

Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

Confessions heard before all Masses. Sundays 6:45, 8:15 & 10:30am

Sun, Jan 7 *The Holy Family*
7:15am *Pro Populo*
9:00am Special Int. for Grandchildren by David & Barbara Trettel
11:30am †Abbot Leonard Giardino, OSB

Mon, Jan 8 *Feria after Epiphany*
6:30am Intention of Tommy Kinsella
12:00pm †David C. Armistead, Jr. by LaPlante Family

Tue, Jan 9 *Feria after Epiphany*
6:30am †Bp Terence Fulham
No 9:00am Mass

Wed, Jan 10 *Feria after Epiphany*
No 6:30am Mass
No 12:00pm Mass

Thu, Jan 11 *Feria after Epiphany*
No 6:30am Mass
No 9:00am Mass

Fri, Jan 12 *Feria after Epiphany*
No 12:00pm Mass
No 7:00pm Mass

Sat, Jan 13 *Commemoration of the Baptism of the Lord*
7:00am Intention of Eileen
9:00am Gary Shirley by Inés Lavelle

Sun, Jan 14 *II Sunday after Epiphany*
7:15am Fr HJ Venette
9:00am Stuart H. Bond by Chris Bond
11:30am *Pro Populo*

Last Sunday's Collection: \$4,885.50 God reward you.
Christmas Collection: \$9,226.75
Catholic Charities: \$945.00

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Atlanta

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The Holy Family – January 7, 2018

Today - Epiphany Concert: will be held in the gym after the 11:30am high Mass, hosted by the parish's CCD program. Lunch will be provided. All are welcome to come enjoy the music and delectables.

Today - FSSP Seminarian Burse Collection: For those who use envelopes for the weekly collection, an additional envelope on the first Sunday of each month was added to make contributing to the FSSP Seminary Burse easier and more regular for those who wish to do so. Place the envelopes with the regular first collection: there will not be a “second collection” for them. Please make your checks payable to: “FSSP”. God reward you for your generosity.

Today - Adult Education: in Adult Ed. classroom in the basement.

This week:

10:15am Bible Timeline – The Conquest

1:30pm No Class – Epiphany Concert

Next week:

10:15am Bible Timeline – The Judges Part 1

1:30pm Epic! – Crusaders and Scholars Part 3

Fr. Casavantes and Fr. DeGuzman will be away Jan 9 – Jan 12 at the FSSP Convocation in Lincoln, NE. There will be no Masses offered Wednesday through Friday this week. While away, Mass intentions will be offered: *Healing & Conversion of Family* by Margarita Santiago; *Conv. Wayne Boddie* by Cathy Segal; *Peggy Besner* by Lloyd & Elizabeth Bird; *Conv. Cunningham Family* by Maureen Cunningham.

The Creed

by Msgr. Rudolph G. Bandas, Ph.D; S.T.D.

What Makes Man Happy? (*cont'd*)

Some assert that man lives and dies like a brute. But such a statement brings us little satisfaction. Although death has prevailed in the world thousands of years, man is no more accustomed to it today than he was in the beginning. Man wishes to live - live in his body - forever. When disease and death begin to encroach upon him, he fights against them with all the groaning, weeping, and sorrow which have always been found among men of the past.

It might be noted in passing that in our country there is no divorce or absolute wall of separation between the federal government and religion. The Declaration of Independence refers to the Creator as the bestower of rights and liberties. Our first president, George Washington, affirmed that "religion and morality are indispensable supports" of the prosperity of the state. Our presidents have attributed to Divine Providence the prosperity of our government, have *publicly* thanked God for His blessings, appointed days of prayer, and urged the people annually to join in public thanksgiving to God on Thanksgiving Day. The president and others take their oath on the Bible. Congress employs chaplains in its opening sessions. Legal documents are dated "in the year of our Lord." When a witness is sworn, he affirms "so help me God." Our coins bear the words - "In God We Trust."

Ministers of religion are exempt from military service, or are commissioned as chaplains. Contributions to religious institutions are deductible from income taxes. Denominational schools may avail themselves of war surplus material on a par with government schools. The School Lunch Act - which enables children to get wholesome nourishment in school at reduced prices or even wholly free of charge, and which aims to improve the dietary programs and luncheon equipment at schools - applies to private as well as public schools.

3. God Spoke to Us

The Central Theme of God's Message

"God, who, at sundry times and in divers manners, spoke in times past to the fathers by the prophets, last of all, in these days hath spoken to us by

his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the world" (Heb. 1:1-2). In these few words St. Paul sums up the whole history of God's merciful designs in regard to fallen mankind. God, it is true, speaks "at sundry times" and "in divers manners." Yet all prophecies have the same theme, they all point to the future Messiah - now supplementing one another, now mutually explaining one another. Each prophet adds a new detail so that when the "fullness of time" is come (Gal. 4:4), when the clouds are about to "rain the just" and the earth "bud forth a Savior" (Isaias 45:8), there emerges from the ensemble of these Old Testament oracles a perfect figure of the Promised One. As St. Augustine so well said, "In the Old Testament there is a veiling of the New Testament, and in the New Testament there is a revealing of the Old Testament."

To be continued ...

Confirmation Class is cancelled today, Jan 7. Come to the Epiphany Concert after the 11:30am Mass. Check email for homework assignment.

Epiphany House Blessings: Chalk, water, and instructions are provided in the vestibule to bless your own house. You may invite a priest to bless your home at any time of the year and are encouraged to do so.

St. Gerard Ministry: next monthly noon Mass will be Wed, Jan 17 due to no Mass offered on Wed, Jan 10 while the priests are away.

Georgia March for Life: will be Friday, Jan 19. The one-mile silent march starts at 1pm from the *Liberty Plaza* across from the State Capitol. Please make effort to attend this worthwhile cause.

St. Francis de Sales Parish

Confessions: 15 mins before weekday Masses: Sundays 6:45, 8:15 & 10:30am

Baptism: Contact the parish at least six weeks before birth

Marriage: Contact the parish at least six months before the wedding

Legion of Mary: meets Wednesdays at 7:00pm

Rosary: before 9:00am and 11:30am Sunday Masses

Knights of Columbus: meet 2nd Mon of month: Rosary 6:30pm, dinner, meeting starts 7:30pm: <https://sites.google.com/view/kofc14625/home>

Eucharistic Exposition: Friday after evening Mass

Religious Education (CCD): Sundays at 10:15 (*Sept-May*)

Columbian Squires: Circle meets on 2nd Sunday of the month at 1:15pm

St. Gerard: for desirous, new, and expectant moms: stgerardministry@gmail.com

FNE: Female scouting group meets Sat am: tsosj.fne.girlsgroup15@gmail.com