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December 26, 2021 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Holy Mass

WEEKENDS

Saturday

5:00 PM – Bilingual

Sunday

10:00 AM – English

WEEKDAYS

Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri

8:00 AM

Major Feast Days

(Holy Days):

As announced

CONFESSION

15 minutes before Mass
outside of church or by
appointment.

A Hearty Welcome

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your current family or marital situation, No matter what your past or present religious situation, No matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., No matter what your own self-image or esteem, You are INVITED, WELCOMED, ACCEPTED, LOVED and RESPECTED AT St. James.

Contact the Office for any assistance.

Please do not join St. James until you know what you are getting into, but please don't walk away from St. James until you know what you are walking away from.



OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

PAROCHIAL TEAM

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Elfida Garcia

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Margaret Smith

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Catholic community of St. James Church is made up of loving and sensitive members seeking to meet their spiritual needs, strengthen their faith, and affirm their continued existence as the church of Jesus Christ today and tomorrow. In their quest to evangelize, it is their mission to assist everyone toward a more abundant experience of the riches of their liturgy and sacraments, and to convince all of Christ's sheep that the Lord's Day is indeed for all.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend we will have a **second collection** for the **Building, Repair, and Maintenance Fund**.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will be closed on **Friday, December 31, 2021** in observance of the New Year.

NEW YEAR CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Your contribution envelopes for the New Year are available at the back of the church, please pick up your envelopes. Thank you for all of you who generously supported this past year.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank all the CCE staff, parents, grandparents and anonymous donors for helping make our Children's Christmas celebration a success with their donations and time.

NEW YEAR'S EVE & DAY MASSES

We will have Mass on **New Year's Eve, Friday, December 31st at 6:00 p.m.** & Mass on **New Year's Day, Saturday, January 1st at 10:00 a.m.**

FR. JACOB 23RD ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION LUNCHEON

On **January 9th** we are celebrating Fr. Jacob's 23rd Anniversary of Ordination with a luncheon **after the 10:00 a.m. Mass**. Please bring a covered dish. Everyone is invited.

SILVER & GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS CELEBRATION

Those blessed by celebrating 25 or 50 years of Sacramental Marriage are invited to attend a special Silver & Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael Mulvey **Sunday, February 13, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. Corpus Christi Cathedral, 505 N. Upper Broadway**. A light reception will follow in St. Joseph's Hall at the Cathedral. Register at: <http://www.diocesec.org/anniversarymass> or call the Family Life Office at 361-882-6191. registration deadline: February 1, 2022

SPONSORING CHURCH PEWS

In appreciation for those sponsoring a church pew, a name plaque for all the sponsors will be displayed in the church.

ST JAMES 75th ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS

Our **St. James 75th Anniversary t-shirts** are available for **\$10.00 each**, sizes **small and large to 5 extra-large**. Contact Martha Cuellar (361) 318-4974.

GIFT SHOP

We have new items available in our gift shop, please stop by and visit.

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

With the number of COVID-19 cases rising. Wearing face masks or covering is highly encouraged, along with washing and sanitizing your hands thoroughly and often, and practicing social distancing.

CONDOLENCES

St. James expresses condolences to the family of **Antonia De Luna Garcia**.

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, December 25

Christmas Day

- 10:00 AM † **Ramon Elias Rodriguez** In Memory of
 † **Maximino Hurtado** In Memory of
 † **Encarnacion & Ugo Silva, & Mary Jane Lopez** by Juan Silva
- 5:00 PM † **Reynaldo & Beatrice Villarreal** by Rosalinda V. Espinosa
 † **Johnny Ramirez, Sr. & Johnny Ramirez, Jr.**
 By Mr. & Mrs. Joe Henry Alaniz
 † **Lee Ramirez, Sr. & Elida Ramirez** In Memory of
 By Ronnie Ramirez
 † **Julio L. Sanchez, Jr.** In Memory of
 By Julio & Stella Sanchez Family
 † **Valentina G. Garza** In Memory of
 By Julio & Stella Sanchez Family
 † **Luz G. Garza, Sr.** In Memory of by Julio & Stella Sanchez Family
 † **Aurora Gomez** In Memory of by Patricia Gonzalez & Family

Sunday, December 26

- 10:00 AM † **Anita P. Rodriguez** In Memory of by Janie Maldonado
 † **Francisco, Maria, & Tony Guerrero** by The Guerrero Family
 † **Sylvia Alvarado Herrera** In Memory of her Birthday
 By Gabby Diaz
 † **Julio P. Salazar, BauDelia O. Salazar, & Geronimo S. Ortiz**
 In Memory of
 † **Hector Arrisola** In Memory of by Norma Arrisola & Family
 † **Mary Jane Ramos** In Memory of by Norma Arrisola & Family
 † **Estela C. Cardenas** In Memory of 9th Anniversary
 By Francisco Cardenas & Family

Monday, December 27

- 8:00 AM † **Arturo C. Garcia** In Memory of his Birthday by Lucy Garcia

Wednesday, December 29

- 8:00 AM † **Norma Wingenter** In Memory of by Joyce Stanush
 † **Consuelo S. Martinez** In Memory of her 25th Anniversary
 By Cristina Sanchez & Family

Thursday, December 30

- 8:00 AM † **Richard Licona Martinez** In Memory of his Birthday

Friday, December 31

New Year's Eve

- 6:00 PM † **Richard Licona Martinez** In Memory of his Birthday

Dear Friends,

As you already know in 2021 St. James is celebrating its 75th Anniversary. As part of the infrastructural improvements the Parish Council and Finance Committee along with all the organizations of the parish decided to change the parish pew cushions. The total estimate cost is \$20,000. i.e., each pew cost about \$300.00. We earnestly appeal to different organizations and individuals to sponsor as many pews as you can so that we can complete the project without hurting much of the operating expenses. We expect a whole hearted cooperation from you for this noble project. Sincerely,

Louis Sanchez

Finance Council Chairman

Luis Hernandez

Parish Council Chairman



WEEKLY OFFERING

December 19, 2021

Envelope Collection	\$1914.51
Loose Collection	\$265.02
Total	\$2179.53
Second Collection	\$191.23

May God bless you for your selfless sacrifice

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and**Joseph [C] (Dec 26) Sunday:****1Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; 1Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52**

On the last Sunday of the calendar year, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. On this feast day we are offering our own families and all their members on the altar to ask God's blessing on them and to obtain for them the guidance of the Holy Family.

Scripture: The first reading, taken from the First Book of Samuel, describes how Elkanah and Hannah presented their child Samuel in the Temple, consecrated him to the service of the Lord as a perpetual Nazarite, and left him in the Temple under the care of Eli, the priest. In today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 128), the Psalmist reminds us that happy homes are the fruit of our faithfulness to the Lord. In the second reading, John reminds us that, as children of God the Father, we are members of God's own family, and as such we are expected to obey the greatest commandment of God: "*Love one another,*" so that we may remain united to God in the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel, Luke concludes his detailed story of Christ's infancy, with the events of Jesus' visit to the Temple in Jerusalem at the age of twelve to become "a son of the Law" and to take up the obligations of the Law. Jesus lingered behind in the Temple, attending the Sanhedrin classes on religious and theological questions as an eager student of Mosaic Law. Finally, when Mary and Joseph had found him in the Temple after three days of anxious search, Jesus reminded them that He "had to be" in his Father's House. It was as if Jesus had had a blaze of realization about His Divine Sonship. The Gospel then summarizes the next 18 years of Jesus' life, stating that Jesus grew up at Nazareth like any other young man, obeying his parents, faithfully discharging all his duties to God, to his parents, and to the community, "*advancing in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.*"

Life messages: 1) We need to learn lessons from the Holy Family: The Church encourages us to look to the Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph for inspiration, example and encouragement. They were a model family in which both parents worked hard, helped each other, understood and accepted each other, and took good care of their Child so that He might grow up not only in human knowledge but also as a Child of God.

2) We need to make the family a confessional rather than a courtroom. A senior Judge of the Supreme Court congratulated the bride and groom in a marriage and gave them a pertinent piece of advice: "See that you never convert your family into a courtroom; instead let it be a confessional. If the husband-and-wife start arguing like attorneys in an attempt to justify their behavior, their family becomes a court of law and nobody wins. On the other hand, if the husband and the wife — as in a confessional — are ready to admit their faults and try to correct them, the family becomes a Heavenly one."

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3) Parents need to examine their consciences: On the Feast of the only perfect Family that ever lived on this earth, all parents might examine themselves to see how well they are fulfilling the grave responsibility which God has placed on them. As they heard during their marriage ceremony: "*children are a gift from God to you*" for whom their parents are accountable before God, as they must, in the end, return these, His children, to Him. Let us pray for the grace of caring for one another in our own families, for each member of our parish family, and for all families of the universal Church. May God bless all our families in the New Year!

NEW YEAR'S EVE & DAY MASSESNew Year's Eve, Friday, December 31st**6:00 p.m.**New Year's Day, Saturday, January 1st**10:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.****NEXT BAPTISM CLASS – January 3, 2022****Must wear a mask to attend class**

All applications **MUST** be submitted to the church office before the last day of the previous month. Parents must be registered members at St. James.

Items needed are:

Copy of the child's Birth Certificate

For sponsors - **certificates of baptism, communion, and confirmation, if married certificate of the sacrament of marriage from the respective Church.**

Baptisms will take place **3rd Sunday of month** after the **10:00 a.m. Mass. Baptism classes** for parents and sponsors are held on the **first Monday** of every Month at 7:00 p.m. in the CCE Building.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

With care and compassion, we pray for:

Jewelina Beth Gonzalez, Christopher Cardenas, Anthony Angel Cardenas, Guadalupe Benavides, Albert Cardenas, Jr., Jim Nelson, Joe Adrian Moya, Catherine McKeown, Kristina Elena Garcia, Eva Dominguez, Chris Ulmer, Roxann Gleason, Jessie Riojas, Joe Anthony Martinez, Lino Garcia, Denice Hadwin, Patty Stone, Tabitha Rendon, Mary Longoria, Jessie Martinez, Jr., Roman Flores, Santos Lopez, Caroline James Ries, Adrian Sampayo, Aurelio Guajardo, Tonya Sciba, Kenneth Sciba, Nieves Moreno, Jr., Jessica Arrisola, Mary Carrizales, Norma Delgado, Juanita Maldonado, Dora Lopez Bernal, Emo Aleman, Angie Aleman, Robert Hernandez, Nieves Cardenas, Anselmo Garcia, Jr., Josefa Aleman, Crystal Arciba, Francisco Trevino, Patricia Servantes, Viola Rangel, Oralia Aleman, Sandy Rios, Nieves Moreno, Dawn Bieber, Lori Baldillez, Cristobal Servantes, Timmy Lopez, Juanita Alvarado, Deacon Juan Vasquez, Viola Maldonado, Madison Pena, Ricardo Trevino, Jr., Daniel Loya, Sandra Urquiza, Nell Jamison, Charles Cartwright, Stella Riojas, Ben Wilson, Mary Kay, Tony Coronado, Sr., Irma Estela Rodriguez, Owen Rodriguez, Timothy Gene Lopez, Fr. Paul Kottackal, Cruz Guerrero, Sr., Elsa Ochoa, Enoc Garcia, Jesus A. Guerrero, Sr., Manuel Ramon, Melissa Keller, Cerise Garcia, Delaney Martinez, Jaime Perez, Waylon James, Roe Garcia, Benita Salazar Garcia, Louis Calzada, Abel Salazar, Frank Maldonado, Domingo Puga, Celsa Cisneros, Martha Cuellar, Ruben Cuellar, Mila Benavidez, William (Billy) Ihlanfeldt, Jr., Charles Trlica, Cindy Joutraw, Connie Zamora, Rogelia Silvas, Jimmy Silvas, Crystal Patino, David Lee Ramirez, Estela Ochoa, Victor & Maria Ramos, Valire Ramos, David Ramirez, and to all at Christus Spohn.

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