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Saturday: 4:00PM  
Sunday: 8:30 & 11:30AM

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8:00AM — Monday-Tuesday,  
Thursday, Friday,  
Saturday  
7:00AM — 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of  
the month  
6:00PM — Wednesdays.

**HOLY DAY MASSES**

As announced.

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Please make arrangements in advance by  
calling the Parish Office.

**WEDDING**

Please contact the Parish Office one year  
before the wedding date.

**HOSPITAL VISITATION**

Please contact the Parish Office if you are  
going to be hospitalized.

**NEWCOMERS**

We welcome you to the Cathedral of St.  
Joseph. You may register at the Parish Office  
Mon., Tues., Thurs. 8:30AM-3:00PM and  
Wed. & Fri. 8:30AM-1:00PM

**When changing address or leaving the  
parish, please advise the Parish Office.**

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

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## Second Sunday of Advent December 6, 2020

### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, December 7

*Is 35:1-10...Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14...Lk 5:17-26*

8:00 AM Mass – No intention scheduled

6:00 PM Vigil Mass for Immaculate Conception

#### Tuesday, December 8

*Gn 3:9-15, 20...Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4...Eph 1:306, 11-12...Lk 1:26-38*

6:15 AM Mass – John Robertson +

6:00 PM Mass for Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

#### Wednesday, December 9

*Is 40:25-31...103:1-2, 3-4, 8 & 10...Mt 11:28-30*

6:00 PM Mass – No intention scheduled

(Mass also live-streamed)

#### Thursday, December 10

*Is 41:13-20...Ps 145:1 & 9, 10-11, 12-13ab...Mt 11:11-15*

8:00 AM Mass – Alfred Strube +

#### Friday, December 11

*Is 48:17-19...Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6...Mt 11:16-19*

8:00 AM Mass – Berkemeier & Beery Families +

(Mass also live-streamed)

#### Saturday, December 12

*Zwc 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab...*

*Jud 13:18bcde, 19Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47*

9:00 AM Mass – Charlie Crotty Sr. +

4:00 PM Mass – Pusateri and Puccio Families+

#### Sunday, December 13

*Is 61:1-2a, 10-11Lk 1:46-68, 49-50, 53-64...1 Thes 5:16-24*

8:30 AM Mass – Patrick Zeamer Sr. + (Also live-streamed)

11:30 AM Mass – People of the Parish

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is **Tues., Dec. 8**, and is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. On **Mon., Dec. 7**, Cathedral will have a **Vigil Mass at 6 PM** (followed by a mission talk). On **Dec. 8**, Cathedral will have the regular **Tuesday 6:15 AM Mass, 8:00 AM for K-Gr. 4 students, 9:00 AM for Gr. 5-8 students, and 6:00 PM Mass** (followed by a mission talk). There will be a **noon Mass at St. Mary Church on Dec. 8**.

This week, **December 7-11**, we will have **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday – Friday**. Please Sign up at <http://signup.com/go/vaVOXnM> or contact **Amy Roetto, amy\_roetto@hotmail.com** or **816-787-0235**.

There will be a second collection at the Masses next weekend, **Dec. 12-13**, for the **Religious Retirement**. Your gift to this Fund helps provide medications, nursing care, and other necessities for senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Years of serving for little or no pay has left their religious communities without enough retirement savings. Please consider giving to this Fund.

#### WEEKLY OFFERTORY INCOME

Monthly Budget Goal \$63,917.00

	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Aged, Sick &amp; Poor</u>
Week 1	\$14,849.37	\$ 823.00
Week 2	\$ 15,440.65	\$ 835.00
Week 3	\$ 8,761.30	\$ 770.00
Week 4	\$ 6,571.25	\$ 330.00
Week 5	\$ 6,977.50	\$ 0.00
Total	\$52,600.07	\$2,758.00

### This Coming Week

#### Monday, December 7

Classes Resume in School

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions – Church

8:00 AM Mass – Church

9:30-11:00 AM Food Pantry – Rectory Basement

6:00 PM Vigil Mass followed by Parish Mission (also live-streamed)

#### Tuesday, December 8

Parish Office Closed – Diocesan Holiday

6:15 AM Mass – Church

8:00 AM Mass for K-Grade 4 – Church

9:00 AM Mass for Gr. 5-8 - Church

10:00 AM-3:00 PM Adoration of Blessed Sacrament-Church

6:00 PM Mass followed by Parish Mission-Church (also live-streamed)

7:00 PM Boy Scouts Meeting – Gym

#### Wednesday, December 9

8:00 AM-3:00 PM Adoration of Blessed Sacrament-Church

9:00 AM-12 noon Sewing Group – Rectory Basement

9:30-11:00 AM Food Pantry – Rectory Basement

5:00 PM Advisory School Board Meeting

5:20-5:50 PM Confessions – Church

6:00 PM Mass – Church (also live-streamed)

#### Thursday, December 10

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions – Church

8:00 AM Mass – Church

9:00 AM Adoration of Blessed Sacrament-Church

7:00 PM Boy Scouts – Gym

7:00 PM Cathedral Choir Rehearsal - Church

#### Friday, December 11

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions – Church

8:00 AM Mass – Church

9:00 AM-3:00 PM Adoration of Blessed Sacrament-Church

9:30-11:00 AM Food Pantry – Rectory Basement

#### Saturday, December 12

8:20-8:50 AM Confessions – Church

9:00 AM Mass – Church

2:30-3:50 PM Confessions - Church

3:30 PM Rosary - Church

4:00 PM Mass – Church

7:00 PM Rosary (live-streamed)

#### Sunday, December 13

7:50-8:20 AM Confessions - Church

8:00 AM Rosary

8:30 AM Mass – Church (also live-streamed)

9:45-10:45AM SOR – Ruggle Hall

10:30 AM Glory & Praise Choir Rehearsal-Church

10:50-11:20 AM Confessions - Church

11:30 AM Mass – Church

6:30-8:00 PM Confirmation Session – Ruggle Hall

The **Altar Society Fall Sale** continues this weekend in **Ruggle Hall** after the Masses. Wear your mask and shop for many great items. If you are unable to attend, you may contact the **Parish Office** at **232-7763**. An Altar Society member will return your call to take your order and deliver items to you.

View live-stream events at Cathedral through Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/pg/CathedralStJoseph/videos/>.

*“Justice will flourish in his time, and fullness in peace forever.” (Ps 72)*

## Message from Seminarian Pius Nsoh-Awasom. . .

Dear all,

As I sat before the Lord debating what I should write about, I got the sense that I should write what was on my mind and heart at the moment. Whether that be a great idea or not, I don't know. I might be sharing a little too much of my personal trivialities so I could completely understand if you quit reading at this point.

Anyway, here we are at the beautiful seasons of Thanksgiving and Advent. How appropriate it is that the Lord designed the celebration of Thanksgiving to be so close to this special season of Advent. I am full of excitement. I was recently recounting some of my blessings and the sacrifices my parents and the people of God have made for me. As a son, I have always aspired and dreamt that one day I will be able to repay my parents and some extended family for all they have done for me by providing for them; making sure that they don't struggle financially as much as they did when I was younger and retiring them. However, I should confess that I have had a little sadness in my discernment of priesthood that I would not be able to personally do this for them, at least not as I envisioned. Said sadness resurfaced once more today and I asked the Lord to materially provide for their future in ways that I can't. I felt a sense of guilt in asking the Lord for such things. I know that guilt came from me looking ahead at the meager way in which Jesus will come, what His concerns will be, and how He will prepare for His future. But I know He can handle being asked anything. After all, “to whom shall we go?” St. Peter says. He is free to answer me how He wishes. He has already blessed my family and me in many ways. I give Him thanks during this season of Thanksgiving, and I look forward to the realization of His will during this season of hope, Advent. Additionally, I take consolation in the fact that if He calls me to be His priest, I would be able to provide helpful things such as prayer, the sacrifice of the Mass, and the sacraments for the blissful heavenly retirement of my family. But I cannot forget my other family whom I love so dearly. I would also be able to do the same for you the parishioners of Cathedral and St. Mary.

I thank you for all your sacrifices (reading this was sacrifice enough) ...in all seriousness, I thank you for all the sacrifices and for every single prayer you have offered for me. I assure you of my prayers for you as well.

+JMJ  
Pius

This Advent we are collecting cash donations for the **Angel Tree Project**. Shoppers from the **Dynamic Parish team** will put together general gift bags and deliver them to all the parish homebound this Christmas. With COVID risk still high, we have a long list of homebound parishioners. Please help meet this need by putting your donation in an envelope marked “Angel Tree”, placing it in the collection basket at Mass, or drop it off at the Parish Office. If you can help with deliveries, please call or text **Jeanne Modlin** at **262-3697**. If you have homebound family members or are aware of any homebound parishioners, please contact the **Parish Office, 232-7763**.

We will have a small Mission at the Cathedral and St. Mary's. **Fr. John Anthony Boughton, CFR** will be giving a talk in the Cathedral this **Sunday at 6pm** and all are welcome. He will be talking on devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Father is a convert to the Faith and the General Vicar of the CFR's. He also will be presiding and preaching at the **6pm Masses on Dec. 7 and Dec. 8** at the Cathedral. We plan on **live-streaming** the talk and Masses at the Cathedral on our Facebook page. To view the live-streaming, go to: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/CathedralStJoseph/videos/>. You are welcome to pass this on to your friends and put it on any social media.

There will be a **Confirmation** session for our teens next **Sunday, Dec. 13, 6:30-8:00 PM** in **Ruggle Hall**.

**Coram Deo**, the Catholic young adult group, will meet on **Thurs., Dec. 10!** Meet at **Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish** for Adoration and food at **6:10 PM**, followed by an activity in the St. Joseph area. All young adults aged 22-35 are invited to attend. Hope to see you there! Questions? Please contact **Ally Goetz** at [goetz.ally@gmail.com](mailto:goetz.ally@gmail.com).

## **Check It Out...The Good News of Cathedral**

- **Congratulations to Derek Ott & Raychel Baker**, Cathedral Class of 08, on the birth of their son, **Boston Mackenzie Ott**, on **Nov. 23!**
- **Congratulations to Ben and Noelle Seufert-Hicks**, Cathedral Class of 95 & LB Class of 99, on the birth of their daughter, **Mary Christine Seufert-Hicks**, on **Dec. 1!**
- **Congratulations to William**, Cathedral Class of 03 & LB Class of 07, and **Kara Burgess** on the birth of their son, **Russell “Russ” Scott Burgess**, on **Dec. 1!**
- **Thank you to Gwenth Judah** for her selflessness and thoughtfulness in asking for items for the Food Pantry instead of presents for her birthday! Way to Go, Gwen!

## **School and St. Gianna's Center News**

- The **School Masses** this week for **K-Gr. 4** will be on **Tuesday, Dec. 8** at **8 AM**, and at **9 AM** for **Gr. 5-8**.
- The School will start their annual **Advent Can Food War** on **December 7**. It is a great service project for the Food Pantry and a fun little competition between the classes.
- The **St. Gianna Early Childhood Center** has an immediate opening for a full-time **Preschool Lead Teacher** position. The teacher fulfills the mission of the Catholic Church by planning, guiding and evaluating the learning process of the students. Please contact **Lisa Puett**, Child Care Director, at **233-9794** if you are interested in the position, or know of someone interested in joining the St. Gianna ECC team.

**MIR House of Prayer** is open for adorers committed to a regular Holy Hour (not to the public) and needs help covering these hours: **Thursdays, 3 am on Sundays, 7 am on Mondays, and 5 and 7 PM on Saturdays**. Contact **Lisa Puett, 279-4414**.

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