

St. James Major Catholic Church

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Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 pm (Anticipated)
Sunday: 10:00 am
Monday – Friday: 8:30 am (in Chapel)

Holy Hour: First Friday following the 8:30 am Mass.
Perpetual Help Novena: Tuesdays after Mass

Confessions

Saturday: 3:15 – 3:45 pm
And by request

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

New Parishioners: Welcome to the Parish! Please complete a registration form (found on the tables at the doors) and introduce yourself to the priest.

Baptisms: Please contact the Priest or Deacon to arrange for a seminar and time for the Baptism.

Weddings: Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months in advance of the date of the wedding. Please contact the priest before committing to any other arrangements.

Funerals: Please contact the church as soon as the need arises and before making any arrangements with the funeral parlor.

Christmas at St. James Major



Christmas Eve Mass	Dec. 24	4 pm
Christmas Day Mass (a Holy Day of Obligation)	Dec. 25	10 am
Feast of the Holy Family	Dec. 31	
(regular weekend Mass schedule, Dec 30-4 pm; Dec 31-10 am)		
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God	Jan. 1	8:30 am

*Glory to God
in the
Highest and
on Earth
Peace to
those on
Whom His
Favor Rests*



*Father Maughan,
Deacon Wiltz
and the Staff
of St. James Major Church
wish You
and Your Loved Ones the
Peace and Joy of Christmas,
now and throughout
the New Year.*

**Advent:
A Time of Preparing, Hoping, Waiting**

Traditionally, each of the four candles of the Advent wreath has a deeper meaning. The fourth candle is the "Angel's Candle." It symbolizes "peace," and reminds us of the message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men." This candle is purple.



Silver Bracelet Found

A silver bracelet was found December 8 outside the church door behind the rectory garage. If this bracelet is yours, please speak contact the rectory.

Joy is the true gift of Christmas, and we can communicate this joy simply: with a smile, a kind gesture, a little help, forgiveness. And the joy we give will certainly come back to us.

Pope Benedict XVI



Welcome

No matter where you are from, what you do, what your current family, marital or life situation...

No matter your personal history, age, background, race or political affiliation...

No matter your religion or self-perceived relationship with God or the Church...

We are very happy you are with us

Sanctuary Light

The Sanctuary Light is burning this week in memory of Darlene Maney



Mass Intentions



Each Mass is offered for the intentions of all present and for the following:

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

4:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living & deceased

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

10:00 am Intentions of all our parishioners who are ill and those who have asked for prayer

Repose of the souls of

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| +Poor Souls in Purgatory (P.L.) | +Kenneth Ruiz |
| +Larry & Margie Francioni | +Rita Major |
| +Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr. | +Rochelle Age |
| +Mr. & Mrs. Clay LeBlanc | +Vanessa Serino |
| +Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr. | +Margo Lightfoot |

CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living and deceased

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

- 10:00 am +Willie Anthony Tucker
 +Catherine Palmisano
 +Jesus & Frances Vega
 +Clarence "Benny" Parent, Jr.

CHRISTMAS DAY

- +Andrew Dwyer
 +Peter Bonnee
 +Fred Sanders

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

8:30 am +Joseph Chevis

ST. STEPHEN'S DAY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

8:30 am +Marie Johnson

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

8:30 am Thanksgiving-St. Joseph Altar Group

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

8:30 am +Stephen & Josephine Maughan

Please pray for them: Valerie Smith, Mary Mitchell, Trina Cousin, Gloria Mitchell, Denise Thomas, Audrey Wilson, Lt. Nichele Magee, USN, Gail Wright, Theresa Morris, Kerry Malter, Gloria Harris, Gertrude Harris, William Mitchell, Maggie Haney, Dominic Carmouche, Loretta Parent, Walter Glapion, Yvonne Bechet, Gerald Mercadel, Sr., Susan Lauterbach, Thais Ardoin, Russell Jordan, Denise Rachal, Herbert Briant, Sr., Irene Ward, Theresa Jupiter, Marguerite Ragas, Irma Springer, Wilbert Clementin, Sr., CPL Darren Brazley, Jr., John Washington, Yolande Adams, Byron Williams, Jr., Kim Stovall, Michelle Irwin, Pamela Jordon, Dennis LeBlanc and Clarence, Robert and Buster Mitchell.



Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially those who are homebound or in hospitals, nursing homes and hospice. Please notify the rectory of the change in status of your relatives on the prayer list.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

- 24 Sunday **VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**
 Isaiah 62:1-5; Ps 89; Acts 13:16-16, 22-25; Matthew 1:1-25
- 25 Monday **NATIVITY OF THE LORD**
 (During the Day) Isaiah 52:7-10; Ps 98; Hebrews 1:1-6; John 1:1-18
- 26 Tuesday **ST. STEPHEN**
 Acts 6:8-10; Ps 31; Matthew 10:17-22
- 27 Wednesday **ST. JOHN**
 1 John 1:1-4; Ps 97; John 20:1a, 2-8
- 28 Thursday **THE HOLY INNOCENTS**
 1 John 1:5-2:2; Ps 124; Matthew 2:13-18
- 29 Friday **FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**
 1 John 2:3-11; Ps 96; Luke 2:22-35
- 30 Saturday **SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**
 1 John 2:12-17; Ps 96; Luke 2:36-40
- 31 Sunday **FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**
 Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3; Ps 1-5; Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Luke

**Lectors & Commentators
 4th Sunday of Advent**

- Dec 23 Gloria Jordon, Elisa Triplett
 Dec 24 Lawrence Dejan, Darren Isabelle



Christmas Eve/Christmas Day

- Dec 24 Greer Adams, Aggie Jackson
 Dec 25 Hilda Bell, Marlin Gusman

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
 4th Sunday of Advent**



- Dec 23 Loretta Parent, Kerry Winder
 Dec 24 Denise Thomas, Adaline Patterson

Christmas Eve/Christmas Day

- Dec 24 Gaynell Marchand, Roy LeBlanc
 Dec 25 Evangeline Richard, Louis Flattmann

✠✠✠ **Our Men and Women in the Service** ✠✠✠

Please remember to pray for our men and women who are serving in the armed forces, especially:

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| SSgt Bryan Stovall, Jr., USMC | PO2 Melissa Flot, USN |
| CPL Darren Brazley, Jr., USA | PVT Robert Cook, USA |
| SSgt. Anthony Montz, USAF | Alvin Benjamin, USN |
| Sr.A. Davin Hornsby, USAF | A1C Andrew Montz, USAF |
| SGT Robert Lambert, USA | |



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS (December 16-17)

First Collection	\$ 2085.00
Second Collection.....	564.00
	<u>\$ 2649.00</u>

Please support your parish!