

# 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 February 2026

1 AS: Declan, Jesus, Manny Lectors: Leylahni, Sherry, Karan, Leonor	2 Throat Blessing for St Blaise 8:30 am Mass	3	4	5	6 Knights of Columbus Bingo 6pm	7 AS August, Haiden, Caed 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 Knights of Columbus Bingo 6pm	14 AS Avery, Rozlynn, RJ Lectors: Brad, Lisa EM: Roxanne, Sherry, Fabio
15 AS: Declan, Jesus, Manny Lectors: Vicki M. EM: Karan, Michelle, Leonor	16	17	18 Ash Wednesday Mass 8:30 am and 6:00 pm Bilingual	19	20 Mass @ 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross @ 6 pm Lent Supper after stations	21 AS: August, Haiden, Caed Lectors: Amy, Fabio EM: Melanie, Linda M., Tammy

### Website

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### GIVING

**ENVELOPE:** check or cash

**ONLINE**  
<https://www.givecentral.org>

**Text-to-give**  
text 435-246-0908  
keywords: Sunday

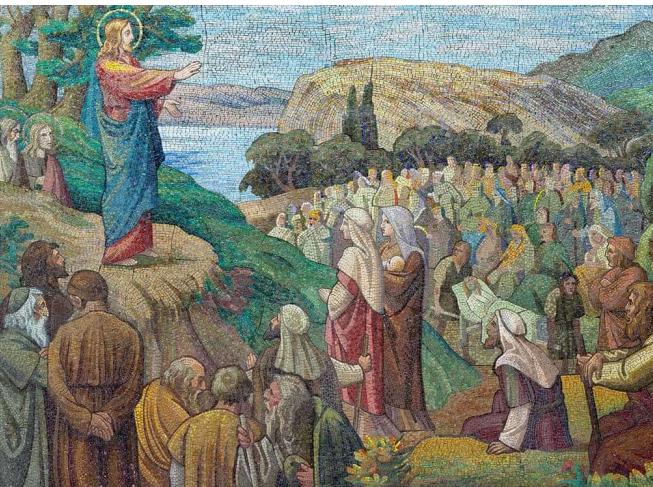
Intention, Candle, Garden



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## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Parochial Administrator: Rev. Ariel Durian

Welcome to  
St. James the Greater



## 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)  
Cell 808-983-9760

### Director of Religious Education/SEC

Christy Young 435-828-0235

### Choir Director

Leylahni Munguia Ayon 435-549-9752

### Knights of Columbus



Grand Knight: Brad Laney 435-828-5469  
Deputy Grand Knight: Bob Meinrod  
970-852-1917  
Financial Sec.: Brad Mitchell 435-828-0803  
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  
Treasurer: Lisa Stringer 435-260-2682

CCW meet the second Tuesday of every month  
at 6:00 pm in the education building.  
September - May

### Youth Group



Hillary Gaskill at  
808-983-9760 for more  
information.

January 31 and February 1, 2026

**Gospel Reading**  
Matthew 5:1-12a

**Jesus teaches what it means to be happy.**

**Background on the Gospel Reading**

Today's reading is the beginning of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, which is found in Matthew's Gospel. The form of the Beatitudes found here is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, in the psalms, and in wisdom literature, for example. They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God.

We quickly note in this reading that the people whom Jesus calls "blessed" and "happy" are not people we think of as blessed or happy . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. This Gospel is one of reversals. Jesus' blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness.

"Blessed" is sometimes translated as happy, fortunate, or favored. In other words, Jesus is saying that divine favor is upon those who are poor, those who mourn, those who are persecuted. This news might have been welcome—and surprising—to the crowds who heard Jesus that day.

The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. By referring to the good things that the faithful will experience, Matthew reminds us that those who act in the manner described in the Beatitudes will find their reward with God.

**2026 DDD Report**

(As of 1/28/2026)

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

"Eucharist, The Heart of Giving."

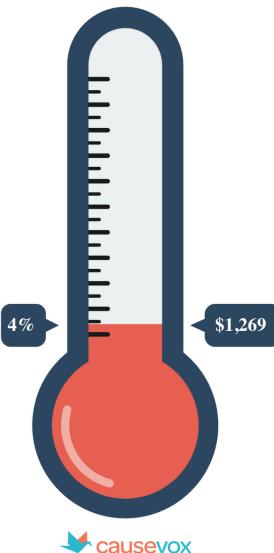
Please consider pledging/donating to the 2026 DDD.

*No gift too small.*

**Scan to Donate:**



**GOAL: \$30,500**



**Mass Intentions**  
**Saturday, January 31:**  
**Sunday, February 1:**  
**Monday, February 2:**  
**Tuesday, February 3:**  
**Wednesday, February 4:**  
**Thursday, February 5:**  
**Friday, February 6:**

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 25<sup>th</sup>. You can still join us even if you missed the first class.



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



**Knights of Columbus Blood Drive**

The next Blood Drive will be February 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00pm-6:00pm

The blood that we collect can go anywhere in the US, we have had our blood go as far as New York City, Nampa Idaho, and Worcester Massachusetts. This really is the gift of LIFE!

You can make an appointment by downloading the American Red Cross app or calling Brad Lanney at: (435)828-5496



**A Big Thanks to All Our wonderful volunteers who helped make this years Spaghetti Dinner a success! As well as to everyone who came out to support us!**



**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.**



An Evening Webinar with Father Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D.  
"Seeing Light in Our Suffering: Reflections on 2 Corinthians 12"

Live on Zoom

Thursday, February 19, 2026

4PM Pacific/7PM Eastern

Registration Required—Requested Donation \$20.00

At Lent's beginning and within days of the Catholic Church's annual commemoration of World Day of the Sick (February 11), *The Peace in the Storm Project* is delighted to host Fr. Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D., for an uplifting evening of reflection for anyone who is facing challenges of suffering and faith. From an introduction on 2 Corinthians 12, Father Spitzer will lead us in a time of reflection and hope to see light in the obscurity of suffering. Then provide insight on trust as the foundation of walking with God in times of suffering and some prayers and habits for surrendering to God.



Register Here  
Online Registration Link: [CLICK HERE](#)  
Registration through Our Website: [www.thepaceinthestormproject.com](#)  
For more information: [Maureen@thepaceinthestormproject.com](mailto:Maureen@thepaceinthestormproject.com)

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**WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

**Weekend of 1/24 and 1/25/2026**

- Weekly Goal: \$3,000.00
- Total Mass Collection: \$2,753.00
- Difference: **\$247.00**

**Second Collection Latin America: \$570.00**

**UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTION**

**Upcoming 2nd Collections:**

**February 7 & 8: DDD**  
**February 18-April 5 Rice Bowl**  
**February 22 Black and Indian Mission**

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