

CHRISTMAS CAROLS—COME SING WITH US!

- 30 minutes of Carols with Orchestra before Christmas day mass
- All are welcome and encouraged to come sing with the choir
- Only need to attend a fun rehearsal at Noon on Sunday, December 15th
- Where? - ICKSP HQ Music room: 6423 S. Woodlawn Ave. 60637
- Children under 16 need to sing with at least one of their parents
- RSVP with Abbe Raymond—Contact him if you can't make the rehearsal abbe.raymond.schmidt@institute-christ-king.org

Don't say, "you don't want to hear me sing." This was designed for **all** experience levels. **Just come and give it a try.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today, December 8th: *Feast of the Immaculate Conception.* Holy Day of Obligation, Mass at 8:00am, preceded by the Act of Consecration to Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception. A plenary indulgence may be gained under the usual conditions. Patroness of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest.

Today, December 8th: Second Sunday of the Month. "Blessing Sunday." Blessings of religious articles after Holy Mass.

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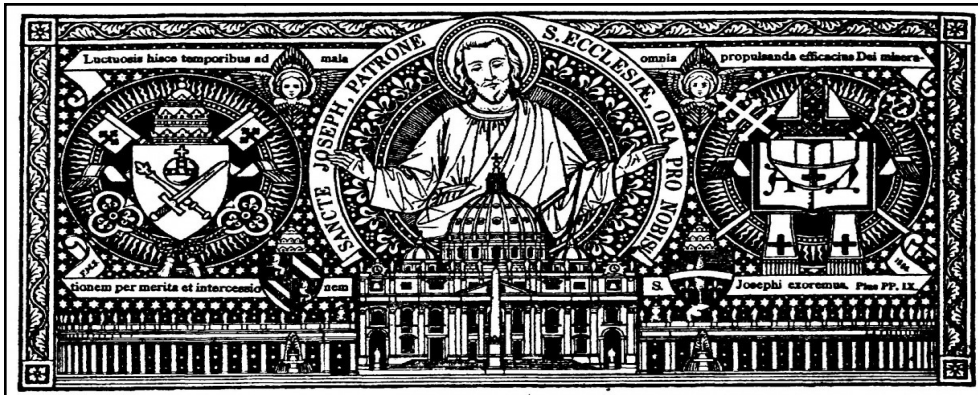
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Sunday, December 8th, 2024

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

& Commemoration of the Second Sunday of Advent

Introit

I will heartily rejoice in the Lord, in my God is the joy of my soul; for He has clothed me with a robe of salvation, and wrapped me in a mantle of justice, like a bride bedecked with her jewels. I will extol Thee, O Lord, for Thou hast upheld me: and has not made mine enemies to rejoice over me.

Glory be to the Father . . .

I will heartily rejoice in the Lord . . .

Collect

O God, Who by the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin, prepared a worthy dwelling for Thy Son, and Who, by Thy Son's death, foreseen by Thee, preserved her from all stain, grant, we beseech Thee, through her intercession, that we too may come to Thee unstained by sin.

Through our Lord . . .

Commemoration of the Second Sunday of Advent

Stir up our hearts O Lord to prepare the ways of Thy only-begotten Son, so that through His coming we may be able to serve Thee with purified minds. . .
Through our Lord . . .

Epistle

Proverbs 8:22-35

The Lord begot me, the firstborn of His ways, the forerunner of His prodigies of long ago; from of old I was poured forth, at the first, before the earth. When there were not depths I was brought forth, when there were not fountains or springs of water; before the mountains were settled into place, before the hills, I was brought forth; while as yet the earth and the fields were not made, nor the first clods of the world. When He established the heavens I was there, when He marked out the vault over the face of the deep; when He made firm the skies above, and poised the fountains of waters; when He set for the sea its limit, so that the waters should not transgress His command; when He fixed fast the foundations of the earth, then was I beside Him as His craftsman, and I was His delight day by day, playing before Him all the while, playing on the surface of His earth and I found delight in the sons of men. So now, O children, listen to me; happy those who keep my ways. Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not. Happy the man who obeys me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at my doorsteps; for he who finds me finds life, and wins favor from the Lord.

Gradual & Alleluia

Blessed art thou, O Virgin Mary, by the Lord the most high God, above all women upon the earth. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem, thou art the joy of Israel, thou art the honor of our people. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thou art all fair, O Mary, and the original stain was never in thee. Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 1:26-28

At that time, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And when the angel came to her, he said, Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women.

Offertory Verse

Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women. Alleluia.

Secret

Accept, O Lord, the sacrifice of salvation which we offer Thee on the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary; and grant that as we profess that she was kept from every stain, by Thy anticipating grace, so, through her intercession, may we be freed from all sin.

Through our Lord . . .

Commemoration of the Second Sunday of Advent

Be appeased, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by the prayers and offerings of our human frailty, and where the support of our own merits is lacking, come to our assistance with Thy protection.

Communion Verse

Glorious things are said of thee, O Mary, for He Who is mighty has done great things to thee.

Post Communion Verse

May the Sacrament we have received, O Lord our God, heal in us the wounds of that sin from which by a singular privilege, Thou kept immaculate the conception of blessed Mary.

Through our Lord . . .

Commemoration of the Second Sunday of Advent

We who have been refreshed by the food of spiritual nourishment, humbly beseech Thee, O Lord, that through partaking of this Sacrament Thou will teach us to disdain the things of earth and love those of heaven.

BURSAR'S BOX

Sunday, December 1st: \$ 4, 703.00

Total for the Month: \$ 4, 703.00

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WISDOM FROM ST. FRANCIS DE SALES



"Desire to grow well, so that you may serve Him, but do not refuse to continue sick, that you may obey Him, and dispose yourself for death, if it be His pleasure, that you may praise Him."