

December 15, 2019

Gaudete Sunday (Third Sunday of Advent)

# St. Joseph Oratory

*Living the Truth in Charity*

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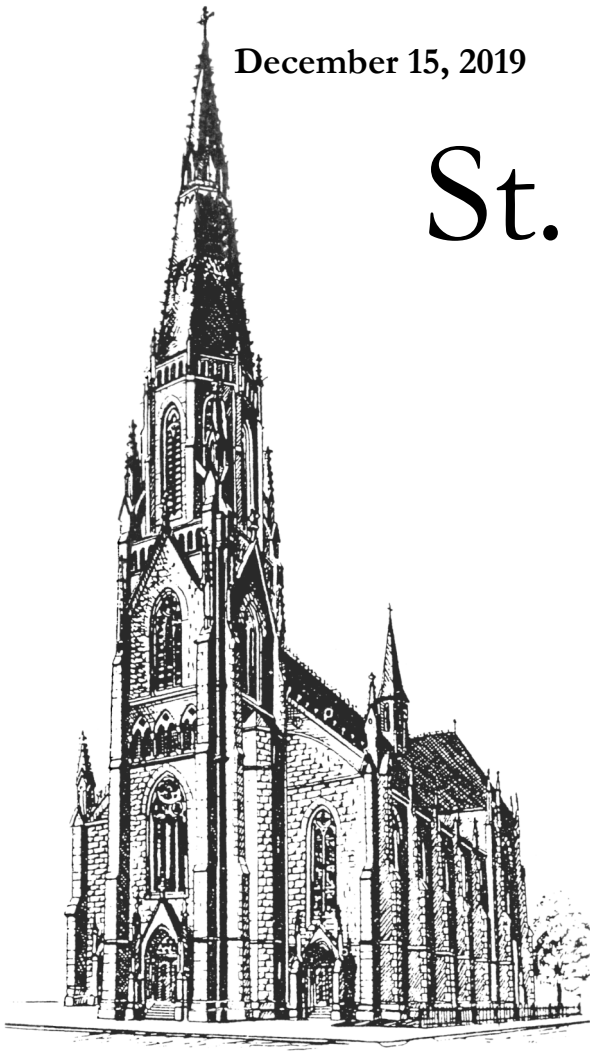
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Rev. Canon Michael Stein, Rector

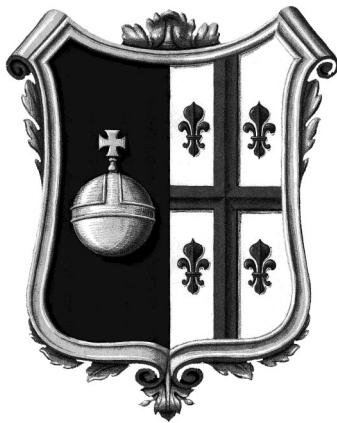
Rev. Canon Adrian Sequeira, Vicar

Mr. Michael Semaan, Music Director, Organist

Mr. Harold Rutila, Schola Director



*Institute of Christ the King  
Sovereign Priest*



## Regular Schedule

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

**Weekdays** 8:00 AM Low Mass *except Wednesdays*

**Wednesday** 12:00 PM Low Mass & Perpetual Novena  
to St. Joseph

**Friday** 6:00 PM Holy Hour

**First Friday** 7:00 PM High Mass

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

**Confessions** daily 30 minutes before Mass;  
Sundays 8-8:50 AM & 10-10:50 AM

## *Liturgical Calendar*

### **Sunday, December 15, Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)**

9:00 AM Low Mass w/organ      **Rachel Hess, requested by Jonathan Benefiel**  
11:00 AM High Mass      **Pro Populo**  
6:00 PM Holy Hour

### **Monday, December 16, Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop & Martyr**

8:00 AM Low Mass      **Craig Poinsett, requested by Abbey Nichols**

### **Tuesday, December 17, Feria of Advent, Mass of the Third Sunday of Advent**

8:00 AM Low Mass      **Canon Michael Stein, requested by Pearson family**

### **Wednesday, December 18, Ember Wednesday in Advent**

12:00 PM Mass w/organ & Perpetual Novena      **St. Joseph Confraternity**

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

8:00 AM Low Mass      **† Virginia Chase, requested by Switzer family**

### **Friday, December 20, Ember Friday of Advent**

8:00 AM Low Mass      **† Mary Crill, requested by Michael Smigielski**  
6:00 PM Holy Hour

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

9:00 AM Low Mass & Novena Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
    **† Patrick Gallagher III, requested by Switzer family**

### **Sunday, December 22, Fourth Sunday of Advent**

9:00 AM Low Mass      **† Francisco & Anna Aguilera, requested by Helen Huxley**  
11:00 AM High Mass      **Pro Populo**  
6:00 PM Vespers & Benediction

## FROM THE VICAR, CANON SEQUEIRA:

Dear Oratory Faithful,

*REJOICE!* And again I say Rejoice! On this Gaudete let us be obedient followers of St. Paul and Rejoice! One way to do that is by joining us for our enjoyable Parish Skate today. Details below. Our patron Saint Francis de Sales would exhort his readers to live joyfully in Our Divine Lord who is the King of Angels and men. This joy comes to us by our belonging to God and by our adhesion to His Holy Will. God makes us His own because we will be happy in belonging to Him. All the rest is vanity and spiritual affliction.

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Ice Skating Outing with St. Joseph Oratory! Today, Gaudete Sunday, December 15, following the 11am Mass, join us at the Patterson Park Ice Rink in Grosse Pointe (estimated arrival of clergy 12:45-1pm) It is a secure & private park area, and the Oratory has reserved your entry, simply say at the entrance gate "Parish Skate" and you will be admitted. Hot cocoa provided! Venite!      *Ite ad Joseph!*

## Server Schedule

### **Sunday, December 22, Fourth Sunday of Advent 9AM Low Mass w/organ**

AC1: Patrick Skinner

AC2: Michael Carzon

### **11AM High Mass**

MC: Nicholas Alvarez

Thur: Peyton Smith

AC1: Patrick Ohotnicky

AC2: Joaquin Escareño

Crucifer: Eric Kash

### **Tuesday, December 24, Vigil of the Nativity**

### **8AM Low Mass**

AC1: Eric Kash

AC2: John Simonson

### **Wednesday, December 25, Nativitas DNJC**

### **12AM Orchestral Midnight Mass**

### **9AM (Low) Mass of Dawn**

### **11AM (High) Mass of the Day**

*cf. separate sheet*

## Usher Schedule

### **Sunday, December 22, Fourth Sunday of Advent 9AM Low Mass w/organ**

- Scott Gabrielson

- Don Sadowski

- Ed Laabs

### **11AM High Mass**

- Ismael Lebron

- Ehab Yasi

- Max Douglas

- Matt Langenderfer

- Steven Graham

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**Institute of Christ the King  
2020 Calendars**

The 2020 calendars have arrived! They will be on sale for \$10 after each Sunday Mass in the vestibule **continuing today and throughout Advent.**

**Your attention please!**

Stay connected with the Oratory with our new communication tool, **Flocknote**. Along with email, it also offers text and phone messages. Existing email mailing list subscribers will receive a note from Flocknote next week.

Not on our mailing list? You can *sign up online* at <https://StJosephOratory.flocknote.com/MailingList> or *text MailingList* to 84576.

Questions? Please reach out to Jonathan Kash at [jk@fluentsimplicity.com](mailto:jk@fluentsimplicity.com).

**Christmas Music**

**Christmas Eve, 11pm: Confessions**

**11:15pm, Music Prelude** *featuring* Weihnachts-Responsorien by Johann Michael Hadyn

**Midnight:** Blessing of the Manger and Solemn High Mass *featuring* Missa O Rex Glorae by Palestrina  
St. Joseph Cappella, Chant Schola, Instrumentalists, and Chamber Orchestra

Followed by Hot Chocolate Social in the Hall

**Ring in the New Year at St. Joseph**

**Monday, December 31, 11:00pm Holy Hour**  
*Te Deum & Benediction* in Thanksgiving for 2019!

Followed by Prosecco Party in Social Hall.  
*Bring Your Own Bubbles!*

**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. We need ushers for the 11 AM Sunday Masses. Thank You!**

**Campaign Website:** [www.HistoricRenewal.com](http://www.HistoricRenewal.com)

***Calendar of Events***

**Today, December 15, Gaudete Sunday,** Parish Skate Outing, Patterson Park, [details back cover](#)

**Wed., December 18,** Teenage Catechism at 7PM in the Rectory classroom.

**Friday, December 20,** 7PM Aquinas Night in Social Hall following 6PM Holy Hour in Church. Topic: **Fear not Fear of the Lord.**

**Saturday, December 21, Christmas Decorations.** All hands on deck after Mass.

**Sunday, December 22,** After 11AM High Mass First Communion class in Rectory classroom.

**Tuesday, December 24, 11:15pm Music Prelude,** Christmas Midnight Mass.

**Wednesday, December 25,** Christmas Masses 9AM (Mass of dawn), 11AM (Mass of the day).

**Thursday, December 26, Feast of Saint Stephen,** *Deacon & Protomartyr*, 8am Mass,

**Friday, December 27, Feast of Saint John,** *Apostle & Evangelist*, 8am Mass,  
*Veneration of relic of Saint John & Blessing of Wine*, Bring wine to be blessed!

**Sunday, December 29,** after 11am Mass, Lesson in Liturgy.

**Tuesday, December 31, 11:00pm Holy Hour**  
*Te Deum & Benediction* in Thanksgiving for 2019.

**Wednesday, January 1, Holy Day of Obligation,** Masses at 9:00am, 11:00am, and 7:00pm.

**Saturday January 4,** First Saturday of Recollection: **The Divine Maternity of Our Lady**

### Did you know?

...that Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, as Saint Ambrose of Milan tells us, was the first in the West to unite the monastic life with the clerical, a prototype of the canonical form of life. He lived with his clergy in the city almost in the same way as the monks in the East did in the deserts. They shut themselves up in one house with their pastor, and exercised themselves night and day in heavenly warfare, continually occupied in the praises of God, employing their minds in reading, or at work. "Can any thing be more admirable than this life," says St. Ambrose, "where there is nothing to fear, and every thing is worthy of imitation! where the austerity of fasting is compensated by tranquility and peace of mind, supported by example, sweetened by habit, and charmed by the occupations of virtue! This life is neither troubled with temporal cares, nor distracted with the tumults of the world, nor hindered by idle visits, nor relaxed by the commerce of the world."

**Pray for the Restoration Efforts at St. Joseph Oratory and Join the Living Legacy!** [www.HistoricRenewal.com](http://www.HistoricRenewal.com)

*Prayer to St. Joseph by St. Francis de Sales*

#### **Historic Renewal Campaign Prayer**

Glorious St. Joseph, spouse of Mary, grant us thy paternal protection, we beseech thee by the heart of Jesus Christ. O thou, whose power extends to all our necessities and can render possible for us the most impossible things, open thy fatherly eyes to the needs of thy children. In the trouble and distress which afflicts us, we confidently have recourse to thee. Deign to take under thy charitable charge this important and difficult matter, cause of our worries. Make its happy outcome be for God's glory and for the good of His devoted servants. Amen.

### **Ice Skating Outing with St. Joseph Oratory Gaudete Sunday, December 15, 2019**

Following the 11am Mass, join us at the Matthew C. Patterson Park (**16006 Essex Dr, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230**) ice rink in Grosse Pointe (estimated arrival of clergy 12:45-1pm). At the entrance gate, say "Parish Skate" to be admitted. If you signed up last week, your Oratory provided skates will be waiting for you there.

**Hot cocoa too! Venite!**

### **CHRISTMAS NOVENA PRAYER IN HONOR OF THE HOLY INFANT KING, DEC. 17-25**

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.

#### **Mass Cards available!**

Available in the office during office hours:

Monday - Friday: 9 am - 5 pm.

## St. Joseph Oratory Sacrament Information:

**Infant Baptism:** Parents requesting Baptism must be active registered members of the Oratory.

**First Communion and Confirmation:** Children must attend the sacramental catechism classes at the Oratory.

**Holy Matrimony:** Couples planning to marry at the Oratory must call the Rectory for the proper instructions.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Members facing surgery, serious illness, or even death may call (313) 784-9152. *Never wait, never hesitate... remember: physical healing can also be an effect of the sacrament. Don't deprive a loved one of God's help.*

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