

MASS TIMES

Weekend Masses

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

Daily Mass

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 12:10 pm

Tuesday at 7:30 am

The Cathedral Community

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<u>Cathedral Office Hours</u> 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

CELEBRATION OF PENANCE

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

December 10, 2023 Second Sunday Of Advent

Praised be Jesus Christ!

You'll see in this bulletin a schedule of the Christmas Masses.

This year Christmas Day falls on a Monday, which of course means that Christmas Eve is on a Sunday. However, that Sunday (December 24th) is also the 4th Sunday of Advent. So whereas we would normally have a period of a few days between the 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve, this year we have only *a few hours* between the last Mass of Sunday and the first Mass of Christmas Eve!

As a pastor of souls, I feel that it is important to remind everyone that we are dealing with two grave obligations here. Catholics have the normal Sunday Mass obligation, and also the obligation of Mass attendance for the Christmas Holy Day. These are distinct obligations, despite the fact that they occur back-to-back this year.

Now, I know that there are some clever people out there who are thinking to themselves, "If I go to Mass this year at the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass, can that one Mass count for both my Sunday obligation and my Christmas obligation?" Nice try, but the answer is NO! There are two obligations here, and so a Catholic is bound to fulfill them with attendance at two distinct Masses.

In this regard, I would like to quote something that I recently read online: "If the idea of going to Mass twice in two days is upsetting, it's fairly safe to say you're approaching Christmas with the wrong spirit." Love requires sacrifice. And since I know that this parish loves Our Lord, I trust that our parishioners will make the appropriate sacrifice of their time, avoid grave sin, and attend Mass twice during the course of those days: once for Sunday, and once for Christmas.

In the hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Peter Van Lieshout



Joseph's Place Food Frenzy Dec. 16 & 17

Our next food frenzy will take place the weekend of December 16 & 17.

Our greatest needs are:

Cereal, spaghetti sauce and pasta, applesauce, canned stew and chili, baked beans, hearty soup and toilet paper.

Donations are also greatly appreciated and will be used to purchase food from Foodlink and local stores. Donations can be placed in the collection basket. If writing a check, please write Joseph's Place in the memo line.

Please remember we CANNOT accept opened or expired food.

We are very grateful for all your donations, prayers and ongoing support! Thank you.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses: 4:00pm & Midnight

Christmas Day Masses: 7:00am, 9:15am & 11:15am

The Cathedral office is **CLOSED** on December 25 and December 26

There is NO Compline on December 24

Early Bulletin Submissions for the month of December

For the month of December the bulletin needs to be submitted to LPI early, due to the Christmas holiday. For the December 24th bulletin, I need articles submitted to me by Wednesday, December 13. For the December 31st bulletin, I need articles submitted to me by Wednesday, December 20. Please email your article to michele.kelly@dor.org. Thank you.

Next Liturgical Schedule

Please enter your **NOT AVAILABLE** dates into the MSP system for our next liturgical schedule January 6—March 31. Please enter this by December 19th. If you do not have a computer and need your **NOT AVAILABLE** times entered into the system please contact Michele at the office at 254-3221. Thank you.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

We want to thank everyone who contributed to the Thanksgiving Gift Card Drive! Although we fell a bit short of meeting our goal, we are so happy to report that due to your generosity we were able to collect enough gift cards and donations to provide 200 families with gift cards to purchase a special Thanksgiving holiday meal. Times are tough everywhere but your generosity allowed these families to shop for their Thanksgiving meal without the stress of an additional financial burden. Your generosity means everything to us and to the neighborhood we serve.

Parish Offertory Dec. 2 & 3, 2023

Actual Goal Variance \$8,396 \$10,160 +\$1,764

YTD Actual YTD Goal Variance \$180,986 \$180,060 -\$926

This Week's Sanctuary Candle

In Memory Of — Marco Gallelli Requested by — Mother, Sandra

In Memory Of — Ed Nietopski Requested by — Betty Nietopski

In Memory Of — William Guerrara Requested by — Joseph's Place Volunteers





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.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK



Heather Beisheim, Deborah De Leon Campbell, Dawn DeManincor, Robert DiFulio, Dcn. John Giugno, Dan Gentile, Mavis Groves, Sharon Herring, Sr. Joan Hilbert, Nina Lombardo, Irene Morgan, Bill & Janice Moroz, Jean Parker, Karen Pirecki, Jim Schell, Dan Stella, Patti Stets, Michael Scozzafava, Donald Stiner, Paul Tuttle



Saturday, December 9, 2023

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

2:30—3:30 pm Confession 3:00 pm Rosarv

4:00 pm Jeffrey Brent—Frank & Patty Cost

Sunday, December 10, 2023—Second Sunday Of Advent

Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pt 3:8-14, Mk 1:1-8

7:00 am For the people of the Cathedral Community

Scott Laio—Erin Bankey Christopher Ippolito—Family 9:15 am 11:15 am

8:00 pm Solemn Compline w/Fr. Van Lieshout

Monday, December 11, 2023

Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26 11:30—Noon Confession

Intentions of Mike & Annemarie Nordquist & 12:10 pm

Family — DeMartino Family

Tuesday, December 12, 2023—Our Lady Of Guadalupe

Zec 2:14-17; or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-61, 10ab, Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

7:30 am Kathy Culotta—Family

Wednesday, December 13, 2023—Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

Is 40:25-31: Mt 11:28-30 11:30—Noon Confession

Intentions of Richard, Morency & Family— 12:10 pm

DeMartino Family

Thursday, December 14, 2023—Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Is 41:13-20: Mt 11:11-15 11:30—Noon Confession

Intentions of Richard, Muriel & Isaac 12:10 pm

DeMartino—Family

Friday, December 15, 2023

Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19 11:30—Noon Confession

Intentions of John, & Mary Jo Maurer— 12:10 pm

DeMartino Family

4:45—5:30 pm Confession

Saturday, December 16, 2023

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a; 10-13 2:30—3:30 pm Confession 3:00 pm Rosarv

Karen Hyland—Sr. Joan Hilbert, RSM 4:00 pm

John Burke—Joanna Sanguedolce

Sunday, December 17, 2023—Third Sunday Of Advent

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11, 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8;, 19-28

7:00 am For the people of the Cathedral Community Tony & Rosa Vulaj—Paul & Tammy Vulaj Marco Gallelli—Mother, Sandra 9:15 am

11:15 am 8:00 pm Solemn Compline w/Fr. Van Lieshout

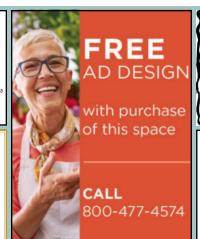


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