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SUNDAY EUCHARIST
Saturday: 7:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES
Monday to Saturday: 9:05 a.m.

FIRST FRIDAY:
Exposition 9:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Pastor at least two months before the proposed date.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please let us know if you know someone who would like to receive this Sacrament. Upon request, Communion will be brought to the sick and shut-ins.

PLEASE REMEMBER SAINT CECILIA'S CHURCH IN YOUR WILL



Second Sunday of Advent December 10, 2023

YEAR B

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

- Mon. Dec. 11: St. Damasus I, *pope*
- Tue. Dec. 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, National Day of Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples
- Wed. Dec. 13: St. Lucy, *virgin, martyr*
- Thurs. Dec. 14: St. John of the Cross, *priest & doctor*
- Sun. Dec. 17: Third Sunday of Advent



MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Mon. Dec 11 - Sun. Dec. 17

Monday 9:05 a.m.

Ann Clough (INT)
On her Birthday
Req. by her friends

Tuesday 9:05 a.m.

Brendan Clough (RIP)
Req. by Annette Beneditz

Wednesday 9:05 a.m.

Frank Mullin (RIP)
Req. by Lorraine Mullin and family

Friday 9:05 a.m.

Brendan Clough (RIP)
Req. by Maria Ruccolo



Saturday 7 p.m.

NO 7 pm Mass, Bilingual Mass at 5 pm

Sunday 9 a.m.

Ben Beneditz, Hilaria Hong Ting and
Agatha Thissen (RIP)
Req. by Annette Beneditz

Sunday 11 a.m.

Deceased members
of the Dias and Clementino families (RIP)
Req. by R.C.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
THIS Sunday, Dec. 10, 2023
following the 9:00 a.m. Mass
until the 11 a.m. Mass.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



Fourth Sunday of Advent Masses

Saturday, December 23, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 24, 2023 at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Christmas Eve Mass

Sunday, December 24, 2023
11:30 Carols

12:00 a.m. Solemn Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Masses

Monday, December 25, 2023
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Feast of The Holy Family Masses

Saturday, December 30, 2023 at 7 p.m.
Sunday, December 31, 2023 at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve Mass - Solemnity of Mary

Sunday, December 31, 2023
7:00 p.m.

New Year's Day Masses - Solemnity of Mary

Monday, January 1, 2024
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Confession

Saturday December 23rd and Saturday December 30th:
NO confessions at 4:00-4:30 p.m.
See Day of Confessions schedule for confession opportunities

BILINGUAL MASS AND CONCERT

Saturday, December 16, 2023 at 5 p.m.

Join us for a bilingual Mass at 5 pm followed by carols
and singing from both parishes.

The 7 p.m. Vigil Mass will not be celebrated.

PARISH DAY OF CONFESSIONS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

9:30- 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.,
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., & 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Let every heart prepare Him room

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St. Vincent De Paul Society Christmas Star Program

The St. Cecilia Conference of The St. Vincent De Paul Society will be running their Christmas Star Program beginning this weekend, November 25/26.

To assist them, please lease donate grocery cards ONLY and include the Dollar value on the card. Our parish schools will be donating physical gifts.

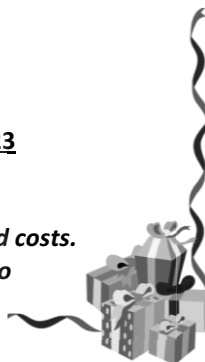
A Christmas Tree is displayed to the right of the altar with dangling stars. Each star represents a gift card that may be purchased for a neighbour in need. Please take a star and return it with the gift card by:

- giving to an usher at Mass
- placing in the offertory collection basket
- dropping through the parish office mail slot at 161 Annette Street.

Please donate your cards by:

THIS Sunday, December 10th, 2023

Many in our community are experiencing strained budgets due to inflation and high food costs. Thank you for sharing with our neighbours who find themselves in need at this time.



2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Will be ready for pick-up NEXT weekend.

Please do not use your 2024 offertory envelopes until January 1st, 2024. Please print your full name, address, and phone number on the envelope, when making your first few 2024 donations. If making a larger donation to cover multiple Sundays, please use ONE envelope to make it easier for staff to record.

New envelope users/parishioners are asked to fill out a **Parish Registration Form** and return it to an usher to obtain offertory envelopes for 2024. Thank you!



OFFERTORY

Weekly, Dec 3 \$ 1, 210.00
Taxes and Ins. 460.00

Thank you for your generosity!

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR THANK YOU

Last Sunday's Christmas Market (Bazaar) was a great success!

Thank you to Sean and Maria McNulty, organisers extraordinaire. Thank you to the members of the Knights of Columbus Council 4976 and The Daughters of Isabella 1415 who helped with planning and at the event. Thank you to our parishioners who donated their time and assisted with the event. Special thanks to those who created Santa's cozy fireside lounge and to Santa for joining us. Thanks to all who donated elephant sale items. Thank you to all who supported the event. Thank you to the sponsors of the raffle items. Raffle sponsors and winners will be posted next week.

Thanks to all of you, \$1,300 was raised for the parish!



CHRISTMAS CAKES AND CARDS

As in previous years, during the weeks preceding the great 'Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord', *Right to Life Christmas Cards and Campaign Life fruitcakes* will be on sale in the vestibule after Saturday and Sunday Masses this Advent season. Please purchase these items generously which support the Culture of Life in our society. On behalf of the Unborn, the Disabled and The Family,

Thank you!

See the poster in the vestibule for details

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR DEC 17, 2023

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Isaiah 61.1-2a, 10-11

Psalms Luke 1.47-8,49-50, 53-54

1 Thessalonians 5.16-24

John 1.6-8, 19-28

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please notify the office of any changes to the list

Hang Sam Lee, Richard Mijares, Drew Fiala, Connie Tari-Kornhauser, Lisa Reardon, Stuart Robson, Rosa Maria Santos, Bianca Auriemma, Rosie Po, Frank Ferreira, Antonina Koziara, Julia Collins, Mary Ann Cuschieri, Sebastian Carvalho, Anne Tran Fazzalari, Gabriel Sebastian Romano, Robert Freimuts, Giuseppe R., Mikayla Haswell, Victoria Cooper, Anna Solims, Lorenza Varga, Steven McKinney, Krysten Telfer, Edward Spiteri, Maria Rucolo, Ignacio Juarez Ednet, Dominic Coccimiglio, Winifred Ismail, Mimi Ashton, Ann Baby, Marta DiGregorio, Rosa Loschiavo, Anne Marie Skewes, Blossom Reid, and Sophia Oppel



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