



307 West Dixie Avenue, Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701 www.stjames-etown.org December 12, 2021

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MASSES: Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m. (Spanish)

HOLY DAYS: Please see bulletin for details.

DAILY MASSES: Monday: 6:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and Saturday 8:00 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. The parish answering service will answer calls during the lunch hour.

PHONE NUMBERS:

270-765-6268
270-982-3303
270-765-7011
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270-763-4249

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION HOURS:

Monday 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Saturday 8:30 to 9:00 a.m.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:

Monday at 8:00 p.m.; Tuesday - Thursday at Noon; Friday at 3:00 p.m.; Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSIONS:

Monday 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (before and after the 6:00 p.m. Mass). Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

BAPTISMS:

Expecting a baby? Call the parish office to begin the process for preparation of baptism.

MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact the parish office at least six months prior to anticipated wedding date.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC OR JOINING OUR PARISH?

Please contact the parish office at 270-765-6268 or parishoffice@stjames-etown.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 13, 2021 (Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr) 6:00 p.m. + Maria S. Pham

Tuesday, December 14, 2021 (Saint John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church) 8:00 a.m. + Dorothy E. Dixon & + Donald Wimsatt

Wednesday, December 15, 2021 8:00 a.m. + Nicholas Stevenson

Thursday, December 16, 2021 8:00 a.m. + Anne Rajotte

Friday, December 17, 2021 8:00 a.m. + Deceased members of the **Reesor and McCamish families**

Saturday, December 18, 2021 8:00 a.m. + Derek Anthony Dvorjak (Fourth Sunday of Advent) 5:00 p.m. + John Hammann

Sunday, December 19, 2021

(Fourth Sunday of Advent) 8:00 a.m. + Louise Wiseman & + Chris Hennessy 10:00 a.m. *Missa pro populo* 12:00 p.m. + Mario Yu Su Chi & + Nelma PaBiona Celebrant's Discretion 3:00 p.m.

+Denotes deceased.

Christmas Mass Schedule: Friday, December 24 - 4:00 p.m. Friday, December 24 - 7:00 p.m. (Spanish) Friday, December 24 - Midnight Mass Saturday, December 25 - 10:00 a.m. Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - Holy Day: Friday, December 31 - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 1, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.

Parish Office Holiday Hours:

The parish office will be closed Friday, December 24th & Monday, December 27th and Friday, December 31st & Monday, January 3rd

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SAINT JAMES SCHEDULE

Monday, December 13, 2021 5:00 p.m. Confessions. Church 6:30 p.m. Confessions. Church Eucharistic Adoration. Church 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 14, 2021 8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church **12:00 p.m.** Health & Wellness Committee. *RTR* 6:30 p.m. Forever Young Club Meeting, BH Wednesday, December 15, 2021 8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church 12:00 p.m. Finance Committee Mtg, PO Basement 4:00 p.m. Priests' Dinner, PO Basement Room in the Inn, K of C Hall 4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee Mtg, Parish Ofc Children's Choir Practice, Loretto Ctr 5:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 1st Reconciliation, Church Thursday, December 16, 2021 8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Eucharistic Adoration, Church 8:30 p.m. Women's Study Group, RTR Friday, December 17, 2021 8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church 8:30 a.m. Homeschool Group, RTR 6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal, Church 8:00 p.m. Posadas, Church Saturday, December 18, 2021 8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Church 8:45 a.m. Men's Study Group, PO Basement 9:00 a.m. Homeschool Group Class, RTR 1:00 p.m. Wedding, Church **3:00 p.m.** Confessions, *Church* 7:00 p.m. Simbang Gabi Advent Mass, Church 8:00 p.m. Simbang Gabi Reception, BH Posadas. Church 8:00 p.m. Sunday, December 19, 2021 4:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 303 Meeting, RTR 6:30 p.m. H.S. Youth-Family Dinner, *BH/Church* 8:00 p.m. Posadas, Church *Schedule is subiect to chanae in the event of a funeral.

ATTENTION: Sacristans, Lectors, EMHC & Ushers. Volunteer sign-up sheets for Christmas & Mary, Mother of God Holy Day Masses are in the Ministry Sign-in binder in the Narthex. Thank you all for your dedicated service to the parish!

HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINES: Due to holiday hours at Diocesan Printing, bulletins for December **19th, 26th, and January 2nd** will be submitted early. Items submitted to Deacon Sears will need to be received two weeks prior to those dates.

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The Third Sunday of Advent

PARISH LIFE

TERCERA SEMANA DE ADVIENTO

Comunidad Hispana-Misa Dominical en español

Tercera Angustia de José:

Lectura: Lucas2,33-35

Simeón, después de bendecirlos, dijo a María, la madre: 'Este niño será causa de caída y de elevación para muchos en Israel; será signo de contradicción, y a ti misma una espada te atravesará el corazón '. José estaba presente con María en la Presentación de Jesús en el Templo y tuvo que haber escuchado las fuertes palabras de Simeón anunciándole a María una espada de dolor. El sufrimiento de un ser amado causa un profundo dolor a quien ama. Y José se mantiene al lado de María apoyándola y defendiéndola en todo momento.

Reflexión

Cómo hemos apoyado a los miembros de nuestra familia y comunidad en momentos difíciles o de dolor? Somos solidarios con el dolor de las personas de nuestro alrededor en estos momentos del COVID-19, dificultades económicas e incertidumbres?

Peticiones

José , hombre fuerte, intercede por nosotros ante Dios para que sintamos el dolor de los demás como propio y sepamos acompañar y apoyar.

José, hombre tierno y cercano, intercede por nosotros ante Dios para que apoyemos la confianza en Dios en momentos de incertidumbre y nos mantengamos fieles a quienes amamos.

MISA DE NOCHEBUENA – 24 de Diciembre a las 7:00 p.m.

POSADAS: Diciembre 17 – 24 a las 8:00 p.m.

SAINT JAMES MINISTERIO HISPANO ¡BENDICIONES PARA TODOS!

Our bulletins are provided completely without charge through the advertisements on the back pages. Please patronize our sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity. Our sponsor of the week is:

Hinton's Orchard & Farm Market

Wednesday Live Singers! The children's choir will practice each week on Wednesday evenings from 5:45 – 6:15 p.m. in the Loretto Center. This choir will sing occasionally at Masses at the church and the school.



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). ~ *Priests for Life*

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.). ~ *Priests for Life*



The Room in the Inn

homeless shelter ministry began on Wednesday, December 1st. Saint James hosts every Wednesday night during December, January and February. Many volunteers are needed, especially

for: drivers on Wednesdays in the early evening and Thursday early mornings to drive the guests between Warm Blessings and the KC Hall, cleanup on Thursday mornings, and men and women overnight volunteers to stay with the guests. Please contact Mimi Pike if you can volunteer or with questions @ 270-272-4952 to leave a message or <u>mimi.pike35@gmail.com</u>.

Saint James Catholic Church Elizabethtown, KY

SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL



We welcome all new families and offer a quality education where students can grow academically, spiritually, and socially.

Please visit us at 401 Robinbrooke Boulevard, or call 270-765-7011. Online at www.sjschoolonline.org



WE'RE HIRING 2nd-grade Teacher Assistant



The Thanksgiving Dinner Committee expresses appreciation to all who assisted at this year's Thanksgiving Dinner. Approximately 900 meals were served to over 300 families. This would have been impossible without the help of our donors and our volunteers. The generosity of your time, talent and treasure is greatly appreciated.

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 due to 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.



Eucharistic Adoration ~ 20th Anniversary: "I started going to Eucharistic Adoration to pray for my grandchildren when they were

little. I prayed they would grow up to be strong, God-loving adults. I no longer just pray for them. I go because I feel God is always in my house so I need to go and be with him in his house. Sometimes I'll say my rosary, sometime I'll read the Gospel or I just talk to him. I often go to just say thank you for the many things he has done for me." ~ (parishioner) Call 270-737-5213 to schedule an hour.



Parish Pastoral Council Members 2020-21

Rev. Michael Wimsatt, Pastor Rev. Loi Pham, Associate Pastor Rev. Juan Gomez, Associate Pastor

Lou Edmondson, Chair Greg Schreacke, Finance/Administration Cheri Ellis-Reeves, Secretary Sister Augusta, Faith Formation Jeff Lanz, Worship Mimi Pike, Social Concerns/Outreach Lorna Vertrees, Parish Life 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.

The Forever Young Club will meet on Tuesday, December 14th, at 6:30 p.m. in Batcheldor Hall. A turkey meal will be provided. If you signed up to bring a dish, don't forget it.

Instead of exchanging Christmas gifts, we decided to take up donations for the *Room in the Inn Ministry*.

The 2021 Retirement Fund for Religious collection will be **this** weekend. Envelopes for your gifts are available in the Narthex.

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 11th & 12th and again December 18th & 19th 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 K of C Members.

If you prefer, you may drop it off at Clark Jewelers located at 510 West Poplar Street by Monday, December 20th, or you can mail your donation by Friday, December 17th to the Elizabethtown Council #1455 at 1851 Leitchfield Road, Elizabethtown, KY 42701.

FAITH FORMATION



What's Happening This Month Next Baptism Preparation Class: Sunday, January 9, 2022

from 11:00 a.m. ~ 1:00 p.m. in the Rodney Thomas Room. *Pre-registration is required. Please contact* Olivia Dvorjak for more information (odvoriak@stiames-etown.ora).

Family Faith Formation (FFF): Meets Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. @ SJS. Next Session: Family Dinner & Caroling on Sunday, December 19th. Contact Sr. Augusta for more information (sranickel@stjames-etown.org).

Middle School Youth Ministry (7th & 8th grade)

Meets Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. @ SJS. Contact Olivia Dvorjak for more information (odvoriak@stiames-etown.ora).

High School Youth Ministry (9th - 12th grade) Meets Sundays, 6:30– 8:00 p.m. @ Church. Contact Olivia Dvorjak for more information (odvorjak@stjames-etown.org).



NT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Sr. Augusta to sign up to learn more!

Blessing of the Child in the Womb



Expectant mothers awaiting the birth of their child are invited to receive a blessing during the following masses:

> Saturday, December 18 **5pm Mass**

Sunday, December 19 10am Mass

RSVP is required.

To RSVP, please email Olivia Dvorjak at odvorjak@stjames-etown.org by Friday, December 10

Happy 3rd Sunday of Advent!

Here are some ways to "live liturgically" in your homes this 3rd Sunday/Week of Advent, **Gaudete Sunday!**

Light the rose Advent candle & pray Sunday prayers together. -Make Saint Joseph's staff cookies (found on Catholic Cuisine) and read about Saint Joseph together as a family. -Celebrate Saint Lucy's day on the 13th with a crown of cinnamon rolls! -Start the O Antiphons on the 17th!

"Living liturgically" is a way to keep your life focused on Christ by following the Church's liturgical seasons in the home, through prayer, decor, and home life.

ALL MARRIED COUPLES

SATURDAY, **FEBRUARY 19** 2:30PM-10PM

SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH CAMPUS



Congratulations OUR YOUNG PARISHIONERS MAKING THEIR IST CONFESSION!

Sunday, December 12, 2021

THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

First Reading: Second Reading: Gospel:

The Third Sunday of Adventg:Zephaniah 3:14-18aing:Philippians 4:4-7Luke 3:10-18

"The crowds asked John the Baptist, 'What should we do?' He said to them in reply, 'Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise.""

~ Luke 3:10-11

The answer to the question, "what should we do?" is simple – share. Sharing from our abundance is the bottom line for all good stewards.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS The Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Second Reading: Gospel:

Micah 5:1-4a Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-45

2021 Catholic Services Appeal Bringing Christ to Others Parish Goal: \$159,900



Participation Goal: 345 households Thanks to those who have responded

with a gift to the 2021 Catholic Services Appeal. As of December 3rd, we have raised **\$113,841** toward our goal through the support of **211** households. Envelopes are at the doors of the church and gifts can be made online at <u>www.ArchLou.org/CSA</u>.

A MESSAGE FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

What Do You Want for Christmas? This is a question we ask each other often before Christmas. Yet how many of us actually take a few minutes to kneel before the infant Jesus and ask Him what He wants from us this Christmas?

When we kneel before the manger and ask Jesus what He wants, it is very possible that we will hear Him whisper that He wants us to share a little more of our time, talents, and treasures with Him. Perhaps each of us could make a New Year's resolution to spend more time, talent, and treasure with God through our Saint James stewardship ministries.

The Saint James stewardship weekend will be January 15-16, 2022. We invite you to take these next few weeks to discern, through prayer, to which parish ministries God is calling you in 2022. Sharing of our time, talent, and treasure could be the absolute best gift we could give this year, not only to Jesus but also to ourselves. It might just be that for which our hearts are truly longing.

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekends of December 4th ~ 5th

Amount Collected

\$25,436.35

NOTE: Collections that are paid through automatic withdrawals are drafted in the last week of the month.

To make a contribution to the Saint James Catholic Church Endowment, contact Jennifer Moran jmoran@stjames-etown.org or 270-765-7011 ext. 110.

Saint James Catholic Church Endowment

A gift can help Saint James Catholic Church today....and tomorrow!

The Saint James Catholic Church Endowment was established to provide a long-term financial security for the parish while supporting its mission. The endowment is meant to grow the principal of the fund while generating income each year from the interest. There is no limit to the number of donors who may contribute to the fund and a gift of any size is encouraged.

The fund has been established with the Central Kentucky Community Foundation and will remain within its management. The intention of the donor who established the fund is to provide a steady source of income for Saint James Catholic Church that will be used where most needed. The Saint James Finance Council will decide each year how to best use the income from the fund.

Anyone interested in supporting the endowment with a gift, may contact the Central Kentucky Community Foundation at 270-737-8393 or visit the website ckcf4people.org and review "our funds" under the giving tab. Please feel free to contact Jennifer Moran at 270-765-7011 ext. 110 or jmoran@stjames-etown.org with any questions.

Looking for a reasonable, cherished Christmas gift? Copies of the Saint James/Saint Ambrose/Saint Ignatius Catholic Churches' cookbook. *We Gather Together,* which was printed and issued in 2012 is now available for sale for only \$5.00. This would make a nice Christmas gift for those in the younger generations who have or are now starting to marry or go out on their own. Give them the delicious recipes of our parishioners, to include the keepsake recipes of our dear parishioners who have since passed away.

If you would like some copies of the cookbook, please see Gail Hereford in the St. James Parish Office. All proceeds from the sale of the cookbook will benefit the St. James Picnic fund.



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