



Sacred Heart Cathedral

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Cathedral Office Hours
Monday—Thursday 9:00 am — 3:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am — Noon
We are CLOSED Mon—Thurs from 12:10 pm — 12:40 pm

MASS TIMES

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:00 am, 9:15 am & 11:15 am

Daily Mass

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 12:10 pm
Tuesday at 7:30 am

CELEBRATION OF PENANCE

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 11:30 am — Noon
Friday 11:30 am — Noon and 4:45 — 5:15 pm
Saturday 2:30 — 3:30 pm

January 8, 2023
The Epiphany Of The Lord

Praised be Jesus Christ!

I was saddened by the news of the death of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI last week, but not entirely unprepared. In a way, his resignation in 2013 and relative departure from public life was already a personal loss for me and for all faithful Catholics who seek to cultivate a true sense of filial affection toward the Pope as a spiritual father. To be honest, I never would have thought back then that he would go on to live almost another decade of his life—in this period living a sort of monastic solitude in prayer for the Church and the world.

Just a few personal reflections:

While I experienced the first “inklings” of a priestly vocation during the time of Pope John Paul II, it wasn’t until the early years of Pope Benedict XVI’s pontificate that I discovered an intense desire to serve Christ and his Church as a priest, and radically reoriented my life and future plans accordingly. This was fundamentally a work of God’s grace, but Pope Benedict certainly played a key role in fostering the “conditions” that allowed me to be able to recognize and respond to that call. And I was not alone in this sentiment. Many young men were drawn to the seminary during that same time and for the same reasons.

For one thing, he wrote and spoke in a way that promoted **doctrinal clarity**. The Catholic faith is not some sort of “party line” that shifts and adjusts itself according to changing cultural attitudes and appeal. It is the teaching of Jesus Christ and his apostles, handed on faithfully throughout the centuries by a Church founded personally by Christ, and protected by the Holy Spirit. This is often misconstrued as something stagnant and lifeless, but actually the opposite is true. It is boring and futile to be swept away into every passing ideology and current of thought that takes hold in modern society, whereas the human heart longs to drink deep from the spring of revealed truth of which the Church is the custodian. The fullness of the Catholic faith is truly the **good news** of Christ for the world, and Pope Benedict conducted himself with that confidence which is rooted in the conviction that we have the message that the world desperately needs to hear.

He also worked to bring about a certain **liturgical coherence** into the life of the Church. It is a sad fact that in recent decades, the liturgy itself has become a source of division amongst the faithful, instead of a mark of unity for Catholics. People have noted that in many places here in the US, you can go from one parish to the next, and the liturgy is celebrated so differently between the two sites that it hardly seems like we are dealing with the same religion! The antidote that Pope Benedict sought to apply was to reconnect us with our liturgical tradition. Under his Pontificate, I learned to appreciate the glories of our liturgical heritage—as have many young practicing Catholics and families in recent years. Since the celebration of the liturgy is at the heart of the priesthood, it’s no surprise that an emphasis on authenticity in liturgical practice goes hand in hand with an increase of vocations.

Finally, I always found Pope Benedict to be very **fatherly** (even grandfatherly) in his role as chief Shepherd of the Church. Mass media tended to paint him as some sort of harsh disciplinarian, but that caricature was so far from the truth. He was kind, gentle, and thoroughly in love with the heart of Jesus Christ. He suffered much during his Papacy from unjust attacks and criticism, but took all of those sufferings upon himself for the good of the Church. True spiritual fathers (like Pope Benedict) tend to produce the spiritual fruit of new vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Requiescat in pace!

In the hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Peter Van Lieshout

The Cathedral office will be **CLOSED** on Monday, January 16 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. There will be confessions from 11:30 —Noon and a 12:10 pm mass.



Saturday, January 7, 2023

1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 2:1-11
 2:30—3:30 pm Confessions
 3:00 pm Rosary
 4:00 pm Michael Marion—Joann & Graham White

Sunday, January 8, 2023—The Epiphany Of The Lord

Is 60:1-6, Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12
 7:00 am For the people of the Cathedral Community
 9:15 am Mary Frances Mastrella—Family
 11:15 am Sharon Swartz—Barb & Steve Spector
 8:00 pm Solemn Compline w/Fr. Van Lieshout

Monday, January 9, 2023—The Baptism Of The Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17
 11:30—Noon Confessions
 12:10 pm Suzanne Riley—Darlene Piersall

Tuesday, January 10, 2023

Heb 2:5 12/Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12; Mk 1:14-20 NS 1:21-28
 7:30 am Theresa Gordiner— Bequest

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39
 11:30—Noon Confessions
 12:10 pm The Zawacki Family—Family

Thursday, January 12, 2023

Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45
 11:30—Noon Confessions
 12:10 pm Diana Pascente—Family

Friday, January 13, 2023

Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-10
 11:30—Noon Confessions
 12:10 PM Conversion of Joseph and David Jackson

Saturday, January 14, 2023

Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17
 2:30—3:30 pm Confessions
 3:00 pm Rosary
 4:00 pm Eleanore Hunt—Sr. Joan Hilbert

Sunday, January 15, 2023—Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6, ! Cor 1:1-13; Jn 1:29-34
 7:00 am Joseph Grassi — Margaret Whalen
 9:15 am Sharon Swart—KoC 15118
 William Brown—Family
 11:15 am Marko Amidzic—Margita & Family
 8:00 pm Compline w/Fr. Van Lieshout

**Monday, January 16, 2023—Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 OFFICE CLOSED**

Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22
 11:30—Noon Confessions
 12:10 pm Dominick J. Colocillo—Family

Tabernacle Candles



Make a \$10 offering to have a sanctuary lamp burn in honor of your loved one. The name of the honored person will be listed in the bulletin. Cards are available with this offering. Please call or stop by the Cathedral main office to request this memorial.



MASS INTENTIONS

Consider requesting a Mass for a deceased loved one for 2023. The offering is \$10. Weekend and weekday masses are still available.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Nicholas Boyle & Theresa Piersall

Please keep their future happiness in your prayers.



PRAY FOR OUR SICK



Phillip Batchelor Jr, Bishop Matthew Clark, Tony Coccia, Dcn. John Giugno, Jackie Goldfarb, Dan Gentile, Lucille Ilii, Jerry Mastodanato, Lucas Marone, Soe (So) Meh, Marcia Mendola, Bill Moroz, Patti Stets, Karen Stevens, Bentley Vega, Helen Walters, Candice Zerdon

This Week's Sanctuary Candle

Intentions Of — Bishop Salvatore Matano

Intentions Of — Fr. Daniel White

Intentions Of — Fr. Peter Van Lieshout



PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

In your charity, please pray for all of our deceased.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them.



Parish Offertory Dec 31, 2022 & Jan 1, 2023

Actual	Goal	Variance
\$6,244	\$6,640	\$-396

Thank you for your contribution.

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2022-2023 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL



As of January 3, 2023, we have reached 74.03% of our goal. The Cathedral's goal is \$77,000. We thank those who have given generously and ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in so many ways. Please consider all the ways that God has blessed you and your family and think how the Church has brought goodness into your lives. Join our appeal and give back what you can so that we remain strong and able to do God's great work!

Most Rev. Salvatore R. Matano, Bishop of Rochester
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Sick, Infirm and Homebound

Because of HIPAA laws, the only way the Parish Staff learns of parishioners who are ill or infirmed is if the **parishioner, or a family member notifies the office.**

If you, or someone you know is ill, hospitalized or moved to a nursing facility or family member's home, please let the Cathedral Main Office know.

If you/they are unable to attend Mass, please contact the office to arrange to receive communion.

If a family member has gone to hospice care or needs healing prayers, the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick can be administered by our priest. Please call the office, at 585-254-3221.

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