

# SAINT JAMES

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

JAN 2, 2022

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



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They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.  
- Mt 2:10-11

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# PRAYER & WORSHIP



## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

MON. 3	7:00 PM	CCW Meeting
TUES. 4	4:30 PM	Quilting
	6:20 PM	PSR
WED. 5	9:00 AM	Quilting
	7:00 PM	Adoration
	7:30 PM	Rosary

## CONTRIBUTIONS December 18th & 19th, 2021

Loose	91.46
Envelopes	7,705.00
All Saints	20.00
Annual Diocese Christmas for Needy	5.00
Building Fund	10.00
Christmas	850.00
Christmas Flowers	217.00
Debt Reduction	80.00
Immaculate Conception	50.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	50.00
Votive Candles	25.00

**Reflection:** “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.” - *Jeremiah 29:11*

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY	Jan 1	9:00 AM	Richard M. Schmidt
SUNDAY	Jan 2	9:00 AM	Al & Agnes Schaefer
MONDAY	Jan 3	-----	-----
TUESDAY	Jan 4	-----	NO MASSES
WEDNESDAY	Jan 5	-----	MONDAY—FRIDAY
THURSDAY	Jan 6	-----	FATHER ON RETREAT
FRIDAY	Jan 7	-----	-----
SATURDAY	Jan 8	5:00 PM	Deceased & Living members of the Ehrstein & Leingang Families
SUNDAY	Jan 9	9:00 AM	Bobby Pfershy

**Gifts.** The Magi, these foreign interpreters of dreams, do the following: follow a star, travel a great distance, trust the words of others, bring and give gifts. In some countries, Epiphany and not Christmas is gift-giving day. This twelfth-day (when on the traditional 6th of January) brings to completion the manifestation of Christ—first to the Jews and today to everyone. No one is foreign to God’s good grace.

- How will I search diligently for Jesus?
- Because God is merciful to me, what mercy work can I do for another?
- What gifts will I give to others in need?

**Prayer:** Lord, Thank you for helping us make it through this difficult year. Thank you for carrying us through the uncertainty of deep waters, through the flames of trials, and through the pain of hard losses.

We are constantly aware of how much we need you, your grace, your strength, your power working through the toughest days. Thank you that

you came to give new life, peace, hope, and joy. Help us to keep our focus first on you this coming year. Without you we would surely fail, but with you, there is great hope.

Lord, help us enter the New Year quietly, thoughtful of who we are to ourselves and to others; mindful that our steps make an impact and our words carry power. May we walk gently and speak only after we have listened well.

Help us enter the New Year reverently, aware that every creature and plant, every person and habitat has beauty and purpose. May we regard the world with tenderness and honor rather than destroy.

Lord, help us enter the New Year joyfully, willing to laugh, dance and dream, while remembering our many gifts with thanks and looking forward to blessings yet to come.

In this new year, may the grace and peace of Christ bless us and our family, now and always. *In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.*



A heart felt thank you to everyone that offered their prayers and condolences on the passing on my dad. I truly appreciate the love and support shown to my family and I, here at St. James!

And a special thanks to the wonderful CCW ladies for the lovely funeral luncheon! May God Bless you all and your families in this new year and always!

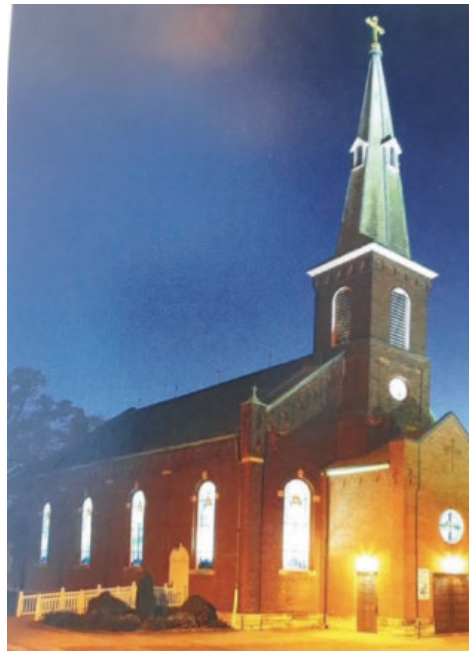
With Sincere gratitude,  
Sammi Bassler & Family



**This is your reminder to turn in Quilt-A-Rama tickets for the first drawing on January 3rd!**

The **CCW** will be holding their first meeting of the year on Monday, January 3rd at 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

**Anyone wishing to make additional church contributions for the 2021 calendar year must have them to the rectory by Sunday, January 9th, 2022. Be sure to mark your envelope clearly so you will get credit for 2021. Thank You**



### St. James Church 2021 Landmark of the Year!

St. James Church was awarded the Landmark of the Year award by the Millstadt Historical Society (MHS) for 2021!!

The above picture of St. James Church is featured on the front of their 2022 Calendars that are now available for \$14 each at the Millstadt IGA, Pharmacy or Library! Get yours today!

## Thank You

**A special thanks for all the cards, gifts, greetings, cookies and fruit sent to me by so many of you.**

**I sincerely wish each and everyone of you a very happy, healthy and safe New Year!**

**Sincerely, Father Marvin**



## ST. JAMES SCHOOL NEWS

**Classes resume  
Tuesday, January 4th**



**There will be NO SCHOOL  
Monday, January 17th  
for Martin Luther King Jr.**

### Athletic Association **QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE**

Drawing every Wed. at 7pm, sales end at 6:30pm. Held at Millpond Brewing 308 E. Washington St., Millstadt. Tickets are \$1 and can be purchased any day of the week during Millpond's hours of operation. *All proceeds benefit the St. James Athletic Association.*

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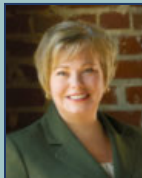
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