



# SAINT JOSEPH SHRINE

ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT

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## SHRINE CLERGY & STAFF

Rev. Canon Matthew Talarico, Provincial Superior

Rev. Canon Jean-Baptiste Commins, Rector

Rev. Canon Stephen Sharpe, Vice-Rector

Mr. Michael Semaan, Music Director, Organist

Mr. Harold Rutila, Schola Director

*Welcome to St. Joseph Shrine, a personal parish of the Archdiocese of Detroit, serving Christ's Faithful by way of the 1962 Missale Romanum and complementary liturgies, under the care of the Canons of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest (visit: [icksp.org](http://icksp.org))*

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**Sundays** 7:00 AM Low Mass, 9:00 AM Low Mass, 11:00 AM High Mass, 6:00 PM Vespers & Benediction.

**Weekdays** 8:00 AM Low Mass & 7:00 PM Low Mass *except Wednesdays*.

**Wednesday** 12:00 PM Low Mass w/Organ and Motets & Perpetual Novena to St. Joseph.

**Friday** 6:00 PM Holy Hour.

**Saturday** 9:00 AM Low Mass & Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

**Confessions** 30 minutes before every weekday Mass; Sundays 6-6:50 AM, 8-8:50 AM & 10-10:50 AM.

## MONTHLY SCHEDULE

**First Friday:** 5:00 PM Holy Hour. Sung **Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart** at 6:00 PM with themed homily.

**Also on First Friday: Sursum Corda** (18-35 single/couples) young adult event. Conference at 7:30 PM in Social Hall followed by shared dinner and fellowship. See: [StJosephShrineD.org](http://StJosephShrineD.org) for schedule.

**First Saturday: High Mass at 9:00 AM** followed by **Morning of Recollection** including catered breakfast (\$5). Conference followed by Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

**3rd Friday of the Month: Getting Acquainted with Aquinas** in Social Hall after 5:00 PM Holy Hour & 6:00 PM Mass in the Church, followed by catered buffet dinner (\$5). See: [StJosephShrineD.org](http://StJosephShrineD.org) for schedule.

## Liturgical Calendar

### Sunday, December 17, Third Sunday of Advent, *Gaudete Sunday*

7AM Low Mass † Geneva Bellows, *requested Ray Katanbafnezhzel*  
9AM Low Mass w/organ † Jawahir Jarbo & Family, *requested by Jesús Ridley*  
11AM Solemn High Mass Pro Populo

**Exceptionally NO Vespers**

### Monday, December 18, Feria of Advent, *Mass of the Third Sunday of Advent*

8AM Low Mass † Rachel Twilley, *requested by the Michael & Meghan Taylor*  
7PM Low Mass † Malick Mary, *requested by Ban Francis*

### Tuesday, December 19, Feria of Advent, *Mass of the Third Sunday of Advent*

8AM Low Mass †† Johnny & Lois Franks, *requested by Vernice Franks*  
7PM Low Mass † Paul Harbin, *requested by Julie Parthum*

### Wednesday, December 20, Ember Wednesday of Advent

12PM Low Mass & Novena Devotions Saint Joseph Confraternity

### Thursday, December 21, Saint Thomas, *Apostle*

8AM Low Mass † Dolores Ziegler, *requested by Ziegler Family*  
7PM Low Mass Virginia Duffy-Frole, *requested by Ruzil Cuizon*

### Friday, December 22, Ember Friday of Advent

8AM Low Mass Sandra Cukaj Family, *requested by the Mardalena Vukaj*  
6PM Holy Hour, 7PM Low Mass Jardee Bobel, *requested by Agatha Cooper*

### Saturday, December 23, Ember Saturday of Advent

9AM Low Mass with Novena Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
Karl Shaver, *requested by Jeanette Richard*

### Sunday, December 24, Vigil of Christmas

7AM Low Mass † Lilia Paylan, *requested Janice Rogers*  
9AM Low Mass † Elizabeth Mailloux, *requested Michelle Mailloux*  
11AM High Mass Pro Populo

**Exceptionally NO Vespers**

## FROM OUR PASTOR, REV. CANON COMMINS

*Our Lord will give us peace once we humble ourselves to gently live in the midst of war.*

*St. Francis de Sales.*

In our quest for comfort and peace, particularly during this holy Advent Season, the Infant King, hiding in the blessed womb of Her Immaculate Mother, invites us not to pay much attention to the turmoil of the world, but to cultivate a stronger spiritual life, to find that spiritual peace, through humility and confidence, with the courage to live gently, that is, with a certain composure and stability, even in the midst of wars, but with the assurance that the Lord comes and brings peace to us as this whole season reminds us.

*Let your serenity in life be known to all men: for the Lord is near! Come Emmanuel!*

## Server Schedule

### Sunday, December 24, Christmas Vigil

7AM Low Mass – candidates

9AM Low Mass w/organ

AC1: Thomas Skinner

AC2: Patrick

11AM High Mass

MC: Oliver Smith

Thur: Juan Pablo Delgado

AC1: Owen Agustin

AC2: Thomas Shaw

Crucifer: Timothy Stasa

Monday, December 25,

Christmas

12AM Solemn Orchestral Mass

MC: John Chisholm

Thur: Lucas Dang

AC1: Sebastian Smith

AC2: John Sadowski

Crucifer: Paul Bacon

9AM Low Mass w/organ

AC1: Maximillian Skinner

AC2: Patrick Skinner

11AM High Mass

MC: Isaac Smith

Thur: Luke Chisholm

AC1: Elijah Kukla

AC2: Christian Scott

Crucifer: Kolbe Dang

## Usher Schedule

Sunday, December 24,

Vigil of Christmas

7AM Low Mass – Laabs

9AM Low Mass w/organ

- Don Sadowski

- Joe Allen

- William Majkowski

- Tony Rodriguez

- John Nellis

11AM High Mass

- Ismael Lebron

- Richard Lewandowski, Jr.

- Patrick Laabs

- Robert Maziarz

Monday, December 25,

Christmas

12AM Solemn Orchestral Mass

- Ismael Lebron - W. Majkowski

- John Nellis - Erik Moylan

9AM Low Mass w/organ

- Don Sadowski

- Joe Allen

- Robert Maziarz

- Jonathan Benefiel

11AM Solemn Mass

- Ismael Lebron

- Richard Lewandowski, Jr.

- Robert Capaldi

- Patrick Laabs

- William Majkowski

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PARISH SKATING OUTING - TODAY

#### \* New Location \*

\$5/person to access the rink

(if you haven't signed up in the vestibule for skates,  
rental will be \$4)

Rendezvous 2:00 P.M. Skate, Fun & Hot Cocoa!

**40250 Dodge Park Rd. Sterling Heights, MI 48313**

### ITEMS TO BE BLESSED

Please clearly label your bags with your name when dropping off your items to be blessed in the back of Church. When picking up your items, please make sure not to pick the wrong items. Several items have disappeared and were not stolen but mistakenly taken ... Thank you.

### MEN OF SAINT JOSEPH

Calling all male volunteers to keep order in this beautiful House of God! Please consider signing up with our Ushers who maintain good order during the liturgy and extend the hospitality of Saint Benedict to all who enter here. Thank You!

### JOINING OUR CHANT SCHOLA

The Chant Schola will be hosting auditions throughout January 2024. Men ages 16 and older are welcome to audition. Auditions will be scheduled by appointment. If you are interested, please send an email to Ian Bailey, the schola's Assistant Director of Communications, at [ianbl66@gmail.com](mailto:ianbl66@gmail.com) with "**Schola Audition**" in the subject line.

### CHRISTMAS GIFTS IDEAS!

#### CHRISTMAS CARDS/NEW YEAR CALENDARS CUSTOM ROSARIES

on sale in the vestibule after Sunday Masses and in the office during the week.

\$20 for a pack of cards | \$5 for a 2024 calendar  
150th Anniversary rosary | \$100 or \$75

### FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

NEXT CLASS: SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

FIRST COMMUNIONS | SUNDAY, MAY 5TH

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### TODAY, December 17, GAUDETE SUNDAY

7:00AM Low Mass, 9:00AM Low Mass w/  
Organ, 11:00 AM High Mass. **1st Parish**  
**Skate Outing following 11:00 Mass**

**Wednesday, December 20, Catechism Classes**  
meet in the Social Hall and Rectory Basement  
Classrooms at 6:00PM

### SUNDAY MASS AND CHRISTMAS BOTH REMAIN HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION!

### Sunday, December 24, Christmas Vigil

7:00AM Low Mass, 9:00AM Low Mass, 11:00  
AM High Mass, **11:00 PM Music Prelude,**  
**Midnight Mass at 12:00 AM Midnight**

### Monday, December 25 CHRISTMAS

NO 7:00AM Mass, 9:00AM; Low Christmas  
Mass of Dawn. 11:00AM; Solemn High Mass  
of the Day

**Wednesday, December 27, Feast of Saint John**  
*the Evangelist.* Blessing of Wine after the Low  
Mass at Noon. Please place all wine to be  
blessed at the shrine of the Divine Infant.

### NO CATECHISM CLASS

**Sunday, December 31, Sunday in the Octave of**  
*the Nativity* 7:00AM Low Mass, 9:00AM Low  
Mass w/ Organ, 11:00AM High Mass. 6:00PM  
Organ, 11:00AM High Mass. 6:00PM Adora-  
tion with *Te Deum* in Thanksgiving for the year  
followed by Prosecco Party in the Social Hall at  
7PM.

**Monday, January 1, Circumcision of the Lord.**  
8:00AM Low Mass, Noon Low Mass, 7:00PM  
High Mass. *Veni Creator sung before each Mass to*  
*begin the New Year. A plenary indulgence can be ob-*  
*tained.*

## MUSIC PROGRAM AT THE SHRINE

**Third *Gaudete* Sunday of Advent, December 11,  
11AM High Mass**

*Missa Rosa Mystica* - Vito Carnevali; *Veni Jesu* - Luigi Cherubini; *Magnificat* - arr. Grassi

**Christmas Eve, December 24-25, 11PM**

**Music Prelude:** *Christmas Selections from Messiah* – G. F. Handel (choral selections: #4 *And The Glory Of The Lord*, #7 *And He Shall Purify*, #9 *O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings To Zion*, #12 *For Unto Us A Child Is Born*); *Stille Nacht* - arr. George Beverst

**12AM Midnight Mass:** *Mass in G (Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus & Benedictus, Agnus Dei)* - Franz Schubert; *Hodie Christus natus est* - Jan Pieters Sweelinck; *Ave Verum* - William Byrd; *O Magnum Mysterium* – Tomás Luis de Victoria; *Hallelujah Chorus (from Messiah)* - G. F. Handel (Postlude)

### St. Vincent de Paul Society/St. Joseph Food Pantry

Every Wednesday from 10am to Noon we distribute groceries to almost 100 local households in need. We operate out of the parish's second house on Antietam (albeit in need of numerous repairs). Your generosity, whether by donations, food drop-offs, house improvements, or volunteer hours, enables us to increase our service multiple times a month. To help, please contact: [FoodPantry@stjosephshrined.org](mailto:FoodPantry@stjosephshrined.org)

### SURSUM CORDA

Young Adult Event. (18-35 single/couples)

FIRST FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

5:00 PM | Holy Hour 6:00 PM | High Mass with Homily 7:30 PM | Sursum Corda Conference & Dinner

#### HISTORY OF SPIRITUALITY

Conference #4

**Members should gather by the communion rail and pray together:**

**1st Sunday of the Month:** Men of Saint Joseph. Devotions to their patron at his Side Altar.

**2nd Sunday of the Month:** Holy Name Society Devotions. Pledge made after Mass at Main Altar.

**3rd Sunday of the Month:** Helpers of the Holy Family. Devotions at the Altar of Our Lady.

### SAVE THE DATE

**December 24/25** Music Prelude (11:00PM) followed by Midnight Mass

**Monday, December 25, NO 7:00 AM Mass**

9:00 AM | Low Christmas Mass of Dawn

11:00 AM | High Mass of the Day

**Wednesday, December 27,** Feast of St. John the Baptist *Blessing of wine after the Noon Mass*

**Friday, January 5,** Vigil of the Epiphany *Epiphany Water blessing after the 8:00AM Mass. Bring water, chalk, salt and incense.*

**Saint Joseph Day** | Tuesday, March 19

**Annual Gala** | Save the Date | Thursday, April 25

**First Communions/ May Crowning** | Sunday, May 5

### END OF YEAR GIVING

In this giving season please remember that our Historic Renewal Campaign continues. With our hearts and minds turned to the coming of Our Lord, your Christmas generosity will allow us to move forward with our restoration projects.

### PLANNED GIVING


Please remember St. Joseph Shrine in your Will or Living Trust. An appropriate Will or Trust provision would be: "I, (full name), give \_\_\_\_\_ to St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church, Archdiocesan Shrine (1828 Jay Street, Detroit MI), for the Shrine's use."

### HISTORICAL DOCUMENTARY FILM

To mark the 150th anniversary of the dedication of the St. Joseph Shrine church, we're producing a first-class feature length documentary to chronicle the rich and largely unknown history of this "pearl of the diocese." From its earliest days, the St. Joseph parish was a diverse congregation and its pews were filled weekly with everyone from factory workers and farmers to renowned doctors and Detroit aldermen. Their legacy lives on in all those who pass through the doors of St. Joseph Shrine and, with this film, we hope to preserve their memory.

**Please join us in bringing this important project to reality!**

**LivingStonesFilm.com**

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