

CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR THE ALTAR

Dear Friends,

Thanks to your generosity, a total of \$9,481.00 has been donated for this year's Christmas Gift to the Altar. The proceeds cover, in their entirety, the beautiful solemn Marian set of vestments that you saw used on January 1st, and which we will use at the holy altar going forward. God is not outdone in generosity and will reward each of you superabundantly.

Thank you for your generosity!

“The more you honor Me, the more I will bless you.”

JOIN OUR FLOCKNOTE

Dear Faithful of St. Joseph Oratory,

In order to better our communication with you concerning the life of St. Joseph Oratory, we are launching our local Flocknote. What is Flocknote? Flocknote is a church communication management tool that helps us manage our church member database and communicate with all of you by means of email and text message. We will continue to provide info in the bulletin, but Flocknote allows us to send reminders and more detailed descriptions of upcoming Masses and events. We will keep our communication to only what is necessary, so don't be afraid of being spammed! I encourage you all to sign up for this so that you will never miss an update about our Oratory life! Flocknote is voluntary and you will not be added automatically.

If you'd like to sign up, text SJOM to 84576 from your cell phone and follow the instructions. If you don't have text messaging, you can sign up from your computer by visiting this website:

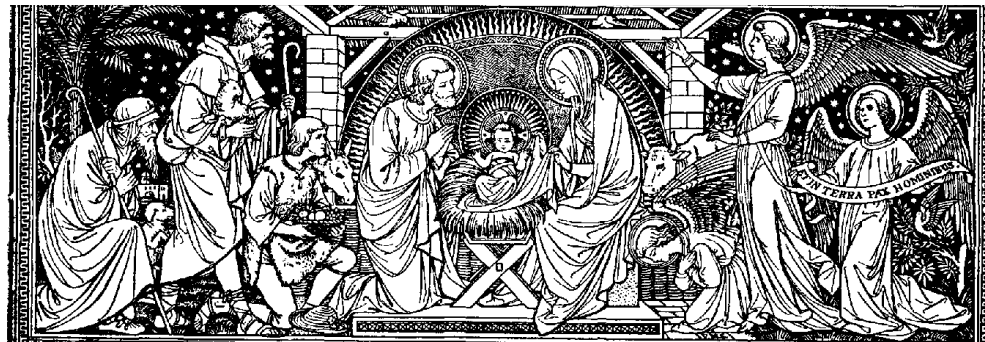
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Please contact Mrs. Neupauer at rneupauer@institute-christ-king.org or 773-363-7821 x 2 should you have any questions or need further assistance.

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Sunday, January 14th, 2024

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Introit

Let all on earth worship Thee, O God, and sing praise to Thee, sing praise to Thy name, Most High. Shout joyfully to God, all you on earth, sing praise to the glory of His name; proclaim His glorious praise.

Let all on earth worship Thee, O God . . .

Collect

Almighty, everlasting God, Thou Who governs both the heavens and the earth, graciously hear the humble prayers of Thy people and grant us Thy peace all the days of our life. Through our Lord . . .

Epistle

Romans 12:6-16

Brethren: We have gifts differing according to the grace that has been given us, such as prophecy to be used according to the proportion of faith; or ministry, in ministering; or he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhorting; he who gives, in simplicity; he who presides, with carefulness; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without pretense. Hate what is evil, hold to what is good. Love one another with honor. Be not slothful in zeal; be fervent in spirit, serving the Lord, rejoicing in hope. Be patient in tribulation, persevering in prayer. Share the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. Be of one mind towards one

another. Do not set your mind on high things but condescend to the lowly.

Gradual & Alleluia

The Lord sent forth His word to heal them and to snatch them from destruction. Let them give thanks to the Lord for His kindness and His wondrous deeds to the children of men. Alleluia, alleluia. Praise the Lord, all you His angels, praise Him, all you His hosts. Alleluia.

Gospel

John 2:1-11

At that time, a marriage took place at Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Now Jesus too was invited to the marriage, and also His disciples. And the wine having run short, the mother of Jesus said to Him, They have no wine. And Jesus said to her, What would you have me do, woman? My hour has not yet come. His mother said to the attendants, Do whatever He tells you. Now six stone water-jars were placed there, after the Jewish manner of purification, each holding two or three measures. Jesus said to them, Fill the jars with water. And they filled them to the brim. And Jesus said to them, Draw out now, and take to the chief steward. And they took it to him. Now when the chief steward had tasted the water after it had become wine, not knowing whence it was - though the attendants who had drawn the water knew, - the chief steward called the bridegroom, and said to him, Every man at first sets forth the good wine, and when they have drunk freely, then that which is poorer. But you have kept the good wine until now. This first of His signs Jesus worked at Cana of Galilee; and He manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him.

Offertory

Shout joyfully to God, all you on earth, sing praise to the glory of His name. Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare what the Lord has done for me. Alleluia.

Secret

Hallow our offerings, O Lord, and cleanse us from the stains of our sins. Through our Lord . . .

Communion

The Lord said, Fill the jars with water and take to the chief steward. When the chief steward had tasted the water after it had become wine, he said to the bridegroom, You have kept the good wine until now. This first miracle Jesus worked in the presence of His disciples.

Postcommunion

O Lord, we beseech Thee that the effects of Thy power may ever increase within us; and, strengthened by the divine sacrament, we may be prepared by Thy grace to lay hold of what it promises. Through our Lord . . .

BURSAR'S BOX

Sunday, January 1st: \$ 3, 042.00

Sunday, January 7th: \$ 3, 234.00

Total for the Month: \$ 6, 276.00

Please make checks payable to "Institute of Christ the King" with

Oratory on the memo line. All checks made out to "Our Lady of Częstochowa" are given to the Salvatorian Fathers. By order of the bishop, \$1000/week is given in rent to the Salvatorian Fathers.

Thank you for your generosity!

DONATION STATEMENTS

It is almost time again to issue 2023 donation statements. Please contact the Oratory office if your mailing address has changed since this time last year. It happens often that a number of statements are returned due to incorrect mailing addresses. Thank you in advance.

WISDOM OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES



"Those who pray from the heart do not think about the prayer they are saying, but about the God to whom they pray."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today, January 14th: *Blessing Sunday*. Blessings of religious articles will be given after Holy Mass.

Friday, February 2nd: First Friday of the Month. Devotions and Benediction at 6.30pm followed by Holy Mass at 7pm, St. Joseph's Church, Dyer.

Wednesday, February 14th: Ash Wednesday, Blessing and Distribution of Ashes followed by Holy Mass at 6:30pm.

Sunday, February 18th: Provincial Collection to benefit the work of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest.