

# SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL

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# SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 2025

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL  
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## Liturgical Schedule

Monday (12/8): 8:30AM at St. John  
6:00PM at Cathedral

Tuesday (12/9): 8:30AM at St. John

Wednesday (12/10): 8:30AM at Cathedral

Thursday (12/11): 8:30AM at St. John

Friday (12/12): 8:30AM at Cathedral

Saturday (12/13): 4:00PM at Cathedral

Sunday (12/14): 9:00AM at Cathedral

10:30AM at St. John 

## The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*\*\*Holy Day of Obligation\*\**

Monday (12/8): 8:30AM at St. John

6:00PM at Cathedral

## Confession

Wednesday (12/10): 6:00-7:30PM at Cathedral

Saturday (12/13): 8:00-9:00AM at Cathedral

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday (12/10): 3:00-8:00PM at Cathedral

**Solemn Benediction to follow at 8:00PM**

The 9:00AM Sunday Mass at the Cathedral is broadcasted on Relevant Radio 1050AM.

Mass with Bishop Ricken airs on WFRV-TV-Channel 5 Sunday at 7:30AM

Please Note: If the Green Bay Public Schools are closed due to the weather,  
No daily Mass, Adoration, or Confession will be held at Cathedral or St. John the Evangelist.  
If school is delayed, no morning Mass. If the schools have an early release, no Adoration or Confession.



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Tuesday: 12:30PM - 4:00PM

Wednesday & Thursday: 9:30AM - 4:00PM

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## MASS INTENTIONS | Saint Francis Xavier Cathedral

Saturday	December 6th	4:00 PM	† Barbara Tipps
Sunday	December 7th	9:00 AM	† August Menghini
Monday	December 8th	6:00 PM	The Living & Deceased Members of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral
Wednesday	December 10th	8:30 AM	† Father Charles Mocco
Friday	December 12th	8:30 AM	† Loretta Laird
Saturday	December 13th	4:00 PM	† Marjorie DeVillers
Sunday	December 14th	9:00 AM	† Edward Leo Diamond

WEEK 2  
Advent



Advent  
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Hear the story of the coming of Christ with candlelight procession, readings and musical responses. Reception following liturgy.

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Saturday December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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Other	900.00
Total	11,939.24
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YTD Expense	330,700.86
	(121,648.20)

The Giving Tree is up in the narthex! Please choose an ornament with a gift choice and place that gift unwrapped with the ornament tag, in a plastic bag under the tree. Donations will be delivered to **Alexandrina Pregnancy Resource Center** and **House of Hope** before Christmas.

Thank you for your generous, thoughtful gifting during this Christmas Season.





## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### First Reading:

The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD. (Isa 11:2)

### Psalm:

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever. (Ps 72)

### Second Reading:

Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. (Romans 15:7)

### Gospel:

"I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I." (Mt 3:11)

### Readings for the week of December 7, 2025

**Sunday:** Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (see 7)/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

**Monday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

**Tuesday:** Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14

**Wednesday:** Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

**Thursday:** Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15

**Friday:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

**Saturday:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

**Next Sunday:** Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-1

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## A beautiful Advent Tradition - Bambinelli Sunday

*Bambinelli Sunday* is a beautiful tradition that was started by Pope St. John Paul II. *Bambinelli* is Italian, the plural of *bambinello* which means "little baby [boy]." *Bambinelli Sunday* is celebrated on Gaudete Sunday, the third Sunday of Advent. Thousands of people come to St. Peter's Square bringing the Baby Jesus figurines from their creches and nativity scenes; then, at the time of the Pope's Angelus address, he blesses all the little figures of the Child Jesus. Families also traditionally spend their Advent season making small sacrifices or doing good deeds for the Child Jesus, represented by adding a piece of straw to His manger for each good deed performed. When Christmas day arrives, the Baby Jesus is placed in the empty creche made comfortable by these acts of charity.

In the spirit of this tradition, families, you are invited to bring the baby Jesus figurine from your home creche to be blessed at Mass on the **weekend of December 13-14th.**

### Christmas Mass Schedule

Wednesday, December 24th (Christmas Eve)

4:00PM at Cathedral -

No Morning Mass, Adoration or Confession

5:30PM at St. John

9:00PM at Cathedral (Live on WFRV-5)

Thursday, December 25th (Christmas Day)

(9:00PM Mass re-aired on WFRV-5 at 5:00AM)

9:00AM at Cathedral

9:00AM at St. John

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God/New Year's Day  
\*\*Holy Day of Obligation\*\*

Wednesday, December 31st

4:00PM at Cathedral

No Morning Mass, Adoration or Confession

Thursday, January 1st

9:00AM at Cathedral

9:00AM at St. John



**Pope Leo's**

### December Intention

#### For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

### Next Weekend: SHARE IN THE CARE Retirement Collection

Next weekend, our parishes will take part in **the Retirement Collection - SHARE IN THE CARE**, a heartfelt opportunity to support those who have spent their lives serving God and our communities.



This special collection benefits two groups:

- The **National Retirement Fund for Religious**, which supports retired sisters, brothers, and religious order priests.
- The **Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund**, which helps care for our senior priests right here in the Diocese of Green Bay.

These faithful servants have given so much. Now it's our turn to give back. You may choose to support one or both funds using the envelope provided near the entrances of the church.

Let's come together in gratitude and generosity to ensure they receive the care and dignity they deserve.

## MASS INTENTIONS | Saint John the Evangelist

Sunday	December 7th	10:30 AM 	Living and Deceased Members of St. John the Evangelist Parish
Monday	December 8th Feast of the Immaculate Conception	8:30 AM	The Sherman Family
Tuesday	December 9th	8:30 AM	The Huber Family
Thursday	December 11th	8:30 AM	The Living and Deceased Members of the Hintz/Kipp Families
Sunday	December 14th	10:30 AM 	† Carol Greenwood

### Upcoming Liturgical Roles

Sunday, December 14th

10:30 AM

Sharon J.

Our prayers and sympathies are with the family of Ron Duquaine whose funeral was celebrated at St. John's December 2<sup>nd</sup>



May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed thought the mercy of God, Rest in Peace, Amen.

When Green Bay Public Schools are closed due to weather there will be no daily Mass or evening events. When there is a morning delay there will be no daily Mass and evening events will go on as planned. Sunday Mass will not be cancelled except in extreme circumstances. Parishioners should exercise caution in whether to attend in blizzard conditions.

Weekly Collection 10	11/23/2025	Budgeted	Over/(Short)
Parish Envelopes	\$ 1,476.00	\$ 1,827.00	\$ ( 351.00)
Loose	\$ 157.00	\$ 317.30	\$ (160.30)
Total	\$ 1,633.00	\$ 2,144.30	\$ (511.30)

### Love Life Christmas Collection

The Love Life Christmas Tree collection of infant items continues through December. The tree and manger will be at the front of the church near the elevator. Please pick an ornament tag from the tree, purchase the printed item, and put the unwrapped item in the manger.

*Thank you in advance for your generosity and have a wonderful and blessed Christmas season.*



### Pilgrims of Hope Come Lord Jesus



#### Longest Night Memorial Service, December 18, 7pm

Interfaith Memorial Service remembering those who died while experiencing homelessness over the past year. Approaching the longest, darkest night we are reminded of the harsh realities of living on the streets. This is the 16th year SJE has hosted this beautiful service.

#### Men's Shelter Meal, Tuesday, December 30

Join the meal team preparing (SJE kitchen 2-5pm) and serving (Men's Shelter 5:30-7:30 pm) or provide ingredients for soup, grilled cheese sandwiches and winter salad

See Helen Wellens, Barb Strutz after Mass or call parish office @ 436-6380

#### Early Church Opening (November-April-Sundays 8:00-10:00 am)

Our homeless brothers and sisters leave the shelter at 8 a.m. and don't have transportation until 9:15 a.m. We want to keep the church open during this time as a warm and safe space. We need at least two volunteers each Sunday, with at least one male present.

**Please see Dcn. Art, Helen Wellens, Barb or Jim Strutz for information or to get involved.**

**Thank you and God Bless You – Parish Outreach/SJM**

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### Parish Information

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## On Our Journey

**O come Emmanuel.** If you attended the Sunday morning Mass at the Cathedral on the first Sunday of Advent, you would have heard Bishop Ricken's homily, which included him explaining the three comings of Christ. For those who weren't there or others who would like a little reminder, here is a brief summary. The first coming of Christ was his incarnation, when he came into the world as a baby in Bethlehem around 2,000 years ago. The second coming of Christ was when we (each one of us) accepted Jesus into our hearts. We moved from knowing of Jesus to knowing him personally. And the last or third coming of Christ will be at the end of time (Parousia) when the world ends and time and space give way to eternity. I wish to expand on his sermon on the comings of Christ. Perhaps the coming of Christ that is preeminent in our minds is the moment when we die, and we see Jesus face-to-face for the first time, and our eternal destiny is determined. To me, that is something we should keep in the forefront of our minds. Another coming of Christ we may overlook is when he enters our lives daily. My guess is we don't often think about this because we are caught up in the busyness of everyday life, especially during the Advent season. We use words like hope, joy, and gratitude, but do we acknowledge that those realities in our lives are graces given to us by God? Graces he sees we need in our lives, and he knows we need them because that's how close he is to us every day. We need to be aware of the epic moments when Jesus has and will come, but let's also keep in mind that he is with us always.

Godspeed,

Deacon Bob

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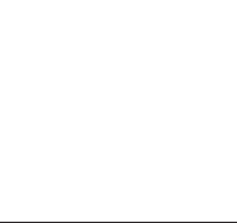
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