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE!

Registration closes December 4.

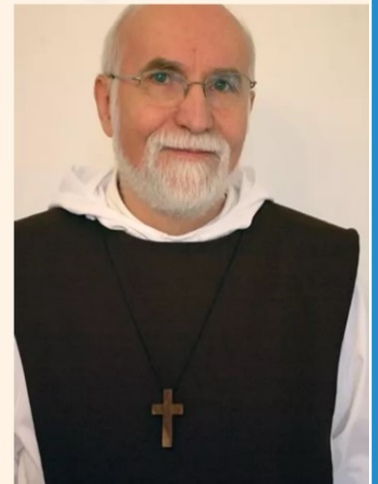
Saturday, December 12

ADVENT BY
Candlelight

Women ages 18 and up are invited to gather for supper, an inspirational talk, and Mass.

Our keynote speaker will be internationally renowned spiritual writer Fr. Jacques Philippe.

See website for details!



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Advent Parish Penance Service

LET IN THE

Light

OF GOD'S MERCY

SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH
6:00-8:00PM
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

As we await new heavens and a new earth, let us make clear the way of the Lord by being servants of justice, truth, and peace.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Third Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

Christmas for the kids - If you would like to adopt a child for Christmas, sign ups will take place after all Masses this weekend. You may also contact Lori Seither : lseither@comcast.net or Cherri Ellis Reeves: bcjjj@comcast.net
Unwrapped gifts need to be returned to parish office by December 6.

Stewardship Reflection ~ *"But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells."* ~ 2 Peter 3:13

Advent is not passive waiting, but active preparation for a new heaven and new earth. Like John the Baptist, we must prepare the way of the Lord. In their pastoral letter on stewardship, the U.S. Bishops emphasize that we are active co-workers in God's creative plan.



2020 Catholic Services Appeal
Parish Goal: \$159,900 - Participation Goal: 345 households.

Thank you to those who have already responded with a gift to the 2020 Catholic Services Appeal. We have raised **\$117,899** which is **74%** of our goal through the support of **268** households, which is **78%** of our *participation goal*. Gifts can be made through our parish office or online at www.ArchLou.org/CSA.

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekend of November 21st / 22nd

Amount Collected \$21,954.00

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

Christmas Gift Program - Helping Hand of Hardin County sponsors the Affordable Christmas and has provided a list of gift categories recommended: Ages 0 -12 years: Action Toys, Doll & Material Toys, Sports Equipment. Ages 13+ years: Gift Cards, Beauty Products, Style & Clothing, Activity items. Please put them in a plastic bag and leave them in the back of the church by the Christmas tree. Deacon Karl will collect them and take them to Helping Hand. Thank you in advance for all the support you have provided this program.



Support our Saint James Rosary Guild:

The Saint James Rosary Guild has rosaries for sale starting at \$25.00. You can purchase one or more of these rosaries in the parish office.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic Saint James has not been able to welcome our new parishioners in our usual party fashion. Since our last event in 2019 we have added 49 new families to our Saint James Community. Starting during the Advent Season we will publish the names by month of our new parishioners added during this pandemic.

November 2019

Frank Crutcher
Jason and Jacquelin Bochert and family
Normaline Skees

Nerida and Neida Alvelo
Dennis and Sharon Krienert

December 2019

Justin and Jennifer Mirkovich and family
Vernon and Judy Baker
Blandon, Santos Alexis Rugama and family
Centeno, Alioska Del Carmen Rugama

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Scroll down, and click "News".