



ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

REVERENT WORSHIP, HELPFUL TEACHING, DEDICATED COMMUNITY
NEWEST ROMAN CATHOLIC MISSION IN JACKSONVILLE

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 17, 2023

Location

12447 Mandarin Road,
Jacksonville, FL 32223

Sunday Schedule

Confession: 7:40 & 9:40
Mass: 8:00 & 10:15 AM
Morning Prayer 9:15

Receiving Communion

Communion at St. James is normally through intinction and is administered on the tongue while kneeling (signal by touching your chin if you would like to receive in the form of bread only). However, the Church also permits you to receive in the hand, standing, or kneeling. If you are not properly prepared to receive communion or are not Catholic (see back of this sheet), you may come forward during communion and cross your arms to receive a blessing.

Clergy

Father Philip Mayer,
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Father Jim O'Neal,
Assisting Priest

Council

Cathy Messina, Brian Burch, Robin Cooper, John Brown, Carol Patton

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY

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St. James is a Roman Catholic mission of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter, a diocesan like structure established by the Vatican in 2012 which is becoming known for bringing unity among Christians fervent preaching the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, the evangelizing power of poetically beautiful and reverent liturgy, and bringing together a dedicated community of believers. Though originally established in response to Anglicans wanting to come into the Church with their liturgical and pastoral traditions, it is now composed of Catholics of all backgrounds and has been thriving and has established over forty missions and parishes and counting throughout North America. The Ordinariate is led by Bishop Steven J. Lopes, who was appointed by Pope Francis in 2015. St. James has been in Jacksonville since 2019. Thank you for being here today. Please join us afterwards to socialize with coffee and refreshments.

HYMNAL (find tri-fold liturgy guide tucked inside)

66	Come, Thou long	S 159	<i>Agnus dei</i>
S 92	<i>Kyrie</i>	72	Hark! The glad sound!
640	Watchman, tell us	328	Draw nigh and take
S 115	<i>Sanctus, sanctus</i>	56	O come, O come, Emmanuel

MASS INTENTIONS

8:00 AM	People of St. James
10:15 AM	Grace Welch & Kathleen

MAKE YOUR CHRISTMAS MASS PLANS

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24, 2023, 4:30 PM: Experience hope, joy, and wonder. Beautiful traditional music including choir, organist, and violinist, a message of hope, the Last Gospel, and the cherished tradition of singing Silent Night together at the end of the Mass. This Mass will not have incense.

Christmas Day, Monday, December 25, 2023 10:15 AM: Celebrate the Lord on the day of his birth, and avoid the crowds. Beautiful reflective Mass, Christmas hymns led by song leader and organist, a message of hope, service concludes with the Last Gospel, and singing Joy to the World. There will be incense at this Mass.

CHRISTMAS ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIAL GIVING

Give in memory of a loved one to the St. James altar flower fund. For a suggested donation of \$30 or more the name of your loved one will be published in the St. James Christmas bulletin so that we may pray for them together. These funds will be used for the Christmas flowers as well as altar flowers for other important liturgical solemnities during the upcoming year. After the flowers are presented on the altar, they are then given to the sick or others in need of encouragement. To give toward the flower fund, please use an envelope or note your check "Christmas Flowers" and email office@StJamesCC.org with any names being remembered and prayed for in the bulletin.



OTHER UPCOMING DATES (full details available at StJamesCC.org/events)

- CHILDREN AND FAMILY: Sunday, December 17, 12:00 PM, children and parents, meets monthly through May 2024. More info StJamesCC.org/children
- PRAYER AND POTLUCK: Sunday, December 17, 2023, 4 PM
- LAST CHANCE ADVENT CONFESSIONS: Sunday, December 24, 2023, 7:40 AM – 11:30 AM
- CHRISTMAS MASSES: Sunday, December 24 at 4:30 PM, Monday, December 25 at 10:15 AM
- NAME TAG SUNDAY: December 31, Let's get to know each other better
- EPIPHANY CHALK: Sunday, January 7, 2024, pickup chalk to dedicate your house for 2024
- WOMEN'S GATHERING: Sat, 1/20, 9:30 AM, Beach Diner Mandarin, cathymessina@gmail.com

CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE WHO COMPLETED THEIR SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

We rejoice with the following people who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday during the bishop's visit: Blake Christopher Baumgartner, Haily Smith, James Ankenbauer, Joseph Mayer (also First Communion), Abby Mansour, Charlotte Miller, Leo Miller, Cecilia Miller (also First Communion), Vahn Bonkowski (also First Communion), Vyncent Bonkowski, Wynnie Wetzstein, and Ethan James Scherrer (received into the Catholic Church).



GIVING OPTIONS: CARD, BANK, MAIL, IRA, STOCKS, REAL ESTATE

Scan the QR code with your phone or go to StJamesCC.org/giving or contribute via mail: St. James Parsonage, 3725 Lilly Road N., Jacksonville, FL 32207. Use your IRA, stock, or real estate to give up to \$100,000 to your parish while avoiding taxes. Notify your IRA administrator that you wish to make a "qualified charitable distribution." This information is not intended as tax, legal, or financial advice. Gift results may vary. Contact your personal financial advisor for information specific to your situation.

GIVING UPDATE THROUGH NOVEMBER! THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Giving for November: \$11,286.50 (general \$4,541.50, capital \$6,745. Average giving for last 12 months \$9,486.71. Average giving for last six months \$10,781.32.

November Expenses: \$6,169.91 | Covers quarter of priest's support, half of pension, travel, liturgical supplies, music, building rent and liability insurance, advertising, bishop's tax, almsgiving, hospitality

Leased Building Goals (rough estimates):

\$9,705.03 monthly giving initially needed to pay for the building on Emerson Rd.

\$75,000 estimate needed for phase 1 of buildout. \$56,536.19 raised so far. \$18,464 still to go

\$46,000 estimate needed for phase 2: Stone Facade, Artwork, Kitchen, Bathroom Renovations

HAVE A MASS CELEBRATED FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE

This is one of the greatest gifts that you can provide for someone in need: a family member, a friend, or a deceased loved one. To do so, please complete a Mass Intention envelope or go to StJamesCC.org/giving. A Mass offering is usually at least \$10, though this can be waved based on financial need. St. John Paul II emphasized the graces that come when a Mass is offered. "The Church believes that she will be heard, for she prays in union with Christ her Head and Spouse, who takes up this plea of His Bride and joins it to His own redemptive sacrifice."



**AM I ALLOWED TO
PARTAKE OF HOLY
COMMUNION?**

CATHOLICS

All Catholics who are not conscious of grave sin and who have fasted for at least an hour, are welcome to receive communion. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession.

FELLOW CHRISTIANS

We welcome you to the celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (Jn 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion.

NON-CHRISTIANS

We also welcome those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.