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Catholic Church

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday
8:00 AM-4:00 PM
(Closed daily 12:00-1:00 PM)

Closed Saturday and Sunday

ST. JAMES MISSION STATEMENT

*To continue Jesus' work of
calling all people into a loving
relationship with God.*

ADMINISTRATOR

Fr. Bob Betz

ASSISTING PRIEST

Fr. George Gajdos

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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekend: Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM
(5 PM & 10 AM Masses will be livestreamed)

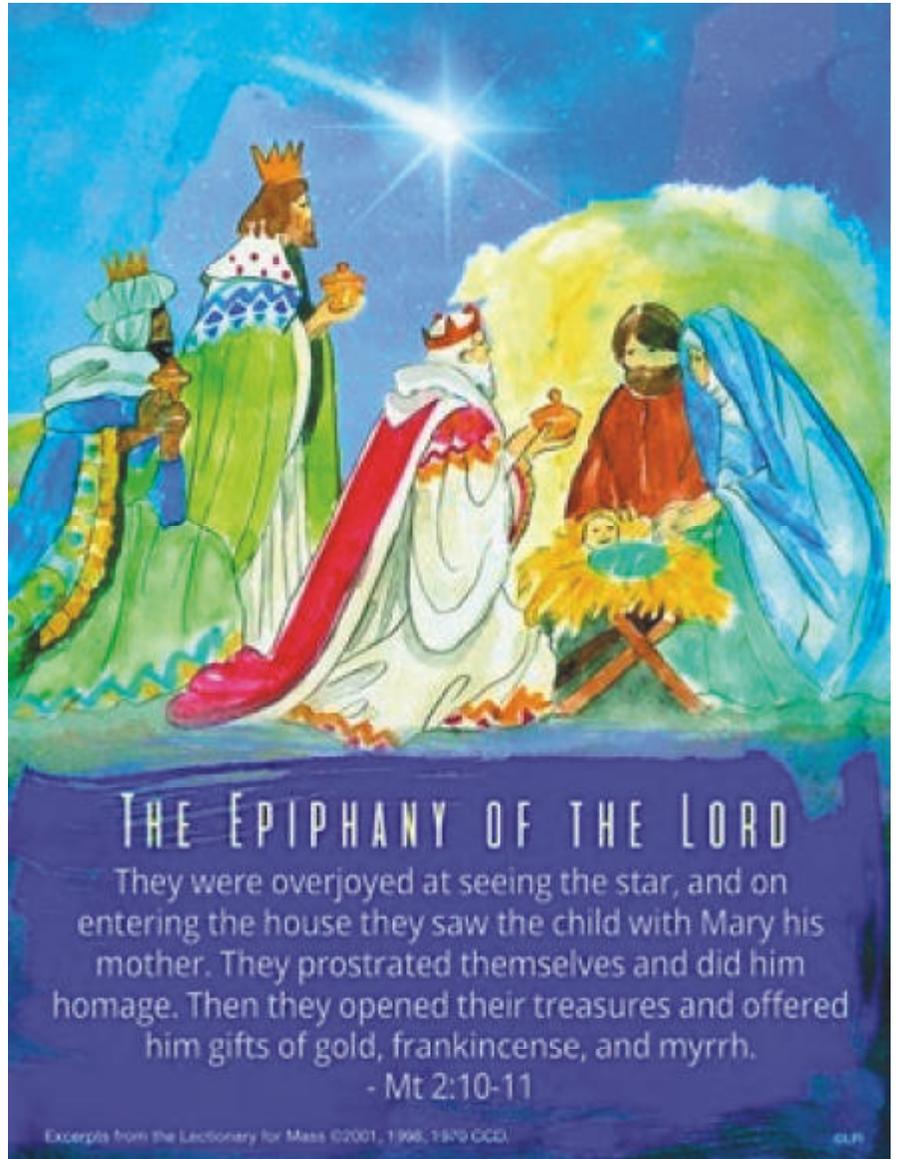
Weekdays: Tuesday 8:00 AM

Individual Confession:

Saturday 4:00 PM-4:30 PM

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of each month at
Noon-1:00 PM



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DEAR PARISHIONERS...

There is a song we hear at this time of the year that begins, "It's the most wonderful time of the year." With nature at times giving us storms, wildfires, earthquakes, with war still being waged, with people being killed just walking down the street, to say nothing of the COVID-19 pandemic, I do not need to tell you that there is a good deal of bedlam in our world. What is the source of whatever bedlam we are experiencing?



While centuries-old English hospital, St. Mary of Bethlehem went from Bethlehem to Bethlem, mispronounced at Bedlam, we need to move from bedlam to Bethlehem. The name Bethlehem means "house of bread" or "house of food." We need that nourishment. Bethlehem gave the world the Bread of Life. We need to hear that heavenly announcement, the Good News, and be nourished by the Bread of life at Mass. "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among all with whom he is pleased." To go to Bethlehem is to know that at the center of things is the God of Peace. It is to know that he has the last word and that word is a word of peace. It means to know in our hearts, that because Jesus has been born in the world, the end has already been determined. Ultimately, one way or another, his peace will triumph.

The three wise men brought gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh to signify Jesus is priest, prophet, and King. What will our gift be?

As always the best gift we can give is ourselves. And so we bring our faith and trust and love. The magi went home by a different route. May we begin a new path this New Year renewed, transformed, and strengthened to embrace 2021 with the peace that Christ brought at Bethlehem.

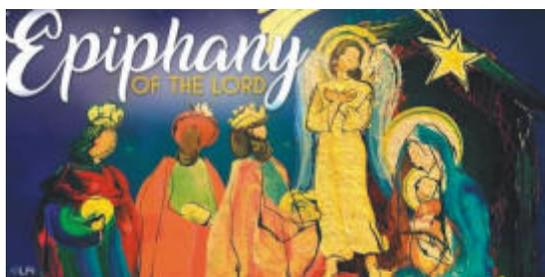
Love, Peace, Joy

Fr. Bob



A big thank you to all the parishioners who sent cards and gifts during this holiday season. We certainly appreciate your support and friendship.

-St. James Staff



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Contact one of the above to learn how you can get involved in a ministry here at St. James.

Here To Help

St. Vincent de Paul Intake Office

For assistance with Shelter/Lodging/Rent, Utilities/Shutoffs, Furniture and Clothing

Phone.....414-462-7837

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ERAS (formerly Interfaith Neighborhood Outreach)

.....414-488-6500

All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them.

-Walt Disney



January 3, 2021 The Epiphany of our Lord

Today, we celebrate the Epiphany of our Lord. The Gospel account of the three magi traveling to meet Baby Jesus is one that we know well. Yet, when we pause to reflect on this moment when these men met Christ for the first time, we recognize that there is much to be said for us still today.

When the magi entered the house, it says, “they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.” Clearly these men knew that they were in the presence of their King. They also came bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, which symbolize Christ’s kingship, divinity and humanity.

Christ is still manifesting Himself to us today. We enter God’s house weekly, and we are in His presence. When we meet Him, do we offer Him our gifts — our time, talent and treasure? As Christian stewards, we are called to respond with love, reverence and gratitude.

Let us prepare our hearts to receive Christ’s many manifestations in our lives. We just need a grateful disposition to receive them.

~The Catholic Steward

CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL MANY HANDS—ONE VISION—All Goals Met

We have received our December report from the Archdiocese on the CSA 2020 Appeal.

St. James: We have exceeded our goal by \$1,500. Our goal was \$32,966.

Archdiocese: The goal has been exceeded by \$632,000. The goal was \$8.1 million.

Thanks to all supporters who rose up to the challenge and exceeded expectations. With the extra funds more people can be helped.

Thank you.

The Catholic Stewardship Appeal
3501 South Lake Drive
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Or visit www.catholicappeal.org to make a donation online.

Thank you again.

Prayer and Liturgies

January 3 through January 10

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6

Eph 3:2-3a,5-6

Mt 2:1-12

8:00 AM - †Austin Roth

10:00 AM - Ronald Goodwin,

Improved health

Monday: Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

1 Jn 3:22—4:6

Ps 2:7bc-8,10-12a

Mt 4:12-17,23-25

Tuesday: Saint John Neumann

1 Jn 4:7-10

Ps 72:1-4,7-8

Mk 6:34-44

8:00 AM - †Eric Sparapani

Wednesday: Saint André Bessette

1 Jn 4:11-18

Ps 72:1-2,10,12-13

Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: Saint Raymond of Penyafort

1 Jn 4:19—5:4

Ps 72:1-2,14,15bc,17

Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:5-13

Ps 147:12-15,19-20

Lk 5:12-16

Noon Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday: Christmas weekday

1 Jn 5:14-21

Ps 149:1-6a,9b

Jn 3:22-30

4:00 PM Individual

Reconciliation

5:00 PM - Living and Deceased

Members of St. James

Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4,6-7

Acts 10:34-38

Mk 1:7-11

8:00 AM - †Alice Fuhrman

10:00 AM - †James Jankowski

Real courage is doing the right thing when nobody’s looking. Doing the unpopular thing because it’s what you believe, and the heck with everybody.”

— Justin Cronin

Year End Donation Letter

2020 donation letters will be emailed to the families that we have emails for in our Parish Data System. Our goal is to email them the second week of January or before. If you do not receive it, please check your “junk mail” before calling the office. If you have changed your email recently, please contact the parish office to verify we have the right one. If you do not have email and would like a copy of your donation, please contact the parish office and we can print one out for you. Thank you for your donation!

LIFELONG GROWING FAITH:

“Courage is the most important of all the virtues because without courage, you can't practice any other virtue consistently.”

-Maya Angelou



We have needed courage during the pandemic of 2020—which now continues into our new year. The Cambridge Dictionary defines courage as “the ability to control our fear in a dangerous or difficult situation.” As we begin this new year, we need courage more than ever. What will this year bring?!

We are closer to the end of this pandemic with a vaccine now available. However, our lives are still filled with uncertainty.

I encourage each of you to take time and explore the age-appropriate links (adults too!) on the virtue of courage now available on our website. (Under Faith Formation—Rebuild and Renew-Monthly Theme). Here is a direct link: to help you:

<https://www.stjames-franklin.org/rebuild---renew---monthly-theme>

Let us continue to rebuild and renew our Christian lives as we enter into the Year 2021!

Blessings,

Mary Jo

MASS INTENTIONS

Our Sunday and weekday Eucharistic liturgies are offered for the prayers of all the faithful. It has long been a custom that Catholics can make a monetary offering for a liturgy to be offered for a particular person or prayer

intention. It is also a venerable Catholic practice to pray for the dead. Thus loved ones may have a Mass celebrated in memory of someone who has blessed their lives. Masses may also be offered in thanksgiving for blessings received.

St. James is currently in need of Mass Intentions, **especially for weekday Masses**. While it is understandable to want the Mass to be offered on a weekend when you can more easily attend, please realize we are not able to do just Saturday or just Sunday Masses for you. **God listens to our prayers, not just on Saturday or Sunday, but everyday.** If you wish to have a Mass offered for someone, please call the Parish Office.



Eucharistic Adoration—Friday, January 8

Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament would like to pray for your special intentions. Please write them in the Book of Intentions.

Join us for **Eucharistic Adoration in church** on **January 8** from **noon until 1:00 PM**. Stay as long as you are able.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Our food pantry is now in service every Friday from 9:00-11:00 AM. Outdoor curb service drive-through distribution will be our means of getting food to those who are in need. Our volunteers will bring boxed food out to your car. Please bring your identification and remain in your vehicle. We thank you for keeping us all safe.

Pray For

We remember the special needs of St. James parishioners, family and friends, especially:



The Sparapani Family

(Relatives of Marge Schell)

Mike Corgiat (Friend of Linda Schafer)

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Joe Willman (Brother of Fran (Mike) Spanke)

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Bob and Barb Senzig

(Relatives of Sue Malone)

Trudi Bellin (Wife of Bernie)

Dan Nolan

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(Sister of Marie Guzman)

Terry Cindric

Dennis Cindric (Brother of Terry Cindric)

Lois Wendt (Friend of Terry Cindric)

Maryanne Kehoe (Relative of Rose Oliva)

James Griffin (Son of Debby Fischer)

Howard Forley (Friend of Teresa Pentimalli)

Pat Spanke (Brother of Mike (Fran) Spanke)

Jeanette and Cheryl Odegard

Joel Prusinski

(Son of Nanci and Bob Prusinski)

Mary Brazeau



Our Call to Justice

Reflecting and Acting on Catholic Social Teaching



How do we put flesh on the call to 'love our neighbor'? Catholic Social Teaching has been at the forefront for decades in offering concrete answers and directives for those who profess the faith. This three-part Zoom series, designed for St. James, offers you an opportunity to deepen your understanding of this rich tradition. Do not miss it!

Mondays, 6:30-7:30 pm

January 18

Session 1: Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching

February 1

Session 2: The Eucharist Through the lens of the Justice of God

February 15

Session 3: Heroines & Heroes of Justice & Peace

Sponsored by St. James Outreach Committee & Human Concerns Commission
Contact Fred Hang, Pastoral Associate with Questions

Facilitator

Reverend Francis Gargani, CSSR - a priest of the Redemptorist community, ministering in Washington, DC. Past president of Pax Christi, Metro New York and past Board member of Interfaith Assembly on Housing & Homelessness of New York. Recently presented programs on Thomas Merton and a Just war in the Nuclear Age. Recipient of New York's 2019 "Service to Humanity" Award.

Register with the parish office by January 15th.

Leave your name, phone # and email. 414-761-0480

Parish Calendar

Sunday, January 3

9:00 AM First Communion Class (Zoom)

11:00 AM Confirmation Class (Zoom)

Monday, January 4

1:00 PM Staff Meeting (Rm. 1)

Tuesday, January 5

7:00 PM AA (Rm. 7)

Wednesday, January 6

Thursday, January 7

Friday, January 8

9:00-11:00 AM Food Pantry

Noon Eucharistic Adoration (C)

Saturday, January 9

Next Sunday, January 10

CYF Padlet Response Due

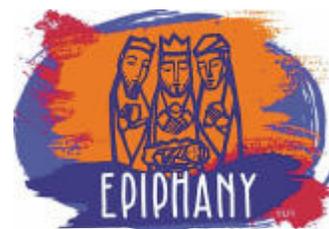


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is still
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Orders can be picked up and dropped off at the parish office or at the information desk in the church lobby.

The holidays may be over, but there are still plenty of ways that Scrip can be used in your daily life. Just take a look at the companies on the order form.

Order forms are located at the information desk in the church lobby and in the parish office.



**Help Keep
Someone Warm**

We are still collecting sleeping bags, blankets, and heavy coats, for men and women, as well as hats, gloves, and socks. We are not able to accept long dress coats. **Items do not have to be new, but please be sure they are in good condition and clean.** You can drop off your donation at the Parish Office. Thank you for your support.



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