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Mass Times

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Low Mass
10:15 a.m. High Mass

Monday-Saturday: 7:45 a.m. Low Mass

Holy Days: *please consult the bulletin*

Confessions

30 minutes before Mass every day (Sundays before both Masses) & First Fridays from 5:15 to 5:45 p.m. (during Adoration)

Devotions

Every Thursday: Holy Hour at 6 p.m.

First Friday: Additional Mass at 6 p.m., preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 5 p.m.

First Saturday: After Mass, Adoration with Holy Rosary, 15-minute meditation & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Weekly Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, November 27th

ADVENT SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Manoni
requested by Matthew Manoni

6:00 p.m. - Vespers & Benediction

Monday, November 28th

Feria of Advent

7:45 a.m. - Roderick Hamar & Lillian Gustilo
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Tuesday, November 29th

Vigil of Saint Andrew

7:45 a.m. - Holy Souls in Purgatory
requested by Anonymous

Wednesday, November 30th

Saint Andrew the Apostle

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Felice Francesco Callari
requested by Sylvia Callari

Thursday, December 1st

Votive Mass of Jesus, Eternal High Priest

7:45 a.m. - JoAnn Frances Howley
requested by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Howley

Friday, December 2nd

Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:45 a.m. - Monsignor Gilles Wach
requested by Anonymous

6:00 p.m. - John Tvardzik Brent
requested by Grace Monks

Saturday, December 3rd

Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart

Note: 10:15 a.m. - Zachary Hamar
requested by George Smith & Denise Manoni Smith

Sunday, December 4th

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30 a.m. - ✠ Joseph & Anna Adam
requested by Marian Adam

10:15 a.m. - Pro Populo

6:00 p.m. - Vespers & Benediction



Upcoming Events

November 29th to December 7th

NOVENA OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
Sermon in honour of Our Lady by a special guest preacher every day at 6:00 p.m., followed by Novena prayers & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, November 30th

Meeting of the Society of the Sacred Heart (open to all), given by Canon Stein in the church hall after the Novena sermon & devotions

Please feel free to bring refreshments to share

Friday, December 2nd

FIRST FRIDAY

Holy Hour & Confessions at 5:00 p.m., followed by Solemn Mass & Novena at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 3rd

FIRST SATURDAY

Confessions at 9:30 a.m.

Solemn Mass & Novena at 10:15 a.m. (takes place of usual First Saturday devotions)

Please note that there will be no early confessions or Mass at 7:45 a.m.! Church will open at 9:15 a.m.

Sunday, December 4th

Monthly social hour after the Solemn Mass

Please sign up to bring refreshments

Thursday, December 8th

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION {*holy day of obligation*}

Low Mass at 7:45 a.m. & High Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 10th

Confirmation Catechism class after the morning Mass—*these classes are mandatory*

Tuesday, December 13th

Adult Theology at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall

Theme of talk: "The Creation and Fall of Man"

Sunday, December 18th

Brief "meet and greet" in the church hall after the High Mass for all healthcare professionals in the parish

* Server practice after Mass for Vespers *

Solemn Choral Vespers & Benediction for the Fourth Sunday of Advent ("O Adonai") at 6:00 p.m., followed by seasonal treats in the church hall

✠ WHAT IS THE NOVENA OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION? ✠

Advent is one of the richest seasons on the Church's year, and the expectant joy of this period more than makes up for the gloom of winter. One of the most beautiful parts of Advent is the annual Novena of the Immaculate Conception. In the form we now have it, this Novena goes back several centuries.

Having been destroyed during the first half of the fifteenth century by an earthquake, the ancient fourth-century Basilica of the Holy Apostles in Rome was rebuilt and entrusted to the care of the Conventual Franciscans in 1474. In 1476, when the Feast of the Conception of Mary was extended to the universal Church calendar by Pope Sixtus IV (himself a Franciscan), the Franciscans resolved to prepare for the celebration of the feast by a solemn novena at the Basilica. Since the high Middle Ages, when theologians debated the precise nature of Mary's freedom from sin (as a result of which the doctrinal groundwork was laid for the precise definition of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception which was finally made by Pope Pius IX in 1854), the Franciscans had been glorious defenders of the privilege of the Immaculate. From the early eighteenth century, the custom has been for a cardinal or another Roman prelate to come each night of the novena to preach and celebrate Solemn Benediction. The other feature of this novena, drawn from the Church's ancient treasures, is a fourth-century hymn as old as that Roman Basilica of the Apostles – the hymn *Tota pulchra es*. This text, celebrating the glories of Mary's beautiful soul, free from all stain of sin, is made up of texts from the Canticle of Canticles. It has been set to music by many great composers. The version we sing during the Novena is the chant arrangement by the Benedictine musicologist Dom Joseph Pothier (1835-1923).

For the first time, this year we have invited a series of guest preachers who will give a meditation each day on one of the titles from Our Lady's Litany. With the exception of the Saturday and Sunday (when the sermon will be given during Mass in the morning), the Novena sermon will be given each evening at 6:00 p.m. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and the Novena prayer will follow the sermon. Everyone should **plan to attend** as many of these week-day evening Novena events as possible. We are grateful to our visiting priests and do not want them speaking to an empty church! The founding superiors of the Institute came to know this Novena during their time in Rome, and the Novena is celebrated annually with great solemnity at our motherhouse in Italy. All our apostolates throughout the world do their best to imitate this practice as much as resources allow. In order to help you find time for your **Advent confession**, there will be extra confession times throughout the Novena (30 minutes before each Novena service).

Making Responses at Mass

At Low Masses, the **server or servers make the responses** on behalf of the people. It is not our custom at the Oratory to hold the so-called "Dialogue Mass," in which the congregation responds aloud with the servers. All are welcome to join in the Leonine Prayers recited after Low Mass, however.

At High Masses, the people are encouraged to sing the responses along with the choir, if they know them. Please note that **during Advent**, however, we use a special tone for the *Asperges*, which differs from the one used throughout the year. Therefore, if you are not familiar with this special tone, please let the choir sing the *Asperges* alone during Advent.

Institute Christmas Cards

\$20 per pack • Available in church

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered by the U.S. Provincial Superior on Christmas Day for all those who receive one of these beautiful Christmas cards.



Christmas Oplatki

Oplatki (traditional Christmas wafers) will be available in the church narthex on the Sundays in Advent while supplies last.

Cost is \$3

NOVENA OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION 2022

Theme of the Novena: *Our Lady in Fact and Figure*
Meditations on Titles from the Litany of Our Lady

- ✠ **Tuesday, November 29th • 6:00 p.m.** *Sermon & Benediction* ✠
Canon Francis X. Altieri • “Holy Mary, Mother of God”
- ✠ **Wednesday, November 30th • 6:00 p.m.** *Sermon & Benediction* ✠
Canon Michael Stein • “Spiritual vessel - Singular vessel of devotion”
- ✠ **Thursday, December 1st • 6:00 p.m.** *Sermon & Benediction* ✠
Canon Luke Zignego • “Seat of Wisdom”
- ✠ **Friday, December 2nd • 6:00 p.m.** *Solemn Mass & Sermon* ✠
Canon Luke Zignego • “Refuge of Sinners - Comforter of the Afflicted”
- ✠ **Saturday, December 3rd • 10:15 a.m.** *Solemn Mass & Sermon* ✠
Father Peter Lenox • “Ark of the Covenant”
- ✠ **Sunday, December 4th • 8:30 & 10:15 a.m.** *Sermon at both Masses* ✠
Father Richard Cipolla • “Tower of Ivory”
- ✠ **Monday, December 5th • 6:00 p.m.** *Sermon & Benediction* ✠
Father Norbert Siwinski, O.F.M.Conv. • “Star of the Sea”
- ✠ **Tuesday, December 6th • 6:00 p.m.** *Sermon & Benediction* ✠
Father Colin Blatchford • “Mystical Rose - Cause of Our Joy”
- ✠ **Wednesday, December 7th • 6:00 p.m.** *Sermon & Benediction* ✠
Father Joseph Gill • “Gate of Heaven - Tower of David”

* *Confession available 30 minutes before each Novena service* *