

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 8, 2023

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.

Mass Schedule

Sunday 10:00 am

Confessions

By appointment only

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Bulletin Deadline: Mondays

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.



The Magi Journeying (Les rois mages en voyage)
James Tissot

And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.

~ Matthew 2:9

~ St. James Parish Updates~

• UPCOMING EVENT—CHILI DAZE

Chili Daze will be on January 21, 2023 from 5PM to 8PM in Marian Hall.

- Chili Contest to enter the contest, there is a sign up sheet in the back of the church OR you can email Ben Babaran. Volunteer sign up sheets are also in the back of the church.
- ◆ Buy a raffle ticket \$3.00/ticket; 2 tickets for \$5.00. RAFFLE PRIZES: \$50 Price Chopper Card and \$50 Costco Shopping Card
- Play JIMBO and win fabulous prizes JIMBO is played on a customized Bingo Card using aspects of St. James instead of numbers. Prizes are gathered from generous donors and Troost39 Thrift Store.

CHILI DAZE is better and cheaper than a dinner and a movie! Your \$5.00 (\$3.00 for children) includes dinner—chili, salad & dessert. DRINKS are available for purchase

SUNDAYS OF JANUARY 2023

January 8, Second Sunday of the month: Hospitality Sunday hosted by St. James Youth Group January 15, Third Sunday of the month: Faith Formation Sunday

January 22, Fourth Sunday of the month: Pantry Sunday

January 29, Fifth Sunday of the month: 5th Sunday Celebration hosted by Office Volunteers



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
- 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 for more information.

SUNDAYS AT ST. JAMES

1st Sunday - TROOST39
OPEN W/ HOSPITALITY

2nd Sunday - HOSPITALITY & NAME TAG SUNDAY

3rd Sunday - FAITH FORMATION SUNDAY

4th Sunday - PANTRY SUNDAY

5th Sunday - 5th SUNDAY CELEBRATION



Have you had enough of 2023 yet?

That question usually would not be on my radar for the first week of a new year! Not at all. No way. I am too much of an idealist to let a thing or two get me down in one week. However, this past week has thrown me a curve.

The US House of Representatives: not able to function: no Speaker of the House Damar Hamlin, 24 year old safety of Buffallo Bills: cardiac arrest on the field *Title 42* of Covid restrictions extended while tens of thousands of asylum seekers wait California, my home State, hit by devastating storms and flooding after years of draught Funeral of Pope Benedict XVI presided by Pope Francis

Whatever's been happening in your and my life

And we have 51 more weeks in this year....

How to handle the crazy ups and downs of life? At Jesus' birth and thereafter Mary and Joseph had to trust in God's Providence to carry them through. What else to do? Their own resources weren't up to dealing with the powerful King Herod and other unknowns. Mary and Joseph were living the life given to them by God and they trusted that God would carry them through. And God did – with the help of the Magi and others.

Some (many?) times our lives also seem out of control. What to do? Is anyone "on our side" to help us?

A long time ago I found a card with a sentence that has stuck with me ever since. I have found It to be really true.

"All I know about tomorrow is that Providence will rise before the sun."

On to the rest of the year....

Blessings, Deacon Ross

~ Around Kansas City ~

St. Therese Little Flower Parish "Called to Serve Others—Sharing a Little Hope"

Followed by

January 16, 2023 - Prayer Service at 10:00 am

Spreading Hope with Care Bags

- All are invited and if you aren't able to make your own "care bags", then bring some of the items suggested and we will prepare bags for distribution after the prayer service in our church hall.
- We will walk forward with the prepared bags as our gifts during the liturgy. (Just bring 10-20 bags with you. The other bags can be shared with your volunteers to distribute after the service.
- The "care bags" will be distributed throughout the city by parishioners from the participating churches. The idea is to spread them as far as possible. Some, in need will be on street corners, some in camps, others under bridges, from downtown KC, north and south, to the east and west as far as we can reach.

Suggested items:

- Protein (Vienna sausage, tuna, chicken, etc.)
- Vegetables (corn, beans, etc.)
- Fruit (peaches, pears, applesauce, etc.)
- Peanut butter and crackers
- Snack crackers (peanut butter, cheese, etc.)
- Raisins (individual 1 oz. packs)

- Other non-perishable food items
- Small packs of sanitizer wipes, spray or gel
- Mylar blankets
- Hand/foot blankets
- **Bottled** water
- Other food items
- Hygiene items (individual wrapped soap, etc.)

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

~ Readings ~

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 49:3, 5-6 1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34

Amie Miller

Ed Pailer

- Oscar Shelby
- Patricia Cann
- Beverly Johnson
- Jermisha Cann
- Leonard Cann
- Nancy Moylan
- Bill Moylan
- Regina Cann

- Artice Cann
- Matthew Cann, Jr.
- Sr. Theresa Maly
- Sr. Cele Breen
- Carmen Shelby
- Steven Cann, Sr.
- Mae Ransom
- Linda Rechtin
- Ross Beaudoin
- Mark Caan, Sr.

~ Stewardship ~

Week 12/25-01/01: \$4,836

Needed each week: \$4,308

Percent of Weekly Budget: 112%

Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$108,854

Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$112,008

Percent of Budget to Date: 97%

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance 01/01, Mary, Mother of God 118

Livestream Attendance 01/01, Mary, Mother of God 19