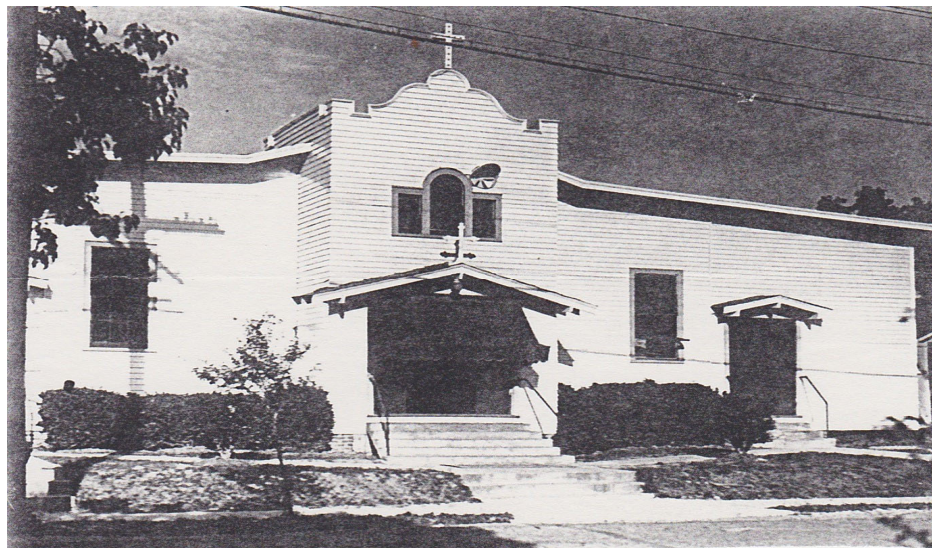


# St. James Major Catholic Church



Celebrating  
100 Years

1920-2020

## St. James Major Church 1935-52

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### **Mass Times**

Saturday: 4:00 pm (Anticipated)  
Sunday: 10:00 am  
Tuesday – Friday: 8:30 am (in Chapel)

Monday: Communion Service 8:30 am

Holy Hour: First Friday following 8:30 am Mass.  
Perpetual Help Novena: Tuesdays after Mass

### **Confessions**

Saturday: 3:15 – 3:45 pm  
And by request

### **Church Office Hours**

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to the Parish!  
Please complete a registration form (found on the tables at the doors) and introduce yourself to the priest.

**Baptisms:** Please contact the Priest or Deacon to arrange for a seminar and time for the Baptism.

**Weddings:** Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months in advance of the date of the wedding. Please contact the priest before committing to any other arrangements.

**Funerals:** Please contact the church as soon as the need arises and before making any arrangements with the funeral parlor.



## Christ the King, Thanksgiving and Advent

Our Catholic liturgical year follows a rhythmic cycle. It points us toward beginnings and ends and, in so doing, emphasizes an important truth that can only be grasped through faith. This is the Thirty Fourth or last Sunday in the Western Church year, and we celebrate the Feast of the Solemnity of Jesus Christ the Sovereign King.

Then, no sooner than we have celebrated the last Sunday of the Year, the Feast of Christ the King, we will celebrate the First Sunday of Advent and begin the time of preparation for the great Nativity of Our Savior. Our Catholic Christian faith and its liturgical practices proclaim to a world hungry for meaning that Jesus Christ is the “Alpha” (the first letter of the Greek alphabet) and the “Omega” (the last letter), the beginning and the end. He is the Giver, the Governor and the Fulfillment of all time. In Him the whole world is being made new.



As we progress through liturgical time, we are invited to experience the great events of faith. Through our readings and liturgical prayer, we are invited during this last week of the year to reflect on the “last things”—death, judgement, heaven and hell. We do so in order to change, to be converted, and thus to enter more fully into the Divine plan. The Western Church year ends. On the great Feast of Christ the King we celebrate the full and final triumph and return of the One through Whom the entire universe was created; in Whom it is being “recreated” and by Whom it will be completely reconstituted and handed back to the Father at the “end” of all time.



It is no coincidence that our feast, the Feast of Christ the King and the last week of the year pass through the “secular” feast of Thanksgiving this year. There is no separation for the believer between the secular and the sacred. In the great event of the Incarnation and fullness of the Paschal Mystery, all is made new. Thanksgiving is a great feast made even fuller in meaning for the Christian. The word “Eucharist” means thanksgiving. Let us walk through this last week of the year and join with those whom we love around the table of Thanksgiving; and then let us walk the way of faith into the new liturgical season, Advent, getting ourselves and the world of our own time ready for the coming of Christ the King.



### Christmas Pageant

Does your child want to take part in the Parish School Religion annual Christmas Pageant? All children, first through 12th grades are welcome to participate in this program presented to the

parish each Christmas. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Evangeline Richard at 407-9991. Rehearsals begin November 24, 8:30 a.m. in the school. The children will be finished in time to attend the 10:00 Family Mass.



Thanksgiving-St. Augustine, Florida-1565

### Proposed Tasks Centennial Celebration Requiring Money

1. Repair leaking ceiling in church
2. Repair falling plexiglass (stained glass windows)
3. Varnish church doors
4. Repaint church walls
5. Replace rusty sinks in church
6. Repair parking lot
7. Repair steps to the sanctuary in the church
8. Create a St. James altar
9. Repair masonry & waterproof bell tower

The money raised from our capital campaign shall be used for the above projects. If an individual or a group would like to take care of any of these projects, please contact the Improvement Committee. Check on the board in the vestibule for the names of the Improvement Committee members.

### The First Thanksgiving Celebration?

Thanksgiving Celebration: a day set aside by the American people to give thanks to God for the many blessings we enjoy individually and as a nation. We think of the Puritan pilgrims in Plymouth, Massachusetts as holding the first Thanksgiving celebration in 1621 in what is now the United States. However, a colony in Berkeley Hundred in Virginia celebrated a day of thanksgiving December 4, 1619, more than two years before the group in Plymouth. This celebration was dictated in the colony's charter which said the day of thanks was to be celebrated yearly and perpetually. Religious services of thanks and feasting were held by Spanish explorers and native Indians in San Elizario in far west Texas in 1598; and in the Spanish colony of St. Augustine, Florida, colonists celebrated with the local Indians September 8, 1565. So from the time of the earliest settlers in the land we call the United States of America, we have given thanks to God for this land of opportunity, promise and, most importantly, freedom.

**FEAST OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

# Mass Intentions



Each Mass is offered for the intentions of all present and for the following:

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

4:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living & deceased

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

10:00 am Intentions of our parishioners who are ill, for all who have asked for prayer and for the repose of the souls of

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| +Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr. | +Rochelle Age      |
| +Stephen Norbert Moline  | +Anita Collins     |
| +Joseph & Helen Hunter   | +Miller Lafitte    |
| +Gloria Van Den Akker    | +Cleothilde Bazzle |
| +Salvadore Davidson, Sr. | +Andy Steib        |
| +Curtis Austin, Jr.      | +Phyllis King      |

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

8:30 am Communion Service

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26**

8:30 am +Rev. Thomas Gaffney

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

8:30 am +Eva C. Benjamin

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28**

8:30 am +Joseph Chevis  
+Clarence & Clare Jupiter

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

8:30 am Poor Souls in Purgatory

**Please pray for them:** Gloria Age, Thais Ardoin, Herbert Briant, Sr., Jill Courseault, Irene Ward, Dominic Carmouche, Wilbert Clementin, Sr., Gail Wright, Kim Stovall, Virgie Louis, Melody Sanderson, Cheryl Napoleon, Sarah Lafitte, Valerie Smith, Mary Mitchell, Gloria Mitchell, Denise Thomas, Audrey Wilson, Susan Lauterbach, Nadine Rochell, Gloria Harris, Gertrude Harris, William Mitchell, Loretta Parent, Walter Glapion, Russell Jordan, Denise Rachal, Marguerite Ragas, Irma Springer, Byron Williams, Jr., Michelle Irwin, Dennis LeBlanc, Betty Reynolds, Laurie Rob ert, Meredith LeBlanc, Pamela Jordon, Maggie Haney, Vivian Picou, Mallory Tuggles, and Clarence, Robert and Buster Mitchell.



Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially those who are homebound or in hospitals, nursing homes and hospice. Please notify the rectory of the change in status of you or your relatives on the prayer list.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

- 25 Monday **ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA or WEEKDAY**  
Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20; Daniel 3; Luke 21:1-4
- 26 Tuesday **WEEKDAY**  
Daniel 2:31-45; Daniel 3; Luke 21:5-11
- 27 Wednesday **WEEKDAY**  
Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Daniel 3; Luke 21:12-19
- 28 Thursday **THANKSGIVING DAY or WEEKDAY**  
Daniel 6:1-18 or Sirach 50:22-24; Daniel 3 or Ps 138; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Luke 21:20-28
- 29 Friday **WEEKDAY**  
Daniel 7:2-14; Daniel 3; Luke 21:29-33
- 30 Saturday **ST. ANDREW**  
Romans 10:9-18; Ps 19; Matthew 4:18-22
- 01 Sunday **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
Isaiah 2:1-5; Ps 122; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44



### Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

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| Nov 23 | Aggie Jackson, Roy LeBlanc       |
| Nov 24 | Adaline Patterson, Al Courseault |



### Lectors & Commentators

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| Nov 23 | Gloria Jordon, Gaynell Marchand |
| Nov 24 | Marlin Gusman, Darren Isabelle  |



### Our Men and Women in the Service



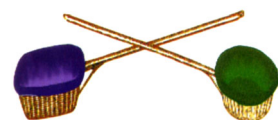
Please remember to pray for our men and women who are serving in the armed forces, especially:

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| SSgt Bryan Stovall, Jr., USMC | PO2 Melissa Flot, USN   |
| PVT Robert Cook, USA          | SGT Robert Lambert, USA |
| SSgt. Anthony Montz, USAF     | Alvin Benjamin, USN     |
| SSgt. Davin Hornsby, USAF     | A1C Andrew Montz, USAF  |

## The 2020 Mass Book Is Now Open

Masses can be requested for your loved ones (living or deceased) or for your intentions. The Saturday Anticipated Masses and one Mass each Holy Day of Obligation are said for the St. James Major parishioners, living and deceased. Intentions will be taken for all other dates except Holy Thursday (April 9) and Good Friday (April 10).

### Church Support



#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION (NOVEMBER 16-17)

First Collection .....	\$ 2371.00
Second Collection .....	514.00
	<u>\$ 2885.00</u>

Thank you for supporting your parish.