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December 7, 2025

Second Sunday of Advent

I am baptizing you with water, for repentance,
but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I.



150th
Anniversary
AS THE Cathedral
of the Archdiocese of Chicago

Holy Name Cathedral

A CORNERSTONE TO A WORLD IN COMMUNION WITH JESUS CHRIST

Our Mission

Holy Name Cathedral, as a Catholic parish and the seat of the Archdiocese of Chicago, forms a community of disciples who inspire, nurture, and join people on their faith journey to encounter and grow in Jesus Christ.

Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday: 7:00am, 8:00am & 12noon*; Wednesday evenings at 5:15pm

Saturday: 8:00am* & 5:15pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am*, 12:30pm, 5:15pm

Saturday Reconciliation:
8:00am to 11:00am

*livestream Mass

Reflections from Our Rector



Dear People of God,

I consider myself a very patient person except when it comes to lines. Traffic jams (Kennedy Expressway!) and grocery store lines drive me crazy! It doesn't matter whether the line is on foot or by car — I find myself impatient and anxious to move

through it. Undoubtedly, I am not alone. Many people find themselves in the same boat!

What about Advent waiting? Most of us rush through Advent, forgetting the real purpose and meaning of the Season. As a former basketball player, I liken the Advent Season to a “full-court press” on the basketball floor. Hurry and press the ballhandler to force a turnover by quickening the tempo of the game. Do we put a “full court-press” with our Advent Season?

I received a letter several years ago. It speaks beautifully about the real meaning of Advent and Christmas, which may be realized only with age in this gift called life. Read...slow down...and pass it on...

My sister asked me this weekend, “Whaddaya want for Christmas?” Blank. No thoughts--no ideas... no burning desires to own or covet a particular item or items. NOTHING, NADA, NIL, ZIP, ZERO. I could not think of one possible desire. “I dunno,” I replied while my mind spun, slowed, sped up, and categorized thousands of needs and wants. I've had a couple of days to sort out that question, and I still have nothing to tell her. I guess I am at the point in my life where if I need something, I buy it or already own it. If it was once desirable in my younger years, it has lost its luster, and I no longer desire bigger or better. Suddenly, socks and underwear seem more important and more plausible.

If I could have anything I wanted, I could come up with some ideas, but they're impractical and too much to ask for. On a personal note, what I would really like is to get out of bed in the morning without my shoulders hurting. I would like to be able to stand longer than thirty minutes without my feet and legs feeling like I am walking on stubs. I would like to go to the barbershop and get my money's worth. I would like to be able to eat pies, cakes, and cookies without worrying about the glucose content.

I would like a couple of hours with my son, when he was two years old, lying on my chest, both of us snoozing on the couch. I would like to experience the thrill again of a small, three-year-old princess holding her arms up, wanting me to pick her up and carry her. I would like to call the little ranch house on Monarch Oaks and have my mom or dad answer the phone. I would like to play a game of HORSE with my old friend Reggie Grob. I would like to sit around the Thanksgiving table with my grandparents, parents, aunts, uncles, and cousins who have left this world.

Gifts...nah... there really isn't anything that I want or need. My Christmases have become more personal as I have grown older. Now, I celebrate after the presents are opened, the bellies are full of turkey and dressing, and we have come home from Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. I sit quietly in my chair, the lights of the tree glisten, and the ticking of the wall clock is the only sound around. I read the real Christmas story in Luke. I count my blessings, and the best gifts all come flooding in...

Memories....hundreds of them. Of summer days, of Christmases past, of laughs, and love, of friends and families. That would be all I could want or need!

In a reflective Advent mood,
Fr. Greg

Sunday Offertory Giving. Thank You for Your Support!

Although Holy Name Cathedral receives funding from appeals and fundraisers, our major source of income is the Sunday Offertory Collection. If you are a parishioner who does not donate, we ask that you consider becoming an active contributor. To sign up for recurring Sunday giving or to increase your current giving, please go to tinyurl.com/HNCgiving or scan the QR code. We also have yellow envelopes which can be found in the back of the Cathedral. You can enclose your desired donation and leave with an usher, or take home and mail back. Thank you for your generosity.



Upcoming Events



Sunday, December 7

15-minute Cathedral Tours	9:30 & 11:30 AM
OCIA Session	10:00 AM
Advent Organ Concert	3:30 PM
Advent Vespers	4:00 PM
Advent Faith & Fitness	4:00 PM
Young Adult Theology on Tap	6:15 PM

Monday, December 8

Padre Pio Prayer Group	12:00 PM
Daughters of Isabella Meeting	6:00 PM
St. Joseph's Preachers Meeting	6:00 PM

Tuesday, December 9

Men's & Women's Young Adult Bible Study	7:00 PM
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Wednesday, December 10

Advent Communal Reconciliation Service	6:00 PM
Wednesday Night Bible Study – Rectory	6:30 PM

Thursday, December 11

Thursday Morning Bible Study	10:00 AM
Young Adult Leadership Meeting	7:00 PM

Friday, December 12

Sounds of the Season Christmas Concert	7:00 PM
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Saturday, December 13

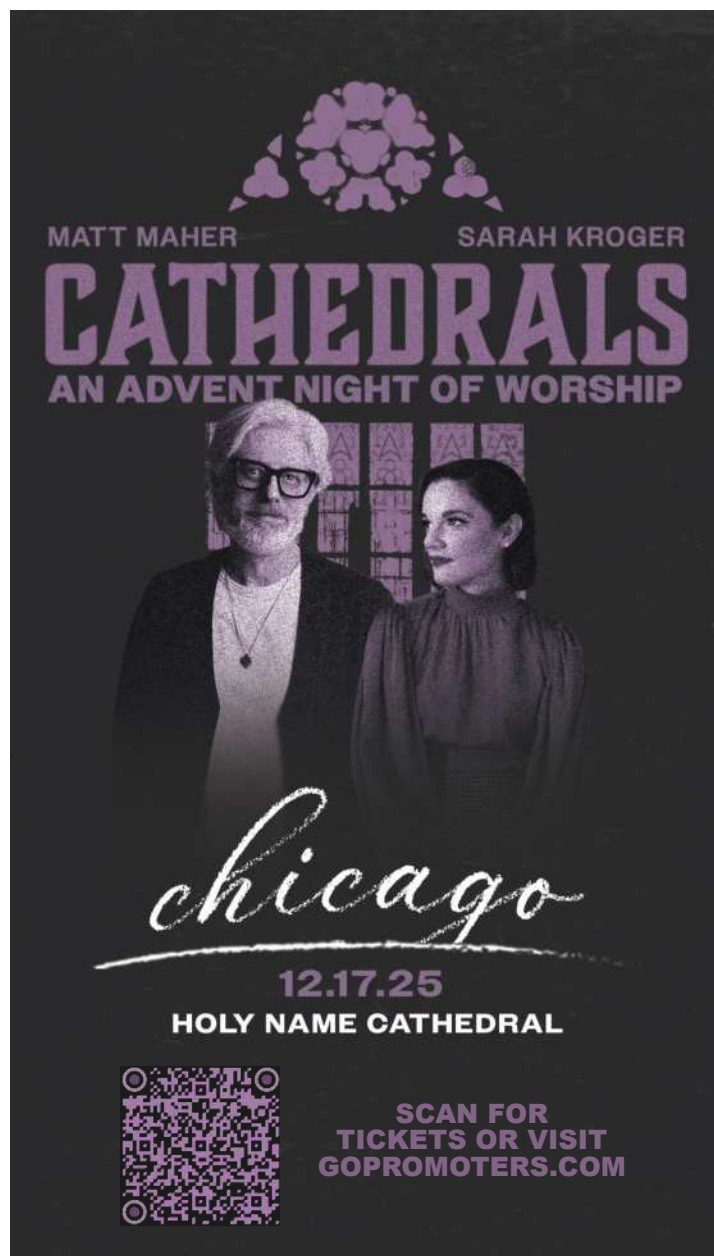
Confessions on the Lower Level of Cathedral	8:00 AM
Young Adult Leaders Retreat	8:30 AM
Padre Pio Prayer Group	9:00 AM
Apollo Messiah Concert	7:00 PM

Sunday, December 14

15-minute Cathedral Tours	9:30 & 11:30 AM
OCIA Session	10:00 AM
Cathedral Filipino Network Meeting	2:00 PM
Advent Organ Concert	3:30 PM
Advent Vespers	4:00 PM

Rector's Christmas Concert — SOLD OUT!

The annual Rector's Christmas Concert is sold out for this year! Thanks to all who bought tickets or donated!



On the Cover

In honor of our anniversary, each week we will spotlight photos from our past on the bulletin cover. They'll offer a peek into the past of our Faith Community.

From November 1975, Cardinal John Cody processes into Holy Name Cathedral for the liturgy honoring the 100th anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral. Among the dignitaries in the front row (from left) are Eleanor "Sis" Daley and her husband, Mayor Richard J. Daley and Cook County Board President George Dunne, a HNC parishioner.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT HOLY NAME CATHEDRAL



SOLEMN ADVENT VESPERS

Sunday, December 7, 14, and 21, 4:00 p.m.*
Weekly Organ Concert begins at 3:30 p.m.,

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday, December 10
12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

WEEKLY RECONCILIATION

Saturday, December 13 and 20
8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
in the lower level of the Cathedral

ADVENT COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Wednesday, December 10, 6:00 p.m.

MATT MAHER CATHEDRAL TOUR CONCERT

Wednesday, December 17, 7:00 p.m.
Check website for ticket info

SIMBANG GABI

Saturday, December 20, 7:00 p.m. *

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Holy Day of Obligation

Wednesday, December 24 -
Christmas Eve Vigil Mass
at 3:00 p.m. 3:15 p.m. (auditorium) and 6:00 p.m.

MIDNIGHT MASS

Carols begin at 11:30 p.m.
Midnight Mass – by ticket
check the website for more information

CHRISTMAS DAY

Thursday, December 25
7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.*, 12:30 p.m.
There will be no 5:15 p.m. Mass on Christmas Day

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Vigil Mass - Saturday, December 27 at 5:15 p.m.
Sunday Mass - December 28 at 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.,
10:30 a.m.*, 12:30 p.m., 5:15 p.m.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil Mass, Wednesday, December 31 at 5:15p.m.
Mass for the Day - Thursday, January 1 at
10:00 a.m.*, 12:00 p.m., and 5:15 p.m.

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

Vigil Mass - Saturday January 3 at 5:15p.m.
Sunday Mass - January 4 at 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.,
10:30 a.m.*, 12:30 p.m., 5:15 p.m.

**Indicates livestreamed liturgy*



Catholic Illuminations

This Advent, You're Invited to Our Communal Penance Service

By Fr. Andy Matijevic

The Sacrament of Confession/Reconciliation is one of the seven sacraments of the Church, and one of the two Sacraments termed as a Sacrament of Healing (the other being Anointing of the Sick). Though baptized and original sin removed from us, we have the tendency to sin, which is called concupiscence, and our human condition is prone to fall. Confession allows us to recognize our failings and seek forgiveness from God.



The Church encourages us to go to confession at least once a year, and, in response to this invitation, parishes make it easy for the faithful to offer communal reconciliation services on weeknights during Lent and Advent. A communal reconciliation service is not a group confession in which everyone confesses their sins for everyone to hear. Instead, it is a time to come together as a community to pray, ask for forgiveness, and recognize the common desire for forgiveness and the reality that we all sin and need healing.

Since every time we sin, we sin against God, neighbor, and ourselves, a communal reconciliation service allows these three transgressions to be healed. We gather as sinners, and in this season of Advent of spiritual preparation, marked by hope, peace, joy, and love, we are forgiven of our sins and set free from the chains that bind us.

A communal reconciliation service includes a few songs, scripture readings based on the season, an examination of conscience, and individual confession. Like any Sacrament, one is not forced to receive it, so some people may wish to attend the service but not participate in individual confession. In your individual confession, you can confess your sins to the priest and receive absolution. If you do not go to individual confession at a communal reconciliation service, you do not receive absolution from your sins because you did not confess your sins to a priest.

The benefit of attending a communal penance service is

that we gather as sinners together, aware of God's mercy. We have the opportunity to reflect with one another, through song and scripture, on God's immense love and compassion that we will experience in confession. Practically speaking, more priests are helping with communal services, and the lines are typically shorter than on a Saturday morning in the lower level of the Cathedral, when there's only one priest in the confessional.

Holy Name Cathedral will have our Advent Communal Reconciliation Service on Wednesday, Dec. 10, at 6:00pm. All are welcome to join us as we come together to sit in the quiet of this preparatory season. We will have numerous priests available for confession, and it may be better to go to this service than wait in line on Saturday morning. Let us prepare the way for the coming of the Lord in the flesh on Christmas morning. Advent is a season marked by darkness, which ends with the coming of the dawn from on high. This light penetrated our lives, illuminating us so we can share it with others.



Tours After 8:30, 10:30 Masses

Learn more about the 176-year history of Holy Name Cathedral through one of our weekly tours. It's perfect for parishioners or for visitors. Our Cathedral Docents are excited to share with you the art, architecture and history of the Cathedral.

Each week, our Docents lead a short, 15-minute tour following the 8:30am and 10:30am Masses. Those who are interested in this free tour are invited to sit in the front rows along the center aisle after Mass.

Cathedral Annual Report



Holy Name Cathedral

December 1, 2025

Dear Holy Name Cathedral Faith Community,

We are pleased to present the Cathedral Statement of Operating Activities for the year ending June 30, 2025. The past fiscal year ended with a small operating surplus, amid rising expenses for staff, Cathedral ministries, and other operating costs.

Our revenues grew slightly from the previous year, but most notably, our weekend, holy day, and Christmas and Easter collections increased by 8.4% from Fiscal Year 2024. Thank you! We are ever so grateful for the continued stewardship of so many of our parishioners and visitors, who recognize the Cathedral as a vibrant part of their faith journey and service to Chicago. As we celebrated our 175th Anniversary, the continued generosity of our faith community has manifested itself in many ways.

While there are many positive signs in our financial picture, there are also growth opportunities. In the coming year, our Director of Stewardship, Regina Zielinski, will announce numerous exciting ways that we can play a meaningful part in the future of Holy Name Cathedral. We will soon embark on a capital campaign in conjunction with the Archdiocese's Generation to Generation program. You will hear more about this in the new year. There will be numerous ways to participate as we envision a future that will require new capital improvements to our Cathedral campus, expanded ministries, and outreach programs for generations to come.

Already, many of our Cathedral friends and fundraising initiatives have become part of our tradition. For example, so far, our 2025 Annual Rector's Appeal received a \$300,000 matching gift, helping us exceed our goal for the fourth year in a row. Numerous 175th Anniversary projects, including the Sacred Heart Statue, the Cabrini gift to Pope Francis, and the Courtyard Mosaic, were underwritten by generous donors. Our Legacy program offers an opportunity to recognize Holy Name Cathedral through estate gifts that have funded our Baptistry and new Tabernacle. Generous donors made almost 20 estate commitments during the past year. There are many other examples of generosity of time, talent, and treasure in the Cathedral Annual Report that we will mail to all registered parishioners in the coming week.

The response of our Faith Community to contribute their time and talent is impressive. Over 800 of our parishioners are engaged in 40+ parish ministries that serve young adults, support faith formation, provide outreach to those in need, host parish retreats, and other initiatives that enhance the vibrancy of our work with the people of God.

There is one significant opportunity for us, and we ask everyone to prayerfully support it. This past year, the Cathedral grew by nearly 100 registered households. Yet, the overall percentage of our total households who regularly support us through our weekly collections is less than 32%, and almost 4,000 registered households presently do not consider the Cathedral part of their stewardship responsibilities. We have made it easy to access Pushpay, our secure giving platform, through QR codes, online account management, and other online giving methods. If you are able, please consider joining those who regularly give to the Cathedral as we continue to build a culture of philanthropy.

It is clear that the Cathedral is blessed with a vibrant and engaged Faith Community that supports our priests, deacons, and religious sisters, as well as our Cathedral lay staff, in working together each day toward a shared vision of "A world in communion with Jesus Christ." Our heartfelt gratitude for all you do along the journey with us.



Fr. Gregory Sakowitz
Very Rev. Gregory Sakowitz
Rector



Wayne Magdziarz
Wayne Magdziarz
Chair, Cathedral Finance Council

Cathedral Annual Report

Holy Name Cathedral
Statement of Operating Activities
For Twelve Months Ending June 30, 2025

	Year Ended 6/30/25	Year Ended 6/30/24
CHURCH RECEIPTS		
Collections	\$2,823,786	\$2,603,946
Fundraising	\$413,684	\$686,539
Rental Income	\$298,839	\$270,478
Interest and Investment Income (a)	\$360,973	\$486,621
Other Miscellaneous Receipts	\$870,991	\$768,159
Archdiocesan Second Collections	\$306,311	\$239,161
TOTAL CHURCH RECEIPTS	\$5,074,584	\$5,054,904
CHURCH EXPENDITURES		
Salaries and Benefits	\$2,280,539	\$2,156,351
Operating Expenses	\$1,676,202	\$1,564,224
Archdiocesan Assessments	\$469,927	\$465,120
Parish Ministries & Activities	\$313,616	\$256,784
Archdiocesan Second Collections	\$306,311	\$239,161
TOTAL CHURCH EXPENDITURES	\$5,046,595	\$4,681,640
NET OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$27,989	\$373,264



220
BAPTISMS



42
1ST COMMUNION



OVER
160,000
MASS ATTENDEES



67
CONFIRMATIONS



135
MARRIAGES



OVER
33,000
MEALS PROVIDED TO
CHILDREN AND ADULTS
FACING FOOD INSECURITY

(a) For year ended 6/30/2024 the Investments for Holy Name Cathedral, held in the Arch Bank, had a net gain of \$475,520 and the Interest Earned is \$11,101 and for year ended 6/30/2025 net gain in Investments is \$344,944 and Interest Earned is \$16,029.

Join us for Vespers Sundays in Advent

**Sundays, Dec. 7, 14, 21 at 4:00pm;
Weekly Organ Concert at 3:30pm**

Vespers is one of the oldest of the Divine Offices, the liturgical division of the day into hours of prayer. Used primarily by religious orders in monasteries in its inception, it has evolved and been revised throughout the centuries into its current place of honor as the prayers said in the early evening.

This office was once called *lucernarium*, Latin for “lamp-lighting time,” indicating its timing in the day and its roots in our Judaic beginnings, where the faithful were called to light lamps and begin the worship leading to the dawning of a new day. Vespers encourages us to spend time in prayer, thanking God for the day we have passed through and anticipating the day to come. This spiritual anticipation is reflected in the season of Advent, when we, as a faith community, prepare for the coming of the Lord.

Advent Vespers is celebrated during the four Sundays of Advent at 4:00pm in the Cathedral, led by members of the Schola Cantorum Cathedralis, preceded at 3:30pm by the Advent Vespers Organ Recital performed by various artists. The service is comprised of chanted Psalms, Magnificat by Stanford, Responsory, reflection, and a choral anthem each week. Join us to enrich your holiday season with prayer and participate in the endless cycle of grace in our days.



Midnight Mass Tickets Now Available Online!

In addition to Midnight Mass, we are offering three masses during the day on Christmas Eve and four masses on Christmas Day. There is no need to register for these other Christmas Eve or any of the Christmas Day Masses. All are welcome, and it is a first come, first seated for all our Christmas Masses. There is no overflow seating for Midnight Mass, so it is strongly suggested that you reserve your tickets in advance. Just scan the QR code to make your reservation.

All those who have preregistered will be allowed to enter the Cathedral at 11:00pm. At 11:30pm, Christmas carols begin and we open our doors for all others waiting without advance registration.

We will have free parking with extended time for Christmas Carols and the full Mass. Just pull your ticket to enter our garage at the Holy Name Cathedral parking garage, located at 14 W. Superior.



Honor a Loved One with Cathedral Christmas Flowers

As we gather to celebrate the birth of our Lord this Christmas, let us take a moment to express our gratitude for those who have embodied God's love in our lives. Our Cathedral will be adorned with beautiful decorations this season, and you have a wonderful opportunity to contribute to the Christmas flower fund in memory of a cherished loved one or in honor of someone special.



For a suggested donation of just \$15 per

name, you can make a heartfelt tribute that will be shared in the Dec. 28 bulletin. **Deadline for your loved ones name to be in the Dec 28 bulletin is Wednesday, Dec. 17.** This is a beautiful way to keep their spirit alive during this sacred time.

Your generosity not only honors those dear to you but also enriches our Cathedral's beauty for this holy season. Join us in creating a warm and loving atmosphere as we celebrate together. Thank you for your generous heart!

Journey with Mary and Joseph: Las Posadas

Saturday, Dec. 20 at 11:30am; Starts at HNC

Join us for Las Posadas, a beautiful tradition that reenacts Mary and Joseph's journey as they seek shelter in Bethlehem on Dec. 20 at 11:30am. We will pray and sing as we process to Assumption Parish (323 W. Illinois St.). There we will gather and celebrate with music, food, a piñata and more. This is a family-friendly event! If you have questions, contact jtito@holynamecathedral.org or kmitchell@holynamecathedral.org.

Join us for Simbang Gabi! Faith, Food, and Fellowship

**Saturday, Dec. 20 at 7:00pm
Mass with Reception to Follow**

Simbang Gabi, which means “Night Mass” in Filipino, is a beloved devotional tradition of nine Masses celebrated by Filipino Catholics in joyful anticipation of Christmas. It mirrors the nine dawn Masses known as *Misa de Aguinaldo* in Puerto Rico. The tradition began as a practical accommodation for farmers who started work before sunrise and has since become a cherished cultural and spiritual celebration rooted in community, faith, and sharing.

Simbang Gabi is traditionally observed from Dec. 16 to 24, with Masses held in the early hours of the morning — typically between 3:00am and 5:00am. Anticipated celebrations may begin as early as Dec. 15 and are often held in the evening, usually around 8:00pm, though some take place as late as 11:00pm or at midnight. The final Mass, celebrated on Christmas Eve, is called *Misa de Gallo*, or “Rooster’s Mass.”

The Cathedral Filipino Network warmly invites you to take part in this beautiful tradition. Join us for Simbang Gabi on Saturday, Dec. 20 at 7:00pm at Holy Name Cathedral, followed by a festive reception featuring delicious traditional Filipino dishes. Come and experience the beauty and pageantry of this sacred celebration!

Join the Lydia Institute for Advent by Candlelight

Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 6:45pm in the Cathedral

We warmly invite **all women** to begin the Advent season with an evening of sacred stillness, prayerful reflection, and soul-stirring music — all by candlelight in the Cathedral. Our evening will start at 6:45pm with a musical prelude and followed by the program from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Come and experience a beautiful pause in the rush of December — a time to breathe, pray, and prepare your heart for the coming of Christ. All women are welcome. Invite a friend! Scan the QR code to register with the Lydia Institute.



Coming in January

Join us on Young Adults Small Group Lenten Journey

Start 2026 with a spiritual rebirth! Beginning Jan. 3, the Small Group Lenten Journey is a spiritual pilgrimage during the Lenten season, emphasizing prayer, sacrifice, and charity. It encourages participants to break away from their daily routines, focus on their spiritual growth, and draw closer to Christ. Joining a small group provides opportunities for meaningful discussions, spiritual practices, and building genuine friendships.

Lenten Journey (Fiat 90, Exodus 90, Pray40)

Exodus 90: Jan. 3 to March 28, 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Fiat 90: Jan. 3 to March 28, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Co-Ed Lenten 40: Day Options: Feb 14 to March 28

Saturdays — 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM • 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Wednesdays — 6:00 PM – 7:30PM

Click the QR code to sign up. The registration fee is \$40, which covers materials and two dinners. If you have any questions, please contact our Young Adult Leadership at youngadults@holynamecathedral.org.



Honoring Our Loved Ones

Ministers of Care Available to Visit You with Communion

What is the Ministry of Care? It is a group of people who have been trained and commissioned to visit with, pray with, and bring communion to those in our parish who are sick and unable to attend mass; those who are homebound, in the hospital or in a nursing home.

We have several Ministers of Care available to bring Holy Communion to the homebound. Email us at mycathedral@holynamecathedral.org or call us at (312) 787-8040 and one of our Ministers of Care will be in touch.



Light a Prayer Candle

Lighting a candle for your family and friends or for a personal prayer is an important Catholic tradition. We know many of you may not be able to come into the Cathedral to light the candle yourself. It would be our honor to have one of our resident priests light a Cathedral Candle on your behalf. They will pray to our Lord to intercede on behalf of your personal intention. Scan the QR code to complete the request form.



Wedding Banns



- I Brianna Ramirez & Gavin Wolf
Jacqueline Soto & Joseph Pellettieri
Tara Barjesteh & Joseph Cialoni
- III Madeline Broccolo & Thomas Shanley
Megan McArdle & Karl Uzgiris

Mass Intentions

Colored dots represent the priest's vestment color

Week of Dec. 8 to 13

○ Monday, December 8 (The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

No Mass Intentions

○ Tuesday, December 9 (Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin)

7 AM + Michael S. Morse

8 AM + Luke Bowar

12 PM + Nickie Rodica

○ Wednesday, December 10 (Our Lady of Loreto)

7 AM + Matha Willett Kulsveem & Evan Kulsveem

8 AM + Michael S. Morse

12 PM + Manuel Fernandez, + John Reilly
+ Vijaya Kumari Mannepalli
+ Rodgowski family, + Ryan Keith Regan
+ Micahel T. Gannon, + Doris Joan Jancic
Ceferino C. Tomas, David Gervercer
Claudia Smith

5.15 PM + Nida P. Moss

○ Thursday, December 11 (Saint Damasus I, Pope)

7 AM + Nicholas Rassas

8 AM + Ephraim Reyes

12 PM + Jim Lopata

○ Friday, December 12 (Our Lady of Guadalupe)

7 AM + Frank Polak

8 AM + Michael S. Morse, + Loreta M
+ Nick Peter Marino, + Silvia Lira
+ Pasquale Longo, + Angelo Longo
+ Coty Esparza Perez
+ Holy Souls In Purgatory
Ceferino C. Tomas, Sr. Ann Marguerite, LSP

12 PM + Frank Oelerich

● Saturday, December 13 (Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr)

8 AM + Mary Ann Duderstadt

A Little Humor from the Rector



**“It’s a great day!
The bulb finally burned out
on my ‘check engine’ light!”**

Monthly Theology on Tap for Young Adults

Sunday, Dec. 7 at 6:15pm in Club Room

Ever wonder why we stand, kneel, or say certain prayers at Mass? Or where the priest’s words come from in Scripture? You’re not alone and you won’t want to miss this!



Join us for an inspiring, eye-opening talk with Kevin Pease, a dynamic biblical scholar from Loyola University. This is a rare chance to deepen your understanding of the Mass the source and summit of our faith and to finally get answers to the questions we all have but never ask. If you’ve ever wanted to experience the Mass with more meaning, clarity, and joy, this is the event for you. No registration required.

Get your HNC 150th Anniversary Ornament!

Limited Quantities Available — only Sun. Dec. 7

As part of Holy Name’s 150th Anniversary Celebration as the Cathedral, we are proud to offer a special souvenir of our celebration — a beautifully handcrafted keepsake ornament of the Cathedral’s Rose Window. The beautiful ornament can be



added to your tree or a great Christmas present. **We only have a limited quantity and are available on a first-come, first-served basis only this Sunday, Dec. 7 at the Rectory.** The suggested donation is \$25 – cash or checks only.

Faith & Fitness Ministry: Balancing Holistic Wellness during Advent and Beyond

Sunday, Dec. 7 at 4pm in Club Room

Our next Faith & Fitness session will be held on Sunday Dec. 7 at 4pm in the Club Room. The focus of the session is balancing holistic wellness during Advent, a time of vigilance. Father Louis Cameli and Michele Sotak will visit the theme of “integration,” and protecting our bodies by exercising through balance work which includes training our stabilizer muscles and unilateral training.

We’ll also explore what it means to put on the armor of God through prayer and more.

Underlying topics include practicing the virtue of patience within your holistic wellness regimen routine. Please scan the QR code to register.



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Holy Spirit, you who makes me see everything and shows me the way to reach my ideal, you who gives me the Divine gift to forgive and forget all the wrong that is done to me and you, who are in all instances of my life with me. I, in this short dialogue, I want to thank you for everything, and affirm once more that I never want to be separated from you, no matter how great the material desires might be. I want to be with you and my loved ones in your perpetual glory. To that end and submitting to God's Holy will, I ask from you. (Mention your Request) Amen. Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days.



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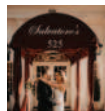


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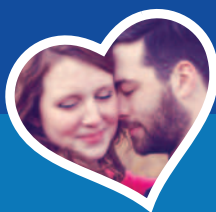


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Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity.
Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me here you are my
mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, queen of Heaven
and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my
heart to succor me into my necessity. (Make request).
There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary,
conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to
thee (three times).
Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hand (three times).
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Johannes Brahms

Entrance Hymn

People, Look East

#398

Penitential Rite

Spoken

First Reading

#1004

Isaiah 11:1-10

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

*Justice shall flourish in his time,
and fullness of peace for ever.*



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Second Reading

Romans 15:4-9

Gospel Acclamation

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Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

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#348

Amen

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Lamb of God

#311

Communion Antiphon

**Jerusalem, stand on high, behold the joy
that shall come to you from God.**

Communion Hymn

Wait for the Lord

#410

Communion Motet

I Will Magnify Thee (Sat. 5:15 p.m.)

Joseph Corfe

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Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.