# December 3, 2023

# FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"THE DAYS ARE COMING, SAYS THE LORD, WHEN I WILL FULFILL THE PROMISE I MADE TO THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL AND JUDAH."

-JEREMIAH 33:14

St. James is here to help all people experience meaning and purpose in life.

#### Lord's Dav Masses

Saturday 4:30 pm and Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 a.m. Weekday Masses in the Historic Chapel Wednesdays & Fridays at 8:00 a.m. Individual Reconciliation Reconciliation Room: Saturdays 3:45-4:15 pm

Eucharistic Adoration in the Historic Chapel

Tuesdays , 8:30 am—4:00 pm Holy Hour & Rosary 4:00 pm-5:00 pm on Tuesdays Also, Saturday from 7 am-8 am

### Christmas and Holiday Mass Schedule

Fourth Sunday of Advent: Saturday, Dec 23 4:30 pm or Sunday December 24 at 9:00 am December 24 Christmas Eve 4:00 pm & 9:00 pm December 25 Christmas Day 9:00 am December 30 4:30 pm December 31 8:15 am & 10:30 am New Year's Day - No Mass



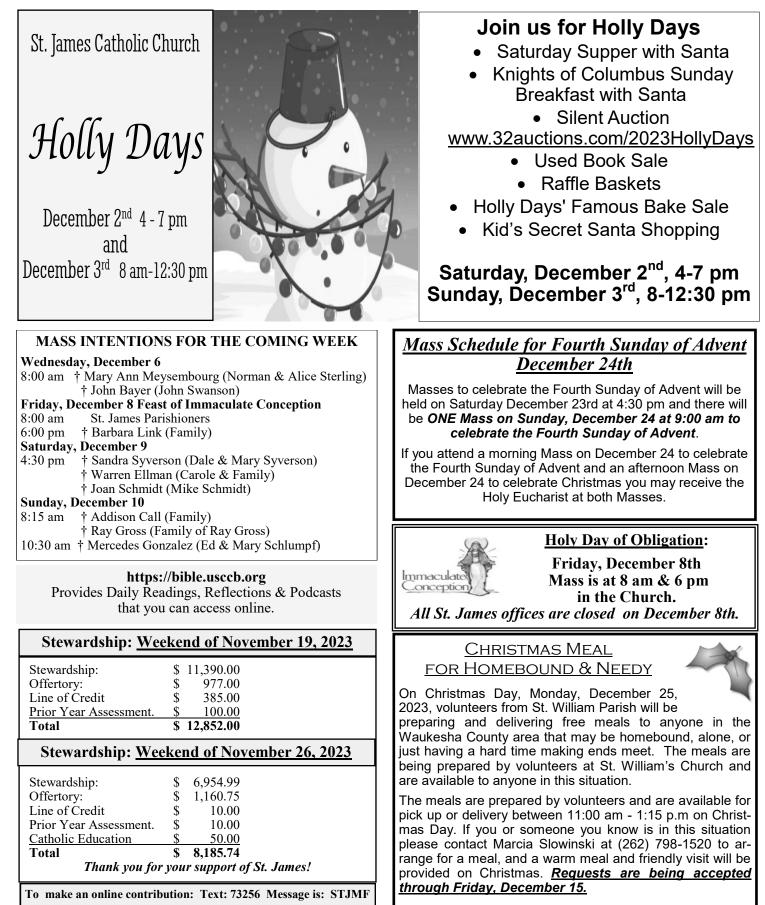
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### **Parish Staff Directory**

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Wednesdays 1:00 to 2:30 pm
Saturdays 10:00 to 12:00 pm
Donations can be dropped off Mon–Fri between 10 & Noon

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# AFT and Environment

Do you enjoy our beautiful church at Christmas?

We will meet Sunday, December 17, at 11:30am. to



prepare our worship space for the Christmas season. Many willing hands and hearts are needed. We especially need strong men to move items and hang wreaths. Attend 10:30 mass and ioin us afterward.

# **Celebrate the Season**

#### Lessons and Carols

Join Fr. John the St. James Choir and the Pastors and choirs of the Cooperating Churches of Sussex for an evening of



scripture and song at 6 pm on Wednesday December 6 at Redeemer United Church of Christ.

# **CF** Christmas Program

Next Sunday, December 10th, 4K-5th grade CF students will celebrate Christmas with a program of music & a play in Church at 9:30 a.m.

Next Tuesday, December 12th, 1st-11th grade students will have an evening of song, story & prayer in Church at 6 p.m.

Parishioners are welcome to join us for either or both!

## THE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE 2023



The St. James Christmas Giving Tree is set-up in the Gathering Space. All donations will need to be re*turned to the Giving Tree space by <u>December</u> <u>10</u>. We are excited to be collecting <u>BOTH gifts and</u>* gift cards for our recipients and organizations.

Thank you for helping to brighten the holiday season for so many people in our community!

# FAIR TRADE SALE AT ST. JAMES

The Good Shepherd/St. James Ellacuria Group, will be holding a Fair Trade Sale at St. James after all Masses on the weekend of December 9th & 10th. Items for purchase will include fair trade coffee, chocolate bars, cocoa, and olive oil in addition to numerous hand-made wooden crafts. jewelry and leather goods from El Salvador. Proceeds from the sale benefit our Sister Community Ellacuria.

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#### PEACE & ALL GOOD SOAPS & LOTIONS SALE December 16th & 17th

On December 16th and 17th, the Franciscan Peacemakers 'Peace and All Good' products will be for sale after each mass. This is a great opportunity to pick up special products lotions, soaps and more for that special peri.e. candles. son and consequently helping Franciscan Peacemakers provide job opportunities to those who have been trafficked.

> Please pick up the pictures from Jacob's ladder off the table in front of the fireplace.

#### **THE 2024 PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP LETTER & COMMITMENT CARD**

December 3, 2023

were mailed for all parish families.

Please read the letter & brochure carefully and return your commitment card before December 31, 2023. This mailing is in addition to the regular monthly statement

letter sent to all families each month.



90 Days to invite Jesus to draw near, unpack the Scriptures, reveal himself in the Eucharist, and inspire us to go out on mission to others.

Join us for a concentrated season of encountering Jesus Christ and growing firmer in your faith.

St. James will be hosting formation/discussion sessions in the community center on Sundays, at 9:20 a.m. (after the 8:15 Mass)

beginning January 7th, 2024 and going through Easter. Registration for Emmaus 90 is required.

Register by Dec 10 to receive your Pilgrim Guidebook before we start January 1.

Cost will be \$20/pilgrim or \$40/family. No one will be denied due to financial circumstances, please let us know if you need assistance.

Register here.

Emmaus 90 - 2024 (regfox.com) or contact Sue Devine-Simon at sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com or call 262-253-2904.

#### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Mass at 8:15 am & 10:30 am Sunday, December 3 Holly Days | 8 am— 12:30 pm Break Open the Word | 8:15 & 10:30 K3-K5 CF Classes | 8:15 am Gr1-5 CF Classes | 9:30 am Confirmation Class | 11:30 am G6-10 CF Classes | 4:30 pm & 6 pm Confirmation Classes | 4:30 & 6 pm Monday, December 4 Building and Grounds Committee Meeting | 6 pm Music Rehearsal | 6:30 pm Men's Group - Gospel of John | 7 pm **Tuesday**, December 5 Day of Adoration in Chapel 8:30-4 | Holy Hour 4-5 pm Scripture Reflection via Zoom 9 am CF Staff Meeting | 1 pm Confirmation class | 6:00 pm CF Classes Grades 1-10 | 6:00 pm Wednesday, December 6 Mass at 8:00 am Staff Meeting | 9:30 am Human Concerns Committee Meeting | 5 pm Anti-Trafficking Meeting | 6 pm Lessons & Carols at Redeemer United Church of Christ | 6 pm Thursday, December 7 Bereavement Companion Ministry Meeting | 11 am Knights of Columbus Christmas Party | 7 pm Friday, December 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Masses at 8:00 am & 6:00 pm St James Parish and Christian Formation Offices Closed Saturday, December 9 Mass at 4:30 pm Adoration in the Chapel today | 7 am-8 am Funeral Service with Luncheon to follow | 11 am Individual Reconciliation 3:45-4:15 Sunday, December 10 Mass at 8:15 am & 10:30 Break Open the Word | 8:15 & 10:30 K3-K5 CF Classes | 8:15 am CF Christmas Program | 9:30 am Confirmation Class | 11:30 am G6-10 CF Classes | 4:30 pm & 6 pm Confirmation Classes | 4:30 & 6 pm St. James website has the current calendar for the entire year.



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