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SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023

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Liturgical Schedule

Tuesday (12/5): 8:30AM at St. John

Wednesday (12/6): 8:30AM at Cathedral

Thursday (12/7): 8:30AM at St. John

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

Saturday (12/9): 4:00PM at Cathedral and 5:30PM at St. John

Sunday (12/10): 9:00AM at Cathedral and 10:30AM at St. John

Confession

At St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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

Saturday (12/9): 8:00-9:00AM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

At St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

Wednesday (12/6): 3:00-8:00PM

Solemn Benediction to follow at 8:00PM

Holy Day—Friday, December 8: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The 9:00AM Sunday Mass at the Cathedral is livestreamed at sfxcathedralgb.com and on Relevant Radio 1050AM
Mass with Bishop Ricken airs on WFRV-TV-Channel 5 Sunday at 7:30 AM



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come."

Mark 13:33

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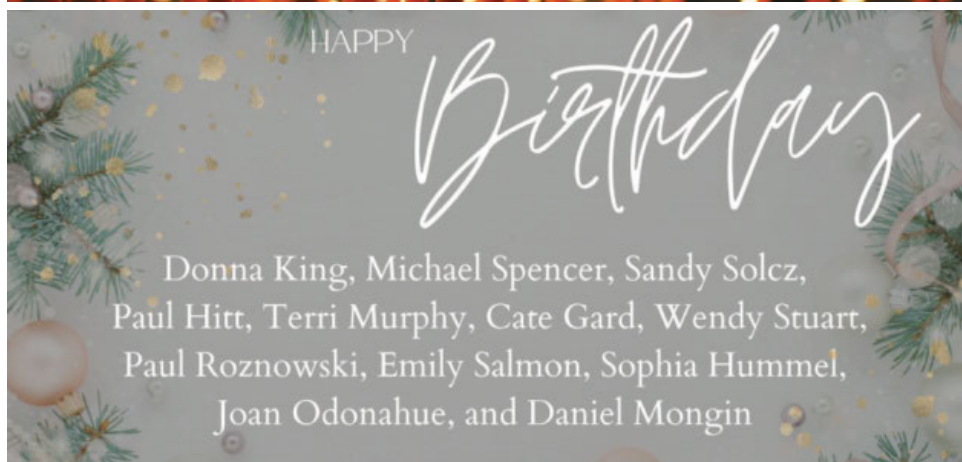
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MASS INTENTIONS | SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL

Saturday, December 2	4:00PM	† Allan Knowles
Sunday, December 3	9:00AM	Living & Deceased Members of Saint Francis Xavier Cathedral
Wednesday, December 6	8:30AM	† Dorothy Chekouras
Friday, December 8	8:30AM	† Erma Schuch
Saturday, December 9	4:00PM	† Joseph Brown
Sunday, December 10	9:00AM	† Robert Gruesen Sr.



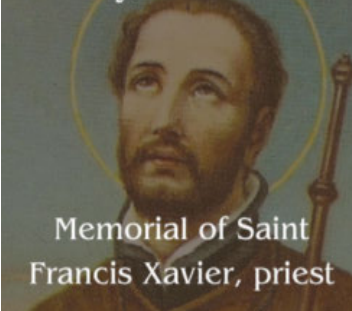
Advent Lessons & Carols

Sunday, December 17 | 6:00PM

Led by the Cathedral Choir and Diocesan Youth Choir, this liturgy of readings and carols begins with a candlelight procession as we enter into the anticipation of the Light of the World being born anew this Christmas.

A festive reception will follow the liturgy.

Sunday, December 3



Offerings Report

	11/12/2023
Env	4,224.00
Loose	911.75
On-Line	2,158.58
Subtotal	7,294.33
Year to Date Income	147,769.01
Budgeted YTD Exp	253,092.00
Difference	(105,322.99)

Cathedral's Giving Tree

On display from: November 24 - December 17

Remove a tagged ornament for the children staying at House of Hope or for infants being served through A&A Alexandria Center.

Please do not wrap; just return in a bag with the ornament tag. Gift card tags will be given to the mothers at HOH. Gift cards can be dropped in one of the offertory boxes.

God bless you for helping others in need - have a merry Christmas!

Bishop Ricken's December Intention

May the Prince of Peace bring an end to the violence of war and lead all those afflicted by violence to lives of peace and joy.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

"Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you." (Is 63:19)

Psalm:

"Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved." (Ps 80)

Second Reading:

*"The testimony to Christ was confirmed among you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ."
(1 Cor 1:6-7)*

Gospel:

"Watch, therefore; you do not know when the lord of the house is coming." (Mk 13:35)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 3, 2023

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps
80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk
13:33-37

Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5,
6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13,
17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4,
5, 6/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9,
19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

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

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2,
3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10,
11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Ladies - Save the Date!

Our first annual Advent by Candlelight event will be on December 9th at 5:30PM in the Cathedral parish hall. Advent by Candlelight is the opportunity for women of all ages to prepare more deeply for the coming of Christ at Christmas through prayer, fellowship, and of course, tasty treats. Enjoy dessert by candlelight as you listen to an Advent Reflection.

Want to reserve your spot? Become a hostess! An Advent by Candlelight hostess reserves a table, invites 7 of her closest female friends (family members, friends, fellow parishioners or neighbors), bakes a treat for the dessert and appetizer buffet and decorates her table (either casual or ornate will do!!). Her guests can help by baking the dessert and appetizer instead!

Don't want to be a hostess but would love to join us? Register as an individual and you'll have a spot at a hostess's table. This event is free, but your RSVP is required. Register today by contacting Kristina Mendez (kmendez@mendezlawgb.com or 920-417-5241). Hurry! Space is limited! Deadline to RSVP is December 3!

Thank you from our Maintenance Director, Michael Klatt and his wife, Karen

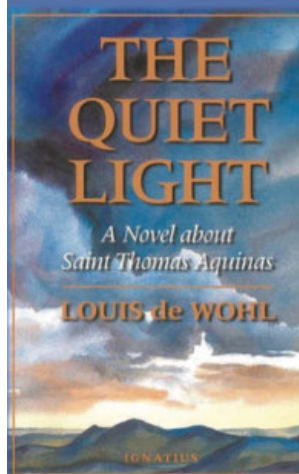


My wife and I would like to thank everyone for praying for our granddaughter, Harleigh. On November 3 she was rushed to Children's Hospital in Milwaukee with a rare immune disease. She was put into an induced coma to heal the pneumonia and kidney infection for 11 days. We received word today, 11/20 that her pneumonia and kidneys are looking great and healing fantastic. She is sitting up in a wheelchair and doing her physical therapy and occupational therapy. Your prayers are much appreciated. A special thank you to Father Brian for being there when I needed to talk about this situation. God Bless everyone from both parishes. We realized the wonderful support we received and are thankful for everyone.

7 Advent Traditions to try as a Family

1. Advent Calendars
2. Advent Wreaths
3. The Christmas Anticipation Prayer
4. A Gradual Approach to Decorating
5. Straw for Baby Jesus
6. The Christmas Novena
7. Jesse Tree

For more information on Liturgical Living,
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BOOK CLUB

**Wednesdays
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**December 6
December 20
January 3
January 17**

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MASS INTENTIONS | SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Saturday, December 2	5:30PM	† George & Victoria Schampers
Sunday, December 3	10:30AM	† Richard Greenwood
Tuesday, December 5	8:30AM	† Urban Schumacher
Thursday, December 7	8:30AM	† Annabeth Kirschner
Friday, December 8	6:00PM	Living and Deceased Members of St. John the Evangelist Parish (Feast of the Immaculate Conception)
Saturday, December 9	5:30PM	† Lawrence & Roberta Servais
Sunday, December 10	10:30AM	Living and Deceased Members of the Kirschling Family

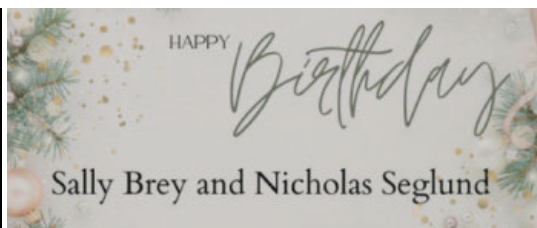
UPCOMING LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, December 9 at 5:30PM

Reader: Karen Van Gemert

Sunday, December 10 at 10:30AM

Reader: Sharon Jirovetz



Saint John the Evangelist will hold a Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Tuesday December 5th at 4:30 in the church.

Reader needed for Solemnity Mass:
December 8th

Volunteers and Donations Needed!

Meal for Saint John's Ministry Men's Shelter

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me..."
Matthew 25

In support of our brothers at St. John's Men's Shelter, SJE will be serving supper on December 15. We will cook in our kitchen at church (turkey and sides) and serve at the shelter. Vern Van Beek will lead the cooking and we need 5 people to assist, and 4 to serve the meal. Since we anticipate feeding 90 people, the need is great and we are hoping you are able to donate time, dollars, and/or food - and as always, your prayers.

Please see the fliers at the main and elevator entrances. Thank you.

DEAF PRIEST TO VISIT ST JOHN'S

The Deaf Community feels honored to be at St. John's and it is amazing we are still going strong since we began in 2005. We are inviting Rev. Christopher Klusman, a Deaf priest from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee to celebrate the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 10th. Fr. Christopher has visited us twice a year for Advent and Lenten Masses for the last 8-9 years. It is quite an honor and years in the making to have Mass following the Deaf way and culture with the hearing community for the 10:30 a.m. Mass next weekend! We are excited to share our language and culture with all of you and glad Fr. Brian will be a concelebrant! We will have the interpreters voice all of the American Sign Language and you will not miss anything. This follows our mission statement as a bilingual and bicultural parish with both hearing and deaf cultures praying and celebrating together.

Thank you Fr. Brian, Deacon Art and the Parish of St. John's! Jean Laux, Deaf Liaison

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the prayers listed in our book of intentions. especially those in our community suffering from any type of addiction, those who are experiencing homelessness, those who are struggling with any eating disorders, and those who have strayed away from the Catholic Church.

(Please contact Deacon Art if you would like to have any prayers added to this list of intentions)

Special thanks to those who shared their requests.

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Catechesis of the Holy Land

By Father Brian Belongia

Bethesda—The Home of Joachim and Anne & Birthplace of Mary

Today, a partially reconstructed area of the Pools of Bethesda, where Jesus healed the paralytic man according to the Gospel of John, is located just inside the Old City of Jerusalem through the Lion' Gate.

Located here is also the Church of St. Anne, which marks the reputed place of Mary's birth after her Immaculate Conception 9 months earlier. The church is a well known for its acoustics as pilgrim groups are invited to sing and be heard beautifully without microphones.



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