



# SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

1077 West Dixie Avenue, Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701

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October 30, 2022

## STAFF:

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## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION HOURS:

Monday 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.; Tuesday & Thursday  
8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Wednesday 9:30 a.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 CONFESSION:

Monday 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 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](mailto:parishoffice@stjames-etown.org)

**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 Saturday 8:00 a.m.

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.\*

\* The parish office is closed for lunch from Noon - 1:00 p.m.

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## Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, October 31, 2022**

6:00 p.m. + Bettie Skees

**Tuesday, November 1, 2022**

**(All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation)**

8:00 a.m. + Sr. Michael Marie Friedman (@ SJS)

12:00 p.m. + "JoeJoe" Ballard and Bill Ballard

6:00 p.m. + Betty J. Blasen

**Wednesday, November 2, 2022**

*(All Souls' Day)*

8:00 a.m. + Deceased members of the (@ Church)  
the Aguilar & Veza family

**Thursday, November 3, 2022**

*(Saint Martin de Porres, Religious)*

8:00 a.m. + Leila Margaret Ballard and  
"Joe Bill" Polin

**Friday, November 4, 2022**

*(Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop)*

8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving - The Polin Family and  
The Ballard Family

**Saturday, November 5, 2022**

8:00 a.m. + J B and Vernetta Mouser

**(Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

5:00 p.m. + Grant and Pat French

**Sunday, November 6, 2022**

**(Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

8:00 a.m. + Deceased members of the  
Scott & Irene Carroll families

10:00 a.m. *Missa pro populo*

12:00 p.m. + Ronald Cruz Catan

3:00 p.m. + Margie Castrodad

+ Denotes deceased.

SAINT JAMES SCHEDULE

**Monday, October 31, 2022**

3:00 p.m. Archery Practice, *Batcheldor Hall*

5:00 p.m. Confessions, *Church*

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

6:45 p.m. Confessions, *Church*

**Tuesday, November 1, 2022**

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

3:00 p.m. Archery Practice, *Batcheldor Hall*

5:00 p.m. All Saints' Day Party, *Church & BH*

**Wednesday, November 2, 2022**

9:00 a.m. Rosary Guild Meeting, *PO Basement*

9:00 a.m. CWOSJ, *Rodney Thomas Room*

9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*

11:15 a.m. Pray & Walk (*Ora et Ambulora*), *BH*

3:00 p.m. Archery Practice, *Batcheldor Hall*

6:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting, *BH*

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

**Thursday, November 3, 2022**

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

3:00 p.m. Archery Practice, *Batcheldor Hall*

6:30 p.m. Respect Life Committee Meeting, *RTR*

6:30 p.m. Rosary Guild Meeting, *PO Basement*

**Friday, November 4, 2022**

8:00 a.m. Homeschool First Friday Mass, *Church*

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

**Saturday, November 5, 2022**

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

8:45 a.m. Men's Study Group, *PO Basement*

9:00 a.m. Hispanic Men's Group, *RTR*

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

**Sunday, November 6, 2022**

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Doughnuts, *Batcheldor Hall*

11:00 a.m. Coffee & Doughnuts, *Batcheldor Hall*

1:00 p.m. Baptism Prep class, *RTR*

*\*A funeral Mass would alter this weekly schedule.*



Parish Pastoral Council Members  
2021-2022

Rev. Michael Wimsatt, Pastor  
Rev. Loi D. Pham, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Jean Gonzalez Romero, Associate Pastor  
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*You can contact the parish council via email at:*  
[parishcouncil@sjschoolonline.org](mailto:parishcouncil@sjschoolonline.org)



**Eucharistic Adoration ~ Pray for Vocations**

During Eucharistic Adoration many of our adorers pray for an increase in vocations and for an end to the abomination of abortion in our land. If you are interested in learning more about Eucharistic Adoration or would like to schedule an hour of Adoration, please call 270-737-5213.

## HISPANIC MINISTRY

### XXXI Domingo de Tiempo Ordinario

El hijo del hombre vino a buscar y a salvar lo que estaba perdido

Zaqueo que era un hombre pecador se encuentra con Jesús. Pero este encuentro no sucede de manera fortuita, sino que nace de la curiosidad de este hombre, que seguramente admiraba a Jesús en secreto. Al pasar Jesús por Jericó había mucha gente reunida con la esperanza de ver cómo era ese profeta del que tanto se oía.

Uno de ellos era Zaqueo, hombre de mala reputación, ya que se dedicaba a cobrar impuestos y además era muy rico. Su baja estatura le impedía ver a Jesús. Entonces corrió adelantándose para subirse a un árbol y desde ahí poder contemplar a Jesús en el momento en que pasara. Y al pasar Jesús miró hacia arriba y le dijo "Zaqueo, baja enseguida, pues hoy tengo que quedarme en tu casa". Él bajó rápidamente y lo recibió con alegría. Y todo el pueblo murmuraba: "Se ha ido a casa de un rico pecador". Zaqueo dijo resueltamente a Jesús: "Señor, voy a dar la mitad de mis bienes a los pobres y a quien le haya exigido algo injustamente le devolveré cuatro veces más". Jesús le contestó: "Hoy ha entrado la salvación a esta casa, pues también este hombre es un hijo de Abraham. El Hijo del hombre ha venido a buscar y a salvar lo que estaba perdido" Cuán transformante habrá sido el encuentro de Zaqueo con Jesucristo para que este hombre decidiera corregir el rumbo de su vida. Probablemente desde el momento en que Zaqueo con tanto interés buscó a Jesús, sabía que su modo de actuar no era el correcto y sabía que conocer a ese profeta le cambiaría la vida, aunque esto tuviera muchas consecuencias. Zaqueo al subir al árbol, vence el respeto humano. Pone los medios necesarios para un encuentro cara a cara con el Señor. No imaginó que Jesucristo le pediría hospedarse en su casa. Y bajó del árbol rápidamente y lo recibió con alegría. Qué actitud tan hermosa la de Zaqueo, que conociendo sus pecados, acepta al Señor y atiende rápidamente a su petición. Todos los cristianos podemos imitar esta actitud de prontitud ante los reclamos del Señor y una prontitud alegre, porque no hay mayor motivo de felicidad y alegría que Jesús nos llame y lo hace todos los días. Zaqueo no podía seguir siendo el mismo después de conocer personalmente a Cristo. Decide restituir a toda persona que haya engañado. Y Cristo, que conoce el corazón de cada hombre, le da la buena noticia: "Hoy la salvación ha entrado a su casa".



## THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

**On Thanksgiving Day** area churches and Helping Hand of Hope co-sponsor a Thanksgiving dinner. It is hosted at St. James Catholic School, 401 Robinbrooke Boulevard, Elizabethtown. This meal is available to families or individuals who are unable to prepare a meal of their own. This year we will offer dine-in and carryout from 12:30-1:30 p.m.

If you would like to volunteer in preparation, serving or delivering meals you can go to sign up genius <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0848a8a629a6f85-thanksgiving> or call 270-268-6246. If you would like to donate please call Cheri Ellis Reeves at 270-268-6246 or email at [bcjji@comcast.net](mailto:bcjji@comcast.net).

*Reservations for meals to be delivered need to be called in to Helping Hand of Hope at 270-769-3092 by November 22, 2022.*

**There will be a collection at all masses November 5-6th weekend.**

The Thanksgiving Day 2021 served: 857 Meals total (131 Carryout & 726 Delivered to 259 households).  
45 Drivers delivered meals (41 in Elizabethtown for 459 meals and 4 delivered 40 meals in county).

St. Christopher parish delivered 227 meals. We had 225 volunteers help with set up, preparing, serving and clean up.

**Thank You** to the churches and donors who provide food and monetary donations. **Thank You** to *Outdoors without Limits* with turkey donations. **Thank You** to ECTC for help with cooking turkeys, rolls and preparing dressing.

**Thank You** to our volunteers!

FAITH FORMATION

What's Happening This Month



For Baptism Preparation Class: Please contact Olivia Dvorjak. Pre-registration is required. (odvorjak@stjames-etown.org).

Family Faith Formation (FFF):



This is our parish program for on-going formation and religious education of children pre-K thru grade 6, including preparation for 1st Communion. New families are always welcome! Contact Sr. Augusta to learn more. (sranickel@stjames-etown.org).

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

Meets every other Wednesday night. For more information, contact Olivia Dvorjak. (odvorjak@stjames-etown.org).

High School Youth Ministry (9th - 12th grade)

Discipleship groups have started meeting at their various times. For more information, contact Olivia Dvorjak. (odvorjak@stjames-etown.org).

RECLAIMING HALLOWEEN

The three consecutive days — Halloween, All Saints Day and All Souls Day — also known as "Hallowtide," illustrate the Communion of Saints. We, the Church Militant (those on earth, striving to get to heaven) pray for the Church Suffering (those souls in Purgatory) especially on All Souls Day and the month of November. We rejoice and honor the Church Triumphant (the saints, canonized and uncanonized) in heaven.

ALL HALLOWS EVE (OCT. 31)

Halloween gets its name from All Hallows Eve and is the vigil of All Saints Day. Halloween means, "honor as holy." The spooky imagery of "Halloween" was used to remind us of the evil that is defeated when we gain eternal life. We also think about and turn our minds to the last things: death, judgment, heaven, and hell. Since we all must die and face judgment, Halloween is an opportunity to ask ourselves: am I living like one called to be a Saint? Am I living for Heaven?

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS (NOV. 1)

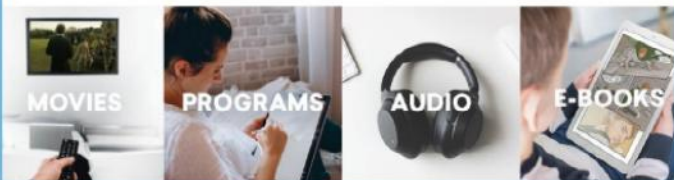
We celebrate those in Heaven, named and unnamed, that pray for us and we look to them for encouragement on our journey to salvation. This feast is a Holy Day of Obligation, so plan to attend mass at 8A at the school campus and 12N and 6P at the church campus. Join our All Saints Day party in Bachelord Hall from 7-8P dressed as your favorite saint!

COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS (NOV. 2)

We remember and pray for all who have died in the hope of eternal life. This is a great day to go to the Saint James Church Cemetery on North Miles and pray for those buried there.

Advertisement for Saint James Catholic Church All Saints Day Celebration on Tuesday, November 1. Includes QR codes for sign-up and ideas for costumes.

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INFORMATION NIGHT

All singles, engaged, or married couples are invited to an evening presentation on the theology of marriage and the gift of family.

Monday, November 14 | 7:00-8:30pm

Rodney Thomas Room-Church Campus

RSVP to Olivia Dvorjak odvorjak@stjames-etown.org

FAITH FORMATION

# ADVENT BY *Candlelight*

Saturday - 12.10.22 3:30-8:30pm  
at Saint James Catholic School

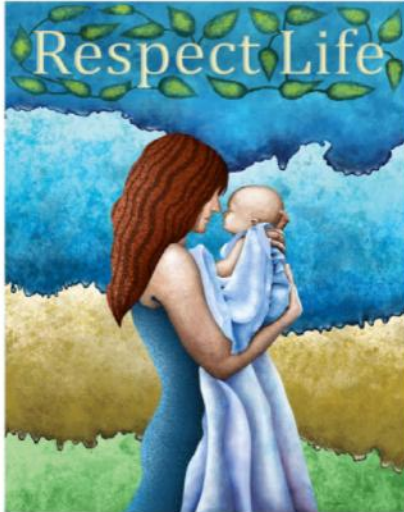


- Be renewed through retreat talks & small group conversations
- Enjoy homemade soups, salads, breads & elegant desserts
- Encounter Jesus in the gift of the Eucharist during Adoration
- \$20/woman; register by Dec. 1!

**RSVP to  
attend on  
the Parish  
website!**

*Advent by Candlelight is a mini-retreat hosted by women of our parish for women of our parish!*

RESPECT LIFE NEWS



The Saint James Respect Life Committee, led by our Pastor and Clergy, urges you to please vote “YES” for Constitutional Amendment # 2 on your November 8th election ballot.

On the next page you will find 2 photos of Hardin County’s “County Wide Composite Ballot” for the November 8th General Election. It includes all voting precincts in Hardin County. When you vote, you will receive a shorter ballot that is specific to your voting precinct.

1. On every precinct’s ballot, just as in the large composite one, Amendment # 2 will be ***the very last item on the ballot.*** It may even be on the back of your ballot!
2. No matter what you vote on the rest of the ballot, ***in order to vote YES on Amendment # 2, you must also fill in the YES box at the END of Amendment # 2 in order to vote for it.***

The full page photo on the next page shows just how small Constitutional Amendment # 2 appears on the ballot.

You really have to be looking for it in order to find it.

The close-up photo enables you to see the actual wording of the amendment itself exactly as it appears on your ballot. Only the words in quotation marks that follow, would be added to Kentucky’s State Constitution. No other words of the Constitution would be added, subtracted or modified by Amendment # 2:

***"To protect human life, nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to secure or protect a right to abortion or require the funding of abortion"***

THAT'S ALL!!

“This does not change the law of abortion. It only prevents Courts from changing the law themselves.”

~ Louisville Attorney Vincent F. Heuser, Jr.

VOTE PRO-LIFE ~ YES ON AMENDMENT # 2

In the sample ballot below

You will see the actual wording of the proposed Amendment # 2. There is also a close up shot of the voting area. The "Yes" box is located on the very bottom right corner of the ballot.

<p><b>MAYOR</b> City of Vine Grove (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pam OGDEN</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p>	<p><b>MAYOR</b> City of West Point (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Richard A. CIRESI SR.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p>	<p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT #1</b></p> <p>Are you in favor of amending the present Constitution of Kentucky to repeal sections 36, 42, and 55 and replace those sections with new sections of the Constitution of Kentucky to allow the General Assembly to meet in regular session for thirty legislative days in odd-numbered years, for sixty legislative days in even-numbered years, and for no more than twelve additional days during any calendar year if convened by a Joint Proclamation of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, with no session of the General Assembly to extend beyond December 31; and to provide that any act passed by the General Assembly shall become law on July 1 of the year in which it was passed, or ninety days after passage and signature of the Governor, whichever occurs later, or in cases of emergency when approved by the Governor or when it otherwise becomes law under Section 88 of the Constitution?</p> <p>Proposed New Section</p> <p>(1) The General Assembly, in odd-numbered years, shall convene in regular session on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in January for the purpose of electing legislative leaders, adopting rules of procedure, organizing committees, and introducing and considering legislation.</p> <p>(2) No regular session of the General Assembly occurring in odd-numbered years shall continue beyond thirty legislative days.</p> <p>(3) No bill raising revenue or appropriating funds shall be passed by the General Assembly in a regular session in an odd-numbered year unless it shall be agreed upon by three-fifths of all the members elected to each House.</p> <p>(4) The General Assembly, in even-numbered years, shall convene in regular session on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in January, and no regular session of the General Assembly in even-numbered years shall extend beyond sixty legislative days.</p> <p>(5) Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, the General Assembly shall establish by general law or joint resolution the date the regular session shall end. No bill establishing a later date shall be passed by the General Assembly unless it shall be agreed upon by three-fifths of all the members elected to each House. No session of the General Assembly shall extend beyond December 31.</p> <p>(6) In addition to a regular session, the General Assembly may be convened by Joint Proclamation of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives for no more than twelve legislative days annually, during which the General Assembly may recess from time to time as it determines necessary. Should a vacancy occur in the office of the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Joint Proclamation for the House with the vacancy may be issued by the Senate</p> <p>President Pro Tempore or the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives.</p> <p>(7) All sessions of the General Assembly shall be held at the seat of government, except in the case of war, insurrection, or pestilence, when it may, by Joint Proclamation of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, assemble, for the time being, elsewhere. Should a vacancy occur in the office of the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Joint Proclamation for the House with the vacancy may be issued by the Senate President Pro Tempore or the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives.</p> <p>(8) Limitations as to the length of any session of the General Assembly shall not apply to any extraordinary session under Section 80 of this Constitution or in the Senate when sitting as a court of impeachment.</p> <p>(9) A legislative day shall be construed to mean a calendar day, exclusive of Sundays, legal holidays, or any day on which neither House meets.</p> <p>Proposed New Section</p> <p>No act, except general appropriation bills, shall become a law until July 1 of the year in which it was passed, or until ninety days after it becomes law under Section 88 of this Constitution, whichever occurs later, except in cases of emergency, when, by the concurrence of a majority of the members elected to each House of the General Assembly, by a yeas and nays vote entered upon their journals, an act may become a law when approved by the Governor or when it otherwise becomes a law under Section 88, but the reasons for the emergency that justifies this action must be set out at length in the journal of each House."</p> <p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT #1</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>ALL PRECINCTS</p>
<p><b>CITY COUNCIL</b> City of Vine Grove (Vote for up to Six)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Kristofer KING</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lonnie DENNIS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Donna J. BETSON</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Garry W. McCOY</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Selena HUDSON</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mary DUNN</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Kathleen "Kathy" SISCO</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Donna SPANGENBERGER</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p>	<p><b>CITY COUNCIL</b> City of West Point (Vote for up to Six)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Amy Renee BICKEL</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Ronald "Ron" LUCE</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Annette BAKER</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Jo Annette SABOL</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Joseph R. FROST</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> K. Scott YOUNG</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Christopher McVEY</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Kevin M. DUKE</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Write-in</p>	<p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT #2</b></p> <p>Are you in favor of amending the present Constitution of Kentucky to create a new Section of the Constitution to be numbered Section 26A to state as follows: To protect human life, nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to secure or protect a right to abortion or require the funding of abortion?"</p> <p>Proposed New Section</p> <p>To protect human life, nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to secure or protect a right to abortion or require the funding of abortion?"</p> <p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT #2</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>ALL PRECINCTS</p> <p>(The very last thing on the ballot!)</p>

**VOTE PROLIFE!**

**YES ON 2**

**YES FOR LIFE!**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT #2**

"Are you in favor of amending the Constitution of Kentucky by creating a new Section of the Constitution to be numbered Section 26A to state as follows: To protect human life, nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to secure or protect a right to abortion or require the funding of abortion?"

YES

**ALL PRECINCTS**

(The very last thing on the ballot!)

The Saint James Respect Life Committee would like to sincerely thank our parishioners and those of other churches who volunteered to work installing crosses at the annual Kentucky Right to Life Heartland Association's Cemetery of the Innocents project on the Godfrey's property last Saturday. This year's effort was especially difficult because of the lack of rain and the resulting extremely hard, dry condition of the soil. Only the amazing, resolute determination of all our volunteers enabled us to successfully complete the task that day! We are enormously proud to be associated with each and every one of you!

The Saint Vincent de Paul Outreach is requesting the following items for their food pantry: **Crackers, cereal, dried beans, spaghetti pasta, pasta sauce and canned vegetables (especially carrots, corns and mixed vegetables).**

Your donations are greatly appreciated. **Thank you!**

The Forever Young Club will meet on **November 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 in the ECTC cafeteria for a Thanksgiving meal.** The reservations deadline was October 25th. If you have any question, please contact Joyce Solar at 270-312-1501 or Elaine Alicna at 270-300-3777. The meal will be free for members who have paid 2022 dues and \$15.00 for guests.



**Members of the Knights of Columbus**

will be at the doors of the church after all Mass THIS weekend (October 29/30).

They will collect for their annual Tootsie Roll fundraiser to assist people with developmental and intellectual disabilities. The local and state Knights' councils contributed a total of \$9,500 from 2021 collections to Project LEARN, Inc., an organization in Elizabethtown that offers program services to persons with intellectual disabilities. ~ **Thank You!**



**2022 Community Picnic**

*Good Food. Good Fun. Great Success!*

The Saint James Community Picnic Committee is pleased to announce that the net revenue from the event is **\$50,000!**

This amount exceeds the goal set for this year's event. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success by sponsoring the event, purchasing a raffle ticket or food, playing games, attending, volunteering, etc. We are blessed to have such a supportive community of parishioners, school families, faculty and staff.

*All proceeds from the event will benefit Saint James Catholic Church and School.*

**Winners of this year's Capital Prize Raffle are:**

1st Prize - \$6,000 - Georgina Fondow, Elizabethtown, KY

2nd Prize - \$1,500 - Craig Paske, Elizabethtown, KY

3rd Prize - \$1,000 - Alex Cook, Hodgenville, KY

4th Prize - \$500 - Laurie Goblirsch, Elizabethtown, KY

**The Bulletin Deadline: All items for the bulletin need to be submitted by Noon the WEDNESDAY of the work week prior to publication date.** Please email items to: **dsears@stjames-etown.org**

**Stewardship of Treasure**

**Weekend of October 22 / 23**

Amount Collected \$16,915.28

*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](mailto:jmoran@stjames-etown.org) or 270-765-7011 ext. 110.**

**Saint Vincent de Paul Outreach Annual Report From 1 October 2021 through 30 September 2022**

The resources used by the Outreach to assist the less fortunate in Elizabethtown and southern Hardin Co. are received from our Saint James family through your donations of food and funds as well as profits gained from shopping at the local Saint Vincent DePaul store. Thank you for your amazing generosity and for "helping us help others". Through these donations we were able to provide the following assistance:

**FOOD:** \$73,201 (estimated retail value of food distributed); 1,348 households assisted with 2,360 individuals assisted within these households.

**UTILITIES:** \$56,242; 349 households assisted with 700 individuals assisted within these households.

**HOUSING** (rent and motel): \$24,454; 152 households assisted with 265 individuals assisted within these households.

**OTHER** (bus tickets, gasoline; prescriptions): \$5,861\*; 489 households assisted with 928 individuals assisted within these households.

**TOTAL ASSISTANCE:** \$159,758 expended to help 2,338 households with 4,253 individuals assisted within these households.

\*Total includes \$5,400 for a twin (sharing of financial resources) between SVDP Elizabethtown and SVDP Owensboro to help with the violent, devastating tornadoes that struck western Kentucky December 10, 2021.

**"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."**

*~ Matthew 25:40*

**Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Guild**

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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES ~ OCTOBER 2022



**October 11, 2022 Parish Council Meeting**

Members present were Lou Edmondson, Lorna Vertrees, Jeff Lanz, Jordan Cofer, Cheri Ellis-Reeves, Sister Augusta, Sister Mary Grace, Father Loi and Father Michael.

Meeting began with welcoming Sister Mary Grace and Jordan Cofer to the parish council. Father Michael began meeting with prayer.

Father Michael stated he had met with a couple of people to discuss St. James working with Boys and Girls Haven. A parishioner has asked if Children's church was going to start up again. Father Michael asked council information regarding this ministry since it was stopped due to Covid before he arrived. Jeff gave information about when it was and who would oversee it. Plans are in works to honor of Sister Michael Marie. We will have more details later.

School Update-Sister Mary Grace said first quarter has been a smooth transition. Enrollment is 407, up 20 82 is preschool, 325 K-8. We are on rising trend. School motto has been modified to A Tradition of Faith, Excellence, Community. She wants the school to instill vision, joyful disciples, lifelong learners and virtuous citizens.

School is going back to pre-Covid, students are eating in lunchroom, students are able to be in small groups. MAP scores are showing growth. They are working toward the Blue Ribbon status. They are working on increasing Catholic identity into all classes, increasing community involvement and transparency. November 1st will start admission process for new students, accepting student will be in April, current students will register in February. There are 7 new committee members that will work with school board and administration on various projects. Archdiocese revamps the strategic plan annually.

Strategic Plan Committee updates

Communication - kept at status quo - no changes

Evangelization - Lou reported that each Monday a group is working through a book Contagious Catholic. They are looking for ways to strengthen their faith, help those who have fallen away. There will be a workshop provided by Catholic Education Foundation grant on October 29, 2022 on evangelization.

Faith Formation - Sister Augusta said that strategic plan steps is on track. Olivia Dvorjak has been hired to help full time with Faith Formation. Fabiola is a big help in the office. Father Jean has the desire to teach and works with Hispanic Community. Needs assessment was done on senior members of the church, Catholic Women of St. James is a thriving group, working on annual retreats. They have added a 7-8th grade youth ministry that has around 25-35 students that meet monthly.

Fellowship - Lorna said this years picnic was the best financially so far. The Hispanic community was involved with the picnic this year. They also had a Food Festival after mass one weekend and are looking to continue to build relationships with the parish as a whole.

Coffee and donuts are in plans to start up with Knights of Columbus taking it over. The ambassador program has been dropped.

Operational Vitality - Father Michael said the Finance Committee meets next week. Hard copies of Accountability Report are in back of church for parishioners to pick up if they want hard copy.

Stewardship - Lorna said they are working on Stewardship book now. The committee are looking into having members to share their story of what stewardship means to them. Stewardship weekend is planned for January 16-17th.

Worship- Jeff said they are having regular quarterly meetings, St. James is offering additional confessional times. Music has improved since Tim was hired. Tim old Jeff that cantors are having the opportunity to help with song choice, possibly a children's choir, are part of strategic planning steps. Servers are increasing at school and church.

Lou thanked everyone and said that we are in good standing in strategic planning steps.

Father Loi closed meeting with prayer.

**Next meeting is in December**



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