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**St. James Catholic Church**

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# Mass Schedule

## Monday, 12/17

No Services

## Tuesday, 12/18

6:30 A.M. Frances Malatek by Elsie Spitzenger (SJ)  
Gertrude/Annie Stridde by Rosa Pritchard  
9:30 A.M. Communion Service (CI)  
6:30 P.M. Santos Martinez by Esperanza Esparza (SP)

## Wednesday, 12/19

10:00 A.M. For World Peace (CW)  
5:30 P.M. Ernest Kapavik by JoAnn Garza/Fam. (SJ)  
Joe, Albina, and Ray Pavlica by Ruby Kapavik

## Thursday, 12/20

12:00 P.M. Aurora G. Zumaya/Rudy Guevara by (SH)  
Family  
Santos Valdez by Laura Wilson

## Friday, 12/21

6:30 A.M. Hattie Respondek by Kenneth, Gregory, (SJ)  
and Candice Molnosky  
Bessie Webb by Family

## Saturday, 12/22

5:30 P.M. Rhonda Mikeska by Charles/Vicki (SJ)  
Moody  
Frank/Mary Okruhlik by Tracy Kocian

## Sunday, 12/23

8:00 A.M. Living/Deceased Members of Rudolfo/ (SH)  
Sara Perez Family  
Luz Cerda by Family  
9:30 A.M. Tom Dolezal by Family (SJ)  
Julie Polasek by Family  
11:30 A.M. Joe Z. Eureka by Family (SP)  
Luciano Esparza by Wife/Sons  
5:15 P.M. No Mass (SH)

### St. James Church

**Flowers at the Tabernacle:** Viola Massie

**Flowers at the Altar:** in thanksgiving for family by John/  
Barbara Stefinsky

### Sacred Heart Church

**Flowers at the Tabernacle:** community

**Flowers at the Altar:** in memory of Elena Zertuche by M/M  
Rosario DeLeon

**Flowers at the Pulpit:** in memory of Andres/Locadia Grifaldo  
by family

### 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.

Bulletin deadline every Monday at 5 pm

## ACTS News

- Women's ACTS Faith Sharing will be held at St. James Hall on December 20th at 7 pm.
- Men's ACTS Faith Sharing will be held at Sacred Heart Hall on December 20th at 7 pm.
- ACTS Songfest will be held at the 5:30 pm mass Saturday, January 5 at St. James Church with potluck Christmas gathering to follow. All are invited.

We are collecting for GCAM  
During December, please bring peanut butter to Church, to the office or to GCAM.

### Ministers for Next Sunday

#### Thank You for Serving

- 5:30 PM Lector: William Berger  
Min. of Comm.: Deacon Terry  
Donirose Johnson/Lupe Saldana
- Ushers: Mary Ann Brzozowski/Ina Schurig  
Pat/Tommy Schurig
- 8:00 AM Lector: Rocio Leon/Gloria Moreno  
Min. of Comm.: Deacon Alfonso  
Conchita Plunkett/Patsy Camarillo
- Ushers: Volunteers
- 9:30 AM Lector: Charles Pavliska  
Min. of Comm.: Deacon Terry  
James/Sheryl Barborak
- Ushers: Lance Benes/Glenn Brown  
Greg Tieken/Bobby Tomas
- 11:30 AM Lector: David Ibarra  
Min. of Comm.: Deacon Alfonso  
John Kelly/Rosalba Villegas
- Ushers: Volunteers
- 5:15 PM No Mass

### Week-At-A-Glance:

- Sun Dec 16, 10 am, SP..... CCD – All Grades
- Sun Dec 16, 10:45 am, SHH..... Scripture Study
- Sun Dec 16, 11:00 am, SJ ..... CCD K-5
- Sun Dec 16, 1 pm, SP ..... Parish Anniversary Meal
- Sun Dec 16, 2 pm, SJ ..... Mass of Anointing of Sick
- Sun Dec 16, 6:30 pm, SH..... Las Posadas Begin
- Tue Dec 18, 7 pm..... ACTS Core
- Tue Dec 18, 7 pm, SP ..... St. Patrick's Pastoral Council
- Wed Dec 19, 6:30 pm ..... CCD 6-12
- Thu Dec 20, 7 pm..... Mens' & Womens' ACTS Faith Sharing
- Sun Dec 23..... No CCD Today
- Sun Dec 23..... No 5:15 Mass today

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

### Sacrificial Giving: Thank You!

St. James	\$3,187.10
Sacred Heart	\$1,370.37
St. Patrick	\$ 384.00

**Mass of Anointing of Sick:** will be held today (Sunday), 2 pm at St. James. This sacrament is for all who ask God's healing power in their lives, in body, mind and spirit. If you know of any homebound who cannot come and would like to receive the sacrament, please call our office. We depend on you to let us know who they are!

**Update on lighting at St. James: *Finally!!!*** As I write this, the crew is busy installing the new lighting in St. James Church. As you read this, the lights, if all goes well, should be up and working. The construction crew will come back this week to finish a few other details, and then our project will be complete. A great thanks to Mr. Marvin Siegel and to all our St. James Building Committee for their work in seeing this project through to completion.

**St. Patrick Parking Lot** should also be completed soon, if not already - weather permitting. Thanks to the hard work by many volunteers to oversee our project; and to all who contributed to make it a success. Congratulations to the new Pastoral Council members - Lupe Almaraz, Katrina Grochowski and Santana Velasquez. Alternates were Sam Melchor and Pedro Villegas. Outgoing members are Joe Delgado, Maria Ibarra y Rosa Martinez - thank you for your service!

**St. Patrick Parish Anniversary Meal** will be held today, Sunday, after the 11:30 mass. Bring a dish to be shared with your fellow parishioners.

**Advent Scripture Study** continues, today at 10:45 am at Sacred Heart Hall. All are invited!

**Fr. Tu Nguyen**, ordained a priest last Saturday, has been assigned to St. Joseph's Church on New Laredo Highway in San Antonio. Fr. Tu will be working with Fr. Lenin Naffate, pastor of St. Joseph's.

**Mass Schedule for days ahead:** Our Christmas mass schedule is as follows:

Dec. 24 (Children's Liturgy) - 4:30 pm SJ

Dec. 24 7:00 pm - SP

Dec. 24 10:00 pm - SJ

Dec. 25 12 midnight - SH

Dec. 25 9:00 am SJ.

There will be no 5:15 mass next Sunday, to allow our Sacred Heart environment committee to dress the church for Christmas. Extra hours of confessions will be 2-4 pm next Sunday, Dec. 23, at St. James Church. Confessions will also be heard at Sacred Heart on Sunday, Dec. 23, 7-7:45 am.

**Those wishing to dress St. James Church for Christmas** are invited to come after the 9:30 mass next Sunday, Dec. 23. The more the better!

**Parish Leaders' Workshop:** 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.

**Our Youth Community** invites all to their special Advent Liturgy this Wednesday at 6:30 pm. Parents and family members are specially encouraged to come and worship with our youth!

**Misa de Unción de los Enfermos:** ahora, domingo, 2 pm en St. James. Este sacramento es para todos los que piden el poder sanador de Dios en sus vidas - en cuerpo, mente y espíritu. Si usted conoce alguien que no puede salir y que quiere recibir este sacramento, llame a nuestra oficina. ¡Sólo si usted nos entrega su nombre, podemos extender a ellos estos sacramentos!

**Las Luces en St. James: *¡Al fin!*** Mientras escribo estas palabras, los trabajadores están instalando las nuevas luces en la iglesia. Mientras usted lee esto, las luces ya deben estar en servicio. Los trabajadores regresarán esta semana para cumplir otras detalles, y así se completará nuestro proyecto. Muchas gracias al Sr. Marvin Siegel y a todo el Comité de Edificios de St. James, por su trabajo en guiar este proyecto a su terminación.

**El estacionamiento de San Patricio** también está para completarse, si el tiempo permite. Gracias al trabajo de muchos voluntarios en dirigir este proyecto, y todos los que contribuyeron para que sea éxito. Felicidades a los nuevos miembros del Concilio Pastoral - Lupe Almaraz, Katrina Grochowski y Santana Velásquez. Alternativos son Sam Melchor y Pedro Villegas. Gracias a Joe Delgado, Maria Ibarra y Rosa Martinez por su servicio a través de los tres años pasados.

**La Comida Aniversaria de San Patricio** tomará lugar hoy, domingo, después de la misa de 11:30. Traiga una comida para compartir con sus familiares.

**Estudios Bíblicos de Adviento** en inglés continúan ahora a las 10:45 en el salón de Sagrado Corazón.

**Padre Tu Nguyen**, ordenado sacerdote el sábado, dic. 8, servirá como vicario en la Iglesia de San José en el New Laredo Hwy en San Antonio. Padre Tu trabajará con el padre Lenin Naffate, párroco de San José.

**Horario de Misas:** Las misa navideñas serán las siguientes:

Dic. 24 (liturgia de niños): 4:30 pm SJ

Dic. 24 7 pm SP

Dic 24 10 pm SJ

Dic 25 12 medianoche SH

Dic 25 9 am SJ

No habrá misa de 5:15 el próximo domingo, para dar tiempo al comité del ambiente de Sagrado Corazón de adornar la iglesia para la navidad.

Mas horas de confesiones serán 2-4 pm el próximo domingo, Dic. 23, en St. James. Habrá confesiones también en Sagrado Corazon el Domingo, Dic. 23, 7-7:45 am.

**Los que desean asistir** en vestir la iglesia de St. James para la navidad, están invitados a venir después de la misa de 9:30 el próximo domingo, dic. 23. Muchas manos resulten en menos trabajo.

**Taller de Líderes:** Sabado, 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.

**Nuestra Comunidad de Jovenes** les invita a su Misa de Adviento este miércoles a las 6:30 pm. Padres y miembros de familia están especialmente invitados a venir y rezar con los jóvenes!



**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: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17  
Tuesday: Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25  
Wednesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25  
Thursday: Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38  
Friday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45  
Saturday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56  
Sunday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return  
and enter Zion singing,  
crowned with everlasting joy.

— *Isaiah 35:10a*



**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.

### **Office Hours**

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

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Fr. Paul's E-mail: PaulRaaz@stx.rr.com

### **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)