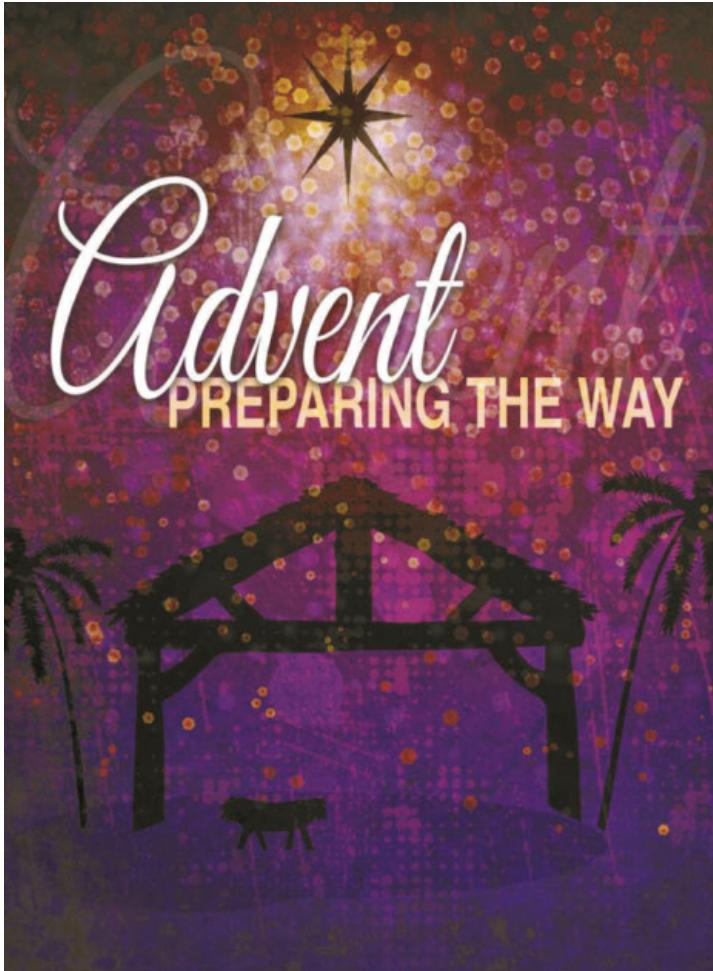


December 8, 2024



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

Lord's Day Masses

**Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:15 & 10:30 am**

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**



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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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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday, December 9—Immaculate Conception
Holy Day of Obligation

8:00 am Parishioners of St. James
6:00 pm Parishioners of St. James

Wednesday, December 11

8:00 am †Ted Matson (Jan Butina)

Friday, December 13

8:00 am Parishioners of St. James

Saturday, December 14

4:30 pm Parishioners of St. James

Sunday, December 15

8:15 am †Ruth Youngbauer (David & Carol VandeCastele)
10:30 am †Pat Gorski (Family)
†Fr. Ronald Crewe (Mary & Mike Salsieder)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 8

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/
Lk 3:1-6

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/
Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/
Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/

Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/

Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (6)/Phil 4:4-7/
Lk 3:10-18

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Stewardship: Weekend of Sunday, November 24

Stewardship:	\$	10,319.00
Offertory	\$	1,234.20
Prior Year Assessment	\$	860.00
Line of Credit	\$	510.00
Total:	\$	12,143.20

Stewardship: Weekend of Sunday, December 1

Stewardship:	\$	14,965.00
Offertory	\$	1,343.55
Prior Year Assessment	\$	10.00
Line of Credit	\$	2,283.00
Total:	\$	18,624.55

To make an online contribution: Text: 73256 Message is: STJMF

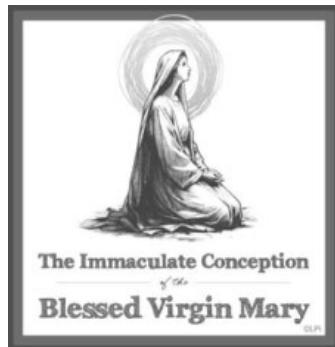
Thank you for your support of St. James!

Thanksgiving Mass Collection

At the Thanksgiving day Mass \$874.00 was collected for the St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. James. Thank you for your generosity in supporting those in need within our community.

Parish Directory

We are updating the parish directory. If you Do Not want your address and phone number included please call the parish office at 262-251-3944 before December 20.



Immaculate Conception

"Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing!" Monday, December 9th we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

"From the beginnings of the Church, spiritual writers and theologians have acknowledged the innocence and holiness of Mary. St. Irenaeus

called her the "new Eve." Both faced with the pure freedom to accept or reject God, Mary began with work of redemption with her yes to Christ! The Church began to celebrate the feast of Mary's conception in the early Middle Ages. In 1854, Pope Pius IX infallibly declared that Mary was free of original sin from the first moment of her conception. On this feast day, we celebrate the beauty and goodness of Our Lady!"

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This is a Holy Day of obligation; Masses will be celebrated in the main church at 8:00 am & 6:00 pm. All parish offices will be closed on Monday, December 9.

Christmas

MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE DECEMBER 24

MASSES AT 4:00 & 9:00 PM

Doors open 45 minutes before Mass. Music begins 30 minutes before Mass.

CHRISTMAS DAY DECEMBER 25

MASS AT 9:00 AM



Prayer for the second week of Advent

Prayer of Preparation

With abiding hope as we look forward to Jesus' arrival -
Make straight the paths, Lord!

Fill us with holy excitement, in Your name.

Amen.

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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 next weekend **December 14th & 15th**. 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.



CF Christmas Program

Takes place this weekend on Sunday, December 8th, 4K-5th grade CF students will celebrate Christmas with a program of music & a play in Church at 2:00 pm

Parishioners are encouraged to join us for this event.

What Catholics Believe & OCIA...

Would you like to learn more about what Catholics believe? Discuss your faith? Come to the **Great room** to hear some different parishioners share their wisdom on different Catholic topics. We will meet next Sunday between the 2 Sunday Masses from **9:20 – 10:20 am**.



Dec 15 - Advent & the Nativity Stories

More topics and dates to come in the new year. Contact Sue at sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com or call 262-253-2904.

Emmaus 90

Emmaus 90 is a 90-day journey from New Years to Easter 2025 that brings you closer to Jesus Christ through prayer and formation. It's a personal commitment to grow in holiness with the support of hundreds of fellow participants ("pilgrims") and the leadership of nationally recognized educators. Cost is \$20 per person/\$40 per family. Register by December 10th.

If interested in joining contact Sue Devine-Simon at sdevine-simon@stjames-parish.com or 262-253-2904.

If I join, what do I get?

- Prompts for daily prayer with Scripture
- Printed Guidebook journal & prayer card
- Weekly guided formation sessions
- Discussion guide for your small group
- Holiness challenges (visit the Blessed Sacrament; serve someone in need)

Community, discussion, Q&A and support

CHRISTMAS MEAL FOR HOMEBOUND & NEEDY

On Christmas Day, Monday, December 25, 2024, volunteers from St. William Parish will be preparing and delivering free meals to anyone in the Waukesha County area that may be homebound, alone, or just having a hard time making ends meet. The meals are being prepared by volunteers at St. William's Church and are available to anyone in this situation.

The meals are prepared by volunteers and are available for pick up or delivery between 11:00 am - 1:15 p.m on Christmas Day. If you or someone you know is in this situation please contact Marcia Slowinski at (262) 798-1520 to arrange for a meal, and a warm meal and friendly visit will be provided on Christmas. [Requests are being accepted through Friday, December 13.](#)



Art & Environment

Mark your calendars for December 22 at 11:30 am. We will be decorating our church for Christmas and many helping hands are needed! Any amount of time you can give is greatly appreciated!

THE 2025 PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP LETTER & COMMITMENT CARD

All families should have received their 2025 financial commitment card and letter in the mail; if you didn't please contact the parish office. Please read the letter & brochure carefully and return your commitment card before December 31, 2024.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 8

Holly Days | 8:00 am - noon

CF K3/K4/K5 | 8:15 am

CF Gr. 1-5 | 9:30 am

Break Open the Word (BOW) 8:15 & 10:30 am

CF Christmas Program | 2:00 pm

Confirmation Class | 4:30 pm & 6:00 pm

CF Gr. 6-10 | 4:30 & 6:00 pm

Mass at 8:15 & 10:30 am

Monday, December 9

Mass at 8:00 am & 6:00 pm

Immaculate Conception - Holy Day of Obligation

All Parish Offices Closed

Men's Group Gospel of John | 7:00 pm

Tuesday, December 10

Adoration | 8:30 am

Scripture Reflection | 9:00 am

CF Staff Meeting | 1:00 pm

CF Classes Gr. 1 - 10 | 6:00 pm

Confirmation Classes | 6:00 pm

Knights of Columbus | 7:00 pm

Mass at 8:00 am

Wednesday, December 11

Common Threads Quilt Guild | 9:00 am

Archdiocese CSA Meeting | 9:00 am

Staff Meeting | 9:30 am

Mass at 8:00 am

Thursday, December 12

Wood Carving Club | 9:00 am

Community Banquet | 5:30 pm

Mass at 8:00 am

Friday, December 13

SOS Toy Distribution Set-up | 8:00 am

Saturday, December 14

Adoration | 7:00 am

SOS Toy Distribution | 7:00 am

Reconciliation | 3:45 pm

Ellacuria Fair Trade Sale | 5:30 pm

Mass at 4:30 pm

Sunday, December 15

Break Open the Word | 8:15 & 10:30 am

CF K3/K4/K5 | 8:15 am

OCIA | 9:15 am

Ellacuria Fair Trade Sale | 9:30 & 11:30 am

CF Gr. 1-5 | 9:30 am

Confirmation Class | 4:30 pm & 6:00 pm

CF Gr. 6-10 | 4:30 & 6:00 pm

Mass at 8:15 & 10:30 am

St. James website has the current calendar for the entire year.

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