

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

CONFESSIONS HEARD BEFORE ALL MASSES.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25 — The Nativity of Our Lord

12:00 Midnight High Pro Populo
8:00 a.m. Low Celebrant's Intention
10:00 a.m. *Christmas carols*
10:30 a.m. High Celebrant's Intention
No 1:00 p.m. Mass

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26 — St. Stephen, Protomartyr

6:30 a.m. Celebrant's Intention
9:00 a.m. † Gabriel Focarraci

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27 — St. John, Apostle

6:30 a.m. Darlene Ryan & Baby
9:00 a.m. Catherine Choi

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28 — Feast of the Holy Innocents

6:30 a.m. Adrian Esposito
9:00 a.m. † David C. Armistead

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29 — 5th Day in the Octave of Christmas

6:30 a.m. The Knoepffler Raskosky Family
9:00 a.m. Michael & Roxene Saviano
Adoration after 9:00 a.m. Mass until 3:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30 — 6th Day in the Octave of Christmas

9:00 a.m. Patrick Egan & Bridget Arnott
7:00 p.m. † Charles Edward Farley
Adoration after 7:00 p.m. Mass

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31 — 7th Day in the Octave of Christmas

7:00 a.m. † Gabriel Focarraci
9:00 a.m. † Vong Soo Yang

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1 — Octave of the Nativity of Our Lord

8:00 a.m. Low Celebrant's Intention
10:30 a.m. High Pro Populo
1:00 p.m. Low Celebrant's Intention



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Open Sundays after each Mass only.

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December 25, 2022 — The Nativity of Our Lord

THE PRIESTS AT ST. FRANCIS DE SALES wish you a very happy and holy Christmas and a blessed New Year, and are sincerely grateful for those who have helped prepare the celebration of the birth of Our Lord. Thank you to the CCD students for the beautiful poinsettias which fill the church and gym; to all who helped with the decorations and flowers; to the altar boys for their preparation and service at the altar; to the volunteers of the choir; and to everyone else who stepped up to help in all ways big and small, that we might have a truly beautiful and joyous Holy Day.

THE OCTAVE DAY OF CHRISTMAS, January 1, falls on a Sunday this year, and thus the Mass schedule will be the customary Sunday schedule.



An apostolate of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter for the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

JOIN US FOR AN EPIPHANY PARTY on Sunday, January 8, in the Social Hall after each Mass. This will replace the monthly potluck for January.

CCD CLASS SCHEDULE: There will be no classes December 24 and January 1 in observance of the Holy Christmas season. Classes will resume January 8.

CHESTERTON ACADEMY OF ATLANTA, a classical high school grounded in the Catholic faith opening in Kennesaw in the Fall of 2023, is now accepting freshman applications for the 2023-2024 school year. Please visit the website at www.chestertonatl.org for more information and to apply.


A PLENARY INDULGENCE under the usual conditions is granted to the faithful who devoutly assist either at the recitation or solemn singing of 1^o the *Veni Creator*, on the first day of the year to implore divine assistance for the course of the whole year; 2^o the *Te Deum*, on the final day of the year, to offer thanks to God for gifts received throughout the course of the entire year.

We will be singing, or reciting, the *Te Deum* and *Veni Creator* after each Mass on December 31 and January 1 respectively.

FROM CHRISTMAS MATINS OF THE MOZARABIC (SPANISH) RITE:

“Today has risen the Light of the world: today has shone forth the earth’s salvation: today the Savior of Israel has come down from the heavenly country, that he may set free all the slaves whom the old enemy and robber had enslaved by the sin of our first Parent; that he might also restore, by his preventing grace, light to the blind of heart, and hearing to the deaf. For the benefits of this so great mystery, let the mountains and hills leap with joy, and the very elements of the world be exceeding glad on this day, and sing sweet melody. Therefore, let us, in humblest prayer, suppliantly beseech our most merciful Redeemer; that we who are beset by the darkness of our sins, may, by this our hearts’ acclamation, be speedily delivered; that he appearing among us, the brightness of his glory may more joyously and abundantly gleam in our souls, and the happiness of salvation gladden them with never-ending sweetness.”

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ta manes, Et stella ma-ris, succúrre cadénti súrge-re qui
cu-rat pópu-lo : Tu quæ genu- ísti, na-tú-ra mi-ránte, tu-um
sanctum Ge-ni-tó-rem : Virgo pri-us ac posté-ri-us, Gabri-
é-lis ab o-re sumens illud Ave, pecca-tó-rum mi-se-ré-re.

INFORMATION & CONTACTS

Eucharistic Exposition: Thurs. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Friday after evening Mass

Rosary: Before 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Sunday Masses

Baptism: Contact the parish at least three months before birth

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

Inquirers Class (*For prospective converts*): Contact Fr. Rapoport

Religious Education for Children: Sundays at 9:15 a.m. To register, contact the parish office.

FNE Catholic Explorers Scouting Group: info@atlantafne.org

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

Choir: Contact director@sfd choir.com for auditions

Guild of St. Stephen: Altar boy society, meets 1st Saturday of every month; contact Fr. Rapoport for more information.

Saint Gerard Ministry: Support for expectant mothers; contact stgerardministry@gmail.com

Legion of Mary: Sundays at 2:20 p.m. in the parish library; contact legionofmaryvirgofidelis@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus: <https://sites.google.com/view/kofc14625/home>

Confraternity of Christian Mothers: contact Fr. Rapoport