

St. Peter Catholic Church

The Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 20th, 2020



Mass & Confession Schedule

Saturday Vigil	5 p.m.
Sunday	8:15, 9:35, & 11 a.m.
Mon., Wed., & Fri.	8:30 a.m.
Saturdays (TLM)	8:30 a.m.
Mon., Wed., & Fri.	11:15 a.m.
Traditional Latin Mass (TLM)	
Tuesday (TLM)	6:45 a.m.
Thursday	7 p.m.
Holy Hour (Thursday)	7:30 p.m.
Adoration (Friday)	9 - 11 a.m.
Holyday of Obligation	8:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m. (TLM), & 7 p.m.

Confessions

Mon, Wed., Fri., Sat.	10 minutes after morning Masses
Thursday	7:30–8:30 p.m.
Saturday	4–4:45 p.m.

Art Credit: *The Annunciation*

Bartolome Esteban Murillo, circa 1670

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Mass Intentions and Feasts

The Fourth Sunday of Advent (Readings: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38 (11) Pss IV)

December 19 5 p.m. Vigil Mass John B. Sheehy +
December 20 8:15 a.m. Martin G.. Bobak +
9:35 a.m. TLM Jean and John Hagarty
11 a.m. For all parishioners

Monday— Saint Peter Cansius, Priest and Doctor of the Church

December 21 8:30 a.m. President Donald Trump
11:15 a.m. TLM Fr. Jerome Fasano

Tuesday— Advent Weekday

December 22 6:45 a.m. President Donald Trump

Wednesday— Saint John of Kanty, Priest

December 23 8:30 a.m. Louis Davis and Family
11:15 a.m. TLM Clifford Tuttle

Thursday— Advent Weekday

December 24 4:00 p.m. William Sheehy +
7:00 p.m. Hugh and Amy Wingate

Friday— The Nativity of the Lord

December 25 12:00 a.m. TLM Woltering Family
9:30 a.m. Michael Sheehy +

Saturday— Saint Stephen, The First Martyr

December 26 8:30 a.m. (TLM) Catherine McGuirk
4 p.m. Confessions
5 p.m. Vigil Mass Lousi Davis and Family

Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for the following parishioners and their relatives:

Joseph Miller
Gerald Hoffman
Elaine Viguerie
Nicholas Hovey
Walt Cybrowski
Joan Gannon
Michael and Eileen Hawkins
Theresa Carney
Edna Albanese
Karen Thornhill
Charlie Coble
Jim Haley



The Year of Saint Joseph

Pope Francis has declared a year in honor of Saint Joseph from Dec. 8, 2020 to Dec. 8, 2021. There are special plenary indulgences granted during this year, including the following:

-The plenary indulgence is granted to those who will meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord's Prayer, or take part in a Spiritual Retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph. "St. Joseph, an authentic man of faith, invites us", the decree reads, "to rediscover our filial relationship with the Father, to renew fidelity to prayer, to listen and correspond with profound discernment to God's will."

Collections for Sunday, December 6th:

General Collection: \$1,704 / \$2,505 online

Building Fund: \$685 / \$605 online

Poor Box: \$250

Christmas Caroling

For anyone interested in caroling at Christmas, we are planning to sing Christmas carols before the Midnight Mass from 11:15 to 11:45 pm. If you would like to join us, we will be practising after the 9:35 am Mass on Sunday, December 13 and 20 during the coffee hour. We are also looking for someone to provide accompaniment on the organ or piano. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Woltering at: denisejwoltering@gmail.com

Legion of Mary

"When Jesus said the words: "Behold your Mother," He meant this: "My wounds are sources of graces that flow only through Mary." (St. Andrew of Crete)

This is another highlight from the Maia Legionis, the Legion of Mary magazine. Learn more about working with Mary by coming to our weekly meetings at noon on Wednesdays in the CCD room off of the Father Albert parish hall.

More Announcements

-An opportunity exists to assist one of our own, former St. Peter parishioner Simon Vittitow, who is discerning with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal and is now Brother John Baptist. He has three more years until he makes Solemn Profession, God willing. He is making a mission trip to Haiti from December 31-Jan. 9, 2021, evangelizing and doing manual labor to help provide dignified living conditions to the Haitian people. Please consider supporting him with your prayers, and financial support. Checks made out to FRIAR SUPPLIERS should be sent to: Br. John Baptist, 190 Butler St. Paterson, NJ 07524

The Dogmas of the Catholic Church *5 of the 255 Infallibly Declared Dogmas*

- 66) Souls who depart this life in the state of original sin are excluded from the Beatific Vision of God.
- 67) In the beginning of time God created spiritual essences (angels) out of nothing.
- 68) The nature of angels is spiritual.
- 69) The secondary task of the good angels is the protection of men and care for their salvation.
- 70) The Devil possesses a certain dominion over mankind by reason of Adam's sin.

Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24th:

4 p.m.

7 p.m. (Caroling at 6:40 p.m.)

December 25th:

Midnight:
Traditional Latin Mass, Sung
9:30 a.m.

ATTENDING THE TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

Dear folks: Due to the increasing popularity of the Traditional Latin Mass on Sundays and our limited seating capacity, I am afraid that I will have to implement a system to give priority to those who are parishioners or quasi-parishioners, meaning those who regularly attend the TLM and have been helping in the support of the parish. Those who meet this requirement will be given a ticket for each person in their family that is old enough to need their own seat. Beginning with Christmas Mass, in order to be let in before the official start time of Mass you will need to show the usher a ticket for every person entering. If there is still seating once Mass has begun then you will be allowed in. Efforts will be made to have overflow in the hall but at the time of writing, I cannot guarantee that. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. God bless.

St. Andrew Christmas Prayer

Please join us in praying the St. Andrew Christmas Prayer from Nov. 30 – Dec. 24. It is piously believed that whoever recites the prayer 15 times a day during this time will obtain what is asked.

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour, vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed

Pastor's Piece

Dear Folks,

As we come close to celebrating the mystery of our Lord being born for us we see who is the real Lord and power in the universe. The emperor sent out his decree to all the world that they should be enrolled in their home town. Had God not decreed this beforehand by saying that His Christ would be born in Bethlehem? We must not fear the powers of this world but rather place all our trust in the God who loved us enough to become one of us.

God bless!
-Fr. Beres