

Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

Confessions heard before all Masses. Sundays 7:15, 9:30 & 12:15 pm

<i>Sunday, December 27th</i>	<i>Sunday in the Octave of Christmas</i>
8:00 am Low	†Gerald Healy by Fred & Karen Carver
10:30 am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
1:00 pm	†Robert A. Setele

Monday, December 28th **Holy Innocents**
12:00 pm †Departed Souls of John D. Schneider Family

Tuesday, December 29th *5th Day in the Octave of Christmas*
6:30 am Kyle Rittenhouse by David Gilbert
9:00 am †Jack McGreevy by Eileen Bennett

Wednesday, December 30th *6th Day in the Octave of Christmas*
12:00 pm Sherry Van Meter

Thursday, December 31st *7th Day in the Octave of Christmas*
6:30 am †Debra Green by Lynda Hoheisel
9:00 am †Mary Lisa by Elizabeth Wright
(No Eposition of the Blessed Sacrament today)

Friday, January 1st *Octave Day of Christmas*
Midnight Low †Mark Lavelle by Ines Lavelle
8:00 am Low Tommy Kinsella
10:30 am High Pro Populo

Saturday, January 2nd *Saturday of Our Lady*
7:00 am †Rene Bedard
9:00 am †Eric Patterson by Tara Baker

<i>Sunday, January 3rd</i>	<i>Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>
8:00 am Low	†Doug Riney & Family
10:30 am High	Jorge Luis Garcia-Osorio by Valerie Calloway
1:00 pm Low	<i>Pro Populo</i>

Sunday Collection (Dec. 20) \$7,458.93 *God reward you.*
Online Collection (Dec. 14-20) \$3,178.00

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Atlanta

Served by the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter (FSSP)
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according to the 1962 Roman Missal of St. John XXIII

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Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4 pm (Closed during Mass)

Sunday in the Octave of Christmas, December 27, 2020

Today: Juventutem Atlanta (ages 18-35) will have a White Elephant Christmas Party at Mezza Luna today after the 1 pm Mass. Please bring a gift costing no more than \$15 to participate.

Inquiry class: our class for non-Catholics interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith will continue to meet during this holy season of Christmas, on Tuesdays at 6 pm in the parish library.

Holy Hour on Dec. 31: there will be a holy hour to end the year, beginning at 11pm on December 31st before Midnight Mass.

Two plenary indulgences: one plenary indulgence may be gained by publicly saying or singing the *Te Deum* in thanksgiving on the last day of the year (Dec 31). A second plenary indulgence may be gained by publicly saying or singing the *Veni Creator Spiritus* on the first day of the year (Jan 1). (*Handbook of Indulgences*, Norms 19 and 20). If you come to our midnight low Mass on the night of Dec. 31, come early to thank God for the year completed (as difficult as it has been). As soon as the new year begins, ask the Holy Ghost to help us in the year upcoming. By so doing, you can obtain two plenary indulgences.

2021 Collection envelopes are now available to be picked up in the vestibule of the church. If you want envelopes and don't see yours, please call the office.

Epiphany Blessings: At First Vespers of the Epiphany, Jan 5 at 6pm the Epiphany water will be blessed. Chalk, water, and instructions will be provided for you 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.

CCD classes will not meet on Dec 27 or January 3 in observance of the holy days of Christmas..

Virtus training will be offered on January 10 from 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm in the south classrooms for those who could not attend the previous session.

Thank you to all those who generously gave their time and talents to decorate and prepare our parish for the celebration of Our Lord's Nativity.

Fr. Dow, Fr. Smith, and Fr. Austin would like to thank everyone for the wonderful Christmas cards, gifts, and prayers. May Our Lord fill you with His joy and peace during this holy season and the year to come.

New Bulletin Deadline: To prepare for a new design for our Sunday bulletin, the deadline for announcements will now be Monday at 5 pm.

Bulletin Advertising Opportunity: As part of the new design of our Sunday bulletin, we will offer advertisers an opportunity to promote their goods and services to fellow parishioners, which should cover the cost of production for our new bulletin and perhaps generate a small profit for the parish. Please consider advertising your business's goods or services in our parish bulletin! We also plan to create a free professional and trade directory to go on our parish website, which will be exclusively for registered parishioners. If you are interested in purchasing advertising in the print bulletin, email: advertising@fsspatl.com.

From Dom Guéranger's *The Liturgical Year*:

"We apply the name of Christmas to the forty days which begin with the Nativity of our Lord, December 25, and end with the Purification of the Blessed Virgin, February 2. It is a period which forms a distinct portion of the Liturgical Year, as distinct, by its own special spirit, from every other, as are Advent, Lent, Easter, or Pentecost. One same Mystery is celebrated and kept in view during the whole forty days. Neither the Feasts of the Saints, which so abound during this Season; nor the time of Septuagesima, with its mournful Purple, which often begins before Christmastide is over [as it does in 2021-*Ed.*], seem able to distract our Holy Mother the Church from the immense joy of which she received the good tidings from the Angels (St. Luke ii 10) on that glorious Night for which the world had been longing four thousand years. The Faithful will remember that the Liturgy commemorates this long expectation by the four penitential weeks of Advent."

(From Chapter 1: "The History of Christmas." To receive such commentary on the liturgical year every day, you can sign up for daily email messages on the parish website at www.fsspatl.com/email-subscription and select "The Liturgical Year".)

St. Francis de Sales-Information & Contacts

Confessions: 15 mins before weekday Masses; Sundays 7:15am,9:30am,12:15pm

Baptism: Contact the parish at least six weeks before birth

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

Eucharistic Exposition: Thurs. 10am-3pm, Friday after evening Mass

Rosary: Before 9:30am and 11:30am Sunday Masses

Religious Education (CCD): Sundays at 9:15am (Aug.-May)

Choir: director@sfdsschoir.com

Guild of St. Stephen: Altar boy society, meets 1st Saturdays, assistant@fsspatl.com

Legion of Mary: Meet Mondays at 6:30pm in the library

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

Columbian Squires: Circle meets on 2nd Sunday of the month at 1:30pm

FNE: Catholic explorer's group: info@atlantafne.org

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

Juventutem Young Adults Group: Adults 18-35 juventutematlanta@gmail.com

Inquirers Class: For non-Catholics who have questions about the Catholic religion, taught by the priests of the parish. Tuesdays at 6pm: secretary@fsspatl.com

Bookstore Hours: Sunday 10:30am-11:15am and 1:00pm-1:30pm