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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 (until 7 minutes before the start of Mass)

Regular Devotions

Every Thursday: Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m.

First Friday: Additional Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by Devotions & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

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

December 31st 2023

Sunday in the Octave of Christmas

Masses this Week

Sunday, December 31st

SUNDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

{*Saint Sylvester*}

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - ✠ Arthur R. Navarette
requested by Michael & Crystal Howley

Monday, January 1st

CIRCUMCISION OF THE LORD

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - Larry & JoEllen Pline
requested by Julie Kim

Tuesday, January 2nd

Most Holy Name of Jesus

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Robert Byrne
requested by T.R. & Michelle Rowe & Family

Wednesday, January 3rd

Mass of Saint John the Divine

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Betty W. Burt
requested by Gary & Diana Burt

Thursday, January 4th

Mass of the Holy Innocents

7:45 a.m. - Matthew & Gerard Fajarda
requested by Mr. & Mrs. James T. DeSilva

Friday, January 5th

Vigil of the Epiphany

7:45 a.m. - Intentions of Edward Reyen
requested by Edward Reyen
6:00 p.m. - Mrs. Desiree Altieri (birthday)
requested by Canon Altieri

Saturday, January 6th

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

10:15 a.m. - Colleen O'Hare
requested by JoEllen & Larry Pline

Sunday, January 7th

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo
10:15 a.m. - Barbara Nelson
requested by Mary L. Nelson



Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 31st

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Holy Hour & Te Deum at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, January 1st

CIRCUMCISION OF THE LORD {New Year's Day}

Low Mass at 8:30 a.m. & High Mass at 10:15 a.m.

Tuesday, January 2nd

Normal weekday Mass schedule resumes

Thursday, January 4th

Holy Hour & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Friday, January 5th

VIGIL OF THE EPIPHANY

Additional Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by solemn blessing of Epiphany Water {limit one bottle}

Saturday, January 6th

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Church opens at 9:15 a.m. Confessions at 9:45 a.m.
High Mass at 10:15 a.m., followed by traditional blessing of chalk {no early Low Mass}
Reception in the church hall after the ceremony

Sunday, January 7th

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Blessing of children after both Masses
Young Adults Epiphany brunch after High Mass

Sunday, January 14th

Monthly coffee hour after the 10:15 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, February 13th

SHROVE TUESDAY

Save the date! Bishop's visit to our parish for the closing of the Forty Hours Devotion at 6:00 p.m.

AIRPORT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Canon Altieri and Abbé MacGinnis will each be visiting their families for a week this January.

Our provincial superior, Canon Talarico, is kindly filling in for the rector and looks forward to his visit. We are looking for some generous souls for drop-off or pick-up airport runs for Canon Talarico and Abbé MacGinnis. Please contact the church office if you can help.

❁ CHRISTMAS FLOWERS ❁

In Memory of

Canon Henrique Fragelli

Dolores Huminski
Dot & Jim Gaboardi
Margaret Mudry
Steven Kraft

Teresa Kristan
Michael Kristan
Edward & Ursula Cleary
Jules & Helen Kristan

Jose Zamora
Marlon Paragoso
Ana & Tito Borces
Epifania Borces
Ecloy Codoy

DeFelice Family
Cairo Family

Janet Murphy

All Souls of the World & family too

William & Theresa Carpenter
Harry & Mary Rowe
Mark & Marian Denegre
Sr. Mary Salome

Joseph & Anna Adam & sons

Joseph Wittkofski
Laura Filmyer Wittkofski
Stephen Guy Beardsley, Jr.
Patricia Burivett Beardsley

Joseph & Anna Norko

Joseph Tkacik
Edward Tkacik
Mary Tkacik
Elizabeth Drab
Mary Berden

David Mitros

Arthur Furey
Joseph Pline
Robert & Kathleen Furey

John & Margaret Kelly

Santa Nieves Family

Altieri & Dziekciasz Families

Bernadette Casano

Carl Q. Nelson

The Ciardiello Family
The McGrory Family

Aleksandra Szeloch
Dariusz Pysk

Jose M. Colon
Celedonia Vazquez
Ramon Rodriguez

Michael & Alberta Mikulka
Rev. Anthony Burakowski

In Honor of

Bishop Frank Caggiano

Monsignor Joseph Pekar

Monsignor Gilles Wach

Canon Francis X. Altieri

Canon Andrew Todd

Mr. & Mrs. F. X. Altieri III

Thomas Huminski

Colleen McCarty



Thank you for your generosity ... and Happy New Year!

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Thank you very much for your kind Christmas treats, cards and gifts! We are very grateful for your tremendous benevolence, and especially for your continued prayers. The feasts of Epiphany (January 6th) and Candlemas (February 2nd) are highlights of this season, which we hope you can attend. You can always find a list of upcoming events in the weekly bulletin. Please join us on Saturday for the special Epiphany Mass and reception! Wishing God's blessings upon you all in the coming year, yours faithfully,

– Canon Altieri & Abbé MacGinnis

MERRY CHRISTMAS! We welcome you to Saints Cyril and Methodius!

If this is your first time here, we look forward to meeting you. We hope you will be able to join us for our Epiphany reception. If you are interested in registering as a parishioner, forms are available at both entrances.

Holy Mass and all the sacraments at Saints Cyril & Methodius Oratory are celebrated in the traditional Latin Rite. This form of worship, which developed many centuries ago, is a priceless treasure of our Catholic faith. On Sundays and feasts, there are handouts containing English translations of the Propers (the prayers and readings proper to the day). If you are unfamiliar with the traditional Latin Mass, please do not hesitate to approach the clergy of the Oratory with any questions you may have. The pastoral care of the Oratory has been entrusted by the Bishop of Bridgeport to the clergy of the Institute of Christ the King, a Catholic priestly society founded in 1990 and currently ministering in dioceses across the United States, Europe and Africa.

Holy communion may be received by practicing Catholics in the state of grace. In the traditional Roman Rite, holy communion is received kneeling at the communion rail (unless you are impaired from doing so) and directly on the tongue. The mouth should be open with the tongue slightly extended. You do not reply when the priest places the host in your mouth. The sacrament of confession is available every day 30 minutes before the start of Mass (ending approximately 7 minutes before Mass begins).

The church narthex (vestibule) functions as a cry room during Mass. As a courtesy to others, please feel free to make use of it when you have a crying child by exiting quietly down one of the side aisles. Everyone is kindly reminded that all conversations should be held outside.

Out of respect for God's house, please bear in mind the importance of modest and decent attire. Ladies who wish to do so may borrow a veil to wear at Mass (available in baskets by the entrances).

If you are not a Catholic, you are warmly invited to learn more about our faith. The Catholic Church was founded 2000 years ago by Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to carry on His work for the salvation of souls. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or simply want to learn more about the Catholic faith, please do not hesitate to contact us. The Oratory offers individual instruction. We look forward to hearing from you.

EPIPHANY WATER & CHALK

Epiphany Water will be blessed after Mass on **Friday, January 5th at 6:00 p.m.** Please put your water container in place before the start of Mass – *one container per household; please, no bottles with small necks!* Chalk will be blessed on the Feast of the Epiphany, Saturday, January 6th after High Mass at 10:15 a.m. You can use this holy water and this chalk to bless your home.

**RECTOR'S EPIPHANYTIDE BRUNCH
FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-35)
Sunday, January 7th after 10:15 a.m. Mass**

Please sign up to bring refreshments to share!

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD January 6th at 10:15 a.m.

*High Mass followed by traditional
blessing of Epiphany chalk*

Festive reception in the church hall
with "Galette des Rois" cake - Please
sign up to bring refreshments!



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