# Cathedral OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 17, 2023

# Mass Schedule Weekdays

Monday to Friday 5:15 pm

In the Sacred Heart Day Chapel Enter via the Wells Street Entrance.

## Weekends

Saturday 5:15 pm (Vigil) Sunday

9:00 am, 11:00 am, & 1:00 pm (Spanish)

## Reconciliation

Wednesday & Thursday 4:30 pm

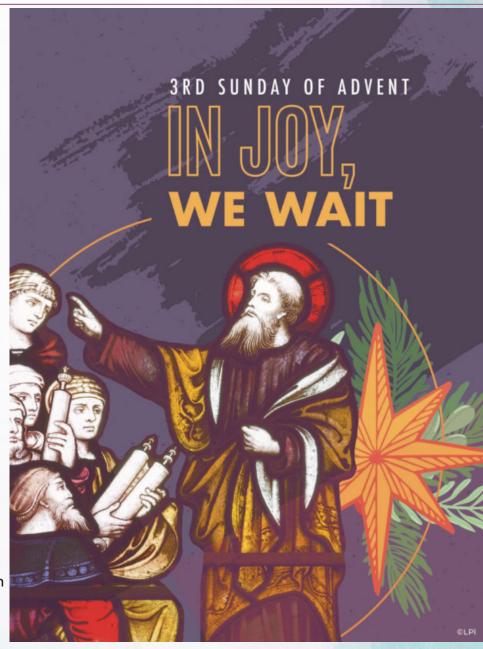
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## **Our Mission**

We are a welcoming Eucharistic community committed to growing together as disciples of Jesus Christ.

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## Cathedral News & Notes...

## Pastor's Corner



Dear friends,

Rejoice! Rejoice! The Third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete Sunday, which means rejoice. We are still eagerly awaiting the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, both the celebration

of his Nativity and his triumphant return. As we await our Lord this weekend, we are reminded that we do not wait in fear. We eagerly await in joy. As baptized people, we are in union with God and desire the full union experienced in heaven. We can do so with joy.

As we make this final push to celebrate the Nativity of the Lord, remember to rejoice and be thankful for every blessing the Lord has provided. I recommend that we all spend some time this week thanking the Lord for the blessings he has bestowed on us and rejoice in His grace.

Happy Advent!

Fr. Joseph

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 17, 2023**

Monday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/ Tuesday:

Lk 1:5-25

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, Thursday:

20-21/Lk 1:39-45

Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk

1:46-56

Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/

Lk 1:57-66

Next Sunday: 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

### OPEN DOOR CAFÉ ITEM OF THE WEEK: BACKPACKS (BOOKBAGS)

#### **Help Needed - Christmas Decorating** Thursday, December 21

Please consider helping our Art & Environment Crew transform the Cathedral into The Glory of Christmas!

Because the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve fall on the same date this year, we have limited time to transform our worship space from Advent to Christmas. We need Energetic Volunteers on **Thursday, December 21, from 12:00pm** 

Even if you can only help for an hour or two, we'd welcome your assistance, as we have a lot of work to accomplish in a short amount of time. We especially need some strong capable bodies able to help carry large items down from the second and third floor storage rooms.

Please contact Mark Sedarski at msedarski@sedmark.com or 414-305-1958 if you can help, or if you have any questions. Thank you!



Monday, Dec 18 Late Advent Weekday

+Salvatore & +Assunta D'Aquisto 5:15 pm

Tuesday, Dec 19 Late Advent Weekday

5:15 pm Legacy Society & Cathedral Benefactors

Wednesday, Dec 20 **Late Advent Weekday** 5:15 pm Fortino & Maria Valle

Thursday, Dec 21 Late Advent Weekday; St Peter

Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the

Church

5:15 pm +Vivian Wnuczek Friday, Dec 22 **Late Advent Weekday** 5:15 pm +Antonina Bartley

Saturday, Dec 23 Vigil

> 5:15 pm +Antonio C Patti

Sunday, Dec 24 **Fourth Sunday of Advent** 

Living & +Deceased Members of the 9:00 am

Cathedral

11:00 am +Joseph Pecyna

1:00 pm For Parishioners, Friends, and

Benefactors

Sunday, Dec 24 **Christmas Eve** 

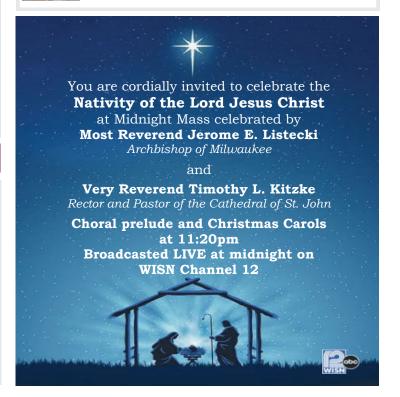
+Bruno Grzadzinski Jr & Dolores 5:15 am

Grzadzinski

12:00 am Living & +Deceased Members of the Cathedral

(Midnight Mass Broadcasted Live)

Incense will be used at all the Christmas Masses.



## Welcome to the Cathedral

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Bulletin submissions are regularly due by 1:00 PM Mondays. Submit them to:

## Reflecting on the Sunday Readings

We invite individuals to share and reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings on the first and third Mondays of each month. In a small group setting, we break open God's Word, allowing it to speak to our lives and to challenge us to grow in our understanding of who God is, who we are, and how God is calling us to love. The group meets in person in the parish center at Old St. Mary beginning at 7:00pm (835 N Milwaukee St.). Our next meeting is Monday, December 18.
For further information contact our Pastoral Associate, Chad Griesel, at <a href="mailto:cgriesel@ffpmke.org">cgriesel@ffpmke.org</a> or 414-271-6577.

If you attend Mass at any of the Catholic Communities of Our Lady of Divine Providence, Ss. Peter and Paul, Old St. Mary, and Three Holy Women, you can place your offertory envelope from your home parish in the basket and it will be forwarded for you.



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