

ST. JAMES

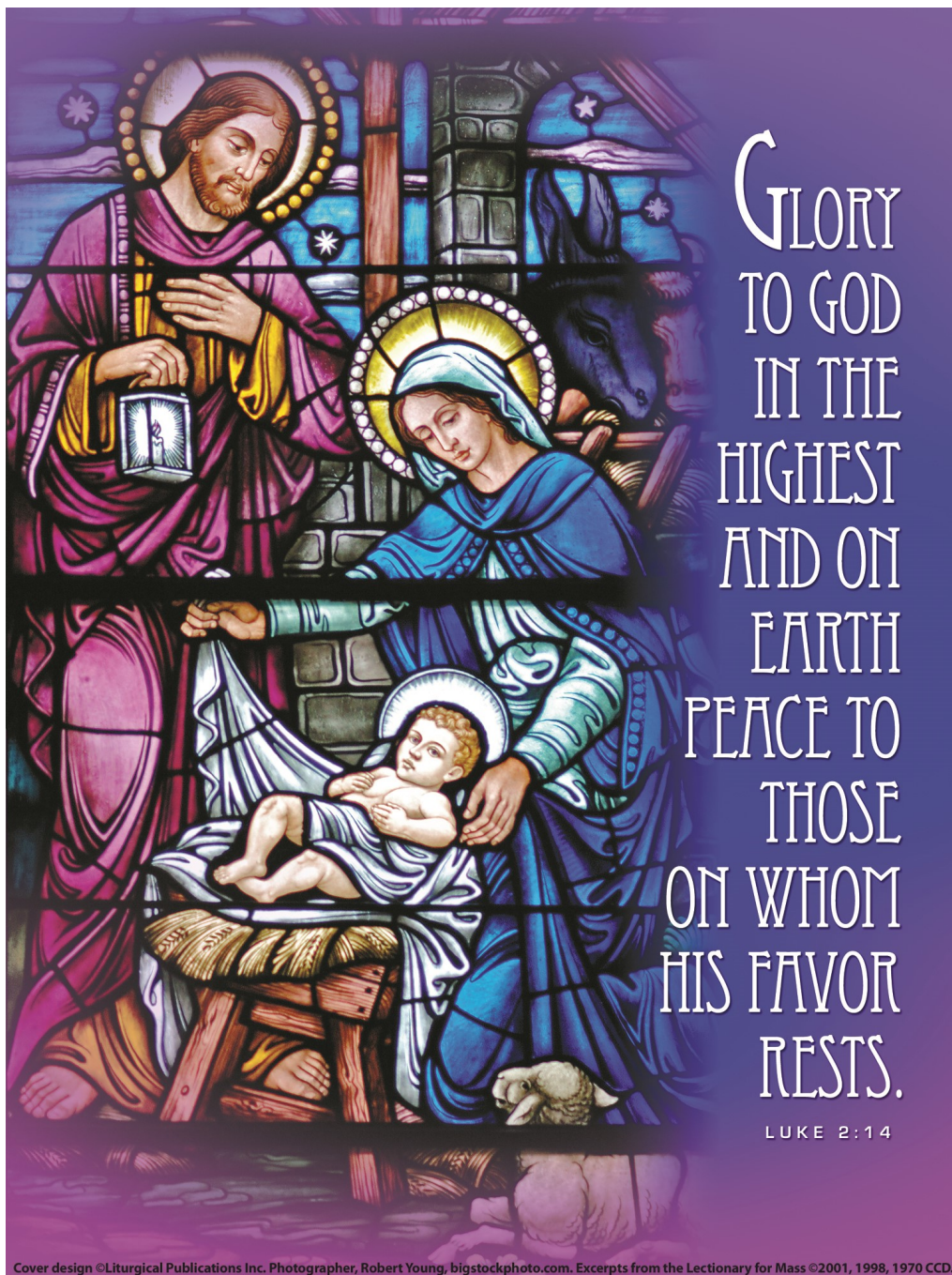
the Greater Catholic Church

December 24, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Father Philip J. Voegeli, Pastor

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GLORY
TO GOD
IN THE
HIGHEST
AND ON
EARTH
PEACE TO
THOSE
ON WHOM
HIS FAVOR
RESTS.

LUKE 2:14

SOLEMNITY OF CHRISTMAS

Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 24
4:00 pm

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



Mass Schedule

(For week of Dec. 25)

Tuesday, Dec. 26: No Mass
Wednesday, Dec. 27: 8:00 am
Thursday, Dec. 28: No Mass
Friday, Dec. 29: 8:00 am

Saturday Vigil, Dec. 30
5:00 pm

Sunday, Dec. 31
8:00 am & 10:30 am

Confessions

Wednesday & Friday
7:30 - 7:50 am

Tuesday & Thursday
No Confessions

Saturday
4:00 - 4:45 pm
or by appointment

Mass Intentions for the Week

SOLEMNITY OF CHRISTMAS

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

Tuesday, December 26 No Mass

Wednesday, Dec. 27 8:00 am Father Sam Pinkerton by M Elias & L Williams

Thursday, December 28 No Mass

Friday, December 29 8:00 am Maria Hansen by Pat & Judy Terick

Saturday, December 30 5:00 pm Wayne & Stephanie Rziha by T & J Feuerborn

Sunday, December 31 8:00 am †Jack Hoefgen by Mary Hoefgen

10:30 am †Patrick Manley by Patricia Lowrance

No Mass at St. James on Tuesday, December 26 and Thursday, December 28.

Mass will be at 8:00 am on Wednesday, Dec. 27 & Friday, Dec. 29.

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Mass schedule for the weekend of December 30/31 will be the normal times.

Saturday, December 30 @ 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 31 @ 8:00 am & 10:30 am

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God is not a holyday of obligation this year. Mass will be celebrated at St. James on Monday, January 1 @ 9:00 am.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS: The Journey

Advent comes along every year and will continue to do so until Jesus returns. As this season draws to a close, we can each ask ourselves, "Am I now any better a disciple of Jesus Christ and more of a steward of all my gifts than before the Advent season started?" I have been on this earth for 40+ years. I have had 40+ Advents to draw closer to God and to work on taking more seriously my baptismal call. Some have gone better than others, but I would like to think my spiritual life progressed at least a small amount during each of them.

Conversion is a process. Stewardship is about a way of living and it is about more than simply being generous when a situation calls for it. Stewardship and conversion go hand-in-hand and we are always moving closer to holiness in Jesus Christ. Living in this way takes practice and commitment. If this Advent didn't go as you had hoped, remember is not really an end. It is just another step along your journey.

This Christmas, while you are giving and receiving gifts and hopefully spending time with those you love, may you take the time to cherish the true gift that came to us over 2000 years ago and continues to call us to this day: Jesus. Let us be grateful beyond measure for this gift above all gifts, let us continue on our journey, and let our lives give testimony to the one who leads us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

CHRISTMAS



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:

Weekly Tithe (Dec. 10) \$21,457.25

Children's Envelopes \$245.10

Monthly Tithe (Oct.) \$89,923.48

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

Pat Terick 316-304-7543



Meetings & Events

Sunday (12-24)

4:00 PM Solemnity of Christmas Vigil Mass

Monday (12-25)

12:00 AM Midnight Mass

9:00 AM Christmas Day Mass

Friday (12-29)

4:30 pm Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary



Thank You!

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/10c0d4caea62aafb8cf8-church#/>

Altar Servers

Sunday, Dec. 24 4:00 PM

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

Monday, Dec. 25 12:00 AM

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

9:00 AM

Alicen Hughes, Destiny Hughes
Tristan Hughes, Alex Jehner

Tuesday, Dec. 26

No Mass

Wednesday, Dec. 27 8:00 am

Maria Morgan, Thomas Morgan

Thursday, Dec. 28

No Mass

Friday, December 29 8:00 am

Maria Morgan, Thomas Morgan

Saturday, December 30 5:00 pm

Max Payne, Ridge Payne,
Elizabeth Danler, Isaac Vittitow,
Sam Vittitow - MC

Sunday, December 31 8:00 am

Amelia TenEyck, Gianna TenEyck,
Ethan TenEyck, Katelynn TenEyck,
Aaron Standfast - MC

10:30 am

Steven Martinez, Joel Martinez,
Grace Martinez, Trent Pletcher
Hunter Smith - MC

Monday, January 1 9:00 AM

Malachi Smith, Anthony Korte,
John Paul Korte, Leonardo Miranda

Liturgy Assignments

Saturday, December 30 5:00 pm

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

Lector: Pat Lowrance

Host: Kevin & Janice Bogner,
Maria Hansen, Bob Hirschfeld

Sunday, December 31 8:00 am

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

Lector: Ron Engelbrecht

Host: Fred & Linda Morrison,
Jennifer Husselman, Don Gerstenkorn

10:30 am

Hospitality: Joe & Chelsea Teter,
Jason & Andee Kant

Lector: Mary Rubeck

Host: Mike & Lucy Clifton,
Pat Perkins, James Watson

Prayers

As we all have much to be thankful for our families at this time, we need to pray for all of the parishioners who are traveling. Pray for families near and far, together and separated. May the joy of the birth of our Lord be in everyone's heart.

Augusta Community Caring Center

St. James is responsible for the Community Caring Center the week of November 20.

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

St. James is scheduled to provide volunteers to sort and hang up clothing on the dates indicated. Sorting is scheduled on Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 to 11:30. Augusta Community Caring Center 1301 Helen Augusta, KS

Thank you to all who help at the Caring Center. We appreciate you so much!!

Natural Family Planning

Our next introductory class at St. James will be Monday, January 8 @ 7:00 pm in the church classroom (east side of foyer). For more information or to register for a class call Pat Lowrance (775-5663), or the NFP Office (685-5240).



Snow Removal for the week of December 24:

Bob Hirschfeld, Fred Morrison, David Taylor and all who want to help.
Bring your shovels!

Snow Removal for the week of December 31:

James Berndsen, Ethan Kleinschnitz, Juan Miranda, & Robert Reid



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 office.

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

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Adoration Chapel

Call for an hour!!

Division Leaders

Midnight-6:00 AM:

Fred Morrison
250-6056

6:00 AM-12 Noon:

Judy Funke
990-1904

12 Noon- 6:00 PM:

Karen Hughes
573-2646

6:00 PM-Midnight:

Lizzie Payne
259-5318