

Saint James the Just Catholic Church



December 26, 2021

Pastor **The Rev. Fr. David Trujillo**

Deacon **Rev. Tom Devereux**



THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

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Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat, Dec. 25 <i>The Nativity of the Lord</i>	11:00am	†Harmony Clark
Sun., Dec. 26 <i>The Holy Family</i>	9:00am	†Stacey Hicks by Jody & Jim Wise
	11:30am	Volunteers
	6:00pm	NO MASS
Mon., Dec. 27	8:30am	NO MASS
Tues., Dec. 28	8:30am	NO MASS
Wed., Dec. 29	8:30am	NO MASS
Thurs., Dec. 30	8:30am	NO MASS
Friday, Dec. 31	8:30am	NO MASS
Sat., Jan. 1, 2022	9:00am	†Cosmo Young
	5:00pm	†Cosmo Young
Sun., Jan. 2 <i>The Epiphany Of the Lord</i>	9:00am	Jeremy Hansen
	11:30am	Volunteers
	6:00pm	†Connie & †Deacon Tony Lopez

Gospel Meditation

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.

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St. James Christmas Giving Tree

**Donations for the Homeless and Veterans
will continue until Dec. 31st.**

Donations of sleeping bags and warm blankets, hats, gloves, scarves, and socks (for any age) will also be accepted for the homeless.

Veteran Collection (Women and Men)

The Knights of Columbus Patriotic Degree (Assembly 1429) will be collecting boxers, underwear, and tee shirts for our Veterans. A collection bin will be in the vestibule throughout the Christmas season. Donations will be distributed to local veterans. Monetary donations can be made out to KofC Assembly 1429.



Knights Blood Drive

Be a Hero!

St. James Knights of Columbus
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(Detailed info in the bulletin as it becomes available)

- Jan. 1 Mary, the Mother of God (*Not a Holy Day of Obligation*)
- Jan. 3 Office is Closed
- Jan. 7 Knights/Red Cross Blood Drive
- Jan. 8 Legion of Mary Rosary after the 9am Mass
- Jan. 15-16 KOC Rosary before all Masses
- Jan. 16 KOC Burritos-to-Go after 9am Mass

From the Faith Formation Director

We define grace as “God living in us.” This life of God within us begins at Baptism and is increased and grows with each celebration of a sacrament. But the Eucharist is special. The other sacraments point to it. They make us part of the Body of Christ, but the Eucharist is the Body of Christ. It is God becoming our food. And since God is the Author of Grace, the one from whom grace comes, the grace that the Eucharist gives us is more than from any other sacrament. It is the pinnacle of the life of grace that we can share in.

Life is changed, not ended.
 Eternal Rest Grant unto Them,
 O Lord.

Condolences to

The Remkes Families on the death of their
 mother and grandmother,

Janny Remkes

and

Ruby Tidwell on the death of her father,
Ferman Duran

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Your Generous Stewardship	Dec. 11-12
Sunday-Regular Collection	5,715.00
Online Giving	3,049.44
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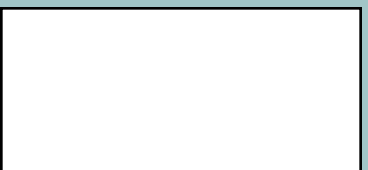
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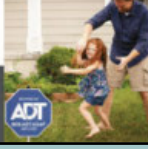
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