

St. James Catholic Church

A living cell of the Catholic Diocese of Corpus Christi

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December 11, 2022 – Third Sunday of Advent

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

Pastor

Rev. Jacob

Office Administrator

R. Anthony Hinojosa

Parish Secretary

Juanita L. Martinez

Parish Catechetical Leader

Anna Castillo

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Guadalupanas

Pres. Juanita Cruz

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Elfida Garcia

English Choir

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

Today's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your generous contributions are appreciated. Next weekend we will have a second collection for the Building, Repair, and Maintenance Fund.

2023 FEASTS AND SAINTS CALENDARS

Our 2023 Feasts and Saints Calendars are now available in the back of the church.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Our 2022 Christmas Celebration will take place this Sunday, December 11th at 5:00 pm at the parish hall. There will be many attractive door prizes. All are welcome with your family. For more information, please contact Martha Cuellar 361-318-4974.

FROM THE CRE

The CCE children will be performing during the Christmas Celebration at the parish hall this Sunday at 5:00 pm, all parishioners and families are most welcome for the Parish Christmas Celebration with our children. For more information contact CRE Anna Castillo

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FEAST DAY

The St. James Guadalupanas invite you to Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast, Monday, December 12th beginning at 7:00 am with Mañanitas, Rosary at 7:30 am, and Mass at 8:00 am. A reception will follow after Mass in the Parish Hall. Bring a rose. All are welcome. For more information contact Juanita Cruz 361-542-1763.

ONE DAY POSADA

We will have a one-day Posada on Friday, December 23 at 6:30 pm. All are welcome.

RAFFLE

We will also have a Raffle for a 55-inch TV on Friday, December 23, during the Posada. Tickets are \$5 each in the back of the church. Contact is Martha Cuellar 361-318-4974.

CHRISTMAS EVE & DAY MASSES

We will have Mass on Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24th at 6:00 p.m. & Mass on Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25th at 10:00 a.m.

HOLY FAMILY MASS

We will also have Mass for the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph on Friday, December 30th at 8:00 am

NEW YEARS' EVE & DAY MASSES

The Mass for New Years' Eve will be Saturday, December 31st at 5:00 p.m. & Mass on New Years' Day, Sunday, January 1st at 10:00 a.m.

CANDLES

Due to unavoidable circumstances and with deep regret, we have to raise the price of the candle one dollar. Beginning January 1st, the price of the candle will be raised from \$3 to \$4. The proceeds go to the liturgical services. Thank you for your generous cooperation, we hope you will understand, may God Bless you all.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

We will have anointing of the sick every first Friday soon after the Mass. Please come and receive for the healing of your mind and body. All are welcome.

SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS CELEBRATION

Those blessed with 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 12, 2023, at 9:30 am Corpus Christi Cathedral, 505 N. Upper Broadway. A light reception will follow in St. Joseph's Hall at the Cathedral.

Online Registration: diocesecc.org/anniversarymassregistration

or RSVP to Heath Garcia at 361-882-6191 ext. 687

registration deadline: February 3, 2023

FLOWER DONATION

Thank you for the donation of flowers by Ralph and Theresa Contreras.

FAITH CHOIR DONATION

Thank you Bob Long for donating \$1000 for the Faith Choir, we appreciate your sacrificial donation.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

We would like to thank Esperanza Gomez for cleaning our church this week

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 10

- 5:00 PM † **Guadalupe & Santiago Villarreal** For her Birthday
By Rosalinda V. Espinosa
† **Concepcion G. Morón** by Morón Family
† **Juan Gomez** by Patricia Gonzalez
† **Reynaldo Perez Muñoz** by his wife Cruz Muñoz
† **Eusebia Navarro**

Sunday, December 11

- 10:00 AM † **Kathy Treviño** by Joe and grandkids
† **Manuel Z. Maldonado** by Anita Espericueta & Family
† **Delfina Huerta** For her 4th Anniversary by her Daughters
† **Tony Guerrero** by Family
Patricia Middleton by Randy & Ruth White

Monday, December 12**Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day**

- 8:00 AM **For all the living & deceased** by Guadalupanas

Wednesday, December 14

- 8:00 AM

Thursday, December 15

- 8:00 AM

Friday, December 16

- 8:00 AM

St. James Catholic Church
FIESTA GUADALUPANA



BRING A ROSE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Monday, December 12, 2022

Mañanitas	-	7:00 A.M.
Rosary	-	7:30 A.M.
Mass	-	8:00 A.M.
Reception	-	After Mass in the Parish Hall

MASS SCHEDULE					
Date	Time	USHERS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
Sat., December 10	5:00 PM	Luis Hernandez Michael Deleon	Cristina Sanchez	Salvador Andrade	Alizabeth Martinez
Sun., December 11	10:00 AM	Jimmy Cardenas Ernest Orozco	Casey Ponce	Janie Maldonado	Theresa Salazar, Rayleigh Guerra Krislynn Cuellar
Sat., December 17	5:00 PM	Luis Hernandez Michael Deleon	Juanita Cruz	Lisa Blanton	Andres Hernandez, Araceli Hernandez
Sun., December 18	10:00 AM	Jimmy Cardenas Ernest Orozco	Janie Maldonado	Susana Martinez	Daniel Hinojosa, Rico Flores, Mia Flores

ADVENT III [A] (Dec 11)**Is 35:1-6a, 10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11**

The Readings for the Third Sunday in Advent refer to the eventual triumph of God over evil of all kinds. Our role in all of this is to do our part and then to be patient and wait for the Lord God to come and act on our behalf. This, as we all know, is difficult to do. How often have you said, or thought, or heard someone else say "Where was God when we needed Him?" in this or that situation? When life seems hopeless, we yearn for God to intervene; but we must also remember that "All things work together for those who wait and trust in the Lord." (Romans 8:28)

In the First Reading from the Prophet Isaiah (35:1 — 6a, 10), the prophet is describing the joy that will come over the people of Israel who have been patient and didn't give up hope while waiting for deliverance from captivity in Babylon. In the same way the faithful, who are waiting for deliverance from this life on earth in order to enter heaven, "we shall enter singing, crowned with everlasting joy."

In the Responsorial Psalm (146:6 — 10), the psalmist extols the goodness and generosity of God who, in His own good time, provides all the necessities of mankind. However, it is often difficult for us to see this in the midst of life's struggles. Therefore, we must constantly call upon God in prayer to renew our faith and grant us the virtues of hope and patience.

In the Second Reading from the Letter of St. James (5:7-10), we hear the apostle encourage his flock by advising them to be patient. This letter was written during a period of severe persecution when all seemed doomed; but James suggests that the people look to the prophets of old who were despised by their own people, yet never gave up hope. Or consider Job, who lost everything; yet because of his faith and hope in God, he regained everything and more.

In the Gospel Reading from the Gospel of Matthew (11:2-11), we hear the familiar story of John the Baptist, the last of the Old Testament prophets, who was in prison at this time. He must have been very discouraged knowing that his end was near. He sends friends to Jesus to learn if He, Jesus, is the "One who is to come?" This is another phrase meaning "Messiah." Jesus, rather than answering with a subjective or abstract "Yes," points out the things that He has accomplished--- the blind recover their sight, cripples walk, deaf hear, etc. This must have encouraged John the Baptist because it was for just this very reason that he had worked so hard at preaching a baptism of repentance. Now he can rest in peace. But listen to the last sentence! It should cause one to sit up and take notice. Jesus says "...the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he" (John the Baptist). How can that be?

Advent is a time of soul-searching and preparing, of waiting and hoping; but we should not let this be the only time we think about the "coming of the Lord." Each time we approach the altar to receive the Blessed Eucharist, we are approaching Jesus Christ. A prayer beforehand to prepare our mind and heart is very much in order and then, when we do receive Him, we will be greater than John the Baptist who never had the opportunity to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Something to think about during your Prayer Time this week!

Bulletin Deadline

Thursday at 12:00 Noon, please have your announcements and notices to the office for insertion into the bulletin. Thank you.

NEXT BAPTISM CLASS – January 2, 2023**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:

Jewelita 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, Denise 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, 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, Enoe 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, Celsa Cisneros, Martha Cuellar, Ruben Cuellar, Mila Benavidez, William (Billy) Ihlanfeldt, Jr., Cindy Joutraw, Connie Zamora, Rogelia Silvas, Jimmy Silvas, David Lee Ramirez, Estela Ochoa, Victor & Maria Ramos, Valire Ramos, David Ramirez, Rosario Cruz, Henry Guerrero, Lucy Garcia, Melba Ponce, Liza Castaneda, Robert Molina, Ruben Contreras, Mary G. Perez, Dora Loya, Martin & Elsa Munoz, and to all at Christus Spohn.

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO ADD OR TO REMOVE NAMES FROM THE PRAYER LIST.

**WEEKLY OFFERING****December 4th, 2022**

Envelope Collection	\$1,826.13
Loose Collection	\$245.38
Total	\$2,071.51

Second Collection	\$132.83
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*May God bless you
for your selfless sacrifice*

AUDITORS**December 11**

Juanita Cruz, Elfida Garcia

December 18

Rosalinda Orozco, Margaret Mesquita

December 25

Janie Maldonado, Alice Sanchez

January 1

Kimberly Cuellar, Luis Hernandez

January 8

Juanita Cruz, Elfida Garcia

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