



## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 02, 2022

# St. James Catholic Church

3909 Harrison \* Kansas City, Missouri 64110

### Our Mission

We, the people of the St. James community in faith, commit ourselves to building the Reign of God for all people, serving especially our neighbors in Midtown, Kansas City.

### Our Vision

St. James Parish will be a vital Catholic Christian presence at the crossroads of Kansas City, meeting the spiritual needs of our members and impacting both the midtown neighborhood and the larger community. We will be a growing and diverse community where worship and sacramental life are joyful and vibrant; where people are empowered to live the Gospel; and where, especially, the needs of the poor and disenfranchised are lovingly and humbly addressed.

### Mass Schedule

Sunday **10:00 am**

### Confessions

By appointment only

### Parish Office

**(816) 561-8512**

Office Hours: 9:00 --3:00, Monday-Friday

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### Parish Staff

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### Parish Leadership Team

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And behold, the star that they had  
seen at its rising preceded them.

~ Matthew 2:9

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays

## ~ St. James Parish Updates ~

- **DEACON ROSS BEAUDOIN UPDATE**

Deacon Ross is back home recovering. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

- **ST. JAMES HARVESTERS OPPORTUNITY**

St. James' January Harvesters volunteer opportunity is scheduled for Tuesday, January 4th, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Harvesters is located at 3801 Topping Ave. Volunteers must be 16 or older and are required to wear closed toed shoes, long pants, and masks. Consider bringing 1 canned or other non-perishable food item.

Please contact Sarah Hirsch at 816-728-6115 if you plan to attend.

- **CHURCH ENVIRONMENT**

Next Sunday, after Mass, we need to take down the Christmas decorations. If you can, please stay to help.



### Office of Child and Youth Protection

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the **Independent Ombudsman, Joe Crayon**, at 816-812-2500, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, the **Victim Assistance Coordinator** at 816.392.0011 or [true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.



## *Reflection from Fr. Garry Richmeier*

As we enter the winter months, many people gauge time by how quickly (or slowly) the cold weather passes, and we get to Spring. Of course that is a rather "small" view of time. A larger view would be to consider the time of winter as part of the greater period of the whole year, which consists of all four seasons. An even larger view of time is to consider how many of those seasonal years pass within a generation. To expand further, one might reflect on how many generations have passed since humans came to be. To really challenge our conception of time, we could try to imagine how many centuries have passed between the big bang and the appearance of humans.

Sometimes when I get bogged down and depressed about what is happening in this particular time (like the dark, cold winter, or the pandemic), it helps to change my perspective regarding time. For example, if I look at things from a generational view of time, humans have seen pandemics come and go. So this one will go too. From the view of the time since humans came to be, we have survived and multiplied, despite our tendencies for self destruction.

In Spiritual terms, we can talk about this bigger view of time as "God's time." We tend to look at only small pieces of time which affect only our little corner of reality. That is our almost automatic, self-centered way of looking at things. Jesus told us about God's time. That the Reign of God is growing even when (especially when) it looks like we are dying to our own self-centered concerns. God's time has been playing out since the big bang. From that point of view, everything has always been in God's hands, and always will be. That can be very comforting no matter what troubling time we are experiencing at the moment.

*~ Peace,*

*Fr. Garry*

~ Around Kansas City ~

## MLK DAY 2022 IN KANSAS CITY

MLK Parades, Concerts, & Things To Do On Martin Luther King Jr. Day In Kansas City

Celebrating the life of the American Civil Rights Leader, Martin Luther King Jr., is a massive celebration of the life and achievements of this influential personality. There are so many ways to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr Day 2022 in Kansas City. You could be a part of the parade or enjoy a concert to make merry on the auspicious occasion of the MLK Day. You can even celebrate this day by volunteering at the community service since this holiday is also a lot about the MLK Day Of Service.

Click this link: [MLK Events Around Kansas City](#) to access in-person and virtual events.

~ Readings ~

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD  
IS 42:1-4, 6-7  
ACTS 10:34-38  
LK 3:15-16, 21-22

~ Stewardship ~

Week 12/20—12/26: \$4,110

Needed each week: \$3,877

Percent of Weekly Budget: 106%

Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$100,682

Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$101,345

Percent of Budget to Date: 99%

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

- Pat Rodemann
- Deacon Ross Beaudoin
- Connie Anderson
- Ed Pailer
- Amie Miller
- Oscar Shelby
- Patricia Cann

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance

12/24, Christmas Eve Mass	183
12/26, Feast of the Holy Family	90

Livestream Attendance

12/24, Christmas Eve Mass	14
12/26, Feast of the Holy Family	14