SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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PRAYER & WORSHIP



CONTRIBUTIONS December 24th-	-26th, 2021
Loose Collection	136.00
Envelopes	9,091.00
All Saints	25.00
Annual Diocese Christmas for Needy	747.00
Building Fund	20.00
Christmas Envelopes	11,417.00
Christmas (Loose Collection)	517.00
Christmas Flowers	85.00
Debt Reduction	25.00
Immaculate Conception	10.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	175.00
Solemnity of Mary	10.00
St. Vincent De Paul	10.00
Votive Candles	51.00
Total:	22,339.00
December	2021 Online
Envelopes	9,787.00
Annual Diocese Christmas for Needy	205.83
Christmas	1,200.00
Debt Reduction	190.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	200.83
St. Vincent De Paul	95.00
Sister Parish	20.00
Total:	11,698.66

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY	Jan 8	5:00 PM	Deceased & Living members of the Ehrstein & Leingang Families
SUNDAY	Jan 9	9:00 AM	Bobby Pfershy
MONDAY	Jan 10		
TUESDAY	Jan 11	12:10 PM	Bill Casto
WEDNESDAY	Jan 12	8:20 AM	Patricia Pratt
THURSDAY	Jan 13	7:00 PM	Larry Haas
FRIDAY	Jan 14	8:20 AM	Dave Downs
SATURDAY	Jan 15	5:00 PM	Laurence Schmidt
SUNDAY	Jan 16	9:00 AM	Walter Frierdich

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

MON. 10	1:30 PM	St. James School Christmas Play (RSVP)
	7:00 PM	St. James School Christmas Play (RSVP)
TUES. 11	4:30 PM	Quilting
	6:00 PM	St. James ECC Christmas Program (RSVP)
	6:20 PM	PSR
	7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus
	7:00 PM	School Board Meeting
WED. 12	9:00 AM	Quilting
SAT. 15	4:15-4:40 PM	Confessions

Prayer. Jesus himself is baptized by John. Then he prays. In his praying, the Spirit comes and the Father speaks words of possessive pleasure.

- How will I pray this last day of the Christmas season?
- When I am quiet enough, what do I hear God say?
- What mercy work does the Spirit empower me to do?

Reflection: "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not

perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland" *-Isaiah 43:18-19*

Prayer: Lord, after this hard year help me not to forget your plan for my life. Help me to see that your plan is still in effect. Give me faith to know that regardless of what this past year has looked like I can start over. Help me not to run with my head looking backwards. Help me to run forward into the plan and purpose you have set before me. *In your name I pray, Amen.*

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PARISH NEWS



"SOUP and BREW"

<u>When</u>: Sunday, January 16th from 1:00 – 5:00 PM at <u>Where</u>: *Millpond Brewing & Incubator* <u>What</u>: We will be celebrating the release of St. James' very own brew "*Benedictus*" for those who pre-ordered. <u>Whether or not you ordered</u> <u>beer, come by Millpond for a</u> <u>brew, free soup provided by</u> <u>parishioners (free hotdogs for</u> <u>the kids), and parish fellowship!</u>

This is not a fundraiser. It is just a way for us to get together to warm up on a winter afternoon and support a local business!

CONGRATULATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS to the Quilt-A-Rama winner for January 2022, Carol Gaither of Columbia, IL!

It's not too late to get your tickets for the **QUILT-A-RAMA** raffle! One name is pulled each month and the winner's name gets put back in for another chance to win! Contact Kathy Gass at 618-971-6208 for more details and tickets!

Make the *Messenger* a part of your New Year's Resolution!

The Messenger brings you the stories of real people quietly living their faith through compassion and good works. Inspirational stories that show our Catholic faith is alive and well in Southern Illinois.

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!! A 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!





ST. JAMES SCHOOL NEWS

ST. JAMES SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PLAY Monday, January 10th at 1:30 PM and 7:00 PM in the Parish Center <u>Please RSVP</u>



ST. JAMES ECC CHRISTMAS PROGRAM Tuesday, January 11th at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center <u>Please RSVP</u>

EARLY DISSMISSAL at 2:25 PM on Wednesday, January 12th

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

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK is January 30th – February 5th

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARISHIONER? Please call the Rectory at 618-476-3513 or fill out a form found at the back of church to register



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