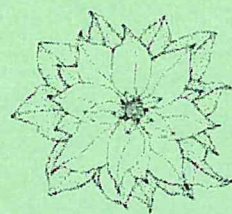
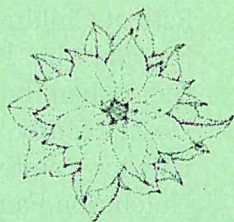


CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

2019



IN MEMORY OF:

Anthony and Mildred Abate
Alfred and Anna Marie Arabia
Letticia Avila
Dan and Mary Baccanti
Margaret Bagnall
Ed Berger
Sam and Libby Bianchi
Pierre and Irene Boutillette
Diane Brameyer
William and Marion Brech
David Bryant
Catherine Byrne
Wadsworth Campbell
Mr. and Mrs. Porfirio Caoile
Emil and Signe Carlson
Greg, Jack, and Virginia Carr
Walter Casey
Joseph Caulder, Sr.
Joseph Caulder, Jr.
Jose G. Chavez
George and Muriel Cheney
Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Chiaramida
Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Ciferri
Lee Clark
Neal and Jean Clarke
Giorgio and Sarah Cocola
Bruce Cohen
Charlie Conklin
Mr. and Mrs. M. Conklin
Chris Contino
Mr. and Mrs. E. Cronin
Fr. Michael Cronogue
Earl Davis
Bette Davis
Carl Davis
Patricia Davis
Mr. and Mrs. JW Delaney, Sr.
Dominick and Mary DelRosso
Doris and John Deresz
Thelma Dotson
Ernest and Helen Downey

IN MEMORY OF:

Frank Driggs
Tom and Marcella Ducex
Mary E. Greene
Anthony Fallone
Dan and Tina Fallone
Adams Family
Affleck Family
All Our Family
Aresco Family
Argenta Family
Balazs Family
Baxter Family
Beguina Family
Bereilis Family
Beverly Family
Bott Family
Bouchard Family
Buchholz Family
Burbach Family
Cherry Family
Chichester Family
Delgado Family
Ducey Family
Erazo Family
Forringer Family
Freely Family
Gousheski Family
Guider Family
Hepp Family
John J. Hughes Family
Kosztca Family
Lare Family
Lucas Family
Mathias Family
McCafferty Family
McManus Family
Nowicki Family
Pellard Family
Pellegrini Family
Peschel Family
Petkis Family

IN MEMORY OF:

Sicilia Family
Soto Family
Spiezio Family
Stoltz Family
Thompson Family
White Family
Wiley Family
Wojciechowski Family
Wurmser Family
Yakalavich Family
Mary Fiske
Tom Fitzgerald
Ronald Francis Steptoe
Rozanne G. Dooly
Steven and Ernie Galderisi
Aida Garcia
Bonifacio and Maria Ghiggeri
Bobbie Gillilan
Joseph and Josephine Gitch
S.J. Gladys
Michael and Halina Grzelaczyk
Francis Hagg
Michael E. Halyard
Leroy Hansberger
Ed Harrison
Craig Harrison
Phylss Harvath
Clarence Hinnerschitz
Carmela Hinnerschitz
Don and Loretta Horgan
Terry Huth
Lois Hutton
Daniel J. Fallone, Jr.
Douglas Jacobson
Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Jacobson
Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jacobson
Henry Janowski
Katherine M. King
Lillie Ruth Konrad
Ann Kralik
Frank and June Kralik

IN MEMORY OF:

Kevin Lagemann
Roland O. Laird, Sr.
Roland O. Laird, Jr.
Joe Los
Richard MacKenzie
Ed Madrid
Bob and Vera Malangone
Charles Maxwell, Sr.
Leona Maxwell
Jack McClain
Evelyn McKeever
Andres Melendez
Robert Miklitsch
Eleanore Miller
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Monachino
E.J. Monaghan
All Mothers
Virginia Mundo
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nappi
Billy Nixon
Mr. Olive
Edward Olson
Smaha Parents
Jeanne and Lonnie Parker
Ernest Paterchak
Leo and Yvonne Patient
Sister Patricia Perry
Michael Pearce
Jean Petykula
Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Podojil, Sr.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Podojil
Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Podojil
Frank J. Podojil, Jr.
Jay and Martha Porter
Ryan and Nathen Przeslica
Rose and William Raeder
Ethel and Frank Ringkamp
Mr. and Mrs. Salvator Sandoli
Jean and George Scerba
Beatrice Schroeter
Marge and George Scott
Lee Sessoms
Mr. and Mrs. R. Wm. Shaw
Stanley and Albina Skoczylas
Donald Skoczylas
Tim Skurat
Helen Smith
Louis and Lucy Solomita
"Spike"
John Spina
Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sprague

IN MEMORY OF:

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stanley
Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Stec
Ronald Steptoe
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stolba
Albert and Jennie Storo
Angelo and Margaret Stripto
Randy Stroup
Mr. and Mrs. August Szamreta
Anna and Peter Talleri
Julia Taylor
Jame A. Thomas
Bruce Thompson
Dr. Vincent Truscello
Charles Turcotte
Mary Turcotte
Joe and Anna Tuttle
Dan and Pat Urban
Leonard and Edith Vander Weel
John and Priscilla Vander Weel
Ina Veit
Joseph Venner
Bob Visbeck
Kathy Volpin
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Walker
Grace and H. Robert Warden
Michael Warden
Freddie Webber
Kara Whigham
Clarence and Jule Williams
Florence and Sam Williams
Robert A. Wright
Joseph and Eva Zarreke
Walter E. Zometsky
Mr. and Mrs. Zumpano

IN HONOR OF:

Louise Blanford
Mary Buckmen
Patient Children
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Duganier
Balazs Family
Doyle Family
Estwick Family
Hutcheson Family
Kazan Family
Kosztca Family
MacCrory Family
Patient Family
Veit Family
Harry and Alma Garceau
Fran Gillilan
Hazel Janowski
Cara Jarrell
SueAnna Kindred
Robert John Konrad
Annis L. Laird
Peggy and John Lennon
Charlie Ray Melendez
Stan Patykula
Robert Robillard
Deborah Stewart
Ric and John Zapolnik



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Executive Assistant.....Paula Loehr, ext. 221
Director of Evangelization/Religious Education Director
.....Suzanne McDonough, ext. 234
Director of Evangelization.....Felipe Castillo, ext. 229
Youth Minister.....Taylor Monahan, ext. 235
Secretary.....Kathy Caughey, ext. 224
Maintenance Director.....Earl Videan, ext. 232
Director of Music.....Peggy Kamp
Organists.....Wendy Shelley, Bradley Hardee
RCIA.....Tuesday, 6:15pm-7:30pm
Blood Pressure Screening.....2nd weekend of each month
Eucharistic Adoration.....Daily in the Chapel
.....Check the schedules for an open hour
Pro-Life.....Lori Videan, 843-503-3607
Ladies Guild.....3rd Monday, 10:00am (Sept.-June)
Knights of Columbus 4th Degree.....4th Monday, 7:00pm
Knights of Columbus.....2nd Wednesday, 7:00pm
Catholic Charities.....1-855-377-1357
Diocesan Office of Child Protection Services..843-853-2130 ext. 209
Diocesan Victim Assistance Minister.....800-921-8122
Safe Environment Coordinator.....Taylor Monahan, ext. 235

To email staff members, use
first initial, last name@stjamesconway.org

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:30am - 3:30pm

Religious Education/Catecismo: Call office

Infant Baptism: The Sacrament is normally celebrated during a weekend Liturgy. Please call the office to register for the preparation process.

Marriage: By arrangement at least six months before the proposed wedding.

Ministry to the Sick: Call to request visitation. Please let us know when loved ones are in the hospital.

Bulletin Articles: Items of communal interest must be at parish office no later than 10:00am Monday.

New Parishioners: Welcome! There are several ways you can register, please see the article inside for details.

Altar Flowers: Call the office to arrange donations in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a special occasion.

Religious Articles are available for purchase Monday-Friday, 9:30am-3:30pm. Special orders are always welcome. Contact the church office at 843-347-5168.

Columbarium: Available to all registered Catholics of the Diocese. Call the church office for more information

Tree of Life: This is a great way to remember your loved ones or honor a special occasion. Donations start at \$250. Contact the parish office for details.

Prayer Chain Request: If you have a special need we would like to help you pray. Simply call Fern Daniels at 843-397-2728.

St. James Mission Statement

St. James is a Catholic Community of disciples of Jesus Christ that:

- is centered in the Eucharist and nourished by Scripture and Tradition
- invites and welcomes all
- grows in unity, knowledge and faith
- serves God and all people

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- invita y da bienvenida a todos
- crece en unidad, conocimiento y fé
- sirve a Dios y todo el mundo

Please help us keep this updated. Thank you.

THE PRAYER LIST: Please pray for the physical and spiritual well-being of parishioners and friends: Isaiah David Hughes, Brendan Horstman, Lynn Clark, Joan McLean, Bill Snide, Javier Padilla, Marion Fallone, Richard Greff, Tony Giunta, Janette Polon-Ramirez, Ray Kilpatrick, Maggie Heverly, Kurt Korczyk, Maureen Florio, Rick Barraza, Judy Cheney Davis, Jessica Bechtold, John DeSalse, Margaret "Peggy" Steptoe, Christi Rippy, Susan McGuffin, Devin Rinaldi, Christina Powell, Anna Schwartz, Sandy Lagasse, Joe Hughes, Jayden Mejia, Pablo Caballero, Maria Soto, Marcella Fahey, Charles Hayes, Sonia Hayes, Eileen Smith, David Bartlewski, Carol Ring, Cheryl Scerba, Andrew Zepada, David Larkins, Joshua Thomas, Mary Gordon, Bob Gagne, Karen Catania, Arlene Forman, Rachel Wesselius, Rita Williams, Janice Smith, Marc Timms, Jan Smith, Linda Huhn, Jennifer Williams, Sylvia Dorman, Sergio Capone, Michelle Adams, Kathleen Dixon, Bridie Healy, Ann Rogers, Henry Mrozowski, Natalina Giordano, Douglas Ruffles, Elaine Molchan, Sean Hayes, Joe Dragovich, Ron and Sharon Vaccarello, Robert Long, Barbara Geschlecht, Gerald Estwick, Robert Sherer, Susan Dauch, Betty Parker, Pat Brunk, Gloria Cheney, June Drago, William Carine, Susan Kizer, John Rapozo, John Stewart, Lou Greco, Kathryn Czaplicki, Frank Paone, Amy Mackenzie, Devin Reynolds, Frank Ringkamp, Dorothy "Dottie" Winters, Jean Walters, Natashaia Magyar, Robin Wise, Kenneth Fraser, Rachel Burd, Erica Westerfield, Amelia Waldeck, Kennedy James Kraft, Ellen Wyers, Elizabeth Schaible, John McElfish, Pat Spina, Ann Nagy, George Scerba, and Barbara Hartman.

WHEN YOU OR A LOVED ONE IS IN THE HOSPITAL: Would you like an Extraordinary Minister to bring communion? Would you like a priest to administer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick? Please call the office and let us know.

THE TREE OF LIFE

Add a Leaf and Watch It Grow!

This beautiful MEMORIAL TREE is located in the Gathering Space of the beautiful St. James the Younger Catholic Church in Conway, South Carolina. The tree has a bronze trunk and brass and bronze leaves. Foundation stones around the base are made of bronze.

The TREE OF LIFE provides an opportunity to perpetuate the memory or give special honor to a loved one in a way which both gives glory to God and helps our church. Many people have chosen to dedicate leaves or a foundation stone in memory of a deceased parent, child, or other special person. In other cases, the tree has been chosen as a way to specially honor persons on special occasions, for example 80th birthday, 50th wedding anniversary, retirement, etc. This is a living tree, which can grow continuously, so dedications are always welcome!

Leaves are engraved for donations of \$250 for a brass leaf and \$500 and up for a bronze leaf. Foundation stones are laid for donations of \$2,500 for a small stone and \$5,000 for a large stone. Upon request, a personal announcement can be sent to whomever the donor designates.

Thank you for taking this opportunity to make good things happen at St. James. God bless you for your generosity.

NAME: _____ \$250.00 Brass Leaf

ADDRESS: _____ \$500.00 Bronze Leaf

PHONE #: _____ \$2,500.00 Small Stone

TOTAL: \$ _____ \$5,000.00 Large Stone

MESSAGE: You will be allowed two name lines as shown below. There are 26 spaces available. Blank spaces and punctuation counts as one space. Please type or print your message clearly.

IN HONOR/MEMORY OF (Circle one)																									
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PLEASE SEND ANNOUNCEMENT TO:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

He's One of Us

The Incarnation means that God is one of us. He is made of our flesh and blood; he laughs, sings, and loves people. Though we believe he is God, he is still one of us. We can choose him to be on our team, trusting that he will play to win.

When identifying ourselves, we normally tell others what we do. Societies like the one to which Jesus belonged usually identified themselves by tracing ancestry. As Isaiah tells us today, Jesus belonged to the house of David. Paul says that he was of David “according to the flesh” (Romans 1:3). The Gospel identifies Joseph as a “son of David” (Matthew 1:20). Since Jesus was considered Joseph’s legal son, he also was a “son of David.” Joseph is told that the child will be called Emmanuel, which means “God is with us” (Matthew 1:23). Thus, Incarnation means God is with us in a unique way in this man who is one of us. The Incarnation also gives extraordinary dignity to material creation, of which we are all a part and of which he is a part as well, for he is one of us. In other words, Emmanuel (God with us) is a child of earth.

Like Joseph, we cannot fully comprehend what has happened. We can only stand with him in awe as this wondrous mystery unfolds before us. As we await Christmas, we wait for him to appear. When he comes, we will be amazed to see that he is really one of us.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA



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“Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel,” which means “God is with us.”

MATTHEW 1:23

FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *How does knowing that Jesus is one of us make a difference in your life?*
- ★ *We are on the threshold of Christmas. What religious sentiments fill your mind and heart?*

Dear Padre,

Why did early Christians begin celebrating Christmas on December 25th?

Placing Christmas near the winter solstice can be traced to pagan celebrations in Christianity's early years. The celebration of Christmas in December began in Rome as a Christian response to a civil festival honoring the sun god Sol.

The Romans celebrated the sun climbing into the northern skies, signaling the lengthening days after the cold winter nights. On December 25, 274, Aurelian proclaimed the sun god principal patron of the empire. Christmas originated when this sun cult was strongest. Christians wouldn't go to the temple to pay homage to a sun god. They believed in the one true God, and God's only son made human, Jesus Christ.

It's almost as if Christians substituted "son" for "sun" and celebrated the birth of the son of justice into this world. The parallels are uncanny. As the extending sunlight broke night's grip and softened the cold sting on the world, so Jesus' coming broke the long reign of sin and darkness. Jesus was the true son, the light and life of the world, the reason for renewed hope.

Narrow fundamentalists fail to understand that Christmas is more than a birthday celebration of the *day* Christ was born. It's wider in scope, celebrating the reality that Jesus was born human. It's not the *when* but the *what* that we celebrate. So, Jesus' precise birthdate doesn't matter. What matters is that Jesus was truly born human—like us in all things but sin. For this we celebrate.

—Fr. Joseph Morin, CSsR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

We need, then, to open our hearts to the true light, Jesus Christ. He is the light that can illumine life and turn our darkness into light; the light of goodness that conquers evil; the light of the love that overcomes hatred; the light of the life that triumphs over death.

—ADDRESS TO VATICAN CURIA, DECEMBER 21, 2018

Calendar

Monday

DECEMBER 23
Advent Weekday
Mal 3:1–4, 23–24
Lk 1:57–66

Tuesday

DECEMBER 24
Advent Weekday
Sir 35:1–12
Mk 10:28–31

Wednesday

DECEMBER 25
Christmas
Is 52:7–10
Heb 1:1–6
Jn 1:1–18 or
Jn 1:1–5, 9–14

Thursday

DECEMBER 26
St. Stephen,
First Martyr
Acts 6:8–10; 7:54–59
Mt 10:17–22

Friday

DECEMBER 27
St. John,
Apostle and Evangelist
1 Jn 1:1–4
Jn 20:1a and 2–8

Saturday

DECEMBER 28
The Holy Innocents,
Martyrs
1 Jn 1:5–2:2
Mt 2:13–18

Sunday

DECEMBER 29
The Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
Sir 3:2–6, 12–14
Col 3:12–21 or
Col 3:12–17
Mt 2:13–15, 19–23