

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 14, 2020

(St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor of the Church)

6:00 p.m. +Dorothy E. Dixon

TUESDAY, December 15, 2020

8:00 a.m. +John & Emma Hackett

WEDNESDAY, December 16, 2020

8:00 a.m. +Sandra Veronica Jardim

THURSDAY, December 17, 2020

8:00 a.m. +Nick Stevenson

FRIDAY, December 18, 2020

8:00 a.m. +Arthur Pittius

SATURDAY, December 19, 2020

8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving for Health—Luz Crisp

5:00 p.m. +Betty Vance

SUNDAY, December 20, 2020

(Fourth Sunday of Advent)

8:00 a.m. +Louise Wiseman and +Chris Hennessy

10:00 a.m. +Dorothy E. Dixon

12:00 p.m. *Missa pro populo*

3:00 p.m. +Faustina Tejada

+Denotes deceased.



Eucharistic Adoration ~ 20th anniversary Testimonials.

"I have received many blessings in my lifetime, but going to Adoration at Saint James and spending one hour with Jesus each week is one of my biggest blessings. Recently I had a daughter and granddaughter who got sick with COVID-19, while I was at Adoration during that time, I was able to

totally place them in God's compassionate hands. They are both well now. I have been able to more fully feel the love, compassion, and comfort of Jesus each time during my holy hour. I am blessed and so grateful I have committed to be with Him in this special way each week. My face and my heart are always smiling as I leave the church because I feel at peace." ~ KL, a life long member of Saint James Parish.

To schedule an hour, call 270-737-5213.

You'll be pleased you did!

SAINT JAMES SCHEDULE

MONDAY, December 14, 2020

6:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*

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

7:00 p.m. Hispanic Women's Prayer Group, *RTR*

TUESDAY, December 15, 2020

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

6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1496 Mtg., *BH*

WEDNESDAY, December 16, 2020

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

12:00 p.m. Finance Committee Mtg., *P. O. Bsmt.*

6:30 p.m. Advent Parish Penance Service, *Church*

THURSDAY, December 17, 2020

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

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

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

8:30 p.m. Women's Study Group, *RTR*

FRIDAY, December 18, 2020

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

9:00 p.m. Homeschool Group, *RTR*

SATURDAY, December 19, 2020

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

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

SUNDAY, December 20, 2020

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

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

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

5:00 p.m. Filipino Novena & Mass, *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, Dir. of Mission Advancement

Daniel & Jackie Ortiz, Liaisons for Hispanic Ministries

*You can contact the parish council via email at:
parishcouncil@sjschoolonline.org.*

COMUNIDAD HISPANA



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Avisos Parroquiales

Comunidad Hispana

Misa Dominical en Español
Todos los domingos a las

3p.m. Continuamos siguiendo las indicaciones sanitarias, así que no olvides tu cubrebocas!

Oficina Parroquial

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

Confesiones en Español

Todos Los Domingos 2:15 p.m.

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 7p.m. completamente en español, con cantos y alabanzas.

LAS POSADAS - Peregrinacion Hacia La Navidad

Este año debido a la pandemia del coronavirus, "NO TENDREMOS POSADAS" Pero SI tendremos nuestra misa completamente en español el día jueves 24 de diciembre a las 7p.m.

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 nustrro blog tambien en **Telegram**, ahi tambien compartimos los anuncios.

PARISH LIFE



Christmas: A Gift of Life

"The Gospel of life is at the heart of Jesus' message. Lovingly received day after day by the Church, it is to be preached with dauntless fidelity as "good news" to the people of every age and culture. At the dawn of salvation, it is the Birth of a Child which is proclaimed as joyful news: "I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord" (Lk 2:10-11). The source of this "great joy" is the Birth of the Saviour; but Christmas also reveals the full meaning of every human birth, and the joy which accompanies the Birth of the Messiah is thus seen to be the foundation and fulfilment of joy at every child born into the world (cf. Jn 16:21)" (Pope John Paul II, "The Gospel of Life," n.1).

Please pray that the Lord who comes to bring liberty and justice may inspire us to secure protection for our unborn brothers and sisters.

A heartfelt thank you to the more than 70 students and adults who showed up last Saturday morning to recover, clean, pack and ship the more than 2,500 crosses of the Cemetery of the Innocents in only two hours time. You were one mighty, eager, effective, intelligently proactive, and astonishing group! We are deeply grateful to each one of you, and very proud to to be associated with you. Thank you. St. James Respect Life Committee.

Navidad: Un regalo de la vida

El Evangelio de la vida está en el centro del mensaje de Jesús. Acogido con amor cada día por la Iglesia, es anunciado con intrépida fidelidad como buena noticia a los hombres de todas las épocas y culturas. En la aurora de la salvación, el nacimiento de un niño es proclamado como gozosa noticia: « Os anuncio una gran alegría, que lo será para todo el pueblo: os ha nacido hoy, en la ciudad de David, un salvador, que es el Cristo Señor » (Lc 2, 10-11). El nacimiento del Salvador produce ciertamente esta « gran alegría »; pero la Navidad pone también de manifiesto el sentido profundo de todo nacimiento humano, y la alegría mesiánica constituye así el fundamento y realización de la alegría por cada niño que nace (cf. Jn 16, 21).

(Ioannes Paulus PP. II, *Evangelium vitae* 1.)

Que el Señor quien nos trae la libertad y la justicia nos inspire a asegurar la protección de nuestros hermanos y hermanas no nacidos, roguemos al Señor...

Priests for Life

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.



Annual St James Christmas Purse

Here at St. James we are continually blessed by the dedicated service of our priests, deacons, staff and volunteers. All of these people continue to put in

many hours improving and keeping our church and school in tiptop shape. Please join the St. James Parish family in a resounding expression of "MERRY CHRISTMAS" and THANK YOU to these individuals by contributing to this annual collection.

Members of the Knights of Columbus Council # 1455 will be at the doors of church after each Mass on the following Saturdays and Sundays: December 5th & 6th, December 12th & 13th, and again December 19th & 20th, to accept any monetary donation you care to make toward this purse. You may give your donation **(cash, or check - made payable to the Knights of Columbus)** to any of these KC Members.

If you prefer you may drop it off at Clark Jewelers located at 510 West Poplar St, or you can mail your donation to the Elizabethtown Council #1455 at 1851 Leitchfield Road, Elizabethtown, KY 42701.

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.**

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

PARISH LIFE


ATTENTION: Sacristans, Lectors, EMHC & Ushers. Volunteer sign-up sheets for our upcoming Christmas Masses, and for the Mary, Mother of God Holy Day Masses will be in the Ministry Sign-in binder in the narthex. We will need extra EMHC at the Christmas Masses to be ready to transfer the Blessed Sacrament to Batcheldor Hall, if there is any over-flow seating taking place at any of the Christmas Masses. Thank you all for your dedicated service to the parish in fulfilling the needs of these ministries.



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.

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!



Marquette Method of Natural Family Planning

ONLINE CLASSES AVAILABLE

Individual classes available by request.

Group Classes:

- Monday, January 11, 2021 7PM EST
- Tuesday, February 2, 2021 7PM EST
- Tuesday, March 30, 2021 7PM EST

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER CONTACT:

Angela Hobbs, RN, BSN
giftofyourfertility.com
giftofyourfertility@gmail.com

The Marquette Method of Natural Family Planning teaches a couple to monitor the natural signs of their fertility to aid them in planning their family.

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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, 12/16 - Advent Parish Penance Service
 - Wednesday, 12/23 - No class - Merry Christmas!
 - Wednesday, 12/30 - No class - Happy New Year!
- Please contact Sr. Augusta for more information (sranickel@stjames-etown.org).



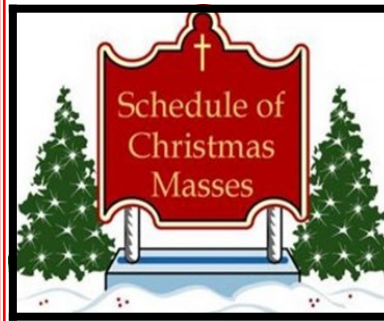
Meets weekly in the Parish Office basement after the 10 AM Mass on Sunday.

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.



We will have an additional Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve this year to help alleviate over-crowding. In order to follow "Healthy at Worship" guidelines,

we will use Batchelor Hall to accommodate overflow seating at all Christmas Eve Mass and again on Christmas Day Mass. Mass will be livestreamed to Batchelor Hall as well. The Schedule of Christmas Masses is below.

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.

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

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

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

Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27
Gospel: Luke 1:26-38



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.

Access weekly Mass online - www.stjames-etown.org
Scroll down, and click "News".

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.

January 2020

None

February 2020

Jose Bracamontes
Tracey Cecil-Simpson
Erin Mattingly
Harvey Goltz
Max and Diana Gatsche and family

March 2020

Brian and Laura Lockwood and family
Keith and Laura Jolly and family
Justin and Molly Pool

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekends of Nov. 28/29 & Dec. 5/6

Amount Collected \$39,521.91

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

SAVE THE DATE!

Black & White Knight Live!

Online Auction to support Saint James Catholic School



January 31 through February 6

We are unable to host our traditional Black & White Knight event this year; however, we plan to host an online auction during Catholic Schools Week that will support SJS. The auction will include class projects, themed baskets and several specialty items. **You will not want to miss this!**

There will be more information to follow, so continue to watch the parish bulletin and ENews for more information.

Thank You

Thank you to all those who have responded to the year end giving request that was shared with parishioners last month. Our parish has received \$61,000 from the appeal

to assist in replacing the HVAC units in the church, purchasing a new phone system for the parish and school, providing picnic tables for our students at SJS, supporting the tuition assistance fund and assisting us in retiring the school debt. Our parishioners continue to be so generous in providing for the parish and school and we are truly grateful. *There is still time to provide a year-end gift. Please contact Jennifer Moran at jmoran@stjames-etown.org or 270-765-6268 for more information.*

Parishioners who want to advertise in our bulletin should contact our bulletin rep., Adam West, at 614-867-1396 or awest@diocesean.com.