

December 25 2019

Nativity of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

St. Joseph Oratory

Living the Truth in Charity

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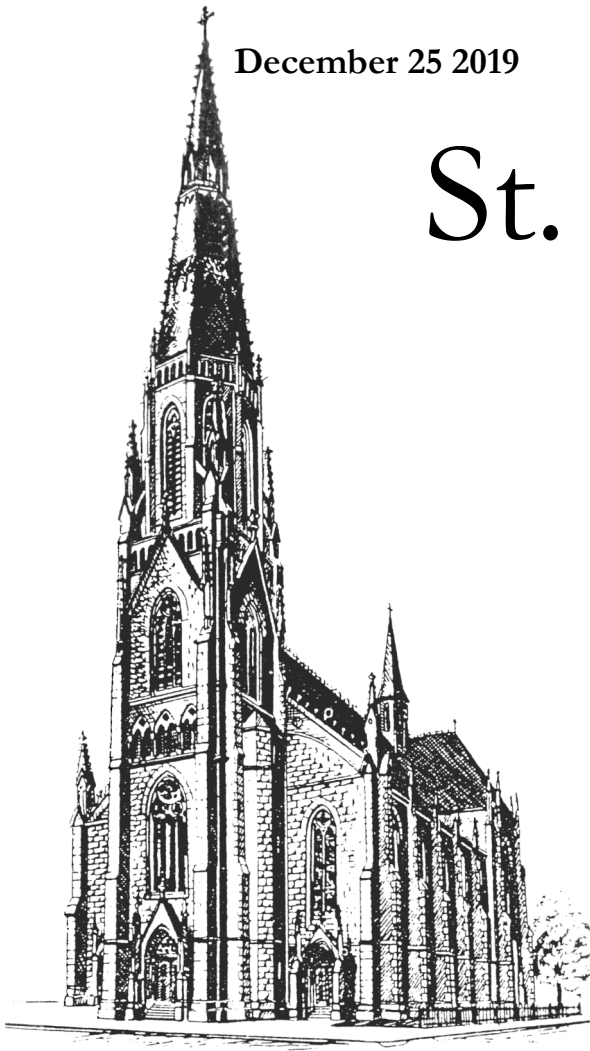
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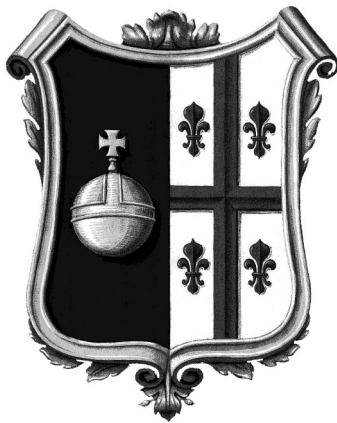
Rev. Canon Adrian Sequeira, Vicar

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 (Wine Blessing)*

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,

Merry Christmas! Rejoice for the Promised One is born! The Divine Solution for every human problem is born. The Divine Remedy for every human ailment is born. The Divine Strength for every human weakness is born. The Divine Joy for every human sorrow is born. Our everything humbly lies in a manger. He is God and... He is ours! Truly, rejoice!

Please Note: The Parish will celebrate Christmas as a spiritual family on Sunday, January 5th after the 11am Mass in the Social Hall. Please kindly bring a favorite dish to share. *Ite ad Joseph!*

Server Schedule

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

Tuesday, December 31, Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas

8AM Low Mass

Acolytes: Nicholas Alvarez &

John Simonson

11PM Holy Hour and Benediction

MC: Francesco von Bülow

Thur: John Simonson

AC1: Eric Kash

AC2: Oliver Smith

Crucifer: Apolinar Escareño

Wednesday, January 1, Octave Day of Christmas

cf. see separate sheet

Usher Schedule

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

- *open*

Wednesday, January 1, Octave Day of Christmas

9AM Low Mass w/ organ

- Brian Carey

- Scott Gabrielson

- Eric Restuccia

11AM High Mass

- Ismael Lebron

- Steve Graham

- Max Douglas

- Jerrold Bartholomew

- Paul Ferrini

**Institute of Christ the King
2020 Calendars**

The 2020 calendars have arrived and are selling out quickly! The last ones are on sale for \$10 now in the vestibule.

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.

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

Calendar of Events

Today, 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!, 6PM Holy Hour

Sunday, December 29, after 11am Mass, Lesson in Liturgy: "Understanding the Altar"

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.

Saturday, January 11, Sursum Corda at noon.

Wednesday, January 15, Teenage Catechism.

Organ Recital, January 12th at 4pm

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.

Christmas Gifts!

All registered members of St. Joseph Oratory Volunteer Groups can find their appreciation gift under the Christmas tree in the Social Hall.

If a tax statement is needed for calendar year 2019 donations please email: sjdetroit@institute-christ-king.org. [Also, please indicate the proper mailing address for the statement.](#)

CHRISTMAS NOVENA PRAYER IN HONOR OF THE HOLY INFANT KING

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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