

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ADVENT

ST. CATHARINE CHURCH

*And how does this happen to me,
that the mother of my Lord
should come to me?*

*For at the moment the sound of
your greeting reached my ears,
the infant in my womb leaped for
joy.*

*Blessed are you who believed
that what was spoken to you by
the Lord would be fulfilled.*





Lessons & Carols



Sunday, December 19th
7:00pm

What is Lessons and Carols? Lessons and Carols is a service of Scripture and song that dates to the late 19th century. In this service, we listen to Scripture lessons which recount the Fall, the promise of a Messiah, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission to preach the Good News. Each lesson is followed by a carol or song that reflects on the lesson's message.

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 19, 2021



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Blessing of a Christmas Manger

In its present form the custom of displaying figures depicting the birth of Jesus Christ owes its origin to St. Francis of Assisi, who made the Christmas crèche or manger for Christmas Eve of 1223.

The blessing of the Christmas manger or nativity scene may take place on the Vigil of Christmas or at another suitable time.

When the manger is set up in the home, it is appropriate that it be blessed by a parent or another family member.

All make the sign of the cross as
the leader says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R/. Who made heaven and earth.

One of those present or the leader reads
a text of sacred Scripture, for example,
Luke 2:1 (lines 1-8) or Isaiah 7:10
(lines 10-15, the birth of Emmanuel).

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

R/. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The leader prays with hands joined:

God of every nation and people,
from the very beginning of creation
you have made manifest your love:

when our need for a Savior was great

you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin
Mary.

To our lives he brings joy and peace,
justice, mercy, and love.

Lord,

bless all who look upon this manger;
may it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus,
and raise our thoughts to him,
who is God-with-us and Savior of all,
and who lives and reigns forever and ever.

R/. Amen.

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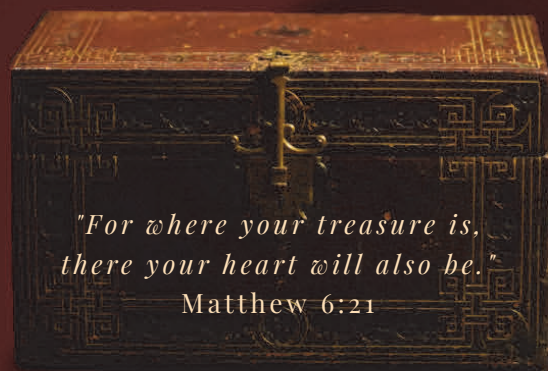
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Thank you for your response to the Thanksgiving Coat Drive! The generosity of our parish is amazing, and each time an appeal is made for help you open your hearts and give so generously. There is a great deal of need in our greater community, and we thank you for opening your hearts and sharing the love of our parish family with those around us.

Advent Blessings,
Your Parish Care on Call team

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Confession Times

Tuesday	6:30pm
Thursday	7:00pm (ADORE Night)
Saturday	9:00am

Adoration Chapel Hours

Monday - Friday	6:00am - 9:00pm
Saturday	6:00am - 4:00pm
Sunday	6:00am - 9:00pm

Offering (December 12th)

Offertory data not available at press time.

Mass Intentions

Sun 12/19	Lucy Faiella (8:30am) Intentions of Dcn. Augustine (11:00am) People of the Parish (5:00pm)
Mon 12/20	William A. Manierre Jr. (8:00am)
Tues 12/21	Marilyn & Willis Fichtelman (7:00pm)
Weds 12/22	Harold Rees (8:00am)
Thurs 12/23	Ilidia Bennett (8:00am)
Fri 12/24	Elizabeth Roderick Hauss (4:00pm) Legal protection of the Unborn (6:30pm) People of the Parish (12:00am Midnight)
Sat 12/25	Msgr. David Sorohan (11:00am)

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The Weeks Ahead

Week of December 19th Fourth Week of Advent

Sunday	December 19th
9:30am	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
9:30am	St Vincent de Paul
7:00pm	Lessons and Carols
Monday	December 20th
6:30pm	Cub Scouts
Tuesday	December 21st
	<i>Commemoration of Saint Peter Canisius, Priest, Doctor</i>
7:00pm	Holy Mass
7:30pm	Confessions
Wednesday	December 22nd
7:00pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	December 23rd
	<i>Commemoration of Saint John of Kęty, Priest</i>
7:00pm	ADORE Night
Friday	December 24th
4:00pm	Christmas Eve Mass
6:30pm	Christmas Eve Mass
11:30pm	Christmas Carols
12:00am	Midnight Mass
Saturday	December 25th
11:00am	Christmas Day Mass

Week of December 26th The Octave of Christmas

Sunday	December 26th
	<i>Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i>
Monday	December 27th
	<i>Feast of Saint John, Apostle and evangelist</i>
8:00am	Holy Mass
Tuesday	December 28th
	<i>Feast of the Holy Innocents, martyrs</i>
7:00pm	Holy Mass
7:30pm	Confessions
Wednesday	December 29th
	<i>The Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas</i>
7:30am	Men's Rosary
8:00am	Holy Mass
Thursday	December 30th
	<i>The Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas</i>
8:00am	Holy Mass
7:00pm	ADORE Night
Friday	December 31st
	<i>The Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas</i>
8:00am	Holy Mass
Saturday	January 1st
	<i>Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God</i>
8:30am	Holy Mass



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BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

A great tradition to start during the Advent season is preparing your Nativity Set with the exception of Baby Jesus. A Nativity set that is (temporarily) missing the Baby Jesus is a good reminder that it's not quite Christmas yet!

St. John Paul II started the tradition of "Bambinelli Sunday", where he encouraged children to bring their baby Jesus from their family's nativity set to St. Peter's square for a special papal blessing. The children then place their baby Jesus figurine under the Christmas tree until Christmas morning (when he then rejoins the Nativity set). St. Catharine Church will continue this tradition at each Mass on December 19th.

CHRISTMAS

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

CHRISTMAS EVE (FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24TH)

4:00PM

6:30PM

MIDNIGHT MASS

12:00am (Carols begin at 11:30pm)

CHRISTMAS DAY (SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25TH)

11:00AM

In order to accommodate as many of the faithful as possible, 4:00pm and 6:30pm Christmas Eve Mass will be simulcast in the Parish Center and live-streamed on our YouTube and Facebook pages.

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH

8:30AM

11:00AM

5:00PM

This Sunday feast day will be celebrated solely on Sunday this year.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1ST

8:30AM

The solemnity falls on a Saturday this year, and there is no obligation to attend Mass, but it remains a solemnity.

