

# ST. JAMES

Catholic Church

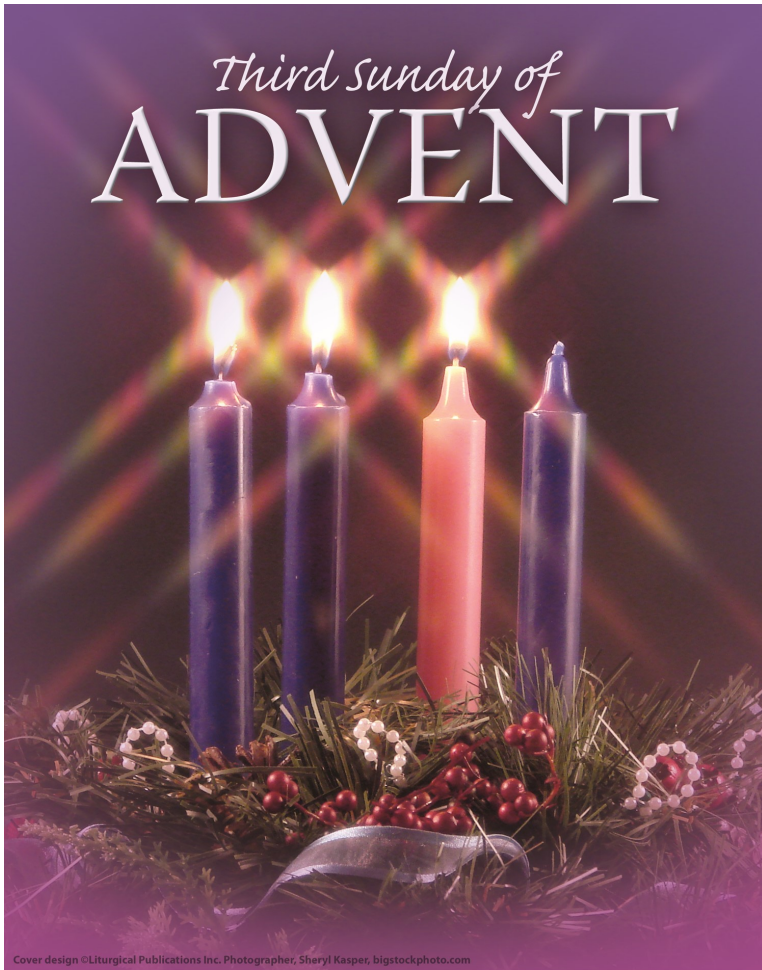


**December 16, 2018**

Third Sunday of Advent

**Father John N. Hay, Pastor**

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### St. James Catholic Church Directory:

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**Parish Office Manager:** Vickie Knebler

[vknebler@saintjamesaugusta.com](mailto:vknebler@saintjamesaugusta.com)

**Altar Society:** (2nd Wednesday of the Month)

Judy Terick, Co-President 316-775-7543

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**Knights of Columbus** (3rd Wed. of the Month)

Curtis Patten, Grand Knight 316-293-6090



### Confessions

**Father John Hay & Father John Sherlock will be hearing Confessions during weekend Masses December 15/16**

**Baptism:** Please call the parish office to schedule a Baptism.

**Matrimony Preparation:** First of all, congratulations! Please call the parish office at least 6 months prior to the desired date of the Marriage, 9 months is preferred. The date for the wedding will be definitively set after your first meeting with the Priest.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please call the parish office before major surgery or at the beginning of a serious illness to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. If you or someone you know in the parish is in the Hospital, please call the parish office to let us know

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### Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>Monday, December 17</b>	8:00 am	†Lance Reichenberger by Marvin & Terri MacKay
<b>Tuesday, December 18</b>	8:00 am	Mike Schneider by Marilyn Runyan
<b>Wednesday, Dec. 19</b>	6:00 pm	†Jerry Ridder by Ron & Connie Rausch
<b>Thursday, December 20</b>	8:00 am	†Ross Ayres by Jim McClure
<b>Friday, December 21</b>	8:00 am	†Elnora Martin by Wendi Vittitow
<b>Saturday, December 22</b>	8:00 am	†William Kennedy by Mary Catherine Kennedy
	5:00 pm	†Anthony Wedman by Brenda Elmer
<b>Sunday, December 23</b>	8:00 am	Elmer & Alice Simon by Vince & Marie Martin
	10:30 am	People of St. James

### Stewardship: Fully Alive as Missionary Disciples

In today's gospel, John the Baptist speaks to the heart of the stewardship message. He does not tell the tax collectors to stop collecting taxes, but he tells them to stop taking more than the required amount. He does not tell the soldiers to desert their positions, but he tells them not to use their positions to oppress others. He tells them to share their excess with others. He preaches a message of social justice. As stewards of God's gifts, we should be mindful of living the same way. We should share of ourselves in whatever manner is helpful to the greater good. Advent is a perfect time to take action. Can you donate your extra coats? Do you have food you can share with the food pantry? Perhaps you have money you can give to those in need? Might you take the time to visit the homebound? Take this opportunity to reflect on your stewardship and be intentional about living a life of justice and integrity.

### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT: The forgotten wrong

In an affluent society, the sin rarely referred to is avarice. We redefine it as ambition, upward mobility, or simply "doing well." But the clutch of personal possessions is still the spiritual stranglehold it always was. The needle's eye isn't getting any bigger, and our modern camels still won't pass through. John the Baptist offers several key remedies. First, share what you have with those who don't have. Second, don't cheat, ever. Third, don't keep striving for more. Finally, be humble. These remedies for avarice are countercultural. They also prepare the way of the One who is coming. **Today's readings:** Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18 (9).

### Eucharistic Adoration Give yourself a wonderful gift! Try an Adoration Hour just through the remainder of the year.



Sunday: 5:00 pm  
 Monday: 3:00 am, 2:00 pm  
 Tuesday: 9:00 pm  
 Friday: 4:00 am, 10:00 pm  
 Saturday: 7:00 am (needs partner)

Call Kathi @  
734-8050

### Events/Activities Coming Up/Ministry with Persons with Disabilities

#### Nourish for Caregivers™ Support Group

The meetings are the second Thursday of each month with the next meeting Thursday, December 13 @ noon to 1:30 pm at the St. Joseph Pastoral Center (437 N Topeka, Wichita)

### Upcoming Mass Schedule for Holy Days

#### The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Vigil Mass: Monday, December 24 @ 4:00 pm  
 @ 11:00 pm  
 Holy Day: Tuesday, December 25 @ 9:00 am

#### The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Vigil Mass: Monday, December 31 @ 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm  
 Holy Day: Tuesday, January 1 @ 9:00 am



### The Parish Mission Statement

St. James Parish is a Eucharistic family, guided by our Catholic faith and working through a love of God and others, cultivating disciples of Jesus Christ through Hospitality, Prayer, Formation and Service.

### Stewardship

Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor.

### Stewardship of Treasure: Our Gifts to God & Parish

Weekly Tithe (December 9) \$12,254.14  
 Weekly Budget \$17,033.19

### Advisory Committees

#### Parish Stewardship Chair

Teresa Reavis, 316-775-5095

#### Parish Council Chair

Josh Ebenkamp 316-775-3906

#### Parish Finance Council Chair

Robin Crawford 316-775-7082

#### Parish School Council Chair

Anna Barringer 720-951-1391

### Meetings & Events

#### Sunday (12-16)

11:30 am Our Lady of Gaudalupe Cele.  
 11:45 am Choir Rehearsal

#### Monday (12-17)

8:30 am Mom's Prayer & Share  
 6:30 pm St. James School Music Prog.

#### Wednesday (12-19)

12:00 noon Harvest House  
 6:30 pm EPIC—High School Youth  
 6:45 pm PSR Classes  
 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus

#### Thursday (12-20)

2:30 pm St Vincent de Paul cooking  
 6:00 pm Finance Council Meeting  
 7:00 pm RCIA Class  
 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study

#### Friday (12-21)

5:00 pm Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary

#### Sunday (12-23)

11:45 am Choir Rehearsal



St. Elizabeth of Hungary Guild #5 and their families to clean Church for the weekend of December 22/23.

Guild Leaders:

Susan Williams @ 990-1446  
 Deanna Crawford @ 304-7358

*Altar Servers*

**Monday, December 17 8:00 am**

Carter McClure, Julissa Miranda

**Tuesday, December 18 8:00 am**

Carter McClure, Julissa Miranda

**Wednesday, Dec. 19 6:00 pm**

James Allen, Hunter Smith

**Thursday, December 20 8:00 am**

Carter McClure, Julissa Miranda

**Friday, December 21 8:00 am**

Carter McClure, Julissa Miranda

**Saturday, December 22 8:00 am**

Alexis Craft, Emily Craft

**5:00 pm**

David Ebenkamp, Nathan Ebenkamp,  
Laura Mosier, Samuel Mosier

**Sunday, December 23 8:00 am**

Alexis Craft, Emily Craft,  
Sam Vittitow, Jacob Reavis

**10:30 am**

Ambrose Pennycuff, Samuel Pennycuff,  
Daniel Doell, Madeline Kavalauskas

*Liturgy Assignments*

**Saturday, December 22 5:00 pm**

**Hospitality:** Alan & Susan Schneider,  
Connie Tillett, Ken & Linda Williams

**Lector:** Tanner Becker

**Host:** Bud & Peggy Cyphers,  
Liana Torkelson, Theresa Spellman

**Sunday, December 23 8:00 am**

**Hospitality:** Deb Vittitow, Dan Allen,  
Mark Troilo, Gary Weber, Brian Martin

**Lector:** Pat Lowrance

**Host:** Elmer & Alice Simon,  
Susan Defore-R3 (Kathi Martinez-R1)

**10:30 am**

**Hospitality:** Pat Perkins,  
Steve & Joan Reichardt

**Lector:** Tom Finger

**Host:** Dennis Mosier, Pat Braden,  
Henry Ratcliff, Deann Korte

**Precious Blood:** Barb Ratcliff,  
Penny Mosier, Joan Reichardt

**REMEMBER**

*If you are not able to serve  
your scheduled time, please  
find a substitute.*



**Donuts** will be served by St. James Altar Society only after the 8:00 am Mass on Sunday, December 16. After the 10:30 Mass everyone is invited to go to the gym to enjoy the Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration.

**Our Lady Of Guadalupe: Re-Enactment & Mexican Dinner**

Join us for a re-enactment of the visit of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Sunday, Dec. 16 after the 10:30 am Mass.



**A Mexican dinner will be served immediately following the re-enactment on Sunday in the school gymnasium. For entertainment, Mexican dances will be performed by our St. James Youth. Donations will be accepted. Come enjoy the celebration!!**

**St. James Catholic School Christmas Program**

St. James Catholic School's Christmas Program will be Monday, Dec. 17 at 6:30 pm at the Augusta High School. Everyone in the parish is welcome!



**Harvest House News:**

Harvest House will meet on Wednesday, December 19 @ 12:00 noon. Ham will be provided, but please bring a covered dish to share with your friends. We will have a White Elephant Gift Exchange following lunch. Anyone 55 years & older is welcomed, invited & encouraged to come be a part of Harvest House.



**Snow Removal for the week of December 23-29:**

James Glowaski, Bob Hirschfeld, Jason Kant and all who want to help. Bring your shovels!




**Mass Intentions**

Do you need a useful and thoughtful gift for someone? Remember them with a Mass intention. Cards are available in the office when you schedule a Mass Intention. We can also remember our loved ones with a Mass. Contact the church office to schedule a special date for a living relative, deceased loved one or for a special intention. Mass stipends are \$10.


**Time, Talent & Treasure Forms**

It is not too late to return your time, talent and treasure forms. Please place them in the office door "mail slot" or in the collection. Thank you to all who have returned your forms. New lists will be going out to the leadership soon.



**Queen of Hearts 50/50 Raffle**

- \*Tickets will be available to purchase after all weekend Masses or in the church office during the week.
- \*Tickets are \$1 each
- \*Each week the drawing will be Saturday night at 6:15 pm in the foyer of the church.



**CONGRATULATIONS to Susan Smith!** Susan's ticket was pulled last Saturday night. Her envelope number was #31 and when it was opened, the seven of spades was revealed. Susan won \$25.

**ENVELOPE NUMBERS NOT TO USE: 1, 21, 31, 34, 38, 39 & 40. Who will be the lucky winner this Saturday???? Have you bought your tickets????**

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

