



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

## Perpetual Help Novena

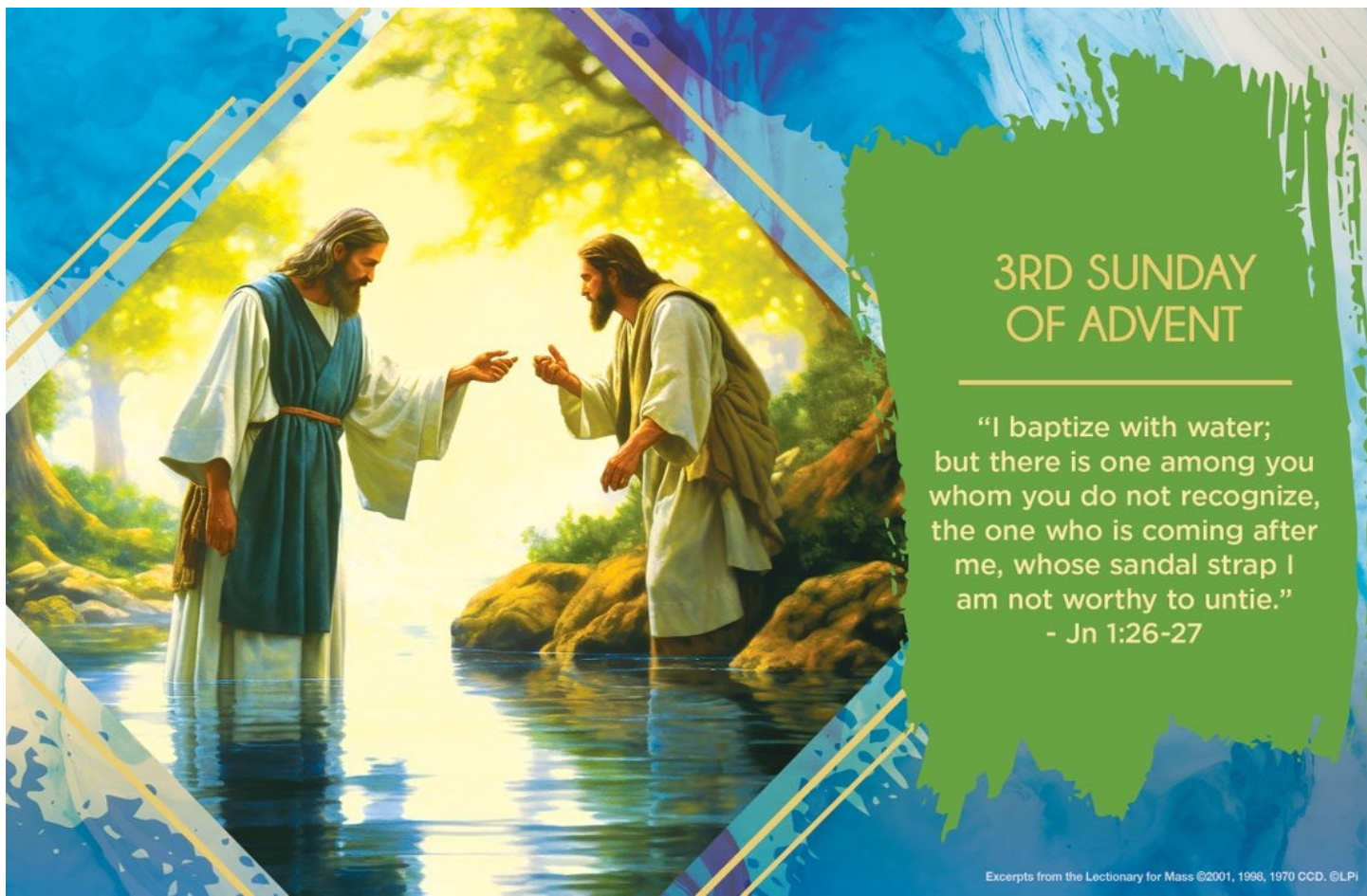
Tuesday after 6:45AM Mass

## Holy Hour

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

**December 17, 2023 ♦ Third Sunday of Advent**

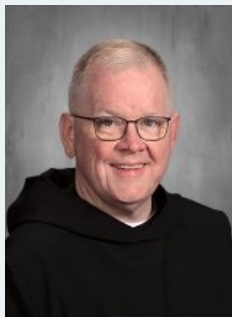


## 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“I baptize with water;  
but there is one among you  
whom you do not recognize,  
the one who is coming after  
me, whose sandal strap I  
am not worthy to untie.”  
- Jn 1:26-27

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## From Fr. Godfrey

**-OUR CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE** has been sent out in Flocknote and on FaceBook. Please share and distribute the schedule as you're able. The more people who see it, the more likely they will feel welcome to worship the Lord here with us. Thank you! Fourth Sunday of Advent: Saturday (23<sup>rd</sup>) at 4:00PM, Sunday (24<sup>th</sup>) at 8:00 and 10:00AM. Christmas Eve at 4PM and 10PM; Christmas Day at 9AM.

- **ADVENT.** I hope that this season of Advent has afforded us all a few moments of silence, of quiet preparation, of spiritual hospitality for the Christ-child. In our hectic lives, sometimes silence is a perfect stranger, but it is in the peaceful quiet, even in fleeting moments, that we can best hear that still, small voice of the Lord, calling us to peace. "Graciously grant peace in our days, that ... we may always be free from sin and safe from all distress as we await...." We hear these words at every Mass. Peace comes from removal of sin and distress. Advent is all about waiting for the One who provides the forgiveness of our sins. His presence should aid us in living without distress. As Advent rushes forth into the Birthday of Christ, let's ask for the wisdom we need to look for Him who forgives us and brings us peace. We can generally know the powerful peace of the Christ-child. Let's be grateful for that peace. So many in the world long for it, but do not find it. How blessed we are.

- **MONTH'S MIND.** My mother died November 8, so it's already been over a month. In the monastery, we have the tradition of remembering our deceased confreres on their 30<sup>th</sup> day after death, and on the year anniversary. Remembering those who have gone before us is a valuable gift. My sister who died drove a Ford Flex. When I see a Ford Flex, I pray, "Eternal rest, grant unto her, O Lord...." Last week, while with Dad, I said, "We'll pray that prayer for Mom when we see a yellow car" – yellow was her favorite color. Remembering is bittersweet, but it is a Christian virtue to hallow the dead. May they all rest in peace.

## 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...

### **NOVICE ANGEL ROMERO-OLIVAS, OSB**

Saint Meinrad Archabbey  
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Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:00PM

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# MUSIC FOR DECEMBER 16/17 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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

## Preludes

*From Heaven Above to Earth I Come,*  
Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

**10:30 AM:**

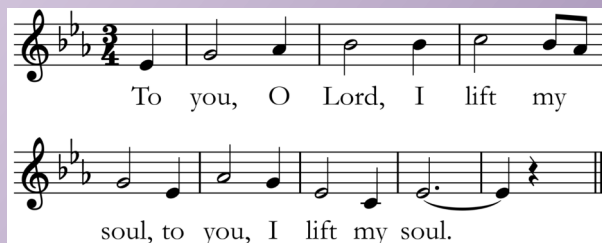
*Advent Prelude for Flute & Organ,*  
Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

## Entrance

**#39 O Come , O Come, Emmanuel**

## Psalm

*To You, O Lord*



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## Gospel Acclamation

**#948 Advent Gospel Acclamation**

## Offertory

**#68 Creator of the Stars of Night**

**10:30 Choir:**

*Come Now, Savior of the Nations,*  
Michael Burkhardt

## Communion

**#65 Litany for Advent**

**10:30 Choir: Ave, Maris Stella trad.,**  
Anon. IX cent.

**#476 Holy Darkness, verses 4 & 5**

## Recessional

*Awake, Awake! And Greet the New Morn,*  
Marty Hagan (b. 1950)

1. A - wake! a - wake, and greet the new morn, For  
2. To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -  
3. In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, When  
4. Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, Though

an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing, Sing out your joy, for  
man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, His hum - ble song is  
all the world is de - spair - ing, As morn - ing light so  
dark the win - ter and cheer - less, The ris - ing sun shall

now he is born, Be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.  
qui - et and near, Yet fills the earth with its ring - ing;  
qui - et and free, So warm and gen - tle and car - ing.  
crown you with light, Be strong and lov - ing and fear - less;

Come as a ba - by weak and poor, To bring all hearts to -  
Mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul And hymns of lov - ing  
Then shall the mute break forth in song, The lame shall leap in  
Love be our song and love our prayer, And love, our end - less

geth - er, He o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door And  
kind - ness, The thun - der of his an - them's roll To  
won - der. The weak he raised a - bove the strong. And

lives now in - side us for ev - er.  
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.  
weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.  
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

Text: Marty Haugen, b.1950  
Tune: REJOICE, REJOICE, 9 8 9 8 8 7 8 9; Marty Haugen, b.1950  
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# 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 16: Vigil Mass

4:00 pm Virginia Mackin

### Sunday, December 17: Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Fred & Dorothy Keller

10:30 am Living & Deceased of Cathedral Parish

5:00 pm Terry Schaefer

### Monday, December 18: Weekday

6:45 am Deceased of  
Joseph & Jane Hromadka Family

### Tuesday, December 19: Weekday

6:45 am Stephen Schranz

### Wednesday, December 20: Weekday

6:45 am Roger Behrmann

### Thursday, December 21: St. Peter Canisius

8:15 am Theodore Dabin

### Friday, December 22: Weekday

6:45 am Esther Reiniger

### Saturday, December 23: St. John of Kanty

4:00 pm Living & Deceased of Cathedral Parish

### Sunday, December 24: Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Rob Allison

10:30 am Joyce Lehr

### Sunday, December 24: Christmas Vigil Mass

4:00 pm Deceased of  
Bier, Louis, & Jenks Families

10:00pm Mullen & Boss Families

## Christmas Mass Schedule



### Saturday, December 23

3 PM Confessions  
4 PM Mass (IV Advent)

### Sunday, December 24

8 AM Mass  
10:30 AM Mass  
(IV Advent)

### Sunday, December 24

4 PM Christmas Eve Mass  
10 PM Christmas Eve Mass

### Monday, December 25

9 AM *only* Christmas Day Mass

### Saturday, December 30

3 PM Confessions  
4 PM Mass  
(Feast of Holy Family)

### Sunday, December 31

8 AM Mass  
(Feast of Holy Family)  
10:30 AM Mass  
(Feast of Holy Family)

### Sunday, December 31

4 PM Mass  
(Vigil of Mary, Mother of God  
— Counts for Sunday)

*Note: This year, January 1 (Mary, Mother of God) is NOT a holy day of obligation, because it falls on Monday. It remains a solemnity and your participation is strongly encouraged. Christmas remains a holy day of obligation, even though it falls on Monday.*

## Liturgical Ministries

### December 23/24

	4:00 PM Dec 23	8:00 AM Dec 24	10:30 AM Dec 24	4:00 PM Dec 24	10:00 PM Dec 24
EMHC	P Jenks Sr Tess G Schwartz J Goedelman J Goedelman	Deacon Weiler D Crawford M Rodriguez M Buescher J Townsend	S Brennemann Caitlin Brennemann Christianne Brennemann Cynthia Brennemann J McQuillan	S Szweczyk A Beatty J Schaberg P Jenks B & S McCormack J Townsend P Robison S Cerny Sr Tess	Deacon Weiler J J Reitano C Reitano P Segert M Rodriguez S Pederson Sr Tess
Lector	B Barberi	D Thro	M Garcia	J Stock	J Lebryk
Offertory	J & N Weissert	J Hill	J Reitano	J & K Fieker	Kaczpryzk Family

## 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

We have school on Monday and Tuesday of this week. We are excited to walk to the Lincoln Theatre to watch our annual Christmas movie this year. A big thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Schoenborn at the Lincoln Theatre for keeping this tradition alive! We are so thankful!

Linda Hobbs  
Principal



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

Today, we celebrate the Third Week of Advent. We do meet today, Sunday, December 17 beginning at 8:45 A.M. We will have our Family Advent Gathering in the gym at St. Augustine. This will be our last class before Christmas. There will be NO CLASS Wednesday, December 20.

*"Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near."*

-Letter to the Philippians

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

### 2023 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

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

Your contribution to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal enables the Office of Education to impact the lives of over 9,500 students at 25 Catholic grade schools, three Catholic high schools and in PSR (Parish School of Religion) classes throughout our Belleville Diocese. If you haven't already done so, we prayerfully ask you to consider making a gift to the 2023 Appeal today...no amount is too large or too small!

### Join our Parish Family!

Scan the following QR code to register as a member of our parish.

<https://cathedralbelle.org/join-the-parish/>



### Your Gifts to God And Parish

**\*\*Stewardship for December 9/10 was not available due to an early bulletin deadline.**

	BUDGETED	ACTUAL
December 2/3	\$14,420	\$17,539.30
December 9/10	\$14,420	
December 16/17	\$14,420	
December 23/24	\$14,420	
December 30/31	\$14,420	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$72,100</b>	<b>\$17,539.30</b>

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## Christmas Memorial Flowers

Envelopes for Christmas Memorial flower donations are located at the entrances of church.

Please be sure to print the name of your deceased loved ones on the envelopes.

Envelopes may be placed in collection baskets.



**Donut Ministry** 

**THIS Sunday, December 17**  
**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!**

## CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Join us in spreading Christmas cheer by caroling to our homebound parishioners.

**Friday, Dec 22 at 6PM**

meet in NDA Cafeteria to organize. We will then drive to local care centers for the elderly. Hot chocolate and cookies will be provided after in the NDA Café.

Contact Greta Stock at  
[rngstock@yahoo.com](mailto:rngstock@yahoo.com) for more info.



The following dates are available to schedule Mass Intentions:

Thurs. January 11 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am
Sun. January 14 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm
Tues. January 16 <sup>th</sup>	6:45am
Wed. January 17 <sup>th</sup>	6:45am
Fri. January 26 <sup>th</sup>	6:45am
Sun. January 28 <sup>th</sup>	5:00pm
Wed. January 31 <sup>st</sup>	6:45am

Call 618.234.1166 to schedule.



## St. Vincent de Paul (StVDP) Cathedral Conference

StVDP is in search of a used or new deep freezer for Saturday morning breakfast. This would allow Vincentians to make bulk food purchases in order to save money on future breakfasts. The freezer can be chest or upright style.

*If you are able to help please contact Ron Lassman at 618.550.3883.*

### Below is a list of items needed in our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:

- Paper towels
- Grape jelly
- Dishwashing liquid/pods
- Laundry soap/pods
- Cereals for kids
- Toilet paper
- Liquid soaps
- Travel size hygiene items

**If donating perishable items please drop off at the Food pantry on Tuesday or Thursday mornings, 9–11 am.**

## Resources for You

- Bishop's Library:** located in the far right of the North entrance. Catholic books & films are available to borrow, please return them when finished.
- Flag Repository:** Need to retire your American Flags? This repository box is just outside the Bishop's Library in the North Nave.
- Restrooms:** a single handicap restroom is located inside the ramp entrance, additional restrooms may be accessed downstairs through the right door, near the entrance to the Marian chapel.

## Job Opportunities

### at Hincke-Sense Home for Retired Priests

- **Full Time Cook:** Works four days per week, 8am-6pm. Qualifications desired include institutional, restaurant, or large family cooking experience.
- **Fill-in Staff Member:** Cover staff absences for Cook, Housekeeper, Security Desk, or Overnight. Qualifications include housekeeping, homemaker, cook and or security attendant experience.

Hincke-Sense is willing to train the right candidate for either position. Candidates must demonstrate positive attitude, caring and responsible demeanor and willingness to learn. Practicing Catholic preferred. Full benefits, bi-weekly pay, casual environment, and onsite meals provided during shift.

**To inquire about these positions, call Joline at 618.234.5722.**

## RESPECT FOR LIFE

“By reaching out to lovingly support and care for pregnant women and their children, we witness to the sanctity of every human person, in every stage and every circumstance.”

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### 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.

## Vocations

Today we hear the evangelist John's account of the ministry of John the Baptist. John the Baptist had a self-awareness of who he was (a proclaimer) and what he was not (the Savior). He knew his vocation and accepted that call from the Lord to “Prepare the way of the Lord”. Even though the priests and Levites couldn't determine who he was, John assured them that his role was to baptize with water in anticipation of the one who would baptize with the Spirit. Are you listening for the call to be what the Lord wants you to be?



## FORMED

### ADVENT REFLECTION

Make time this advent to enjoy the Advent series, *"Rooted,"* on *Formed.org*. Sign up at [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup). Simply search *Cathedral of St. Peter* to sign up under our parish for your **FREE** account. “Rooted” is 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 of 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.



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



## GREEN MOUNT CATHOLIC CEMETERY

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**Contact the cemetery staff  
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