

December 23-25, 2018

4th Sunday of Advent & Christmas

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Living the Truth in Charity

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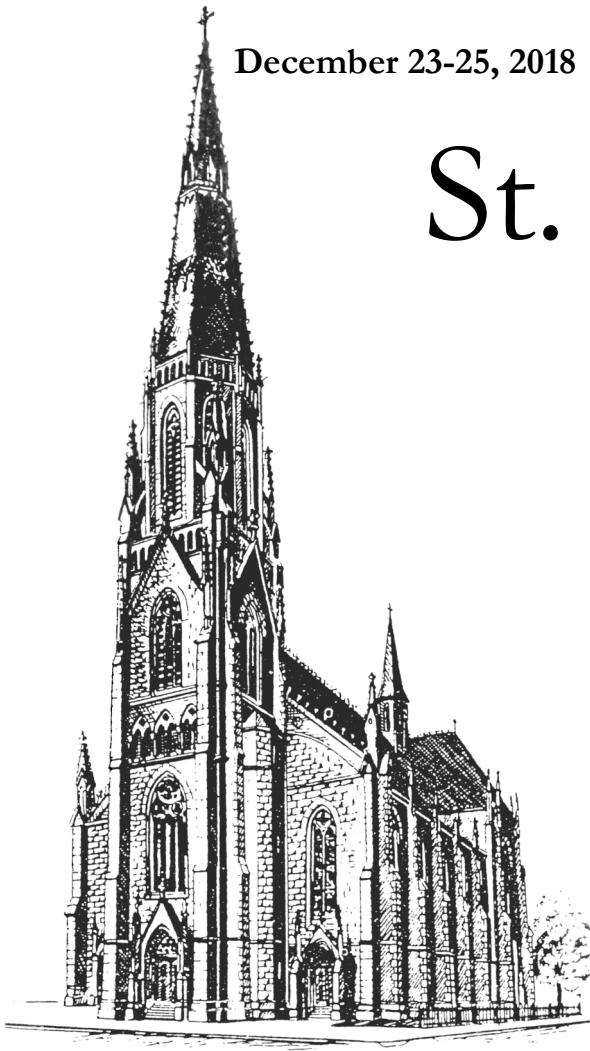
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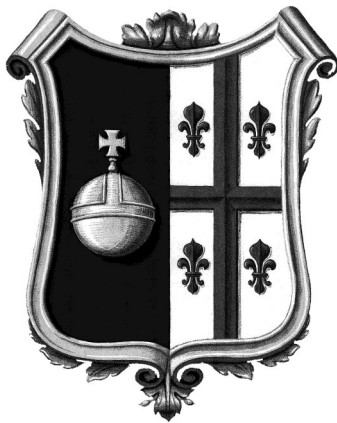
Rev. Canon Michael Stein, Rector

Rev. Canon Adrian Sequeira, Vicar

Mr. Michael Semaan, Music Director



*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 23, Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM Low Mass (*without organ*) **Priests of ICRSS, requested by Wilberts**
11:00 AM Solemn High Mass **Pro Populo**
6:00 PM Sung Vespers & Benediction

Monday, December 24, Vigil of the Nativity

8:00 AM Low Mass **Candidates of the ICRSS**

Tuesday, December 25, Nativity of Our Lord & Savior Jesus-Christ

12:00 AM Solemn High Orchestral Mass **Superiors of the ICRSS**
9:00 AM Low Mass w/organ **Archbishop Vigneron**
11:00 AM Solemn High Mass **Pro Populo**

Wednesday, December 26, Saint Stephen, Deacon & Protomartyr

12:00 PM Low Mass, Perpetual Novena **St. Joseph Confraternity**

Thursday, December 27, Saint John the Beloved, Apostle and Evangelist

8:00 AM Low Mass **Helen Szczerba, requested by Jim & Nancy Wilbert**

Friday, December 28, Holy Innocents, Martyrs

8:00 AM Low Mass **Maria de Jesus Padilla Hermosillo,**
requested by Jim & Nancy Wilbert
6:00 PM Holy Hour

Saturday, December 29, Fifth day within the Octave of Christmas

9:00 AM Low Mass followed by Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
† **Virgilio Vitti, requested by Nancy McAuley**

Sunday, December 30, Sunday within the Octave of Christmas

9:00 AM Low Mass w/organ **Elvia Adelinindis Vidal Lopez,**
requested by Jim & Nancy Wilbert
11:00 AM Solemn High Mass **Pro Populo**
6:00 PM Sung Vespers and Benediction

FROM THE RECTOR: CANON STEIN

4th Sunday of Advent

Dear Oratory Faithful,

“Prepare the way of the Lord!” The final days of preparation are here: prepare your hearts and homes. May every exterior form of celebration and grandeur be an authentic manifestation of the interior joy in receiving Christ!

Nativity of Our Lord

Dear Oratory Faithful,

Monsignor Wach, the Prior General, Canon Talarico, the Provincial Superior, Our Sister Adorers, and all of the Canons, Seminarians, Oblates, & Candidates of the Institute of Christ the King wish you a grace-filled Christmas!

Server Schedule

Sunday, Dec 23

9AM Low Mass
AC1: Patrick Skinner
AC2: Michael Carzon
11AM Solemn High Mass
MC: Thomas Alvarez
Thur: Nicholas Alvarez
AC1: John Chisholm
AC2: Aaron Marshall
Crucifer: F.W.

Christmas, Midnight Mass

12AM Solemn High Mass
cf. separate sheet

Tuesday, December 25, Christmas Day

9AM Low Mass
cf. separate sheet
11AM Solemn High Mass
cf. separate sheet

Usher Schedule

Sunday, December 23

9am Low Mass
- Matt McGuire
- Matt Langenderfer
11am Solemn High Mass
- Joe Allen
- Jerrold Bartholomew
- Max Douglas
- Dick Tracy Valdez

Christmas

12am Midnight Mass
- Eric Restuccia
- Brian Carey
- David Oroshi
- Max Douglas

Tuesday, December 25 – Christmas Day

9am Low Mass w/ organ
- Matt McGuire
- Matt Langenderfer
11am Solemn High Mass
- Joe Allen
- Jerrold Bartholomew
- Rodney Pelletier
- Dick Tracy Valdez

Save your Gift Baskets!

Please consider saving your empty Christmas Gift Baskets & donate them to the Oratory for Event use.

2019 Calendars are available!

To order call 773-363-7409 or visit our online store at www.institute-christ-king.org. Sign up to order in bulk and save on shipping.

Institute stocking stuffers

Consider giving a gift of some CDs of heavenly Gregorian chant sung by the Institute's Seminary Schola. Call 773-363-7409 or visit our online store at www.institute-christ-king.org. Group your orders to save on shipping.

Last Chance! Christmas Novena Enrollment

Enroll your loved ones in a Christmas Novena of Masses during Christmas. Call the Institute's American HQ to enroll directly 773-363-7409.

Sunday Catechism Rotations *after 11am Mass*

Sunday, December 23: First Communion Class
Sunday, December 30: Lesson in Liturgy

Make Your New Year Extraordinary!

Monday, December 31st, 11pm Holy Hour then the *Te Deum & Benediction* in Thanksgiving for the year 2018 (Prosecco Party in Social Hall afterward)

Tuesday, January 1st, Holy Day of Obligation, 9am Low Mass w/organ, 11am Solemn High Mass, and also 7pm Low Mass. **Veni Creator** before each Mass

Gain a Plenary Indulgence

Free Firewood!

Our kind neighbors have graciously offered to let us take the chopped wood that they have placed on the edge of their property. (Jay and Orleans) Feel free to take some of it for your fireplaces.

Parish Christmas Reception, January 6

After the 11am Solemn High Mass please join us in the St. Joseph Social Hall for a Parish Christmas Reception. *Celebrate Christmas as a Spiritual Family!*

Calendar of Events

Today, December 23, after 11am Mass *First Communion Class*

Monday, December 24, Christmas Eve, 11pm Confessions, 11:30pm Music Prelude w/ St. Joseph Cappella & Orchestra (*Magnificat* - Vivaldi) followed by Blessing of the Creche (*Stille Nacht* - Gruber (arr. Beverest)), **Midnight Mass** (*Missa St. Joannis de Deo* - Haydn; *Hodie Christus natus est* - Palestrina; *O Magnum Mysterium* - Victoria), Hot Cocoa Social in the Hall for all after Midnight Mass.

Tuesday, December 25, Christmas, 9am Low Mass with Organ, *Mass of the Dawn*, then 11am: Solemn High Mass, *Mass of Christmas Day*

Wednesday, December 26, Noon Mass, and *No Catechism*

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

Sunday, December 30, after 11am Mass, Lesson in Liturgy

Monday, December 31, 11:00pm Holy Hour *Te Deum & Benediction* in Thanksgiving for 2018.

Tuesday, January 1, Holy Day of Obligation, Mass at 9:00am, 11:00am, and 7:00pm

Saturday, January 5, 9am Mass followed by Conference on the *Significance of Epiphany Water*. Blessing of Epiphany Water follows. Bring chalk, water and salt to be blessed!

Sunday, January 6, Feast of the Epiphany, Mass at 9am and 11am followed by Parish Christmas Reception.

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 2018. For further information, please take a campaign folder from the vestibule.

www.HistoricRenewal.com

Steeple Update

Superior Part of the Spire now has **all three** layers of restoration: Wood Underlayment, Slate, Copper!

Calling all Young Adults (18-35): Be informed of all *Sursum Corda* events, news, prayers, and quotes for the Season and more - via email and text! Fast, easy, and efficient. Don't miss any event!

TEXT "CORDA" to 84576.

Catechism: Christmas Break

No Children's Catechism on December 26

No Teenage Catechism on January 2

PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR THE INSTITUTE'S NATIONAL SHRINE

Through your prayers and support, God has made possible the previously unthinkable at the Institute's Headquarters in the United States: the once fire-ravaged National Shrine of Christ the King has restored masonry and a new roof. Our Prior General, Monsignor Gilles Wach, and our Provincial Superior, Canon Matthew Talarico, **ask us to pray publically the *Memorare* each day** for phase II of in building the National Shrine of Christ the King. The *Memorare* will be prayed at the end of every Mass. Prayer cards are also available to share with friends and family.

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.

DID YOU KNOW?

... that the three Masses of Christmas celebrate the threefold birth of Our Lord. The first is in commemoration of **His birth from all eternity** in the bosom of His Heavenly Father; the second, of **His birth in the fullness of time**; and the third, of **His spiritual birth in the hearts of the faithful.** The first Mass is at midnight because Christ, the true light which came into the world to enlighten those who sat in darkness and the shadow of death (unbelief and sin), was born at night. The second at dawn to signify that the birth of Christ, expelling the darkness of ignorance and infidelity, brought us the clear daylight of the knowledge of God. The third after sunrise to signify that the spiritual birth of Christ can take place at any time in the pure soul.

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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