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December 20, 2020

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## CONFESSIONS

15 minutes before all Masses or by appointment

**ROSARY & BENEDICTION:** Every Sunday at 3pm

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays & Fridays 12 - 4pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

## FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

3:30pm Rosary Procession, Confessions, 4pm Mass

The Barnabite Fathers  
Would like to invite you  
to Celebrate Christmas!!

Christmas Eve  
4:00 & Midnight (12:00)

Christmas Day  
9:00am & 12:00



*Christ came to bring us salvation and  
has promised to come again. Let us  
pray that we may be always be ready to*

### COVID Update(12-20-20)

Regular Masses have resumed Basilica is  
limited to 100 persons Practice social  
distance Masks required

# 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of ADVENT

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sat, DEC 19</b>	<b>Third Saturday Advent Weekday</b>
11:30AM	Antonio Austria Jr.
4:00PM	Merry McQuire
<b>Sun, DEC 20</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>
9:00AM	Angelina, Antoniot & Costanzo Spedaliere
12:00PM	Teddy Golda
5:00PM	John Ducoli
<b>Mon, Dec 21</b>	<b>St. Peter Canisius, Priest &amp; Dr of Church</b>
11:30AM	<i>Perpetual Mass Members</i>
4:00PM	Fatima Friends
<b>Tue, Dec 22</b>	<b>Fourth Tuesday of Advent</b>
11:30AM	John & Genevieve & J. Beczkowski
4:00PM	Tony Gates
<b>Wed, DEC 23</b>	<b>St. John of Kanty, Priest</b>
11:30AM	Louise & Josephine Tavano
4:00PM	Michael Szczutowicz
<b>Thu, DEC 24</b>	<b>Fourth Thursday Advent Weekday</b>
11:30AM	Poplawki Family
4:00PM	Vocations to the Barnabite order
12:00 AM	Shrine Benefactors
<b>Fri, DEC 25</b>	<b>Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)</b>
9:00 AM	Promotion of Gospel of Life
12:00PM	Fatima Shrine Vistors
<b>Sat, DEC 26</b>	<b>St. Stephen, the first Martyr</b>
11:30AM	Laura Adams
4:00PM	Jerome Poplawski
<b>Sun, DEC 27</b>	<b>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary &amp; Jesus</b>
9:00AM	Ignatius Gates
12:00PM	Tony Gates
5:00PM	Donald Ritz

## INTERCESSION FOR LIFE

For all parents awaiting the birth of their child: May they look to the Blessed Mother and St Joseph and follow their example of cherishing and protecting human life; **We pray to the Lord:**

**BE VIGILANT AT ALL TIMES AND PRAY THAT YOU MAY HAVE THE STRENGTH TO STAND BEFORE THE SON OF MAN” (LUKE 21:36).**

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Fiat voluntas tua — **“Thy will be done.”** When Mary gave her full and knowing consent to the angel of the Lord, she provided the supreme example of human cooperation to the Divine Will. She placed all her trust in the Lord, willingly and without reservation, even though she knew full well an unwed teen mother in those days meant disgrace and possible execution. We live in more tolerant times, and sometimes we miss that part of the fiat and what Mary risked in offering it. Mary doesn’t just assent to the pregnancy, but to laying down her life for the Lord – both literally and figuratively. She commits her all in surrendering to His will.

We too have the same free will. That is our gift from God. As C. S. Lewis wrote in *The Screwtape Letters*, God does not want slaves to do His bidding under His command, but sons and daughters who willingly and joyfully join in His work. When we have conflict between our designs and those of the Lord’s, do we accept the change willingly? Or do we accept grudgingly, angrily, or perhaps refuse to accept it at all?

Mary had plans for her life, too, before the Annunciation. She was betrothed, and probably looked forward to a normal life raising a family and perhaps finding some ease of life. She put all of that aside in a moment when the Lord made His will known to her. She put her trust in Him—no questions asked.

So what will we say when *our* day comes? Will we have formed ourselves enough to say, *Fiat voluntas tua?*

God has something in mind for us to do and He waits for our response. If we say ‘Yes!’ the work of God in our world will be brought forward. Like Mary we dare to say, *‘Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be done to me according to your word.’*

## Christmas Intercession For Life

For all Christians: That the wondrous birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ may awaken our hearts to the priceless gift of every: We pray to the Lord

## ZACCARIAN APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER

The Barnabites, Angelics, and Laity of Saint Paul, animated and Illuminated by the light of Emmanuel, God with us, may open themselves to a completed and sincere dedication in the service of the brothers and sisters for their evangelization and human pro-

## THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR DECEMBER 2020

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a

## VOCATION VIEW

The Angel Gabriel from Heaven came.. When God’s plan was made clear to Mary, she had some questions but ultimately answered with a confident YES. If you have questions about how God is calling you to serve his Church, contact Fr Peter.

## IS GOD CALLING YOU?

If so— contact Fr. Peter Calabrese  
(716)754-7489 or email [pmccrsp@fatimashrine.com](mailto:pmccrsp@fatimashrine.com)

## UPCOMING SHRINE EVENTS

DEC 24 Mass: 11:30am, 4:00pm & Midnight 12:00  
DEC 25 Mass: 9:00am, 12:00pm  
JAN 7 Basket Auction Preview, 9am-5pm  
JAN 8 Basket Auction Preview, 9am-7pm  
JAN 9 Basket Auction Preview, 9am-3:15pm  
JAN 9 Festival Lights Benefit 4-8pm



## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

ADORERS NEEDED FOR:

**WEDNESDAY 2-3 AND FRIDAY 1-2 & 2-3**

"The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic adoration."  
(Pope St. John Paul II)

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN  
DISTRICT OF NEW YORK  
*In re The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y.*  
Case No. 20-10322

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., (“Diocese”) filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”).

The Bankruptcy Court has established August 14, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the “Bar Date”).

If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date.

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December 20, 2020

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## FESTIVAL of LIGHTS

November 21, 2020 — January 3, 2021

Schedule for 2020

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Nov 30 to Dec 20: Lights on Fri-Sun only 5-9pm

Dec 21-Jan 3 Lights on  
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