



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

Sunday,
December 17,
2023

to

Sunday,
December 24,
2023

**DIOCESAN
APPROVED
TRADITIONAL
LATIN MASS
APOSTOLATE**

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT — Gaudete Sunday

Introit: *Philippians 4: 4-6.* Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all men: for the Lord is nigh. Be nothing solicitous; but in everything by prayer let your requests be made known to God. *Ps. 84: 2.* Lord, Thou hast blest Thy land; Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. Glory be. Rejoice in the Lord.

Collect: Incline Thine ear to our prayers, O Lord, we beseech Thee; and make bright the darkness of our minds by the grace of Thy visitation. Who livest.

Epistle: *Philippians 4: 4-7.* Brethren: Rejoice in the Lord always: again I say, rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all men. The Lord is nigh. Be nothing solicitous; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasseth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gradual: *Ps. 79: 2, 3.* Thou, O Lord, that sittest upon the cherubim, stir up Thy might, and come. *V.* Give ear, O Thou that rulest Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Stir up Thy might, O Lord, and come: that Thou mayest save us. Alleluia.

Gospel: *St. John 1: 19-28.* At that time: the Jews sent from Jerusalem priests and Levites to John, to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and did not deny; and he confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he said, I am not. Art thou the prophet? And he answered, No. They said therefore unto him, Who art thou, that we may give an answer to them that sent us? what sayest thou of thyself? He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Isaias. And they that were sent were of the pharisees. And they asked him, and said to him, Why, then, dost thou baptize, if thou be not Christ, nor Elias, nor the prophet? John answered them, saying, I baptize with water; but there hath stood one in the midst of you, Whom you know not; the same is He that shall come after me, Who is preferred before me, the latchet of Whose shoe I am not worthy to loose. These things were done in Bethania beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

Offertory: *Ps. 84: 2.* Lord, Thou hast blest Thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob: Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of Thy people.

Secret: May the sacrifice of our devotion, we beseech Thee, O Lord, be continually offered to Thee, both to carry out Thy designs in this holy Mystery and wonderfully to work in us Thy salvation. Through our Lord.

Communion: *Isaiah 35: 4.* Say, ye faint-hearted, take courage, and fear not, behold our God will come and will save us.

Postcommunion: We implore Thy clemency, O Lord, that cleansed from our sins, these divine aids may prepare us for the coming festival. Through our Lord.

<p align="center">Poinsettias for Christmas</p> <p align="center">If you would like to donate a poinsettia for the Altar or Crèche in memory of a loved one, please contact the office by December 17th. The cost is \$30 per poinsettia.</p>	<p align="center">CALENDAR OF EVENTS</p> <p>Sunday, December 17 Gaudete Sunday</p> <p align="center">December 17-23: O Antiphons</p> <p>Monday, December 18 Expectation of the BVM</p> <p>Wednesday, December 20 Children's Choir and Catechism</p> <p align="center">December 20, 22 and 23: Ember Days of Advent (Fast and abstinence recommended for the sanctification of the clergy)</p> <p>Sunday, December 24 Christmas Eve 7:00 AM Low Mass 8:30 AM Low Mass 9:30 OFFICE OF PRIME WITH SOLEMN PROCLAMATION OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST 10:30 AM High Mass <i>No Coffee and Doughnuts</i></p> <p align="center">5:00 PM Holy Hour 6:00 PM First Vespers of Christmas</p> <p align="center">Confessions 10:30 PM Carols at 11:15 PM, followed by MIDNIGHT MASS (Solemn Mass) 7:00 AM MASS OF DAWN (Sung Mass) 8:30 AM MASS OF THE DAY (High Mass)</p> <p>Christmas Day (Holy Day of Obligation) Sunday within the Octave of Christmas</p> <p>Sunday, December 31</p> <p>Monday, January 1 Circumcision of Our Lord and the Octave of Christmas 8:00 AM Low Mass 10:00 AM High Mass</p> <p>Tuesday, January 2 Holy Name of Jesus</p>
<p align="center">Interested in Becoming Catholic?</p> <p>All people of good will are welcome in the Holy Catholic Church, the Church founded by Jesus Christ 2000 years ago which offers the splendor of truth to a world darkened by sin. The Canons of the Oratory offer personal instruction to anyone who would like to prepare to enter the Church and receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or would like to learn more about the claims of the Church, please contact the Oratory office at 715-842-9995.</p>	
<p align="center">Institute 2024 Calendars now for sale</p> <p>The Institute's beautiful 2024 calendars, featuring St. Mary's Oratory on the front cover, are now available for only \$3 each in Nancy's. Purchase them for all your family and friends and help spread the knowledge of the Institute's mission throughout the world.</p> <p>Please take the time to peruse the other wonderful items available in Nancy's shop as well. All proceeds from sales at the shop go toward our American seminarians in need.</p>	
<p align="center">St. John's Wine Blessing Tuesday, December 27</p> <p>The feast of the Apostle St. John falls during the Octave of Christmas. St. John was miraculously preserved from poisoned wine. It is also his Gospel which recounts Our Savior's first public miracle, the changing of water into wine at the wedding at Cana. His first miracle was performed to bring joy, and so the Church wishes to bring joy to her children during the Christmas season by blessing wine on St. John's Day. Those who have wine to bless may bring it to Scholz Hall immediately after Mass.</p>	
<p align="center">Sledding Party Wednesday, February 7 6:00-9:00 PM</p> <p>Join us for a sledding party at Sylvan Hills in Wausau on Wednesday, February 7 from 6:00 until 9:00 PM.</p> <p>We will share a pot luck lunch, and those over 42 inches in height are invited to sled. Tubes are provided; just come with good winter clothes. Hot dogs and drinks will also be provided, but please feel free to supplement with other dishes. All are welcome!</p> <p>Location: 1329 Sylvan Street, Wausau.</p> <p>From I39/US51 North, go east on Bridge Street through Wausau, to left (north) on 6th Street to right (northeast) on Horseshoe Spring Road to right (east) on Sylvan Street to park.</p>	<p align="center"><u>MUSIC FOR SUNDAY MASS</u></p> <p align="center">□ Entrance <i>On Jordan's Bank</i></p> <p align="center">Kyrie, Sanctus, & Agnus Dei <i>Mass XVII</i></p> <p align="center">Credo I</p> <p align="center">Offertory <i>Veni, Veni Emmanuel</i></p> <p align="center">Communion <i>Rorate Caeli- Gregorian Chant</i> <i>Alma Redemptoris Mater - Gregorian Chant</i></p> <p align="center">Recessional <i>O Come, Divine Messiah</i></p>



Liturgical Calendar



	<i>Mass Offered</i>	<i>Offered For</i>	<i>Servers</i>
Sun. 12/17 7:00 AM	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY)	The Souls of Leo & Louise Pintens By the Albert Family	Robert Borger Candidate
Sun. 12/17 8:30 AM	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY)	The Hale, Grabko, & Doyle Families By Thomas & Colleen Hale	Candidate Jack Kocha
Sun. 12/17 10:30 AM	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY)	Souls of Ronald & Susan Bornbach By Kathy Richardson	MC: Joseph Leitermann Th: Christopher Cary A1: Ambrose Hancock A2: Raphael Hancock
Mon. 12/18 6:00 PM	Expectation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Jack Scholz By Andy Scholz	Matthew Prusinski Marc Prusinski
Tue. 12/19 8:00 AM	Feria	Soul of Esther Strehlow By Sue Strehlow	Isaac McNally Thabit Ahmed
Wed. 12/20 8:00 AM	Ember Wednesday in Advent	Soul of William Duginske By Elaine Duginske	Trent Hickey Jude McNally
Thurs. 12/21 6:00 PM	Saint Thomas, the Apostle	Soul of Claire Campbell By Richard & Phyllis Vance	Luke Mayer Damien Cochran
Fri. 12/22 8:00 AM	Ember Friday in Advent	Nancy Heideman By Terry Scheid	John Simonson Joseph Zielinski
Sat. 12/23 8:00 AM	Ember Saturday in Advent	Michael Archibald & Sons, Aiden Luke & Kaleb Xavier By Mom & Grandma	Felix Van Tiem Jacob Wood
Sun. 12/24 7:00 AM	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (RORATE SUNDAY)	Mary Kunz By Mary Kroupa	Robert Borger Candidate
Sun. 12/24 8:30 AM	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (RORATE SUNDAY)	Our Children & Godchildren By Aaron & Sara Schroers	Candidate Jack Kocha
Sun. 12/24 10:30 AM	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (RORATE SUNDAY)	The Alex Sommers Family By Jonathon & Kara Grove	MC: James Zahn Th: Joseph Grittner A1: Jude Zielinski A2: Alex Velder

Collections: Second Sunday of Advent (12/10/23) 7:00 / \$ 1080.50 8:30 / \$ 1084.00 10:30 / \$ 3549.07 Total: \$ 5713.57
Feast of the Immaculate Conception (12/08/23) 8:00 / \$ 1046.25 6:00 / \$2783.00 Total: \$ 3829.25

PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

Mary Kunz, Mercedes Gomez-Duncan†, Kyle McCarty, Bernadette Moreau†, Wolfgang von Waldstein†, Steve Ravet, Virginia Mae Tritzt†, Cindy Boudreau†, Tassy Sobotka†, Margie Schrader, Rita Demski, Kathleen Worzalla, Raphael Cary, Phillip Couri†, Jennifer Tack, The Orthober Family, Harold Huberfeld, Rev. Canon Henrique Fragelli†, Ronald Borski†, Thomas Hynes†, Alice Delores Zielinski†, Scott Timmerman†, Walter Avis†, Ronald Copeland†, Jennifer Johnson, Lena Wood. Ronald Sorci†, Thomas Burke†, Robert Ellis†, Marie Archibald, Fr. Don Meuret†, Jenny Maszk†, Rick Avidano†, Heidi Roberts, Clay Schulz†, Janene Ravet, Eric Gajewski, Scott Sedivy†, Michael, Aiden Luke, & Kaleb Xavier Archibald, Thomas Narvaez†, the Carl Shibler family, Beth Bornbach & Johanna Puls, Gloria Sebold†, Dina Forbes, Lee Mahner†, Effie Schmidt, Aaron Mahner, Barry Denton†, William & Margaret Butzen†, Shirley Farrell, James Drexler†, Richard & Patricia Jesse†, Joanne Gabert†, Luc Bisson†, Hannah Rescht†, Raymond Sommers†, David and Barbara LeCompte†, Harry & Concie Rajamannan†, Amity Grey, Susan Dehnke†, Darlene Sommers, William Cornelson†, Marta Gerstenberger†, Robert Kleinschmidt, Richard Rzentkowski†, Ronald & Susan Bornbach†, Robert Michanowicz†, Randy Rzentkowski†, Jacob Stachovak†, Chad Atwood†, Carson Makuski†, John Salzman†, Jon Schuster†, Elsie Rochholz, Jesse Wiesman, Mary Moe, Jeremy Gunderson, Carl Christensen†, Warren Gruetzmacher†, Helen Leitermann†, Billy Stoltz†, Eva Buschkreit†, Elisabeth Plaut†, Patricia Christensen†, Gregory Wietrzychowski†, Timothy Gontarz†, Dawn Leitermann†, Rodger Beeber†, Christine Nitka†, Patti Levings†, Judy Gibson, Michael Ellis†, Judith Radtke†, Marilyn Zabel†, Gloria Kafka†, Katie Wilhelm†, Dan Zignego†, Gerald Strehlow†, Dorothy Hartman†, Carol Sutherland†, Kathleen Sommers†, Terry Ryan†, Francine Malbone, Daryl Egelkrou†, Lois Leggett†, John Cary†, William Zeitz†, Clenice Conde Matheus†, Steven, Elizabeth & Tina Anderton†, the Les Kroupa Family†, Mark & Mary Krueger†, Leopold Heinan†, Virginia Reis†, Tammy Judkins, Holly Heideman, the Kropp Family, Theresa Darde†, Gene Farley†, Susan Lepak†, Joe Winetzk†, Keith Rainville†, Marilyn Heidvogel†, Eitrem & Zoern families, James McNally, Jr.†, Tom Schrader†, Mary Jane Fleischman†, Joanne & Jim Sheridan, Edward Osterbrink†, Gen. Martin Brandtner†, Raymond Maas†, Patty Fink†, Paul Nell, Thomas Trautmann, Teresa Baertlein†, Joe McGrath†, Margaret Weidenbener†, Jeanne Barie†, Mitchell Koltz†, Magdeline Zbella†, Michael Rogan†, Sr. Rosemary Smith†, Lenny Salzman†, John Schrader†, Sharon Nikolai†, Harold Baertlein†, Chad Wogernese†.



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The 'O' Antiphons

On December 17 the Church begins to sing the 'O' antiphons at Vespers. These antiphons are very ancient, and it is from them that the verses of the hymn 'O Come, O Come Emmanuel' are derived. Each one of them presents a biblical title of the Messiah. They are the highlight of the Church's preparation to Christmas.

December 17: *O Sapientia*

O Wisdom, who camest from the mouth of the Most High, reaching from end to end and ordering all things mightily and sweetly: come, and teach us the way of prudence.

December 21: *O Oriens*

O dawn of the east, brightness of light eternal, and sun of justice: come, and enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

December 18: *O Adonai*

O Lord and Ruler the house of Israel, who didst appear to Moses in the flame of the burning bush and gavest him the law on Sinai: come, and redeem us with outstretched arms.

December 22: *O Rex Gentium*

O King of the gentiles and their desired One, cornerstone that makest all to be one: come, and deliver man, whom thou didst form out of the clay of the earth.

December 19: *O Radix Jesse*

O Root of Jesse, who standest for an ensign of the people, before whom the kings keep silence and unto whom the Gentiles shall make supplication: come to deliver us, and tarry not.

December 23: *O Emmanuel*

O Emmanuel, our King and Lawgiver, expectation of the nations and their Saviour: come to save us, O Lord our God.

December 20: *O Clavis David*

O Key of David, and scepter of the house of Israel, who openest and no man shutteth, who shuttest and no man openeth: come, and lead forth from prison the captive who sitteth in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Important Announcement:

December 25 is the feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, and is a Holy Day of Obligation in the Universal Church.

This year Christmas falls on a Monday, which means that in addition to our Sunday obligation, we must attend Mass on Monday, December 25.

Therefore, all Catholics should attend Sunday Mass AND one of the three Christmas Masses:

CHRISTMAS MASSES AT SAINT MARY'S ORATORY:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Confessions 10:30 PM

Carols at 11:15 PM

DECEMBER 25

Christmas Midnight Mass at 12:00 AM

Christmas Mass at dawn at 7:00 AM

Christmas Mass during the day at 8:30 AM

Christmas Midnight

Mass:

MC: Gabriel Cary

Thurifer: Stephen Mahner

Ac1: Jacob Wood

Ac2: Jude McNally

Christmas Mass during

the day:

MC: John Simonson

Thurifer: Luke Mayer

Ac1: Trent Hickey

Ac2: Andrew Leitermann