

Hope Guevara

St. James Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Monday, 01/14

No Mass

Tuesday, 01/15

6:30 A.M. Al Montoya by Friends (SJ)
 6:30 P.M. Guadalupe Alvarado by Family (SP)

Wednesday, 01/16

10:00 A.M. For the people of the Parish (CW)
 5:30 P.M. Colby Brown by KC's #5090 (SJ)
 Henry Longoria by Family

Thursday, 01/17

12:00 P.M. Living/deceased family members of (SH)
 Rudolfo/Sara Perez family by Family

Friday, 01/18

6:30 A.M. For World Peace (SJ)

Saturday, 01/19

5:30 P.M. Rudy Guevara by Family (SJ)

Sunday, 01/20

8:00 A.M. Dolores/Daniel Pena by Family (SH)
 Freddie Garza by Family
 9:30 A.M. Colby Brown by Jerry/Donna Malik (SJ)
 11:30 A.M. Janie Tovar by Family (SP)
 5:15 P.M. Candido Molina by Carmen Molina (SH)
 and Family

Sacrificial Giving: Thank You!

St. James	\$ 4,355.91
Sacred Heart	\$ 2,343.48
St. Patrick	\$ 609.07

**GOD'S BELOVED**

Only one week has passed since we celebrated the feast of the Epiphany. No longer are we focused on the images of the child Jesus surrounded by his parents and the magi at the manger in Bethlehem. Today, it's as if the Church has pushed the "fast forward" button in the life of Jesus. Today we celebrate his baptism in the Jordan. When the Lord Jesus rises from the waters of baptism, the heavens open and a voice announces, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased" (Matthew 3:17). This event sets the stage for the unfolding of Jesus Christ's life and work, which will become our focus for the rest of the year as we tune our ears to Saint Matthew's Gospel. As we prepare ourselves for this work, let us be reminded that we, too, were counted among God's beloved at the moment of our own baptism.

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We are collecting for GCAM
 During January, please bring macaroni & cheese to Church, to the office or to GCAM.

Come by the church office during office hours to schedule masses for 2008

Ministers for Next Sunday**Thank You for Serving**

5:30 PM Lector: Lady ACTS
 Min. of Comm.: Deacon Terry
 Lady ACTS
 Ushers: Keith Elstner/Ina Schurig
 Pat/Tommy Schurig
 8:00 AM Lector: Rocio Leon/Olivia Moreno
 Min. of Comm.: Deacon Alfonso
 Gloria Aguilar/Conchita Plunkett
 Ushers: Volunteers
 9:30 AM Lector: Jackie Mikesh
 Min. of Comm.: Deacon Terry
 Leticia Cenotti/Bonnie SanMiguel
 Ushers: James Barborak/Nolan Blundell
 Joe Kotwig/Charles Pavliska
 11:30 AM Lector: Rosalba Villegas
 Min. of Comm.: Deacon Alfonso
 Olga/Manuel Vargas
 Ushers: Volunteers
 5:15 PM Lector: Teen ACTS
 Min. of Comm.: Berny /John Klapuch
 Ushers: Volunteers

ACTS News

- Women's ACTS Faith Sharing will be held at St. James Hall on January 17th at 7 pm.
- Men's ACTS Faith Sharing will be held at Sacred Heart Hall on January 17th at 7 pm.

EL MUY AMADO DE DIOS

Sólo ha pasado una semana desde que celebramos la fiesta de la Epifanía. Ya no nos centramos en las imágenes del niño Jesús rodeado por sus padres y por los Magos en el pesebre de Belén. Hoy, es como si la Iglesia hubiera presionado el botón "avanzar" en la vida de Jesús. Hoy celebramos su Bautismo en el Jordán. Cuando el Señor Jesús sale de las aguas bautismales, los cielos se abren y una voz anuncia: "Este es mi Hijo muy amado, en quien tengo mis complacencias" (Mateo 3:17). Este acontecimiento crea el marco para el desarrollo de la vida y la obra de Jesús, lo que se convertirá en el enfoque principal durante el resto del año mientras escuchamos el Evangelio según San Mateo. Al preparamos para esta tarea, recordemos que nosotros, también, pasamos a estar entre los muy amados de Dios en el momento de nuestro bautismo.

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Dear friends -

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, our last great feast of the Christmas season. This week, January 13-18, is *National Vocation Awareness Week*, a special time in which the Church prays for the renewal and strengthening of vocations of dedicated people as married and single people, men to serve as priests, deacons and brothers; and women as religious sisters. We pray that each of us, within our circle of commitments and responsibilities, choose to live lives dedicated to service to God and to our community of faith.

Parish Leaders' Workshop: This Saturday, January 19, our Gonzales Pastoral Council will hold a workshop for the leaders of our parish community. This workshop will be held at St. James Hall, 8:30 am till 12 noon, with a meal to follow for all. It will include reports from the many groups and organizations that are part of our parish community, and goal-setting for the future. All are invited to attend; we especially encourage the leaders of our parish organizations and committees to be present.

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Adult Faith Formation events: "Healing Life's Hurts" - a three-hour seminar Saturday morning, Feb. 2; Lenten Scripture Study each Saturday of Lent, 9-10:30 am; Sunday morning Scripture Study during lent at 10:45 am.

eSPIRITu: Our little newsletter will be printed and mailed before Lent begins. We would like to feature, in this issue, "Memories of Lent and Holy Week." Do you have a vivid memory of Lent or Holy Week from years past, that you could express in 50-100 words? We'd like to hear it! We are also looking for your favorite Lenten recipes. Please mail or deliver your submission to our church office, or e-mail to PaulRaaz@stx.rr.com. We also welcome other creative writing, as well as organization news. Due to shortness of time before Lent, we need your masterpiece by THIS THURSDAY, JAN. 18!

Vocation Awareness Week: (speak on call; homily notes in liturgy file)

Cemetery Cleanup: Our hard-working Cemetery committee invites you to join them in the monthly cleanup of our Catholic Cemetery, this Saturday beginning at 8 am. Any time you can spend with them, even a little, will be helpful. Just come!

St. Patrick's 2nd Collection Next Sunday: Jeremiah Fund – to help the needy in the Waelder area.

Rosary Found: in tissue box from Colby Brown's funeral. Call Suzanne Benes, 437-2652.

A voice came from the heavens, saying,
 "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."
 — *Matthew 3:17*



Queridos amigos -

Hoy celebramos la fiesta del Bautismo del Señor, la última fiesta del tiempo navideño. En esta semana, enero 13-18, celebramos *La Semana Nacional de Vocaciones*, un tiempo especial en lo que la iglesia ora por la fortaleza de vocaciones de gente dedicada como matrimonios y solteros, hombres para servir como sacerdotes, diaconos y hermanos religiosos, y mujeres para servir como hermanas religiosas. Oramos que cada uno de nosotros, dentro de nuestras responsabilidades, escogemos vidas dedicadas al servicio a Dios y a nuestra comunidad de fe.

Taller de Líderes: este sábado, Enero 19, nuestro Concilio Pastoral de Gonzales tendrá un taller para los líderes de nuestra comunidad parroquial. Este taller tomará lugar en el Salón de St. James, 8:30 am-12 mediodía, seguido con una comida para todos. Habrá reportes de todos los grupos y organizaciones, y discusión sobre las metas para el futuro. Todos están invitados a participar; queremos especialmente que los de nuestras organizaciones y comités estén presentes.

Marquen sus almanaques para los talleres de Formación de Fe de Adultos: "Sanando las Heridas de la Vida" - Sabado, Feb. 2, 8:30-12 m. en el salón de St. James: Estudios Biblicos cada sábado de cuaresma, 9-10:30 am; estudios biblicos cada domingo de cuaresma a las 10:45 am en Sagrado Corazón.

eSPIRITu: El próximo ejemplar de nuestro periodico se enviará antes de la Cuaresma. Queremos incluir historias de "Recuerdos de la Cuaresma y Semana Santa. Si usted tiene un recuerdo interesante de Cuaresma o Semana Santa, expréselo en 50-100 palabras, y acaso lo imprimimos en el periódico. También estamos buscando recetas de comidas cuaresmales. Envíe su contribución a la oficina de la iglesia, o envíela por correo electronico a PaulRaaz@stx.rr.com. Queremos también su poesia, y noticias de las organizaciones parroquiales. Necesitamos su contribución por ¡ESTE JUEVES, ENERO 18!

Segunda Colecta en San Patricio el próximo domingo: El fondo Jeremias - para asistir los necesitados en la vecindad de Waelder.

Week-At-A-Glance:

- Sun Jan 13, 10 am, SP..... CCD - All Grades
- Sun Jan 13, 10:45 am, SJ CCD K-5
- Sun Jan 13, 9 am, SH.....Santo Nombre
- Tue Jan 15, 7 pm, SJACTS Core
- Wed Jan 16, 6:30 pm, SJ..... CCD 6-12
- Thu Jan 17, 6:00 pm, SJ..... Youth Council
- Thu Jan 17, 7:30 pm, SJ.....Finance Committee
- Sat Jan 19, 8:30 am-12 n, SJ Parish Leaders' Workshop
- Sun Jan 20, 10 am, SP..... CCD - All Grades
- Sun Jan 20, 10:45 am, SJ CCD K-5

All Churches

The sign up chart for flowers in the church on a particular Sunday will be in back of church this weekend, add phone number so that you may be reminded of your time.



The Holy Rosary will be recited before the 9:30 A.M. mass by the following: 1st Sunday-Youth, 2nd Sunday-St. James Altar Society, 3rd Sunday-Catholic Daughters of America, 4th Sunday-Knights of Columbus, and 5th Sunday-Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus.

El Santo Rosario se reza cada Domingo antes de la misa de 8:00 A.M.

Divine Mercy Monday-Friday @ 3 pm at Sacred Heart Church.

Scriptural Rosary: every Monday @ 5:00 P.M. in the St. James Church.

The Holy Rosary will be recited every Monday @ 6:30 P.M. at Sacred Heart Church.

Bible Study every Monday @ 7:30 P.M. in the Sacred Heart Hall.

Estudio Bíblico Lunes a las 7:30 P.M. en el Salón de Sacred Heart.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help every Wednesday after 5:30 P.M. Mass at St. James Church.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday after the 6:30 A.M. Mass at Sacred Heart Church.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20
 Tuesday: 1Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28
 Wednesday: 1Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1: 29-39
 Thursday: 1Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
 Friday: 1Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12
 Saturday: 1Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mk 2:13-17
 Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40; 1Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34



Here is my servant whom I uphold

Sacred Heart Guadalupanas will meet every first Sunday of the month and participate in the 8:00 A.M. Mass.

St. Patrick's Guadalupanas will meet every first Sunday of the month and participate in the 6:30 P.M. Mass every Tuesday.

The Santo Nombre will meet every second Sunday of the month and participate in the 8:00 A.M. Mass.

Knights of Columbus participate in the 9:30 A.M. Mass every fourth Sunday of the month and meet at 7 P.M. every second Wednesday of the month at the K.C. Hall. Officer/Business meeting held on the last Wednesday of the month at 7:30 P.M.

St. James Choir practice will be on Monday evenings at 6 P.M. at St. James Church.

The Altar Society will meet every second Tuesday of the month in the conference room at 9 A.M.

ACTS Core Committee will meet every third Tuesday of the month in the CCD Center at 6:30 P.M.

Catholic Daughters of America will meet every fourth Tuesday of the month in the St. James Hall at 6 P.M.

Bulletin deadline every Monday at 5 pm

Office Hours

Monday-Friday
8:30—12:00 PM
1:00 PM—5:30 PM

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Sacrament of Baptism Interview with Parents

Second Tuesday of Each Month
anytime between 7:00 and 8:30 PM at office
or second Tuesday of Each Month
anytime between 5:00 and 6:00 PM at St. Patrick
or by special appointment with Deacon.

Class for Parents and Godparents 4th Sunday of Each Month

6:15 PM at Sacred Heart
*Baptism celebrated at the end of any Sunday Mass
Preparation may be done before child is born.*

Sacrament of Marriage

Please Call Office
At least Six Months Prior to wedding

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(Confession)
Saturday 4:30-5:15 PM (St. James)
Tuesday 5:45-6:15 PM (St. Patrick)
Immediately before or after Masses (on request)
or by special appointment

Adult Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist

Call office or join our RCIA group

Mass Schedule

Saturday

5:30 PM—St. James

Sunday

8:00 AM—Sacred Heart (Spanish)
9:30 AM—St. James
11:30 AM—St. Patrick (Spanish/English)
5:15 PM—Sacred Heart

Monday

no services

Tuesday

6:30 AM—St. James
9:30 AM—Care Inn (every other week)
6:30 PM—St. Patrick (Spanish/English)

Wednesday

9:30 AM—Cartwheel Lodge (every other week)
5:30 PM—St. James

Thursday

12:00 PM—Sacred Heart

Friday

6:30 AM—St. James (on First Fridays —
Sacred Heart)