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December 12-13, 2020 | 3rd Sunday of Advent | 3° domingo de Adviento

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve | Nochebuena

Dec. 24 @ 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass Misa de Nochebuena • Cathedral
Dec. 24 @ 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass Misa de Nochebuena • St. Patrick Church

Christmas Day | Navidad

Dec. 25 @ Midnight Midnight Mass Misa de Medianoche • Cathedral w/ the Archbishop
Dec. 25 @ 9:00 am Christmas Mass Misa de Navidad • Cathedral

Feast of St. Stephen | Fiesta de San Esteban

Dec. 26 @ 4:00 pm Mass Misa • St. Patrick Church

Feast of the Holy Family | Fiesta de Sagrada Familia

Dec. 27 @ 9:00 am & 5:30 pm Mass Misa • Cathedral
Dec. 27 @ 11:00 am Mass in Spanish Misa en Español • St. Patrick Church

Weekday Masses | Misas Durante la Semana

Dec. 28 @ 7:30 am Mass Misa • Cathedral
Dec. 29 @ 11:00 am Mass Misa • Cathedral & Noon Mass Misa • St. Patrick Church
Dec. 30 @ 7:30 am Mass Misa • Cathedral

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Solemnidad de María, Madre de Dios

Dec. 31 @ 5:30 pm Vigil Mass Misa Vigilia • St. Patrick Church
Jan. 01 @ 9:00 am Holy Day Mass Misa Santa • Cathedral

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord | Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor

Jan. 02 @ 4:00 pm Vigil Mass Misa Vigilia • St. Patrick Church
Jan. 03 @ 9:00 am & 5:30 pm Mass Misa • Cathedral
Jan. 03 @ 11:00 am Mass in Spanish Misa en Español • St. Patrick Church

MASS SCHEDULE

Cathedral of St. Raphael *Horario de Misa*

Mon-Fri 7:30 am
Sun 9:00 am & 5:30 pm

St. Patrick Church

Tue & Thu Noon
Sat 4:00 pm
Sun (*Mass in Spanish*) 11:00 am

OFFICE HOURS

Cathedral of St. Raphael *Horas de Oficina*

Mon-Thu 8:00 am–4:30 pm
Fri Closed

St. Patrick Church

Mon-Thu 9:00 am–12 Noon
12:30 pm–3:00 pm
Fri 9:00 am–Noon

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OUR MISSION “As a Eucharistic community, rich in diversity, united in our Catholic faith, we strive to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ.” **NUESTRA MISIÓN** “Como una comunidad Eucarística, ricos en diversidad, unidos en nuestra fe Católica, nos esforzamos por vivir y proclamar el Evangelio de Jesucristo.”

ADVENT III
December 13, 2020

*** Due to the increasing number of Covid cases at this time, the decision was made to further scale back musical participation of the assembly with a priority of keeping all in our worship space safe. As the cantor sings the texts of the liturgy, we ask you to follow along and pray them in your mind and heart. We look forward to the day when we can resume "full and active" assembly participation, the core and strength of our community worship!

Prelude

Introit *Sung by Cantor Only*

Antiphon: *Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord; for he comes!*

Introit Verse: *Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.*

*Introit for the Third Sunday of Advent, Kelly OSB
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Sign of the Cross|Greeting

Penitential Act C

Priest or Deacon: *You were sent to heal the contrite of heart.... Lord have mercy.*

Assembly: Lord have mercy

Priest or Deacon: *You came to call sinners.... Christ have mercy.*

Assembly: Christ have mercy

Priest or Deacon: *You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us. Lord have mercy.*

Assembly: Lord have mercy

Presider: *May almighty God.... everlasting life.*
Assembly: **Amen.**

Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11

Luke 1 *Sung by Cantor only*

Refrain: *My soul rejoices in my God.*

Verse 1: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked upon his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed.

Verse 2: The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.

Verse 3: He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy.

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Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel Acclamation *Sung by Cantor only*

Verse: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.*

Gospel John 1:6-8, 19-28

Homily

QUESTION OF THE WEEK



Gospel Reading John tells us that the religious leaders in Jerusalem questioned the identity of John the Baptist, wondering if he was the Messiah, Elijah, or the Prophet who Moses prophesied would come. John the Baptist responds in humility, with a clear sense of his own call. Do you humbly accept God's call in your life?

Pregunta de la Semana Evangelio Juan nos dice que los líderes religiosos en Jerusalén cuestionaron la identidad de Juan el Bautista, preguntándose si él sería el Mesías, Elías o el Profeta que Moisés profetizó que vendría. Juan el Bautista responde con humildad, con un claro sentido de su propio llamado. ¿Aceptas humildemente el llamado de Dios en tu vida?

Next Week's Readings 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

Advent Resources Visit our parish website to find Advent reflections from Bishop Barron, blessings, and activities to help keep you and your family engaged during the Advent season at cathedralstpats.org/advent.

End of Year Contributions As the end of the calendar year approaches, it is good to review one's contributions to your parish. While donations are always welcome, those to be credited for 2020 will need to be at the rectory by **Thursday, December 31**.

STEWARDSHIP

In Our Parishes Thank you to everyone who could join in the Virtual Fireside with Archbishop Jackels last week. We would also like to thank those who decorated the rectory for the Archbishop Fireside chat and to those who helped set up the crib scenes at the parish sites.

Treasure Shared To Date

Cathedral	Week 23 of 20/21 FY	St. Patrick
\$156,504.64	Adult Envelopes	\$56,561.96
\$160.00	Children Envelopes	\$5.00
\$4,715.00	Offertory	\$3,168.00
\$1,224.00	Holy Days	\$2,054.00
\$370.00	Christmas	\$221.00
\$0.00	Easter	\$10.00
\$220,343.00	Budget (YTD)	\$74,245.00
\$162,973.64	Received (YTD)	\$62,019.96
(\$57,369.36)	Over/(Short)age	(\$12,225.04)

PASTOR'S UPDATE

Dear all, It seems unbelievable that December is half over, and we are observing the third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday, on which the readings deal with rejoicing in the Lord – Christian joy. The theologian Henri Nouwen described the difference between joy and happiness. While happiness is dependent on external conditions, joy is "the experience of knowing that you are unconditionally loved and that nothing – sickness, failure, emotional distress, oppression, war, or even death - can take that love away." Thus, joy can be present even in the midst of sadness.

In his 2014 Gaudete Sunday homily, Pope Francis said that Gaudete Sunday is known as the "Sunday of joy", and that instead of fretting about "all you still haven't" done to prepare for Christmas, people should "think of all the good things life has given you. This is especially important this year, since we might be also fretting about what we can't do due to covid. So, take some time this week to make a list of the "good things".

This week we observed two feasts related to the Blessed Virgin Mary. In celebrating the Immaculate Conception we acknowledged that she is "full of grace"; while we are flawed by sin and human weakness, we should strive to rid ourselves of those things which inhibit ourselves from "filling up" with the grace and love of God. We also observed Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Mexican people and of our Hispanic community. While we were not able to have the type of celebration we have had in the past, we do take this opportunity to ask God to bless our community. We are enriched by their presence and the gift they are for us.

As noted in our Advent-Christmas letter, we are a pilgrim people, a people always on a journey for holiness. Consider making a mini pilgrimage to both parish grounds, simply to offer prayer at the sight of the outdoor manger scenes, by the Cathedral Center entrance and in front of St. Patrick rectory. Bring some hot chocolate, sit in your car, and enjoy some music!). Physically connecting with the sacred space is a powerful reminder of our connection pilgrim people, a people always on a journey for holiness.

Let us continue to pray for each other in this Advent season.

Fr. Tom

PARISH NEWS

Special Collection This weekend there will be a special collection for the Retired Religious fund. If you wish to contribute, please return the envelope found in your packet.

Parish Life Committee Update Since we were not able to hold our annual Christmas party for the residents of the Stonehill Care Facility, the members of the Parish Life Committee are donating Christmas bags for all the residents as well as donating sweets for their treat cart. Each bag contains a Christmas card and reflection, body lotion, facial tissues and a doorknob ornament. Parish Life also is donating Christmas bags containing the same items as the ones for Stonehill with the addition of a pair of Christmas socks for all residents of Manor Care since we were unable to have our annual July Anointing of the Sick followed by a party.

Religious Education Our final class of the first semester will be on **Wednesday, December 16**. May everyone have a blessed Christmas! We will resume virtual classes on Wednesday, January 06.

Confirmation Information Class will be held on **Sunday, December 13** at 10:30 am via Zoom. Cassie sent out the link earlier this week. If you have any questions or did not receive the email with the link, please email [✉ dbq059ff@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq059ff@dbqarch.org).

Helping Hand Thanks to generous donors, St. Patrick's is in a position to financially assist our parishioners who may be having difficulty providing gifts and meals for their families this Christmas. If you or someone in the parish you know will be needing some help this holiday season, please call the St. Patrick rectory at 📞 583-9749 to tell us how we can be of assistance.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Ayuda Disponible Gracias a generosos donantes, S. Patricio está en condiciones de financiar ayude a los feligreses de nuestras parroquias que puedan tener dificultades para proporcionar regalos y comidas para sus familias esta Navidad. Si usted o alguien de la parroquia que conoce necesitará ayuda durante esta temporada, por favor llame a la rectoría de S. Patricio al 📞 583-9749 para decirnos cómo podemos ser de asistencia.

DECEMBER 14-20 CALENDAR

SR—St. Raphael • SP—St. Patrick • CC—Cathedral Center
Church doors open 30 minutes before Mass.
Weekly Mass Intentions Are Highlighted

Monday, December 14

7:30 am Helen McClain • SR

Tuesday, December 15

7:30 am Dean Fleege • SR

Noon Sabina Powers • SP

Wednesday, December 16

7:30 am Thomas & Marion Beadle • SR

6:30 pm Religious Education Classes • via Zoom

Thursday, December 17

7:30 am Mary L Green • SR

Noon Gary Hoy • SP

7:00 pm RISE! Adoration • SR

Friday, December 18

7:30 am Ken Dietz • SR

Saturday, December 19

4:00 pm Harvey Avery • SP

Sunday, December 20

9:00 am Kay Mueller • SR

11:00 am Lupe Torres • SP

5:30 pm For the People • SR

Due to early bulletin submission deadlines this bulletin was published on Tuesday, December 08.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father, through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preface Prayer

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Great Amen

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

***** Please remain seated in your pew for the distribution of communion. The ministers will come to you.**

Communion Antiphon *Sung by Cantor only*

Refrain: Behold our God will come, and he will save us.

Verse: Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

*Communion Antiphon for the Third Sunday of Advent, Kelly OSB
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Solemn Blessing|Dismissal

***** For Covid safety, please lower the kneeler in your pew so that cleaning ministers may identify pews to be sanitized after mass. Please also take your bulletin and all personal belongings with you as you exit.**

Recessional

Instrumental



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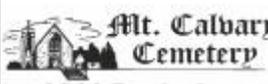
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