

**INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING**  
**SOVEREIGN PRIEST**  
**St. Mary's Oratory**

Sunday,  
December 31,  
2023

to

Sunday,  
January 7,  
2024

**DIOCESAN  
APPROVED  
TRADITIONAL  
LATIN MASS  
APOSTOLATE**

**SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS**

**Introit: Wis. 18, 14, 15.** While all things were in quiet silence, and the night was in the midst of her course, Thy almighty word, O Lord, came from heaven, from Thy royal throne.

**Ps. 92, 1.** The Lord hath reigned, He is clothed with beauty: the Lord is clothed with strength, and hath girded Himself. *V.* Glory.

**Collect:** O almighty and eternal God, direct our actions in conformity with Thy good pleasure, that in the name of Thy beloved Son we may be worthy to abound in good works. Who with Thee.

**Epistle: Gal. 4, 1-7.** Brethren, as long as the heir is a child, he differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all: but is under tutors and governors until the time appointed by the father: so we also, when we were children, were serving under the elements of the world. But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent His Son, made of a woman, made under the law: that He might redeem them who were under the law; that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because you are sons, God hath sent the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying: Abba, Father. Therefore now he is not a servant, but a son; and if a son, an heir also through God.

**Gradual: Ps. 44, 3, 2.** Thou art beautiful above the sons of men: grace is poured abroad in Thy lips. *V.* My heart hath uttered a good word, I speak my works to the King: my tongue is the pen of a scrivener that writeth swiftly. Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* **Ps. 92, 1.** The Lord hath reigned, He is clothed with beauty: the Lord is clothed with strength, and hath girded Himself with power. Alleluia.

**Gospel: Luke 2, 33-40.** At that time, Joseph and Mary, the mother of Jesus, were wondering at these things which were spoken concerning Him. And Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother: Behold this child is set for the fall, and for the resurrection of many in Israel, and for a sign which shall be contradicted: and thy own soul a sword shall pierce, that out of many hearts thoughts may be revealed. And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser; she was far advanced in years, and had lived with her husband seven years from her virginity. And she was a widow until fourscore and four years; who departed not from the temple, by fastings and prayers serving night and day. Now she at the same hour coming in, confessed to the Lord; and spoke of Him to all that looked for the redemption of Israel. And after they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their city Nazareth. And the child grew and waxed strong, full of wisdom, and the grace of God was in Him.

**Offertory: Ps. 92, 1, 2.** God hath established the world, which shall not be moved: Thy throne, O God, is prepared from of old; Thou art from everlasting.

**Secret:** Grant, we beseech Thee, O almighty God, that the gift present before the eyes of Thy majesty may both obtain for us the grace of godly devotion and win its effect in a blessed eternity. Through our Lord.

**Communion: Matt. 2, 20.** Take the child and His mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead that sought the life of the child.

**Postcommunion:** By the operation of this mystery, O Lord, may our sins be purged, and our just desires fulfilled. Through our Lord.

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*The poinsettias on the Altar and around the Crèche were donated by:*

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Karen Beeber	In Memory of Rodger Beeber
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The Gontarz Family	In Memory of Our Parents Raymond & Lilly Lecheler Thaddeus & Trudy Gontarz
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Kathy Reinhard	In Memory of Richard & Patricia Jesse
Douglas Resch	In Memory of Hannah Beth Resch
Matthew & Kasey Rose	In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Conrad
Margie Schrader	In Memory of Tom Schrader In Memory of Dorothy, Gerald, Ruffina, John, & Kayla
Jon & Monica Schmidt	In Memory of Deceased Loved Ones
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Richard & Phyllis Vance	In Thanksgiving for St. Mary's & the Institute of Christ the King & Fr. de la Torre
Matthew & Stephanie Zielinski	In Memory of Alice Zielinski
Kathleen Ziesemer	In Memory of Phillip James Muza In Memory of Matthew John Durand In Memory of Archie, Caroline, My Parents

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**CATECHISM CLASSES RESUME ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17**

<b>Sunday, December 31</b>	Sunday within the Octave of Christmas
<b>Monday, January 1</b>	Circumcision of Our Lord and Octave Day of Christmas 8:00 AM Low Mass 10:00 AM High Mass 5:00 PM Holy Hour
<b>Tuesday, January 2</b>	Holy Name of Jesus
<b><u>First Friday, January 5</u></b>	Vigil of the Epiphany 8:00 AM Low Mass Adoration till noon <u>4:00 PM Great Blessing of Epiphany Water</u> 6:00 PM Mass
<b><u>First Saturday, January 6</u></b>	Epiphany of Our Lord (Twelfth Night) 10:00 AM High Mass
<b>Sunday, January 7</b>	Feast of the Holy Family
<b>Sunday, January 14</b>	Second Sunday after the Epiphany
<b>Tuesday, January 16</b>	7:00 PM Adult Theology Class in Church Hall
<b>Wednesday, January 17</b>	Catechism (NO Children's Choir)
<b>Friday, January 19</b>	6:00 PM Sursum Corda Youth Group Pizza Night in Church Hall
<b>Sunday, January 21</b>	Third Sunday after the Epiphany
<b>Wednesday, January 24</b>	Children's Choir and Catechism
<b>Sunday, January 28</b>	Septuagesima Sunday

**MUSIC FOR SUNDAY MASS**

☐ Entrance

*Hark the Herald*

**Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus, & Agnus Dei**  
*Mass in G - Josef Rheinberger (d. 1901)*

**Credo III**

**Offertory**

*Puer Natus in Bethlehem - Mode I*

**Communion**

*Puer Natus - Cristobal deMorales (d. 1553)*

**Recessional**

*Joy to the World*



# Liturgical Calendar



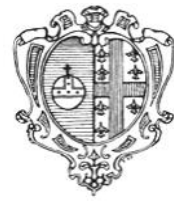
	<i>Mass Offered</i>	<i>Offered For</i>	<i>Servers</i>
Sun. 12/31 <b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS</b>	Ryan Gliszinski By Ken & Carol Gliszinski	Robert Borger Vincent Christensen
Sun. 12/31 <b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS</b>	Soul of Mary Miner By Andrew Miner	James Zahn Jack Kocha
Sun. 12/31 <b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS</b>	Special Intention By Phyllis Kollross	MC: Liam McNally Th: Jacob Wood A1: Max Turajski A2: Angus Turajski
Mon. 1/01 <b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Circumcision of Our Lord and</b>	Soul of Sharon Nikolai By Cody & Jade Nikolai	Vincent Christensen Joseph Christensen
Mon. 1/01 <b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Circumcision of Our Lord and Octave Day of Christmas</b>	Souls of Alfred & Mary Charlotte Conrad By the Rose Family	MC: Robert Borger Thurifer: Matthew Prusinski Ac1: Christopher Mongin Ac2: Benjamin Mongin
Tue. 1/02 8:00 AM	<b>Holy Name of Jesus</b>	The Orthober Family By Mark & Karen	Liam McNally Isaac McNally
Wed. 1/03 8:00 AM	Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist (Octave Day)	Soul of Concie Rajamannan By Jon & Monica Schmidt	Robert Borger Peter Borger
Thurs. 1/04 6:00 PM	Holy Innocents, Martyrs (Octave Day)	Intentions of Msgr. Wach	Felix Van Tiem John Leitermann
Fri. 1/05 8:00 AM	Vigil of the Epiphany <i>*First Friday</i>	Our Children & Godchildren By Marcus & Jennifer Narvaez	Candidates
Fri. 1/05 6:00 PM	Vigil of the Epiphany <i>*First Friday</i>	Benefactors of St. Mary's Oratory, Living & Deceased	Candidate Matc Mashak
Sat. 1/06 <b>*10:00 AM</b>	<b>Epiphany of Our Lord (Twelfth Night)</b> <i>*First Saturday</i>	Soul of Gerald Herbst, Sr. By Kathy Herbst	MC: Thabit Ahmed Thurifer: John Simonson Ac1: Luke Mayer Ac2: Trent Hickey
Sun. 1/07 <b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY</b>	Mary Kunz By Joe & Carole Fink	Candidates
Sun. 1/07 <b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY</b>	The Krupp, Kroupa, & Bolander Families, Living & Deceased By Mary Kroupa	Candidate Jack Kocha
Sun. 1/07 <b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY</b>	The Carmelite Sisters in Fairfield, PA By the Joe Leitermann Family	MC: Anthony Christensen Th: Joseph Dull A1: Camden Kale A2: Anthony Dull

**Collections: Vigil of Christmas (12/24/23) 7:00 / \$ 1974.00 8:30 / \$ 2228.50 10:30 / \$ 1446.35 Total: \$ 5648.85**  
**Christmas (12/25/23) Midnight Mass / \$ 5669.00 7:00 / \$1705.00 8:30 / \$926.14 Total \$ 8300.14**

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

### **For the Sovereign Pontiff, and for His Excellency, Bishop William P. Callahan.**

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### Plenary Indulgences:

#### Sunday, December 31st

**Chant of the Te Deum (in thanksgiving to God for all the graces received) to be chanted after the 10:30 am High Mass**

#### Monday, January 1st

**Chant of the Veni Creator Spiritus (asking for the grace of the Holy Ghost for the year to start) to be chanted before the 10:00 am High Mass**

**\*Those who participate in the public recitation of the Te Deum or the Veni Creator can receive a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions.**

### Homily of St. Ambrose

**(from the 3rd Nocturn of Matins for the Sunday within the Octave)**

We see that God's abounding grace is poured forth on all by the birth of the Lord, and that the gift of prophecy is not denied to the righteous, but to the unbelieving. Simeon prophesieth that our Lord Jesus Christ is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel, setting forth that the just and the unjust reap different fruits from the coming of the Saviour; so will it be with us; according to our individual works will the True and Just Judge apportion to us punishment or reward.

*See, a sword shall pierce through thine own soul also* (Lk. 2:35). We have no record or tradition that Mary left this world by suffering a violent death, and the material sword can pierce the body only, and not the soul. Wherefore here we see the wisdom of Mary in that she was not ignorant of the heavenly mysteries. For, *the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart* (Heb. 4:12); for all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of the Son of God, from Whom also the secret things of our conscience are not hidden.

There had been a triple prophecy; the prophecy of Simeon had followed the prophecy of the Virgin (Lk. 1:48), and the prophecy of the wife (Lk. 1:45); those, namely, of Mary and Elizabeth. And now ought the widow also to prophesy (Lk. 2:36-38), that no sex nor state might be wanting. And Anna is brought before us with such a title from her widowhood and her life, that we may well believe that she received the grace to announce the Advent of the Redeemer. In our exhortation addressed to widows we have already treated of her gifts at length, and, as we have much matter before us, we will not now again enter on the subject.