ST. JAMES

the Greater Catholic Church

December 17, 2023

Third Sunday of Advent

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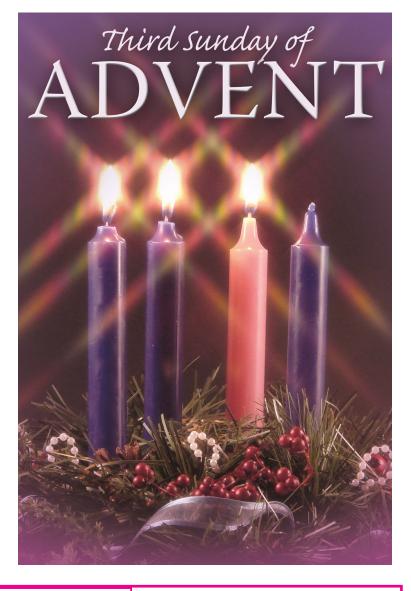
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SOLEMNITY OF CHRISTMAS

Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 24 4:00 pm

Monday, December 25 12:00 Midnight 9:00 am





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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, December 18 8:00 am †Cynthia Zipprich by Vincent & Marie Martin **Tuesday, December 19** 5:30 pm †Gordon Cannady by Cannady Children Wednesday, Dec. 20 8:00 am †Deanna Crawford by Dennis & Penny Mosier Thursday, December 21 5:30 pm †Marvin MacKay by Robert & Teresa Reid Friday, December 22 8:00 am †Pauline Combow by Pat & Judy Terick Saturday, December 23 5:00 pm +Phillip Ridder by R & T Moss Sunday, December 24 8:00 am People of St. James 10:30 am †Anthony Wedman by Brenda Elmer

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Sunday, December 24 4:00 PM †Roberta "Bart" Alfaro by Martin Moreno Monday, December 25 12:00 AM Father P.J. Voegeli Monday, December 25 9:00 AM People of St. James

Christmas Call to Sharing 2023

One of the greatest blessings in the Diocese of Wichita is that a young man is free to enter seminary without worrying about the cost of his private education. Please consider a gift this year for Christmas Call to Sharing to support our 43 seminarians and 20 retired priests.

Augusta Community Caring Center

St. James is responsible for the Community Caring Center the week of December 25.

Monday, Dec. 25 Closed 9:30 am - 11:30 am Wednesday, Dec. 27 Friday, Dec. 29 9:30 am - 11:30 am

If you are able to help, call Angie Watson @ 775-3067 Jason Kant @ 913-568-8612

Be Aware

Father PJ is having trouble with his e-mail. If you send him an email and he has not responded in a timely manner, please call the church

Please be aware that there is a texting scam going around. This is NOT from Father PJ.

It says: "Your name, I need a favor from you, please text me back as soon as possible. Fr. Philip J. 'P.J.' Voegeli"

PLEASE IGNORE THIS MESSAGE AND DO NOT RESPOND

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT





Please return **Stewardship Forms** December 10

Stay awake! It's the official start of the new Liturgical Year in the Church. We need to RESPOND to our parish's efforts. Don't sleep through another year of stewardship opportunities. Try something new!!

The Parish Mission Statement

As disciples of Jesus Christ, St. James the Greater Catholic Community, seeks to grow in holiness through the stewardship way of life.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Due to early submitting of the bulletin for printing, the collection for Dec. 10 will be posted in a later bulletin.

Thank you for your stewardship.

Advisory Committees

Parish Finance Chair

Michael Clifton 316-648-2611

Parish School Council Chair

Josh Weaver 316-305-2275

Altar Society & Knights of Columbus Altar Society

Donna Gerstenkorn 316-650-5760 Diana Ohman 316-650-5349

Knights of Columbus

316-304-7543 Pat Terick



Meetings & Events

Sunday (12-17)

Parish Breakfast after 8:00 am Mass

Tuesday (12-19)

6:30 pm St. James School Music Prog.

7:00 pm RCIA Class

Wednesday (12-20)

12:00noon Harvest House 6:30 pm PSR Classes 6:30 pm Women's Group 7:00 pm KOC Officers Meeting 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus

Thursday (12-21)

6:00 pm Parish Finance Meeting

Friday (12-22)

4:30 pm Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary





The Church needs to be cleaned every week. Please use the link below to find a date available. THANK YOU!!

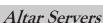
Anyone can sign up to help clean the church. Use link to sign up. https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/10c0d4caea62aabf8cf8-church#/

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT WE WAIT

Parish Breakfast

Knights of Columbus will be having breakfast Sunday, Dec. 17 only after the 8:00 am Mass, in the school gym. Come enjoy good food and fellowship. Free-will donations accepted.





Monday, Dec. 18 8:00 am Ellery Webster, Isaac Webster

Tuesday, Dec. 19 5:30 pm No Altar Servers

Wednesday, Dec. 20 8:00 am Ellery Webster, Isaac Webster

Thursday, Dec. 21 5:30 pm No Altar Servers

Friday, Dec. 22 8:00 am Ellery Webster, Isaac Webster

Saturday, Dec. 23 5:00 pm Elijah Bergkamp, Everett Engraf Lola Engraf, Mahlon Engraf Malachi Smith - MC

Sunday, Dec. 24 8:00 am Sam Mosier, Kaycee Kavalauskas Maddisyn Hazard, Thomas Morgan

10:30 am

Trent Pletcher, Kaemyn Palmer, Alejandro Trevino, Violet Kleinschnitz Hunter Smith - MC

Liturgy Assignments

Saturday, December 23 5:00 pm

Hospitality: Jennifer Leeker, Jamie Tullis, Jacki Conrady, Bob Hirschfeld, Alan Schneider

Lector: Jennifer Leeker

Host: Connie Tillett, Alan Schneider, Liana Torkelson, Shawn Schoenthaler

Sunday, Dec. 24 8:00 am

Hospitality: Gary Weber, Cora Berndsen Donna Gerstenkorn, Melanie Weber

Lector: Don Gerstenkorn **Host:** Elmer & Alice Simon, Vickie Knebler, James Smith

Sunday, Dec. 24 10:30 am Hospitality: Joe & Chelsea Teter, Jason & Andee Kant. Pat Perkins

Lector: Andrea Pletcher **Host:** Dennis & Penny Mosier, Dane Pletcher, Deann Korte

St. James Music Program

The St. James Christmas program will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 19 at 6:30pm at Augusta High School Auditorium. All parishioners are welcome!

Harvest House

Harvest House will meet on Wednesday, December 20 at 12:00 noon. We will meet in the church classroom (east side of foyer). Lunch will be Domino's Pizza. Dime Bingo will be played so bring your dimes and have fun!! Come enjoy good food & good fellowship with everyone 55 & older.

Christmas Cards for Prisoners

Please visit the table in the foyer to write short, encouraging, and compassionate messages or Bible verses on a Christmas card that will be delivered to prisoners in our diocese. *Jesus told us to visit the prisoner*. Even though we do not go into the prisons, this is one way we can minister to the prisoners. Complete anonymity is kept in this process - please do not sign your card. Simply drop your completed cards in the basket on the table in the foyer.



New Breaking Bread

Beginning the first weekend of Advent, December 3, you will find a new set of music books next to the Pray Togethers in the back of the church. These new books include weekend readings, a prayer section, new and familiar songs, and are smaller and lighter than our red Worship books. We will be keeping our red books in the pews and using both books throughout mass. A huge thank you to the very generous donor who purchased these books at no cost to the church. Please pick up and return the Breaking Bread books to the bookcase in back of Church and let St. Cecilia (Patron Saint of music) bring us closer to Heaven throughout this next year.

Altar Servers SUNDAY, DEC. 24 4:00 PM

James Allen, Kylee Goering, Dylan, Lily & Riley Beckley

MONDAY, DEC. 25 12:00 AM Malachi Smith, Aaron Standfast,

Malachi Smith, Aaron Standfast, Anthony Korte, John Paul Korte

MONDAY, DEC. 25 9:00 AM

Alicen Hughes, Destiny Hughes, Tristan Hughes, Alex Jehner

Liturgy Assignments

SUNDAY, DEC. 24 4:00 PM

Hospitality: Connie Tillett, Jay & Michelle Poore,

Marvin, Jesi, Remi & Myla Hartley

Lector: Ellen Martinez

Host: Connie Tillett, Maria Hansen,

Fred & Linda Morrison

MONDAY, December 25 12:00 am

Hospitality: Mark Troilo, Bob Hirschfeld

Lector: Deann Korte

Host: Bud & Peggy Cyphers, Deb Vittitow, Vickie Knebler

MONDAY, Dec. 25 9:00 am

Hospitality: Harry Funke, Diana Burress

Lector: Bev Steiner

Host: Dane Pletcher, Henry Ratcliff, Jennifer Pazzie, Ann Carpenter