



# INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

St. Gianna Oratory at 338 W. University Blvd., Tucson

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent - December 17, A.D. 2023

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## CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

**FAITHFUL MUST ATTEND MASS BOTH SUNDAY, DEC. 24 AND MONDAY, DEC. 25**

- Dec. 24th** 8:30am Low Mass  
10:30am High Mass  
**\*12:30pm Low Mass**  
*(No 5:00pm Low Mass)*  
10:00pm-11:45pm Confessions  
11:30pm Carols
- Dec. 25th** **Midnight High Mass (12:00am)**  
*followed by Social in the Hall with Hot Chocolate, Panettone & Chocolates*  
**8:30am Low Mass**  
**10:30am High Mass**  
*(No 5:00pm Low Mass)*  
5:00pm Solemn Vespers
- Dec. 31st** **Sunday in the Octave of the Nativity**  
**Regular Sunday schedule**  
*with Te Deum of Thanksgiving*
- Jan. 1st** *(HOLY DAY, not obligatory this year)*  
8:30am Low Mass  
10:30am High Mass
- Jan. 2nd** Holy Name of JESUS, 8:00am Low Mass

## **GAUDETE SUNDAY CHURCH PICNIC**

**TODAY after the 10:30am High Mass**

Children's Memorial Park - 4875 N. 15th Pl  
(near Oracle & River) Ramada #1

**Bring a potluck dish to share, drinks for your family, and sports equipment.**

The Oratory will provide utensils & paper goods.

*There will be organized games, sports & fun for everyone!*

## **ADVENT EMBER DAYS**

The Advent Ember Days take place this Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Ember Days are traditionally days of fasting and abstinence. Though the current Code of Canon Law does not demand that we fast, we are still encouraged to do so. Monsignor Wach has repeatedly encouraged the Institute canons and oblates to fast for the benefit of Holy Mother Church in these trying times. The minimum of the fast includes 2 small snacks and 1 meatless meal.

'The intentions, which the Church has in the fast of the Ember days, are the same as those of the Synagogue; namely, to consecrate to God by penance the four seasons of the year. [...] We must never forget that although the interior preparation is what is absolutely essential for our profiting by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, yet this preparation could scarcely be real unless it manifested itself by the exterior practices of religion and penance.' *Dom Guéranger, Liturgical Year*

## **CHRISTMAS DECORATING**

**Many adult volunteers are needed, especially on Saturday!**

**Fri. Dec. 22 @ 9am**

Sanctuary crèche & altar backdrop

**Sat. Dec. 23 @ 9am-3:30pm**

**Church Interior Decoration**

- indoor wreaths, garlands, interior tree decorating

**There will be plenty to do for all helping hands!**

## **CHRISTMAS NOVENA**

From Dec. 17-24, please join in praying the Preparatory Novena for Christmas every day after Holy Mass with the "O" Antiphon of the day & Novena Prayer to the Infant King.

The Antiphon is taken from the office of Evening Vespers and each "O" Antiphon commemorates a separate prophecy of the coming Messiah.



**LAST CHANCE:**

**ENROLL YOUR LOVED ONES IN THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS FOR CHRISTMAS!**

**Be sure to drop your enrollment form into TODAY'S collection!**



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### Oratory Staff

Canon Jonathon Fehrenbacher, *Rector*

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**Website & Online Bulletin:** saintgianna.net

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**Sun. 12/17**

8:30am Low Mass  
10:30am High Mass  
5:00pm Low Mass

**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT ‘GAUDETE’ / 1<sup>st</sup> cl. / Rose**

Mass (Gaudete) : *pro Papa. Credo. Pref. of the Trinity.*  
*Christmas Novena*

FK Pia Tolibas

*by Patrick & Carly Copeland*

CF **Pro populo**

CF † Eugene Fehrenbacher  
*by Canon Fehrenbacher*

**Mon. 12/18**

5:30pm Low Mass

**Feria of Advent / 3<sup>rd</sup> class / Rose**

Mass (Gaudete) : *pro Papa. Common Preface.*  
*Christmas Novena*

CF Luke Gauger

*by Gauger Family*

FK Matthew T. Fisher

*by Mr. & Mrs. James Fisher*

**Tue. 12/19**

8:00am Low Mass

**Feria of Advent / 3<sup>rd</sup> class / Rose**

Mass (Gaudete) : *pro Papa. Common Preface.*  
*Christmas Novena*

CF Jackie Fehrenbacher

*by Canon Fehrenbacher*

FK † Marce Halbig

*by Jackie Fehrenbacher*

**Wed. 12/20**

8:00am Low Mass  
*Traditional Fasting & Abstinence*

**Ember Wednesday of Advent / 2<sup>nd</sup> class / Violet**

Mass (Rorate, caeli) : *pro Papa. Common Preface.*  
*Christmas Novena*

CF Jean & James Fagan

*by Gauger Family*

FK Mary Therese Montagnini

*by Anonymous*

**Thur. 12/21**

5:00pm Adoration  
6:00pm Low Mass

**St. Thomas, Apostle / 2<sup>nd</sup> class / Red**

Mass (Mihi autem): Gloria. Comm. of feria & *pro Papa. Credo. Pref of AP.*  
*Christmas Novena*

CF † Edward R. Kuske, Jr.

*by Nancy Evers*

FK † Joseph Alexander Bronte

*by James Hope*

**Fri. 12/22**

8:00am Low Mass  
*Traditional Fasting & Abstinence*

**Ember Friday of Advent / 2<sup>nd</sup> class / Violet**

Mass (Prope es) : Comm. of St. Eusebius & *pro Papa. Common Preface.*  
*Christmas Novena*

CF Edward J. McCarthy, Jr.

*by Paul McCarthy*

FK Susan Ohde

*by Bob & Nancy Gorman*

**Sat. 12/23**

8:00am Low Mass  
*Traditional Fasting & Abstinence*

**Ember Saturday of Advent / 2<sup>nd</sup> class / Violet**

Mass (Veni) : *pro Papa. Common Preface.*  
*Christmas Novena*

CF Marilyn Trainer

*by Mary Lou Higgins*

FK Bishop Weisenburger

*by SGO*

**Sun. 12/24**

8:30am Low Mass  
10:30am High Mass  
\*12:30pm Low Mass

**VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY / 1<sup>st</sup> class / Violet**

Mass (Hodie scietis) : *Alleluia. Credo. Pref. of the Trinity.*  
*Christmas Novena*

FK For Oratory Volunteers

*by Jesus & Lourdes Orozco*

CF **Pro populo**

TBD Jackie Fehrenbacher

*by Anonymous*

## CONFESSIONS TIMES THIS WEEK

<b>Sun, 12/17</b>	8:00-8:30am	<b>Fri, 12/22</b>	7:30-7:50am	
	9:30-10:30am		<b>Sat, 12/23</b>	7:30-7:50am
	4:30-5:00pm		<b>Sun, 12/24</b>	8:00-8:30am
<b>Mon, 12/18</b>	5:00-5:20pm		9:30-10:30am	
	<b>Tues, 12/19</b>	7:30-7:50am	Noon-12:30pm	
<b>Wed, 12/20</b>	7:30-7:50am			
<b>Thurs, 12/21</b>	5:05-5:40pm			

### **Please Remember in Your Prayers:**

**Deceased:** Reyna Mercado, William Bruni, Deborah Schultz, Andrew Stropko, Lorraine Tomac, Greg Schuller, Ricky Schenck, Dean Maas

**Healing:** Calvin Blombaum, Mary Therese Montagnini; Cristobal Vasquez; Noranita Arms; Dr. Michael Teodori; Corinne Hart; Joseph Thiltges; Ashleigh Stropko; Loretta Mangold; Susan Makkai; Jackie Fehrenbacher; Deborah Brunner; Abby Ethridge; Paula Hernandez; Michele Elliott; Milo Gauger; David Helms; Kathryn Liptak; Thomas Cordova; Linus Gonzalez; Thaddeus Stypa

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**DEC 22 & 23: INDOOR CHRISTMAS DECORATING 9AM**

**DEC 25: FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD**

*Masses @ 12am, 8:30am & 10:30am*

**DEC 26: CHRISTMAS SINGLE'S BREAKFAST**

**DEC 27: ST. JOHN'S DAY WINE BLESSING**

**DEC 28: END OF YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES**

**DEC 29: SURSUM CORDA**

**DEC 31: REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE WITH**

*TE DEUM OF THANKSGIVING*

**JAN 1: FEAST OF THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD**

**JAN 6: CHILDREN'S CATECHISM RESUMES**

**OFFICE CLOSED DEC. 27<sup>TH</sup> & JAN. 3<sup>RD</sup>**

## OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FIESTA

***Many thanks to all who came,  
prepared, served, and cleaned up!***



## INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING 2024 CALENDARS

ALL Registered members of the Oratory can pick up a FREE Institute of Christ the King calendar (1 per family) after Sun. Masses TODAY!

*Calendars can also be purchased for \$10*

## THOUGHT FROM ST. FRANCIS DE SALES



We always want this thing or that thing, and even when we have Jesus Himself in our breast we are not satisfied. Yet He is all that we could possibly desire...At the birth of the Savior the shepherds heard the songs of the heavenly spirits, but Sacred Scripture does not say that they were heard by the Madonna and Saint Joseph, who were closer to the little Babe. Instead, they saw the Divine Child trembling with the cold, His eyes bathed in tears! And what do we prefer--to stay in that dark stable

which echoes with the cries of the Babe, or to be outside listening with the shepherds to the angelic choirs? Certainly we should choose the former, because it is better, even in the darkness to stay close to Jesus. (Letters 359; O. XIII, pp. 202-203)

## THE O ANTIPHONS

*Commentary by Dom Prosper Gueranger*

The seven days, which precede the Vigil of Christmas, [...] are known in the Liturgy under the name of the *Greater Ferias*. The ordinary of the Advent Office becomes more solemn; the Antiphons of the Psalms, both for Lauds and the Hours of the day, are proper, and allude expressly to the great Coming. Every day, at Vespers, is sung a solemn Antiphon, which consists of a fervent prayer to the Messias, whom it addresses by one of the titles given him by the sacred Scriptures.

The canonical Hour of Vespers has been selected as the most appropriate time for this solemn supplication to our Saviour, because, as the Church sings in one of her hymns, it was in the Evening of the world (*vergente mundi vespere*) that the Messias came amongst us. These Antiphons are sung at the *Magnificat*, to show us that the Saviour, whom we expect, is to come to us by Mary. They are sung twice; once before and once after the Canticle, as on Double Feasts, and this to show their great solemnity. ... Lastly, these admirable Antiphons, which contain the whole pith of the Advent Liturgy, are accompanied by a chant replete with melodious gravity, and by ceremonies of great expressiveness, though, in these latter, there is no uniform practice followed. Let us enter into the spirit of the Church; let us reflect on the great Day which is coming; that thus we may take our share in these the last and most earnest solicitations of the Church imploring her Spouse to come, and to which He at length yields.



## JOIN OUR FLOCKNOTE

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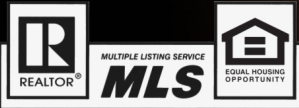


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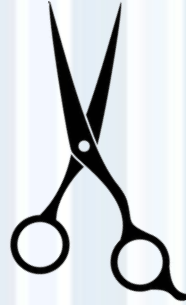
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## Novena Prayer to the Divine Infant King

*O Divine Infant Jesus*, I have recourse to Thee. Please, through Thy Blessed Mother, assist me in this necessity (mention intention here), because I firmly believe that Thy Divinity can help me. I hope with confidence to obtain Thy holy grace. I love Thee with all my heart and with all the strength of my soul. I repent sincerely of my sins and I beg Thee, O Good Jesus, to grant me the strength to triumph over them. I resolve never more to offend Thee and I come to offer myself to Thee with the intention of enduring everything rather than to displease Thee. Henceforth, I desire to serve Thee with fidelity and, for the love of Thee, O Divine Infant, I will love my neighbor as myself. All powerful Infant, O Jesus, I implore Thee again, assist me in this need. Grant me the grace of possessing Thee eternally with Mary and Joseph and of adoring Thee with the angels in the heavenly court. Amen.



### **O Antiphons**

**O Sapientia**, quae ex ore Altissimi prodiisti, attingens a fine usque ad finem, fortiter suaviterque disponens omnia: veni ad docendum nos viam prudentiae.

**O Adonai**, et Dux domus Israel, qui Moysi in igne flammae rubi apparuisti, et ei in Sina legem dedisti: veni ad redimendum nos in brachio extento.

**O Radix Jesse**, qui stas in signum populorum, super quem continebunt reges os suum, quem Gentes deprecabuntur: veni ad liberandum nos, jam noli tardare.

**O Clavis David**, et sceptrum domus Israel; qui aperis, et nemo claudit; claudis, et nemo aperit: veni, et educ vincitum de domo carceris, sedentem in tenebris, et umbra mortis.

**O Oriens**, splendor lucis aeternae, et sol iustitiae: veni, et illumina sedentes in tenebris, et umbra mortis.

**O Rex Gentium**, et desideratus earum, lapisque angularis, qui facis utraque unum: veni, et salva hominem, quem de limo formasti.

**O Emmanuel**, Rex et legifer noster, exspectatio gentium, et Salvator earum: veni ad salvandum nos Domine Deus noster.

V. Rorate, caeli, desuper, et nubes pluant justum.

R. Aperiatur terra, et germinet Salvatorem.

Oremus.

Aurem tuam, quæsumus, Domine, precibus nostris accommoda: et mentis nostrae tenebras gratia tuae visitationis illustra: Qui vivis et regnas in saecula saeculorum.

R. Amen.

Oremus.

Excita, quæsumus, Domine, potentiam tuam, et veni: et magna nobis virtute succurre; ut per auxilium gratiae tuae, quod nostra peccata praepediunt, indulgentia tuae propitiationis acceleret: Qui vivis et regnas in saecula saeculorum.

R. Amen.

Dec. 17 **O Wisdom**, \* which came out of the mouth of the Most High, and reachest from one end to another, mightily and sweetly ordering all things: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

Dec. 18 **O Adonai**, \* and Leader of the house of Israel, who appearedst in the Bush to Moses in a flame of fire, and gavest him the Law of Sinai: Come and redeem us with an outstretched arm.

Dec. 19 **O Root of Jesse**, \* which standest for an ensign of the people, at whom kings shall shut their mouths, to whom the Gentiles shall seek: Come and deliver us, and tarry not.

Dec. 20 **O Key of David**, \* and Sceptre of the house of Israel; that openest and no man shutteth, and shuttest and no man openeth: Come and bring the prisoners out of the prison-house, them that sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

Dec. 21 **O Dayspring**, \* Brightness of Light Everlasting, and Sun of Righteousness: Come and enlighten them that sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

Dec. 22 **O King of the Nations**, \* and their Desire; the Cornerstone who maketh both one: Come and save mankind, whom Thou formedst of clay.

Dec. 23 **O Emmanuel**, \* our King and Lawgiver, Desire of all nations and their Salvation: Come and save us, O Lord our God.

**Each day after the corresponding "O" Antiphon:**

V. Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness.

R. Let the earth open, and bring forth a Savior.

**During 3rd Week of Advent:**

Let us pray. Incline Thine ear, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to our prayers: and make bright the darkness of our minds by the grace of Thy visitation. Who livest and reignest, world without end.

R. Amen.

**During 4th Week of Advent:**

Let us pray. Stir up, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy power, and come; make haste to our aid with Thy great might; that, by the help of Thy grace, that which is hindered by our sins may be hastened by Thy merciful forgiveness. Who livest and reignest, world without end. R. Amen.