



CATHEDRAL of SAINT PETER

Masses

Saturday	4:00PM Vigil
Sunday	8:00 & 10:30AM, 5:00PM
Monday– Wednesday	6:45AM
Thursday	8:15AM
Friday	6:45AM
Holydays	6:45AM, 12:10PM

Confessions

Monday-Wednesday	7:15-7:30AM
Friday	7:15-7:30 AM
Thursday	6:00-7:00PM
Saturday	3:00-3:45PM

Perpetual Help Novena

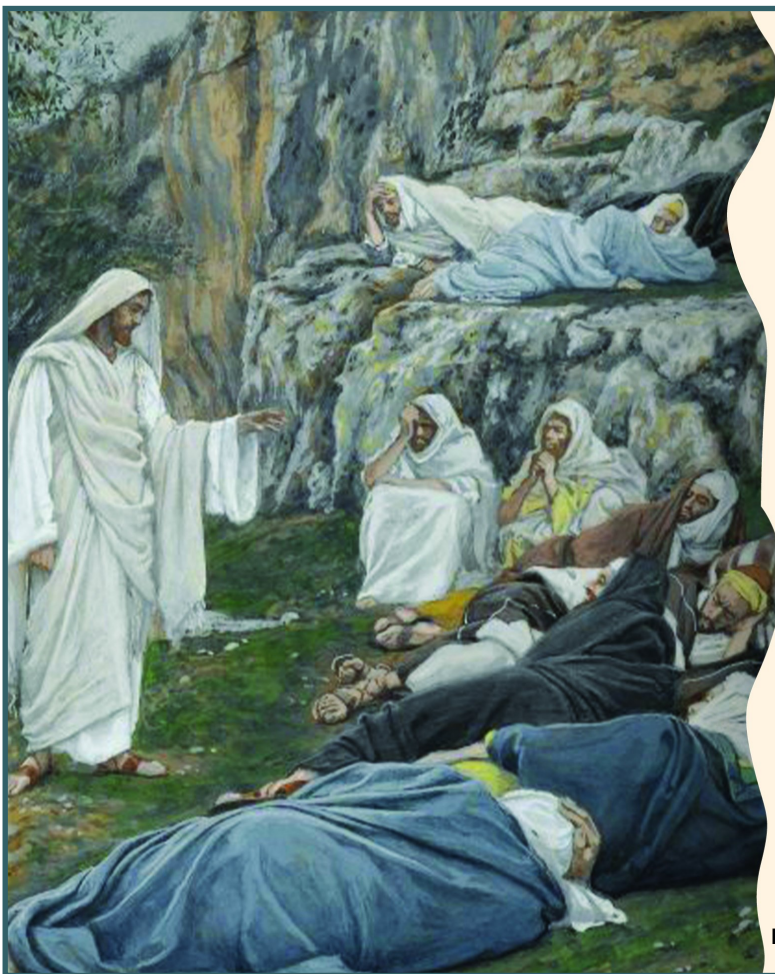
Tuesday after 6:45AM Mass

Holy Hour

Thursday	6:00-7:00PM
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Most Reverend Michael G. McGovern, Bishop of Belleville

December 3, 2023 ♦ First Sunday of Advent



1st Sunday of Advent

**“Be watchful! Be alert!
You do not know when
the time will come.”
-Mark 13:33**

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From Fr. Godfrey

ADVENT. Today begins the season of Advent. This year, we have a mere twenty-two days to prepare ourselves for the birth of the Savior. As we try to make that happen, maybe there are some lessons we can learn from other parts of life. Our Christmas shopping might give us reason to reflect on our ability to be generous.

Christmas is a time when **generosity** seems to reach its zenith. It proves to us that we can be generous, beautifully so. How about a five-minute drive without the radio or phone to reflect on who merits our generosity and who doesn't, what gifts I'm willing to share and which I'm not? The example of the King of kings is simple: give all that we can for the good of all. We'll also be singing Advent **songs**, which tap into the darkness of this month: the days are becoming shorter. In the chant of the Church, we use lots of Gregorian Mode 4 in Advent, which has a mixed emotion: hopeful but concerned. Much of the Advent music works the same: we must be people of hope, but the darkness threatens. Christ will conquer, to be sure! What worries do I hold which Christ might enlighten, lift, and help me release? Over time, the trees go up and the rest of the **decorations**: a reminder of the festivity for which we plan. They remind us: rarely do great things happen without careful preparation. Decorating the tree, buying the food, making travel arrangements and plans for meals – it's all preparation and reminds us again of a skill we already have: **joyful preparation**. This Advent, I urge us all to examine our generosity, to sing or pray with hope, and to prepare for the coming of our King – who came in the flesh, comes to us in Word and Sacrament, and will come again in glory.

ADVENT RESOURCES. Please feel free to take a copy of the little booklet I prepared: "Our Daily Prayers." There is a brief psalm that can start out our days during Advent (called the Invitatory), and night prayer, which can help us rest under the protection of the Most High. I hope it's helpful.

DECEMBER 8: HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. Masses for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception – December 7 & 8, are listed elsewhere in the bulletin. Please do make the effort to celebrate our Blessed Mother, the patroness of the Americas.

THANK YOU to all of you for your patience as we navigate these weeks! Good cheer is a great quality to foster!

PRAYING FOR SEMINARIANS

Please pray for our Diocesan Seminarians and for the monks of Saint Meinrad in formation. Each week, I'll list one of them in the bulletin here, with an address, so that if you're inclined, you might drop them a note of support. At the very least, maybe one Hail Mary for each one each week would be helpful. For this week...

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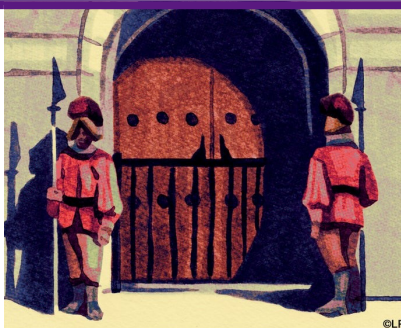
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MUSIC FOR DECEMBER 2/3 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



4:00 PM, 8:00 AM, & 10:30 AM Mass

Preludes

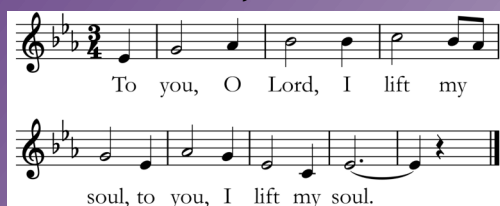
Sleepers, Awake!
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Entrance

#44 O Come Divine Messiah

Psalms

To You, O Lord



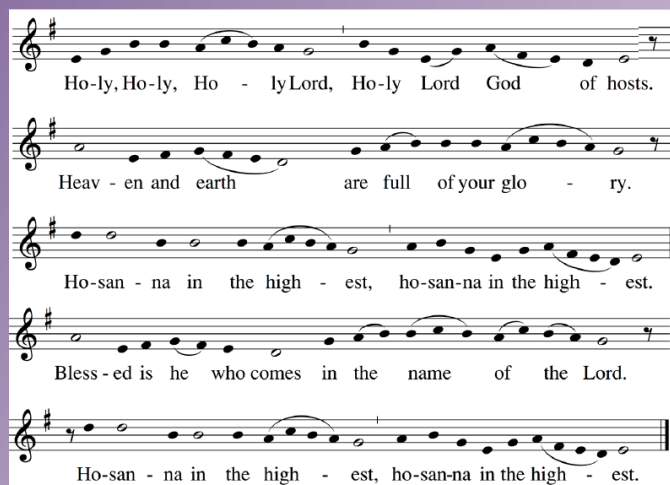
Offertory

#47 The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

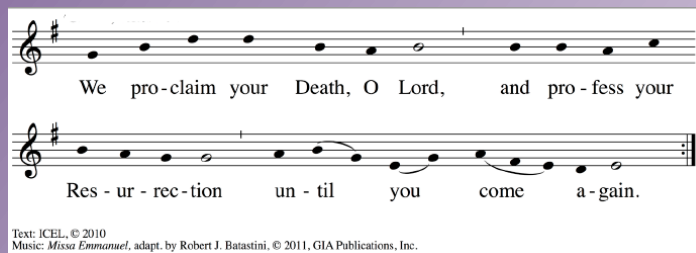
10:30 Choir:

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending,
arr. John Rutter (b. 1949)

Sanctus

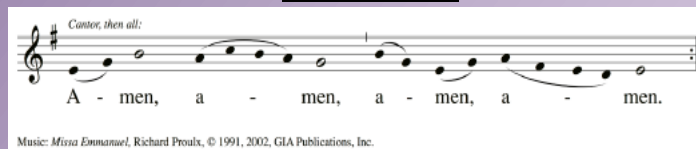


Memorial Acclamation



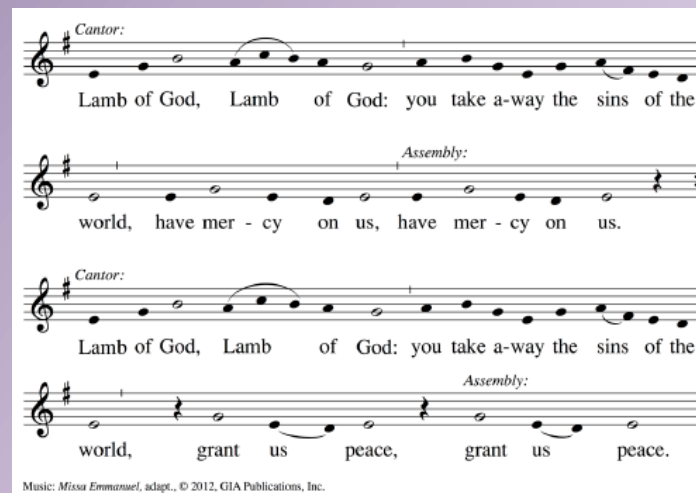
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Great Amen



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Lamb of God



Music: *Missa Emmanuel*, adapt., © 2012, GIA Publications, Inc.

Communion

#49 Patience, People

#476 Holy Darkness, verses 4 & 5

Organ Recessional

Awake, Awake! And Greet the New Morn

WORSHIP

Our Cathedral worship - especially the holy Mass - is directed to the Father, through the Son, in the unity of the Holy Spirit.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 2: Vigil Mass

4:00 pm Jean Dinges
Living & Deceased of Cathedral Parish

Sunday, December 3: First Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Rose Marie Sheer
10:30 am Stephen Trentmann
5:00 pm Society of the Sacred Heart

Monday, December 4: St. John Damascene

6:45 am Jane Blome Schulte

Tuesday, December 5: Weekday

6:45 am Deceased Konradt Family

Wednesday, December 6: St. Nicholas

6:45 am Daniel Stocker

Thursday, December 7: St. Ambrose

8:15 am Agnew & Mellein Families
5:30 pm Living & Deceased of Cathedral Parish

Friday, December 8: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:45 am Joseph & Jean Fogerty
12:10 am Jeanette Becker

Saturday, December 9: St. Juan Diego

4:00 pm Phil & Mariane Buettner

Sunday, December 10: Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Living & Deceased of Cathedral Parish
10:30 am Sr. Carol Markus
5:00 pm Benefactors

Beginning December 7th, there will no longer be Thursday 6:45 AM Masses. All are welcome to join the school children on Thursdays at the 8:15 AM school Masses.



Holy Day of
Obligation

*The Immaculate
Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*

Thursday, December 7
5:30 PM Vigil Mass

Friday, December 8
6:45 AM Mass
12:10 PM Mass

Mass Presiders

Monday Dec. 4- 6:45 AM	TBD
Tuesday Dec. 5- 6:45 AM	Fr. Godfrey
Wednesday Dec. 6- 6:45 AM	Bishop McGovern
Thursday Dec. 7- 8:15 AM	Fr. Godfrey
5:30 PM	Bishop McGovern
Friday Dec. 8- 6:45 AM	TBD
8:15 AM	TBD
12:10 PM	Bishop McGovern
Saturday Dec. 9- 4:00 PM	Fr. Godfrey
Sunday Dec. 10- 8:00 AM	Fr. Godfrey
Sunday, Dec. 10- 10:30 AM	TBD
Sunday Dec. 10- 5:00 PM	TBD

Liturgical Ministries

December 9th/10th

	4:00 PM Dec 9	8:00 AM Dec 10	10:30 AM Dec 10	5:00 PM Dec 10
EMHC	B McCormack	P Schilling	Deacon Weiler	P Storment
	S McCormack	M Sontheimer	M Garcia	M Storment
	Sr Tess	J Hill	J J Reitano	S Szewczyk
	JGoedelman	J Townsend	C Reitano	A Henderson
	J Goedelman	S Cemy	M Konradt	P Robison
Lector	D Schaefer	T Goeb	J & J Stock	P Storment
Offertory	B & S McCormack	L Kania	Brennemann Family	P & M Storment

FAITH FORMATION

For believers, faith formation is life-long - children, teens, young adults, singles, married, families, seniors - everyone at Cathedral.

Notre Dame Academy (NDA) at Cathedral Campus

As we move into December we have many activities planned. Follow our Facebook to see everything NDA is doing. During this time of year, it is easy to see how our lives become so busy. I encourage everyone to slow down and enjoy every moment of Advent. It is such a wonderful time that can fly by quickly. Make an effort this year to slow down and appreciate these moments and praise God for what you have.

Linda Hobbs
Principal



Parishes' School of Religion (PSR) at St. Augustine Campus

I hope that all of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends. We do have class on Wednesday, November 29 from 6:00 – 7:30 P.M. and on Sunday, December 3rd from 8:45- 10:10 A.M. December will be a short month for us in the Parishes' School of Religion. We will be talking about Advent and Christmas with your children. Please make sure your

children attend these few short classes in December as well as the Family Gathering happening in December. *"The most influential of all educational factors is the conversation in a child's home."* -William Temple

Sister Theresa Markus, S.S.N.D.
Coordinator of the Parishes' School of Religion

OUTREACH

Cathedral parishioners are called to look beyond our own needs—to our neighborhoods, our city, our diocese—and to all the worlds.

Your Sunday Contributions

Your contributions may be made by any of the following:

- **Drop off** your envelope during Mass or in the mail slot at the front door of the Rectory.
- **Mail** your contribution to: Cathedral of St. Peter, 200 W. Harrison St., Belleville, IL 62220
- **Give online:** To set up an online account, go to <https://www.osvhub.com/cathedralbelle/funds> register and set up your preferences. This is a secure site used by thousands of parishes throughout the USA.
- **Send a "check" directly from your bank or credit union.** Contact your bank, either by phone or online, for your contribution to be sent via check to: Cathedral of St. Peter, 200 W. Harrison St. Belleville, IL 62220.

Questions?
Call 618.234.1166



St. Vincent de Paul Adopt-a-Family

As many of you know, our parish area is home to many families who struggle financially. In addition to the Food Pantry and Saturday Morning Breakfast, our Vincentians also take calls from individuals and families, who have fallen on hard times and need assistance. Many of the families we interact with have small children. These families are who our Vincentians have received Christmas wish lists from.

Our SVdP Conference is looking for parish families who would be willing to help make some of those Christmas wishes come true.

Anyone wishing to participate, or anyone wanting more information, please call or text Diane Crawford at (618) 698-4563 or email dianem4352@gmail.com.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Your Gifts to God And Parish

	BUDGETED	ACTUAL
November 4/5	\$14,420	\$17,431.50
November 11/12	\$14,420	\$14,264.21
November 18/19	\$14,420	\$12,343.52
November 25/26	\$14,420	\$13,737.00
TOTAL	\$57,680	\$57,776.23

2023 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

"The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord." - Psalm 15

The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal Fund for Ministry provides funding to parishes, schools and organizations throughout our diocese for local projects. A total 17 grants were awarded throughout our diocese in the past year. Help this popular program which funds local projects continue through your gift to this year's Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal.



Donut Ministry

THIS Sunday, December 3
after the 8 & 10:30 AM Masses
in the Cathedral Undercroft

Donuts, coffee, and juice
 Provided by Knights of Columbus
We'll see you after Mass!



Notre Dame Academy

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16TH
8:00 - 11:00 AM
 Cathedral Undercroft

JOIN US FOR A JOLLY MORNING
 FEAST OF PANCAKES, SAUSAGE,
 FRUIT, JUICE, COFFEE AND HOT
 COCOA.

BRING YOUR CAMERA FOR
 PICTURES WITH SANTA CLAUS,
 AND SPEND TIME PLAYING
 GAMES AND CREATING FESTIVE
 CRAFTS

\$12 CHILDREN (AGES 2-12)
\$8 ADULTS (AGES 12+)

Cathedral of St. Peter's Knights of Columbus Council 15746 recently held the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest at Notre Dame Academy.

The title of the essay was:

How Can the Church Evangelize in the Digital Age?

This year's winners are:

1st Place:
Madison Rodriguez

2nd Place:
Abigail Phillips

Both were recognized
 with a certificate and
 a monetary award.

The Council congratulates them for their excellent work!



Masterworks Presents:
"Christmas at the Cathedral"



Sunday, December 10th
7:30 PM

Performing Handel's Messiah
 Part I, along with a candle-
 lit procession and some of
 your favorite carols.

Featuring the Masterworks
 Chorale, Children's Chorus
 and
 Orchestra.

Admission is FREE!

A gift to the community from Susan Buckley, with
 support by friends of Masterworks Chorale.



Pregnancy Care Center
Donations Needed

The number of mothers served at the Pregnancy Care Center has doubled since opening their new doors in July, along with the need for items going to moms and their children. Specifically, we are in need of toddler winter clothes and sizes 4 & 5 diapers or pull-ups. Items may be brought to the center at 311 W. Lincoln St. Belleville, IL during business hours Monday - Wednesday 10am-2pm.

GREEN MOUNT CATHOLIC CEMETERY

679 S. GREEN MOUNT ROAD, BELLEVILLE, IL

A Ministry of the Cathedral of St. Peter

Pre-planning is strongly encouraged.

Contact the cemetery staff at (618) 234-4858.

Pre-Planning documents
 may be found online at:

<https://cathedralbelle.org/funerals/>



ST. ANNE CRADLE OF HOPE

CARBONDALE, IL

IN NEED OF WINTER CLOTHING

Clothing may be used or new: Infant and Toddler winter coats, pajamas, infant to 5T winter clothes.

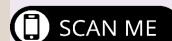
**DONATIONS MAY BE BROUGHT TO CHURCH
 BY DECEMBER 10**



At this time, if you make a \$25 donation to St. Anne Cradle of Hope, you will receive a unique ornament that supports this wonderful ministry for families and pregnant moms!

Scan the QR code or send
 a check to:

"St. Anne Cradle of Hope"
 C/O Molly King
 Respect Life Apostolate,
 222 South Third St.
 Belleville, IL 62220



Please include your name and mailing address.
Supplies are limited!

ADVENT RESOURCES

For those of our Cathedral parishioners who frequent the FORMED.org streaming platform, you may already know of the many faith-based opportunities it offers through the amazing selection of up-to-date, interesting and entertaining programs. There is something there for everyone! If you've been away from it for a while, or haven't yet signed on, Advent is a wonderful time to engage with this wonderful gift from our Cathedral Parish.



SCAN ME



To sign up for
FORMED

If you don't already have a formed account, sign up at formed.org/signup.

Be sure to search our *Cathedral of St. Peter* or our zipcode 62220 and sign up under our parish for your **FREE** account.

Once signed in, enjoy the Advent series, "*Rooted*" a daily study of the Jesse Tree--an image familiar to all who enter the Cathedral! From it you'll receive a daily, seven-minute, episode which introduces the ancestors or Jesus, shares a fitting scripture passage, and offers an engaging, practical reflection.

We gaze upon the Jesse Tree each Sunday, as it adorns our beautiful South Nave stained glass depiction of God's plan for our salvation. This enlightening program is sure to give us a new appreciation of the story, the art and true message of the Advent season--God's untiring love for us all throughout time.

SCAN ME



To access
"Rooted"

May it be a helpful source for our Advent prayer and preparation for what is the Joy of Christmas.

RESPECT FOR LIFE

"The Gospel of Life recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. Particular emphasis, however, is placed on threats to life at its beginning and end—precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers' wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the 'least of these' in our world's estimation."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
respectlife.org/live-the-gospel-of-life

SEEK24 Interest Form

Scan the QR code to fill
out a SEEK interest Form
to get registered for
SEEK!



SCAN ME



Diocese of Belleville

Vocations

Today's Gospel tells the story of a young girl who receives a most special request from God – become the Mother of His Son. WOW! How would we respond to such a call? Yet we are called each day by God to follow our given vocation in life – mother, father, brother, sister, grandparent, uncle, aunt.... We are called to live in Christ and to bring others to Christ. Do you have a call to the Priesthood? The Consecrated Religious Life? Let Mary's "FIAT" be an example of how to answer our Lord.



Diocese of
Belleville
Young Adult
Community



Young Adult ADORATION & CONFESSION

December 7th

Ages 18-35

FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH 6-7PM

Cathedral of Saint Peter