



### St. James Catholic Church

December 14<sup>th</sup> , 2025

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

#### Weekday Mass Schedule:

7:00 am Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday, Friday

#### Weekend Mass Schedule:

4:30 pm Saturday

9:00 am Sunday

#### Confessions:

Saturdays 3:30 – 3:55 pm

Sundays 8:00 - 8:25 am

or by Appointment

#### Eucharistic Adoration:

First Saturdays/Sundays between  
weekend Masses.

#### Pastor

**Fr Gary Gross**

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#### Parish Office

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#### Website:

[www.stjamesmead.com](http://www.stjamesmead.com)

#### Facebook/Mass

#### Livestream

[www.facebook.com/stjamesmead](http://www.facebook.com/stjamesmead)

9:00 am every Sunday

#### Your Contributions last week

Adults	\$6775.00
Plate	\$1137.00
For the Poor	\$ 24.00
Online Giving	\$ 1640.60
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$9576.60</b>

#### Weekly Obligations

St. Wenceslaus School	\$ 857.50
Bishop Neumann	\$ 2018.00
Other Parish Expenses	\$1800.00

**Total Parish Weekly Expenses: \$4675.50**

#### Ministry Assignments for Next Week

#### Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

**Reader: Bobbie Feldhaus**

**Acolyte: Mike Determan**

**Servers: VOLUNTEER**

#### Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup>

**Reader: Darla Brazda**

**Acolyte: Gregg Eckardt**

**Servers: Landon Sund & Carter Alm**

#### New Parishioners & Visitors

We are grateful you are here! In our parish community, all families and individuals are welcome! If this is your new parish, you are asked to pick up a registration form in the back of church on the bulletin board and return by placing it in the collection basket.

Our Catholic tradition prays for those who have gone before us.

Each Mass includes prayer intentions for the whole church, living and deceased. Within these prayers, there is a place to recall a particular person/s or a special intention.

We honor them by remembering that they were a gift from God to us; we are grateful for the gift they gave us and the inspiration we carry into our lives; we pray for the reparation of any sins they may have committed and the purification of their souls.

You can remember someone who have died recently or many years ago, you can even remember all your deceased family, friends and benefactors at one a Mass. The intentions do not have to be just for the dead: they make beautiful gifts for any special occasion: birthday; anniversary; in thanksgiving for a prayer answered; an intention for someone who is struggling with a serious illness or other life trama. We desire the Lord's support for them in their need.

**Mass intention envelopes can be found in the back of church on the table. Suggested offering is \$10.00. Just fill one out and place it in the regular collection basket or put in the drop box at the office.**

**HAT & GLOVE DRIVE** – During Advent we will be accepting hats, gloves, mittens, socks, and under garment for men & women. Please leave your donation in the back of church in the bin. Donations will be accepted until December 15<sup>th</sup>. They will be taken to Catholic Social Services.

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING** – Will take place **TODAY Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> after the 9:00 am Mass. Your time and help would be greatly appreciated!**

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** – On the table by the bulletins you will find envelopes for Christmas flowers. Remember a loved one during this special time of year with a memorial contribution, which will be displayed over the Christmas season. Our parish Council of Catholic Women will purchase Christmas flowers for the beautification of the Church with the money donated. Suggested donation is \$15.00.

**LOOKING FOR JOYFUL VOICES** - Our choir is opening its doors to new members for 2026. No experience and no audition required. We understand that singing up front is not for everyone, so participation is flexible: join for hymns, parts of the Mass, the psalm, or whatever feels comfortable. We would love to hear from you. Please speak with Father Gross, Kristi, Beth, or any choir member to learn more or to express interest.

**ST. WENCESLAUS SCHOOL BREAKFAST BURRITO DRIVE** - \$25 per pack of 5 burritos ready for the freezer. Submit pre-orders by January 9<sup>th</sup> via the online order form at <https://bit.ly/stwencburritodrive> or ask a St. Wenceslaus School student to submit a paper order. Orders will be available for pick-up on Friday, January 23rd from 3-7pm at St. Wenceslaus School.

**NO CCD CLASS** – December 17<sup>th</sup> the Christmas party will be held AFTER Christmas.

**NO CONFESSIONS** – Before Christmas Eve Masses or Christmas Day Mass.

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE & DAY MASS TIMES**

**Christmas Eve, Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm (Children's Mass)**

**6:00 pm**

**Christmas Day, Dec 25<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am**

#### **CHRISTMAS PENANCE SERVICES**

**Sunday, December 21st**

Time	Location (# of Priests)
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9:45 am	Mead (2)
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2:00 pm	Ashland (2)
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	Morse Bluff (2)
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4:00 pm	Colon (2)
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	Prague (2)
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	Davey (2)
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5:00 pm	Weston (3)
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5:30 pm	Valpraiso (9)
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**Monday, December 22nd**

7:00 pm	St Wenceslaus (9)
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**Reminder: Bulletin announcements need to be in by 9 am on Wednesdays.**