

Announcements

Norms and Instructions to be observed in the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Please always make sure to arrive early before the Mass starts. If, for unavoidable situation you arrive late, that is ok, but don't make it a habit to arrive late in the Mass.(Weekend Masses)

The norms in receiving communion (the Body and Blood of Christ) are **STANDING**. This comes from the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) with U.S. adaptations: "The norm for reception of Holy Communion in the dioceses of the United States is Standing." (GIRM, no. 160, U.S. adaptation). Why STANDING is the norm? Standing is understood as a posture of reverence and resurrection; it also promotes **order and flow** in the Communion procession. ((We are to follow what is being observed and practiced at the Cathedral of the Madeleine, our mother church)

Non-Catholics are **not allowed to receive** Communion.

In receiving Communion either by the mouth or by the hand, please do not forget to say the word "**Amen**" after the minister says "**the Body of Christ**"; and if you are to receive the Body of Christ by the hand, the proper way is to place your left hand over your right hand

If you are not properly disposed to receive Communion and wish to receive a blessing from the minister, please place your arms above your chest so that the minister will know

Upcoming Calendar January/February 2026

25 AS Aspyn, Chelsie, Evelyn Lectors: Vicki M. EM: Cynthia, Leylahni, Leonor spaghetti dinner	26	26	28 Doctrine and Holy Scripture Class 7pm Parish Hall	29	30 Knights of Columbus Bingo 6pm	31 AS: Avery, RJ, Rozlyn Lectors: Sami, Brandon EM: Fabio, Roxanne, Melanie
1 AS: Declan, Jesus, Manny Lectors: Leylahni EM: Sherry, Karan, Leonoor	2	3	4	5	6 Knights of Columbus Bingo 6pm	7 AS August, Haiden, Cae Lectors: Becky, Sherry EM: Linda M., Tammy, Brandon
8 AS: Aspyn, Chelsie, Evelyn Lectors: Linda A. EM: Cynthia, Gaspar, Leonor	9	10	11	12	13 Last Knights of Columbus Bingo 6pm	14 AS Avery, Rozlyn, RJ Lectors: Brad, Lisa EM: Roxanne, Sherry, Fabio

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Welcome to
St. James the Greater



Parochial Administrator: Rev. Ariel Durian

Sacramental Information

Weekday Mass

Monday 8:30 am
Wednesday-Friday 8:30 am

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5:30 pm (English)
Sunday: 9:00 am (English)
Sunday: 11:30 am (Spanish)

Adoration/Benediction

Friday 9:00 am- 10:00 am

Confession

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm
or by appointment

Anointing of the sick

By Request

Baptism

Contact office 1 month prior

Marriage

Contact office 4 months prior

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Hillary Gaskill (Office 435-789-3016)
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Christy Young 435-828-0235

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Leylahni Munguia Ayon 435-549-9752

Knights of Columbus



Grand Knight: Brad Laney 435-828-5469
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Treasurer: Kevin Stratton: 435-828-0692

K of C meet the third Thursday of every month
at 7:00 pm in the upstairs room of the ed building.

Council of Catholic Women



Chair Committee:
Co-Chair: Linda Mitchell 435-790-6426
Co-Chair: Roxanne Burman 435-219-0568
Secretary: Vicki Myers 307-399-6213
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CCW meet the second Tuesday of every month
at 6:00 pm in the education building.
September - May

Youth Group



Contact Vanessa Liesik at
435-724-5719 for more
information.



CONTACT US

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January 24 and 25, 2026

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A

Gospel Reading Matthew 4:12-23

Jesus begins to preach in Galilee and calls his first disciples. (shorter form Matthew 4:12-17)

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke (called the Synoptic Gospels), Jesus' public ministry begins after his baptism by John the Baptist and after his retreat to the desert where he was tempted by the devil. When Jesus returns from the desert, he hears that John has been arrested.

The first part of today's Gospel places Jesus' ministry in the context of the writings of the prophet, Isaiah. Matthew wants to show that Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies given to the people of Israel, and he refers to Isaiah to do so. Isaiah says that the Messiah will begin his ministry in Galilee, the land of the Gentiles. When Jesus begins to preach in Galilee, Matthew points to his ministry as a fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, proof that Jesus is the Messiah.

When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.

The Gospel concludes with a description of the ministry that Jesus begins in Galilee. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God with his work. He teaches in the synagogue and preaches the kingdom. His ability to cure people's diseases and illness is a sign of the kingdom. In Jesus' ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us.

2026 DDD Report

(As of 1/12/2026)

- 2026 Goal: \$30,500.00
- Total Paid: \$1,269.93
- Amount needed to reach goal: \$29,230.07

"Eucharist, The Heart of Giving."

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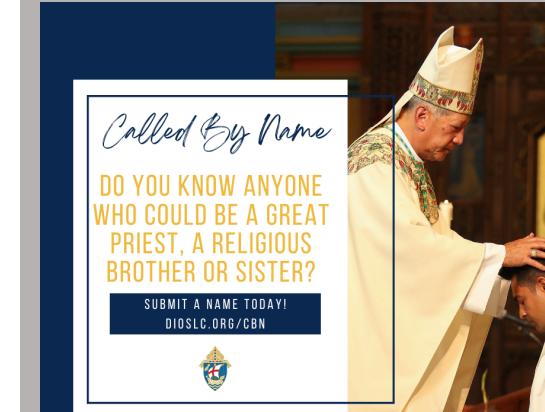
Mass Intentions
Saturday, January 24:
Sunday, January 25: Soul of Monsignor Fitzgerald
Monday, January 26:
Tuesday, January 27:
Wednesday, January 28:
Thursday, January 29:
Friday, January 30:

Parishioners are invited to bring in requests for Mass Intentions. Contact Hillary in the parish office to have your intentions added to the bulletin.

Stay connected in our parish and diocese:

Doctrine and Holy Scripture Classes

Thank you to all who joined us Wednesday for our first class. Our next class will be February 25th. You can still join us even if you missed the first class.



Join us today Sunday January 25th for our spaghetti dinner!
10:30-5:00pm, both dine in and take out will be available all day!



Knights of Columbus Bingo
Bingo will be every Friday from now until February 13th. Doors will open at 6:00 pm, and games begin at 6:30 pm. Concessions will be served starting at 6 pm.

Ash Wednesday will fall on February 18th this year. We will have two Masses that day or normal 8:30 am Mass and a 6:00 pm bilingual Mass.



WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekend of 1/17 and 1/18/2026

- Weekly Goal: \$3,000.00
- Total Mass Collection: \$2,742.58
- Difference: **\$257.42**

Second Collection DDD: \$293.36

UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTION

Upcoming 2nd Collection:

**January 24-25: Latin America
February 7 & 8: DDD**

*All 2nd collection envelopes can be found at the back or side entrances of the church.