



SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

307 West Dixie Avenue, Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701 www.stjames-etown.org November 20, 2022

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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 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.

PHONE NUMBERS:

 Parish Office
 270-765-6268

 Parish Fax
 270-982-3303

 Saint James Catholic School
 270-765-7011

 Youth Ministry
 270-765-6268

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 270-763-4249

EUCHARISTIC 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 parish office@stjames-etown.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 21, 2022

(The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary) 6:00 p.m. + Karen Pham and Thu Dang

Tuesday, November 22, 2022

(Saint Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr) 8:00 a.m. + Christine Amberger

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

(Saint Clement I, Pope & Martyr)

8:00 a.m. + Bettie Skees (@ CHURCH)

Thursday, November 24, 2022 - Thanksgiving Day

(Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions, Martyrs)
9:00 a.m. + Jackie & Lyndon Hebert

Friday, November 25, 2022

(Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr) 8:00 a.m. Birthday - L. Gail Hereford

Saturday, November 26, 2022

8:00 a.m. + Freddie & Carl Smith & Pamela Hickey

(The First Sunday of Advent)

5:00 p.m. + Betty Wright

Sunday, November 27, 2022 (The First Sunday of Advent)

8:00 a.m. + P. J. Hartlage 10:00 a.m. *Missa pro populo* 12:00 p.m. + Alma "Bunny" Marr 3:00 p.m. + Alexander Esparra

+ Denotes deceased.

Parish Pastoral Council Members 2021-2022



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

SAINT JAMES SCHEDULE

Monday, November 21, 2022

(Saint James Catholic School CLOSED this week.)

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

6:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church* **6:30 p.m.** RCIA Class, *Rodnet Thomas Room*

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

Tuesday, November 22, 2022

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

6:30 p.m. Hispanic Eucharistic Adoration, *Church* **7:00 p.m.** Young Adult Ministry Book Study, *RTR*

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

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

Thursday, November 24, 2022 (Saint James Parish Office CLOSED.)

Friday, November 25, 2022

(Saint James Parish Office CLOSED.)

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

Saturday, November 26, 2022

8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church* **8:45 a.m.** Men's Study Group, *PO Basement*

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

Sunday, November 27, 2022

(First Sunday of Advent)

7:00 p.m. 2nd Year Confirmation Meeting, *Church*

*A funeral Mass would alter this weekly schedule.

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 abor-



tion 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.

During the Advent Season, we will have an added hour of confessions on Wednesdays from 5:00 p.m. ~ 6:00 p.m. This will begin on Wednesday, November 30, 2022.

Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass Schedule for Thursday, December 8th

8:00 a.m. Mass @ Saint James Catholic School 12:00 p.m. (Noon) Mass @ Church 6:00 p.m. Mass @ Church

PARISH LIFE

Respect Life.

How Do We Change Our Culture of Death?

Pope John Paul II noted that the structure of man's sin is characterized or manifest on a universal scale in our Culture of Death. He pointed out that the powerful are easily able to manhandle the weak (e.g., abortion and euthanasia).

The culture of death is not the result of philosophy or decrepit ethics, or political theory. The culture of death is a result of sin committed freely by persons.

Thus it is fundamentally a personal problem, not a political one. So, the battle will not be won solely by a political action or movement, because the battle is not against human beings or arid philosophies, but is a battle against sin: "For our struggle is not with flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens" (Eph. 6:12).

Therefore, first and foremost, we must first recognize God's saving action and saving mission, and then participate in it. This has always been, and will always be the Church's role. We love because He loved us first (1 Jn. 4:19), and we spread that love through our testimony to the nations (Acts 1:8).

We must try to influence our culture with our words and deeds, realizing that the purpose of evangelization is always to introduce man to the Person of Christ, and the Person of Christ to man, that man might enter into His mystical body, the Church.

Thus, through grace attained by turning to Him, the culture of death can indeed be transformed, simply because the Gospel always has the power to transform the hearts of men...even when the culture seems most evil, hopeless and perverse.

~ Pro-Life Articles

On Saturday, December 3rd at 11:00 am, we will be removing, cleaning and repacking the crosses of the Cemetery of the Innocents. We are requesting volunteers to help. Details of the organization of the work will be published next week in this column. *Thank you.*



Solemnidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo

¡Bendito el que viene en el nombre del Señor! ¡Bendito el reino que llega, el reino de nuestro padre David!

Hoy cerramos el ciclo litúrgico con la celebración de Cristo Rey, celebración que sirve de bisagra entre el final del presente ciclo, al que pone el broche, y el nuevo. La clave de esta celebración se encuentra en la compresión que tengamos de este título de Rey, pues esta comprensión marcará nuestra perspectiva y balance de lo vivido como cristianos a lo largo del año anterior y también mar-

cará nuestras expectativas con respecto al futuro que se abre.

El evangelio de Lucas forma parte del relato de la crucifixión, diríamos que es el momento culminante de un relato que encierra todo la teología lucana: Jesús salvador del hombre, y muy especialmente de aquellos más desvalidos. Lucas, con este relato nos quiere presentar algo más profundo y extraordinario que la simple crucifixión de un profeta. Por ello se llama la atención de cómo el pueblo "estaba mirando" y escuchando. Y comienza todo un diálogo y una polémica sobre la "salvación" y el "salvarse" que es uno de los conceptos claves de la obra de Lucas. Los adversarios se obstinan en que Jesús, el Mesías según el texto, no puede salvarse y no puede salvar a otros. Además está crucificado y ya ello es inconveniente excesivo para que el letrero de la cruz ("rey de los judíos"=Mesías) pierda todo su sentido jurídico y se convierta en sarcasmo. Está claro por qué ha sido condenado: por una razón política, acusado de ir contra Roma, en nombre de un mesianismo que ni pretendió, ni aceptó de sus seguidores.

El malhechor lo invoca con su nombre propio ¡Jesús!, no como el de Mesías o el de Rey o incluso el de Hijo de Dios. Esto es algo que ha llamado poderosamente la atención de los intérpretes. Es verdad que en la Biblia, en el nombre hay toda una significación que debe ser santo y seña de quien lo lleva. "Jesús" significa: "Dios salva" o "Dios es mi salvador". Es una plegaria, pues, al crucificado, pero Lucas entiende que en todo aquello está Dios por medio. Es decir, que Dios no está al margen de lo que está aconteciendo en la cruz, en el sufrimiento de Jesús y de los mismos malhechores. La interpelación del buen ladrón como plegaria es para Lucas toda una enseñanza de que el crucificado es el verdadero salvador y de que por medio de su vida y de su muerte, Dios salva. Por tanto encontraremos salvación y salvación inmediata: "hoy estarás conmigo en el paraíso". Esta es una fórmula bíblica cerrada para expresar la vida después de la muerte. No sabemos cómo ha llegado a Lucas este diálogo de la cruz, pero la verdad es que es lo más original de todos los evangelistas sobre esta escena de la pasión. Jesús es verdaderamente rey, aunque al margen de todas las expectativas políticas. El "nudo gordiano" se rompe, si queremos a tajo, por la palabra de vida que Jesús ofrece en nombre de Dios.

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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

Saint James Catholic School will be closed November 21st through 25th; and the Parish Office will be closed November 24th and 25th for the Thanksgiving holiday.



Annual Saint James Christmas Purse

Here at Saint James we are continually blessed by the dedicated service of our priests, deacons, and staff.
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 CHRIST-MAS" 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: November 26th & 27th, December 3rd & 4th and December 10th & 11th 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 or you can mail your donation to the Elizabethtown Council #1455 at P.O. Box 494, Elizabethtown, KY 42702-0494.

Christmas Mass Schedule

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

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

Saturday, December 24 - 10:00 p.m.

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

Sunday, December 25 - 12:00 p.m.

ATTENTION: Sacristans, Lectors, EMHC & Ushers. Volunteer sign-up sheets for Immaculate Conception, Christmas & Mary, Mother of God Masses are in the Ministry Sign-in binder in the narthex. Thank you all for your dedicated service to the parish in fulfilling the needs of these ministries.

HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINES:

Due to holiday closures at Diocesan Printing, the November 27th bulletin was submitted on November 17th. NOTE: Due to Deacon Dean being away for Pilgrimage, the December 4th and 11th bulletins will be submitted November 28th. Bulletins for December 18th, 25th and January 1st will be submitted one week sooner than usual. Bulletin items need to be submitted two weeks prior to printing to: dsears@stjames-etown.org.

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 preparing, 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 bcjjj@comcast.net.



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): 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)

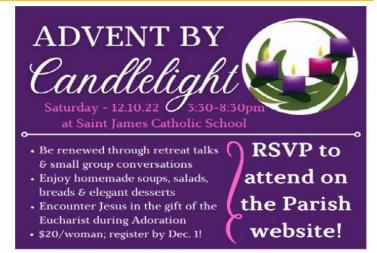
Meets every other Wednesday night. For more information, contact Olivia Dvorjak. (odvorjak@stjames-etown.org).

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).





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



#AdventTO

Usually made up of evergreen branches or boughs placed in a circle, topped with four candles

and one candle is lit on the first Sunday of Advent; another candle is lit every Sunday until burning brightly

PURPLE CANDLES

Used as a prayerful way to reflect the passage of the Advent season

The EVERGREENS verlasting life promise to us by the gift of Jesus Christ, who came among us to save us

A PINK CANDLE for the third Sunday reminds us that the time of Christ's arrival is fast approaching and we

The act of LIGHTING THE CANDLES banishes the darkness: a reminder of Jesus Christ, the Light who has come into the world through his birth, and who continues to shine brightly through his Church

O God, as light comes from this candle, may the blessing of Jesus Christ come to us, warming our hearts and brightening our way. May Christ our Saviour bring life into the darkness of this





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Contact

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DIOCESAN

Catholic Life Every Day

Thanks to you and Diocesan, the bulletin is published weekly at no cost to the parish!

CATHOLIC WOMEN OF SAINT JAMES meets on Wednesdays starting at 9:00 a.m. for fellowship followed by a program at 9:30 a.m. We invite all women who are interested to join us. We have several interesting events coming up as the year comes to a close and they are as follows:

Wednesday, November 30th: Preparing for Advent, to include a short video with Dr Tim Gray, followed by a presentation of the meaning of the Advent Wreath.

Wednesday, December 7th: Father Loi will speak on the Vietnamese cultures and practices.

Wednesday December 14th: The movie "Mary of Nazareth."

Please come and spend some time with us as we prepare for the Christmas season. We would love to have you. God bless each of you!

Chair: Maggie Beville- 270-307-7907 Co Chair: Betty Howell-270-401-2250

Christmas for Kids - We will have the opportunity, again this year, to provide Christmas presents for needy children in Hardin County.

If you would like to donate a toy, art supplies, gift cards, or personal care products, lotions, nail polish, they can be dropped off in the back of church or you can buy for a specific child with information on clothing sizes and toy or age-appropriate item.

Checks are to be made payable to St. James Church with the notation "St. James Christmas" in the memo.

Thank you for your generosity!

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

THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3 Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20 Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

The First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5
Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14
Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44



Gift of Your Fertility

Angela Hobbs, RN, BSN Certified Marquette Method Instructor

The Marquette Method teaches a couple to monitor the female hormones along with other natural signs of fertility to aid the couple's self-knowledge of their fertility in planning their family.

Upcoming Introductory Online Classes:

Tuesday, December 6th at 7 PM EST Thursday, February 2nd 7 PM EST

For more information or to register: angela@giftofyourfertility.com (270)735-3883 The introductory class teaches use of the method during regular cycles and during breastfeeding.

The Saint Vincent de Paul Outreach is

requesting the following items for their food pantry: **Peanut butter, cereal, spaghetti sauce, syrup, and pancake mix.** Your donations are greatly appreciated. *Thank you!*

Want to make a Eucharistic Visit for prayer?

If you find the church locked during our regular parish office hours and want access to the church, please come to the parish office to sign out a key.

Post-Communion Posture

Please note: Beginning on the First Sunday of Advent 2022 (November 26 and 27) all are invited to kneel or be seated following reception of Holy Communion. Thank you.

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