First Sunday of Advent  ☝️  December 1, 2019

Our Mission

We are a welcoming Eucharistic community committed to growing together as disciples of Jesus Christ. As both a parish and the Mother Church of the Archdiocese, we serve as a beacon of faith, a patron of the arts and a haven and advocate for people who are poor and marginalized.

Mass Schedule

Sunday, the Lord’s Day
5:15 pm  
(Saturday, Mass of Anticipation);  
9:00 am and 11:00 am

Weekday Mass
Monday through Saturday Morning  
(in the Day Chapel)  
at 7:45 am and 5:15 pm

Becoming a Parishioner

Do you attend Mass or other events at the Cathedral on a regular basis? Would you like to become a parishioner? Registration takes place at First Sunday Coffee the first Sunday of the month or online by visiting www.stjohncathedral.org.

1st Sunday of Advent

“So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”  
- Mt 24:44

1er Domingo de Adviento

“También ustedes estén preparados, porque a la hora que menos lo piensan, vendrá el Hijo del hombre”.  
- Mt 24, 44

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2020 Parish Stewardship

You have received a letter from Bishop Jeff asking you to make your pledge of financial support for the coming year. As you prayerfully consider your commitment of financial support, reflect on the power of a gift joyfully shared. Your financial support benefits all those served through the vital ministries of our parish. Giving also benefits the giver who experiences the joy and wonder of making a difference by living as God intended, living as a good and faithful steward. Please return your completed 2020 Parish Stewardship pledge card to the parish office or drop in the collection basket at mass by December 20th.

If we can realize that everything is God’s Gift how happy will our Hearts Be! ~ Pope Francis

Music & Fine Arts
this Week at the Cathedral

Sunday • December 1, 2019
No Choirs

Wednesday • December 4, 2019
12:15P Concert ☢️ Emma Peng, guitar

Sunday • December 8, 2019
11:00A Mass ☢️ Cathedral Choir
5:15P ☢️ Cathedral Choir, Handbell Ensemble, Voces Mundi, Women’s Choir & Scola

Scripture with Scholars

Wednesday, December 4, 2019
Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist Atrium - 7:00 – 8:30 pm
Free and open to the public

“‘O’ What a Season!”

Michael S. Donahou, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Religious Studies and Philosophy Department
Cardinal Stritch University

Volunteers Needed

“Fr. Mike’s Evening in Advent”
Saturday, December 7, 2019
To help set up (5:00 pm), serve (6:30 pm) clean up (9:00 pm)
If you can help, please contact Pat Wisialowski at patwisialowski@stjohncathedral.org or 414/276-9814, ext. 302. Thank you in advance!
Advent Food for Thought

In the Catholic faith, Advent is a season of anticipation of the coming light brought not by the sun, but by the Son of God, the source of all light. In joyful expectation of that arrival, it is only natural for people to seek out the companionship of others, to offer hospitality to others through food.

"Eating together involves more than just appeasing hunger," wrote Sara Covin Juengst in *Breaking Bread: The Spiritual Significance of Food* (Westminster/John Knox Press, 1992). "It is an activity that includes sharing, celebration, learning from one another, and providing for the helpless, a ritual that brings comfort, satisfaction, pleasure, creativity, sustenance, nurture, appreciation, and healing. It satisfies many levels of human needs."

By Mary Ann Castronovo Fusco

Christmas Flower Memorials

We are currently accepting memorial donations for Christmas poinsettias and evergreens. If you would like to remember a loved one during this Christmas season, please send your memorial to the parish office, either in the envelope provided in your monthly packet, or in an envelope marked "Christmas Flower Memorial." Memorial Donations may be made through Friday, December 27 to be included in our annual listing on Sunday, January 5th. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Please be assured of our prayers for your loved ones!

Expecting a Baby?

The next Baptism Preparation Class will be on Sunday, December 22 at 10:00 am in the North meeting room on the second floor of the Weakland Center. You can take the elevator in the Atrium. If you have any questions about Baptism at the Cathedral please visit: www.stjohncathedral.org/index.php/baptism or contact Pat Wisialowski, Pastoral Associate, at patwisialowski@stjohncathedral.org, or phone 414/276-9814. Thank you.

A community living out our discipleship through...
Weekly Worship, Scripture Sharing, Daily Prayer, Stewardship, Spiritual Friendship and Reconciliation.
The Cathedral Fine Arts Commission and Music Ministry invite you to a celebration of this holy season.

MAKE STRAIGHT IN THE DESERT
A Service of Advent Lessons and Carols

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2019
5:15PM

Featuring the resident choirs and ensembles of the Cathedral

Tickets are not required.
A freewill offering benefiting Catholic Charities will be taken.

For more information, contact the Cathedral Music Office at (414) 276-9814, x305, visit us online at www.stjohncathedral.org/finearts, or join us on Facebook.

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Vespers

Looking for some quiet prayer time during this busy season? Then join us for Vespers (Evening Prayer) this Sunday evening at 5:15 pm. The 30 minute service includes the lighting of candles, chanting of psalms and canticles, incense and intercessory prayer. It is an ideal liturgy for helping to prepare for Christmas.

Why is it important to be registered at a parish?

Our faith journey is not walked alone. One of the joys of being a Christian is that we are one body in Christ and we are connected as a family, with God as our Father.

Active parish membership indicates that we take our faith life seriously. We need a community of believers to support and nourish our faith life, and with whom we celebrate the Eucharist. We ask you to show your involvement and membership in your parish to express your commitment to the larger Church community. It is not merely another hoop to jump through.

Active parish membership helps us to get connected and stay connected to our Church! So, it’s more than merely signing a form and filling out your mailing address. It’s standing up to say that you will not just go to Mass, but that you want to be an active member in the parish, contributing to the life of the community. The people make the parish, so your life gives Christ’s light to others and vice versa.

Registering at a parish is a simple way in which we show our commitment to worshiping with the larger Church community and living out our Catholic faith. If you are not currently registered somewhere, you may take this opportunity to register at the parish where you regularly attend.

Feel free to contact Pat Wisialowski, Pastoral Associate, with any questions or concerns about parish membership you may have at patwisialowski@stjohncathedral.org or 414/276-9814, ext. 302.

Readings for the Week of December 1

SUN: Is 2:1-5/ Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 1]/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44
MON: Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11
TUE: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24
WED: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37
THU: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118: 1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27
FRI: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31
SAT: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
SUN: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 [cf. 7]/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12
The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist’s Women’s Spirituality Group invites you to please join us on Friday, December 6, 2019 for our monthly Lunch/Discussion gathering led by Pat Wisialowski, Cathedral Pastoral Associate. Women’s Spirituality is a group of women who meet monthly on the First Friday to enjoy intelligent conversations pertinent to current issues in the contemporary church. Camaraderie, special guests, lively discussions, and even luscious desserts are “perks” making this a most worthwhile way to spend a lunch hour. Come occasionally or come each month!

**Birthing Wisdom**

**Presenter: Nancie Chmielewski**

“We are in the season of advent, a time that is rife with birth stories in Scripture and in cultural symbol. We, too, are pregnant with life, wailing in labor to give birth to the wisdom that is rightfully ours by virtue of our womanhood! Join us as we look into the wisdom we have, how we may desire its birthing in new ways, and how we can bring light to our loves by fully living into that wisdom.”

Our Guest presenter this month is Nancie Chmielewski. Nancie has served in many ministerial capacities, 24 years professionally and many years prior as a faithful parishioner. She currently serves the Milwaukee parish faith community of Our Lady of Lourdes as Parish Director, a position she has held since 2017. She earned a BA from Mount Mary University in Fashion Design, a MAPS Degree from St. Francis Seminary, and a certificate in Spiritual/Direction from The Sacred Journey Spiritual Companioning program. She has a passion for women’s concerns, weaving, sewing and general creating. Please join us and invite your friends.

Please RSVP by 12:00 Noon, Wednesday, December 4, 2019 to Jim at JimTrzebiatowski@stjohncathedral.org or 414/276-9814 ext. 308. Please include your name with your RSVP. Thank you.

If you are interested in ordering a sandwich from Cousins Subs, please call or email for more information (price is $8.00 each).
The First Sunday of Advent  
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Pastoral Care
Are any among you sick?
James 5:14

The Pastoral Care Phone Extension (414/276-9814, ext. 603) is a special line dedicated exclusively to receiving requests for ministry and service to those who are sick, hospitalized, home-bound, residents of nursing homes or health care facilities or in need of the Sacraments and prayer.

The Prayer Link (ext. 604 or prayerlink@stjohncathedral.org) is a line/email address dedicated to receiving requests for prayer by other parishioners and friends of the Cathedral.

If you would like to be part of the Prayer Link and pray for parishioners please contact Pat Wisialowski, Pastoral Associate.

To arrange for a priest, deacon or lay minister to visit a loved one who is sick, homebound, or hospitalized, please contact the parish office. Because of HIPAA policies, a hospital cannot notify the Cathedral of an admittance, so a family member must take the initiative. Anointing is also offered the second Saturday of the month at the 5:15 pm Mass.

This Week on the Calendar

| Sunday • December 1 |  
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| First Sunday Coffee |  
| 9:00A | Advent Celebration (Atrium) |
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| 5:15P | Vespers Advent (Cathedral) |
| Monday • December 2 |  
| 5:15P | St. Vincent de Paul (Open Door Café) |
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| 6:30P | Formation Meeting (Atrium) |
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| 6:45P | Centering Prayer (North Meeting Room) |
| Tuesday • December 3 |  
| 9:30A | Pastoral Staff Meeting (Meeting Room C) |
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| 6:00P | Rehearsal: Handbell Ensemble (Cathedral) |
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| 6:00P | Rehearsal: Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass (Atrium) |
| Wednesday • December 4 |  
| 12:15P | Wednesday Concert (Cathedral) |
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| 5:30P | AA Meeting (North Meeting Room) |
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| 7:00P | Rehearsal: Cathedral Choir (Cathedral) |
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| 7:00P | Scripture with Scholars (Atrium) |
| Thursday • December 5 |  
| 12:15P | AA Meeting (Meeting Room B) |
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| 6:00P | Rehearsal: Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass (Atrium) |
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| 7:00P | Rehearsal: Voces Mundi (Cathedral) |
| Friday • December 6 |  
| 10:15A | Hygiene Kit Distribution (Parish Center Lobby) |
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| 12:00P | Women’s Spirituality Meeting (Center Meeting Room) |
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| 6:00P | St. Nicholas Celebration (Atrium) |
| Saturday • December 7 |  
| 9:00A | Rehearsal: Lessons & Carols (Cathedral) |
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| 6:30P | An Evening in Advent (Atrium) |
| Sunday • December 8 |  
| 12:00P | Tour: General Cathedral (Cathedral) |
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| 12:00P | Baptism Preparation Class (Spanish) (North Meeting Room) |
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| 5:15P | Advent Lessons & Carols (Cathedral) |
| Monday • December 2: Advent Weekday |  
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| 7:45A |  
| 5:15P |  
| Tuesday • December 3: Saint Francis Xavier, Priest |  
| 7:45A | Living & Deceased Members of Connors Family |
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| 5:15P |  
| Wednesday • December 4: Advent Weekday |  
| 12:15P | Hygiene Kit Distribution (Parish Center Lobby) |
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| 6:00P | Rehearsal: Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass (Atrium) |
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| 7:00P | Rehearsal: Voces Mundi (Cathedral) |
| Thursday • December 5: Advent Weekday |  
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| 7:45A |  
| 5:15P |  
| Friday • December 6: Advent Weekday |  
| 7:45A | Living & Deceased Members of Connors Family |
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| 5:15P |  
| Saturday • December 7: Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church |  
| 7:45A |  
| Sunday • December 8: Second Sunday of Advent |  
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| 12:00P | Tour: General Cathedral (Cathedral) |
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| 12:00P | Baptism Preparation Class (Spanish) (North Meeting Room) |
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| 5:15P | Advent Lessons & Carols (Cathedral) |
Welcome to the Cathedral

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Mass Schedule & Sacramental Celebrations

Eucharist:
Sundays: Saturday, 5:15PM (Mass of Anticipation) 9:00 & 11:00AM
Daily: 7:45AM and 5:15PM (Cathedral Day Chapel)
Holy Days: As published in the bulletin.

Reconciliation: 4:30 to 5:00PM Monday-Friday or by appointment.

Infant Baptism: Baptism preparation sessions are held for already registered Cathedral parish parents for the Catholic commitment they are making for their child. Please contact Pastoral Associate.

Christian Marriage: Marriages are scheduled for parishioners who have been registered for at least one year. Preparation sessions with a priest begins no later than six months before the marriage date.

Communion for the Sick: Parishioners who are confined to their home may have the Eucharist brought to them. Call the parish office and ask for the Pastoral Care extension, 603.

Sacrament of Anointing: Make arrangements anytime. Communal anointing celebrated on the second Saturday of each month at the 5:15PM Mass (unless otherwise noted in the bulletin).

Confirmation (Adult Catholics): Preparation begins each January. Please contact the Pastoral Associate.

Initiation into the Catholic Church (RCIA): Please contact the Pastoral Associate.

Annulment Support: Thinking about an annulment? Want more information on the process? Please contact the Pastoral Associate.

Looking for a Parish?

If you are new to the area or are looking for a parish, please consider joining us.
Call the parish office to receive more information. New Parishioner Registration takes place after all Masses the first weekend of each month.

Parish Office/Parish Center Hours

Parish Office: 8:00AM - 4:30PM
Parish Center: 8:00AM - 7:00PM Monday-Thursday
8:00AM - 4:00PM Friday

Bulletin submissions are due by 9:00 a.m. Monday morning to Cathy Quandt at BulletinEditor@stjohncathedral.org.

If you attend Mass at any of the Catholic Communities of Our Lady of Divine Providence, Ss. Peter and Paul, Old St. Mary, and Three Holy Women, you can place your offertory envelope from your home parish in the basket and it will be forwarded for you.