

December 22, 2019

Fourth Sunday of Advent

# St. Joseph Oratory

*Living the Truth in Charity*

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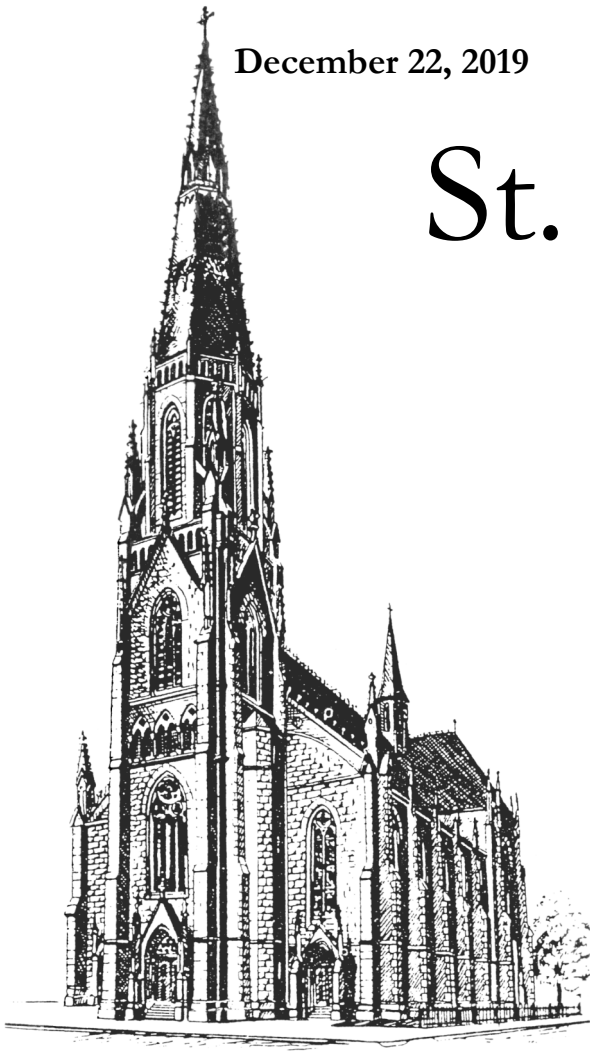
Rev. Canon Matthew Talarico, Provincial Superior

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 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

**Monday, December 23, Feria of Advent**, *Mass of the Fourth Sunday of Advent*

8:00 AM Low Mass † **Doug Sadro**, *requested by Volmering family*

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

8:00 AM Low Mass **Marjorie Fremuth & Family**, *requested by Terry Fremuth*

**Wednesday, December 25, Nativity of Our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ**

12:00 AM Midnight Orchestral Mass

**Superiors of the ICRSS**

9:00 AM Low Mass w/organ

**Archbishop Vigneron**

11:00 AM Solemn High Mass

**Pro Populo**

**Thursday, December 26, Saint Stephen**, *Deacon & Protomartyr*

8:00 AM Low Mass † **Joan McGuire**, *requested by Matthew McGuire*

**Friday, December 27, Saint John**, *Apostle & Evangelist*

8:00 AM Low Mass **Greg & Debbie Klezek**, *requested by Jonathan Benefiel*

6:00 PM Holy Hour

**Saturday, December 28, Holy Innocents**, *Martyrs*

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

**Delphine Nuytten**, *requested by Janice Goral*

**Sunday, December 29, Sunday within the Octave of Christmas**

9:00 AM Low Mass † **Ida van der Zanden**, *requested by Gabrielson family*

11:00 AM High Mass

**Pro Populo**

6:00 PM Vespers & Benediction

### FROM THE PASTOR, CANON STEIN:

Dear Oratory Faithful,

The 4th Sunday of Advent is here and Christmas is around the corner! We are about to enter into a liturgical season rich in solemnities and ceremonies. Be sure to mark your calendars for the numerous activities here at the Oratory whether it's the Mass schedule for the Nativity and New Year; or the St. John Wine Blessing and the Lesson in Liturgy; or the Holy Hour & the Prosecco Party; or the Epiphany Water Blessing and the January 5th Parish Christmas Social, etc...

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**Please Note: This year's Giving Tree benefits our St. Joseph Oratory Food Pantry.** Please take an ornament naming the needed item then later place the donated good at the base of the tree. Thank you! *Ite ad Joseph!*

### Server Schedule

**Tuesday, December 24,**

**Vigil of the Nativity**

**8AM Low Mass**

AC1: Eric Kash

AC2: John Simonson

**Wednesday, December 25,**

**Nativity of Our Lord**

**12AM Orchestral Midnight Mass**

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

**11AM Solemn High Mass of the Day**

*cf. separate sheet*

**Sunday, December 29,**

**Octave of Christmas**

**9AM Low Mass w/organ**

AC1: Patrick Skinner

AC2: Michael Carzon

**11AM High Mass**

MC: Johannes von Bülow

Thur: Peyton Smith

AC1: Apolinar Escareño

AC2: Joaquin Escareño

Crucifer: Eric Kash

### Usher Schedule

**Wednesday, December 25,**

**Nativity of Our Lord**

**12AM Orchestral Midnight Mass**

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

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

*cf. separate sheet*

**Sunday, December 29,**

**Octave of Christmas**

**9AM Low Mass w/organ**

- Matt McGuire

- Don Sadowski

- Ed Laabs

**11AM High Mass**

- Paul Ferrini

- Jerrold Bartholomew

- Max Douglas

- Steve 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 should have received a first email this past 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**

**Tuesday, 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, Sunday, December 22,** after 11AM  
High Mass 1st Communion Catechism

**Tuesday, December 24, 11:15pm Music Prelude,** Christmas Midnight Orchestral 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 after 9AM Mass. Topic: **The Divine Maternity of Our Lady.**

**Sunday, January 5,** Parish Christmas Social  
after 11 AM Mass. Come celebrate Christmas  
with your Parish family. **Solemn Epiphany  
Water Blessing at 6pm**

**Monday, January 6,** Epiphany of Our Lord,  
Masses at 8AM (Low) and 7PM (High).

**Wednesday, January 8,** Children's Catechism  
class resumes at 7PM in Rectory classroom.

### Organ Recital, January 12th

G. K. Chesterton says: "Life exists for the love of music or beautiful things." Enhance your life with some beautiful music to close out the Christmas Season, performed in historic **St. Joseph's Oratory on Jan 12 at 4pm.** The recital will feature 18-year-old Therese Ohotnicky, principal organist for Christ the King Chapel at Christendom College in Front Royal, Virginia, with special guest soprano soloist Brittany Woodcock. No charge for admission! A reception will follow where you can learn more about Chesterton Academy of Detroit, a classical high school in the Catholic tradition opening in the fall of 2020.

### End of Year Donations

If you haven't already done so, consider giving to the Historic Renewal Capital Campaign to meet your donation target for 2019. For further information, please take a campaign folder from the vestibule.

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**Pray for the Restoration Efforts at St. Joseph Oratory and Join the Living Legacy!** *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.

### Giving Tree!

This year the giving tree at the entrance of the nave is for our Food Pantry Ministry. Please take an ornament designating the needed good, then once purchased place the pantry donation under the same tree. Thank you!

If you need a **Tax Statement** for your donations made during the calendar year **2019** please email: [sjdetroit@institute-christ-king.org](mailto:sjdetroit@institute-christ-king.org) or call the Parish Office 313-784-9152.

### 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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