



ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL  
*The Second Sunday of Advent*  
December 8, 2024



*The place where you stand is  
holy ground*

EXODUS 3:5

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ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR  
*The Second Sunday of Advent*

PRELUDE

*Savior of the nations, come*, BWV 659  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

INTROIT FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Populus Sion*  
Mode VII, adapt. St. James Cathedral



O peo - ple of Si - on, be - hold the Lord comes.

SPRINKLING RITE

*Rorate celi*  
chant, adapt. Thomas B. Stratman (1939–2008)

Cantor:



Rain down on us, hea - vens from on high;  
*Ro - ra - te cae - li de - su - per,*

ALL:



you clouds, pour forth the Just One.  
*et nu - bes plu - ant Ius - tum.*

OPENING PRAYER (COLLECT)

*The Liturgy of the Word*

FIRST READING

Baruch 5:1-9

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 126  
Richard Proulx (1938–2010)



The Lord has done great things for us;



we are filled with joy, we are filled with joy.

SECOND READING

Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

ALLELUIA

*New Plainsong Mass*  
David Hurd (b. 1950)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 3:1-6

HOMILY

**Father Mike Raschko** (Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am)  
**Father Alex Pablo** (Noon)  
**Father William Heric** (Sunday Evening)

CREED CHANTED ON ONE TONE

(10:00 and Sunday Evening)

chant, Mode V

Presider *Credo in unum Deum,*

Choir Patrem omnipotentem factorem cæli et terræ,  
visibilium omnium et invisibilium.

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

ALL

Et in u - num Do - mi - num Je - sum Chri - stum,

Fi - li - um De - i u - ni - ge - ni - tum.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,

Choir Et ex Patre natum ante omnia sæcula.

born of the Father before all ages.

ALL

De - um de De - o, lu - men de lú - mi - ne,

De - um ve - rum de De - o ve - ro.

God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,

Choir Genitum, non factum, consubstantialem Patri:  
per quem omnia facta sunt.

begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

ALL

Qui pro - pter nos hó - mi - nes et prop - ter no - stram

sa - lú - tem de - scén - dit de cæ - lis.

For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

*All bow at the words of incarnation, sung by the Choir:*

**All BOW**

Choir Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto ex Maria Virgine,  
et homo factus est.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate  
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

ALL

Cru - ci - fi - xus é - ti - am pro no - bis

sub Pón - ti - o Pi - lá - to; pas - sus et se - púl - tus est.

**All STAND UPRIGHT**

For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,

Choir Et resurrexit tertia die, secundum Scripturas.

and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.

ALL

Et a - scén - dit in cæ - lum,  
se - det ad dèx - te - ram Pa - tris.

He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.

Choir Et iterum venturus est cum gloria,  
iudicare vivos et mortuos,  
cuius regni non erit finis.

He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

ALL

Et in Spí - ri - tum San - ctum, Dó - mi - num et vi - vi - fi -  
cán - tem: qui ex Pa - tre Fi - li - ó - que pro - cé - dit.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds  
from the Father and the Son,

Choir Qui cum Patre et Filio simul  
adoratur et conglorificatur:  
qui locutus est per prophetas.

who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

ALL

Et u - nam, san - ctam, ca - thó - li - cam  
et a - pos - tó - li - cam Ec - clé - si - am.

I believe in one, holy,  
catholic and apostolic Church.

Choir Confiteor unum Baptisma in remissionem peccatorum.

I confess one Baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins

ALL

Et ex - spe - cto re - sur - re - cti - o - nem mor - tu - o - rum.

and I look forward  
to the resurrection of the dead

Choir Et vitam venturi sæculi.

and the life of the world to come.

ALL

A - - - - - men.

Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Jacques Berthier (1923–1994)

Ve - ni Do - mi - ne, no - li tar - da - re.  
*(Come, Lord, tarry no longer.)*

# The Liturgy of the Eucharist

**PROCESSION OF GIFTS** Please follow the directions of the ushers and come forward to the altar with your offering. If you give online, you are still encouraged to participate in the procession! Use one of the white envelopes in the pews and simply drop it in the basket.

## PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

(10:00)

*O Come, divine Messiah!*

16th-century French carol, arr Howard Helvey (b. 1968)

(Sunday evening)

*Creator of the stars of night*  
chant

## SANCTUS

*New Plainsong Mass*  
David Hurd

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly, Lord God of hosts, heav-en and  
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.  
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na in the high - - - est.

## MYSTERY OF FAITH

David Hurd

We pro-claim your death, O Lord, and pro-fess your  
Res - ur - rec-tion un - til you come a - gain.

## AMEN

David Hurd

A - men, A - men, A - men.

## LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

David Hurd

*Cantor:* Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: *ALL:* have mer-cy on us.

*Cantor:* Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: *ALL:* grant us peace.

**Please kneel following the Lamb of God and remain kneeling until it is time for your row to go forward for Holy Communion.**

COMMUNION

*Jerusalem surge, et sta in excelso*  
chant, Mode II

Arise, Jerusalem, and stand on high:  
and behold the joy that shall come to you from your God.

(10:00)

*Ex Sion*  
Josef Gabriel Rheinberger (1839–1901)

**Upon returning to your place after Holy Communion, please kneel or be seated.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

*Comfort, comfort, O my people*  
GENEVA

1. Com - fort, com - fort, O my peo - ple, Speak of peace, now says our God;  
2. Hark, the voice of one who's cry - ing In the des - ert far and near,  
3. O make straight what long was crook-ed, Make the rough-er plac - es plain;

Com-fort those who sit in dark-ness, Mourn-ing 'neath their sor-row's load.  
Bid-ding all to full re-pent-ance Since the king-dom now is here.  
Let your hearts be true and hum-ble, As be-fits his ho-ly reign.

Speak un - to Je - ru - sa - lem Of the peace that waits for them;  
O that warn-ing cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;  
For the glo - ry of the Lord Now o'er earth is shed a - broad;

Tell of all the sins I cov - er, And that war - fare now is o - ver.  
Let the val - leys rise to meet him And the hills bow down to greet him.  
And all flesh shall see the to - ken That his word is nev - er bro - ken.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

PROCESSION

## ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

The Most Reverend Paul D. Etienne, Archbishop of Seattle

### PASTOR

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan

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Caroline Okello, Welcome & Volunteer Coordinator (206-654-4650)

### PARISH OFFICE

Yanti Kapoyos, Weddings and Funerals (206-382-4288)

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### CELEBRATIONS of the SACRAMENTS

#### MASS

Sundays 8:00am - 10:00am - 12 Noon - 5:30pm

Weekdays 8:00am (M, T, W, Th, F, S) & 12:10pm (M,W,F)

Saturdays 8:00am & "Vigil" 5:30pm

#### VEPERS and BENEDICTION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays at 4:00pm

#### CONFESSIONS/SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 8:30am-9:30am (following 8:00am Mass) and by appointment

#### BAPTISM

Communal celebrations are held monthly. A preparation program for parents and godparents is required. Contact Patty Pruitt for information, 206-274-3108.

#### MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners may begin the scheduling process up to 14 months in advance. Contact Yanti Kapoyos, Wedding Office, 206-382-4288.

#### ANOINTING of the SICK

In case of serious illness, impending surgery, or advanced age, please call the parish office. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick should not be delayed until the person is unconscious or in imminent danger of death. Call the parish office for information.

#### FUNERALS

for parishioners, contact Yanti Kapoyos, 206-382-4288

#### TRIBUNAL ADVOCATES

The parish has several advocates ready to assist with marriage cases (commonly called 'annulments').

Information, Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284

#### CATHEDRAL COLUMBARIUM

Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284

#### CATHEDRAL KITCHEN

serves dinner Monday to Friday, 4pm—4:45pm, and breakfast on Sundays, 7am—8am. All are welcome.

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm.

After-hours Emergency answering service for parishioners: 206-467-3049

804 Ninth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104

Telephone: 206-622-3559 FAX: 206-622-5303

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## WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL  
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION | CHRIST OUR HOPE

## The Second Sunday of Advent December 8, 2024

**W**ELCOME, VISITORS! *If you are a visitor to the Cathedral, we want you to know how welcome you are – whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish here in the Archdiocese. Please note that restrooms are located at the Terry and Marion entrance to the Cathedral (northeast corner).*

**ON THE COVER** *A voice of one crying out in the desert: Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Virgin and Child with Six Saints (detail of John the Baptist). Neri di Bicci, 1456. St. James Cathedral Chapel.*

**FLOWERS AT THE STATUE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** in the north transept are offered by Bridget Cooley in memory of her mother, Ann McIntyre, on the 10th anniversary of her death.

**“SECOND SUNDAY” HOSPITALITY AFTER 8:00AM MASS** Come to the Pastoral Outreach Center after the 8:00am Mass for Morning glory muffins from Macrina Bakery, fresh fruit, and fellowship.

**HOSPITALITY AFTER 10:00AM MASS** Come to Cathedral Hall after the 10:00am Mass for Morning glory muffins, fresh fruit, and fellowship.

**HOSPITALITY AFTER 5:30PM MASS** Hot cider and cookies will be served in the Cathedral Courtyard (weather permitting!). Enjoy a festive treat while you browse the Advent Bazaar booths!

**CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION CLASSES AND PARENT GATHERING TODAY** The parent gathering will be in room 202 of O'Dea while the children are in class. Guest presenter, Caroline Okello, will speak about her recent trip to Rome and her participation in the Synod with the Santa Clara University delegation of students! Come enjoy coffee, tea, snacks, and fellowship.

#### SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

This year, the Holy Day will be observed on Monday, December 9. Masses will be at 8:00am, 10:10am (with the O'Dea High School community), and 12:10pm. *We fly to thy protection, O holy Mother of God. Despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.*

**PARISH REMEMBRANCE** *Throughout the year, because we are the Cathedral Church, we remember in prayer at Mass and Vespers each parish family in the Archdiocese of Seattle. This week we pray for the parish family of Mary, Queen of Peace, Sammamish; St. Joseph, Issaquah; and Our Lady of Sorrows, Snoqualmie.*

**ADVENT ROSARY FOR MENTAL HEALTH** Join the Mental Health and Wellness Ministry for an advent rosary for mental health in the chapel, Friday, December 20, after 12:10pm mass. All are welcome! *Information* Anisa Ralls, Director of Mental Health and Wellness, 206-382-4269 or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL THANKS YOU** This middle aged man was working full time when a knee injury caused him to take time off with Family Leave for several months. When he returned to work he experienced double setbacks. First, his hours were cut and secondly, he was robbed of his cash at a Metro stop. He reached out to the SVdP Helpline (206-767-6449 or apply online <https://svdpseattle.org/get-help/online-help-request-form/>). He has recently been promoted at work and with a small amount of help provided by your donations, he will soon have his back rent paid off. *Information*, Blake Steller 907-244-6683 or blsteller@gmail.com.

**ADVENT GIVING TREE AND SOCK DRIVE** St. James Cathedral's annual holiday giving to support children, women and men in our region has begun! The Giving Tree is in the Cathedral, laden with tags for the Frederic Ozanam House, Prepares, the Tri-Parish Food Bank in Burlington, St. James Immigrant Assistance, and King County Juvenile Detention. You can also go onto the Cathedral website for the Virtual Giving Tree! All gifts can be delivered to the Parish Office or brought to the Cathedral Bookstore. All gifts need to be at the Cathedral by next Sunday, December 15 for a timely delivery to the beneficiaries. Thank you! This year's Sock Drive continues, with a goal of collecting 2,024 pairs of men's athletic socks.

**CARE FOR CREATION ADVOCACY** Recently released research has explored the health impacts of airports and their flights upon community members who breathe the air pollution and hear the noise. As SeaTac airport considers expanding its number of flights, consider the effects on those who live under the flight paths. A period of public comment is open right now, for a limited time. *Information*, <https://fixtheharm.org/>.

**MINISTRY WITH HOMELESS WOMEN** Our partners at Operation Nightwatch will soon be opening a desperately needed women's shelter. There will be opportunities to volunteer by providing transportation from Nightwatch (on the corner of 14th Ave S and S Main St) to St. Mark's Cathedral, where the shelter will be located. *Information*, Patrick Barredo, pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4515.

**SEASON OF SERVICE** To honor the history of the local Church, while embracing our Catholic Social teachings, the Archdiocese of Seattle will host a "Season of Service." From March 1 to May 31, 2025, local Catholics, parishes, schools, ministries and families are invited to participate in service with the goal of reaching 175,000 collective hours of service across Western Washington. More information to come to learn how you can participate through St. James Cathedral.

## Visit the Cathedral Bookstore

Visitors and regulars alike are invited to stop by the Cathedral Bookstore, open weekdays 11am-3pm and following each weekend Mass thanks to our volunteers. Books, rosaries, religious items, Cathedral souvenirs, and much more! The Bookstore is located in the Archbishop Murphy Courtyard just south of the Cathedral.

New in the Bookstore—a limited supply of custom St. James Cathedral socks! The socks feature our patrons, St. James the Greater and St. Frances Xavier Cabrini.



**QUESTIONS ABOUT CATHOLICISM?** Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? Are you new to Mass and wondering what it's all about? Are you cautiously curious about the Church, or perhaps decidedly interested in becoming Catholic? Reach out to John Marquez, 206-654-4640, jmarquez@stjames-cathedral.org.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS** The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, May 18, 2025, at 5:30pm. Weekly classes for adults, college age and older, in preparation for the Sacrament begin on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, at 7pm. Registration is required. Must be baptized in the Catholic Church and have received First Communion. *Information*, John Marquez, jmarquez@stjames-cathedral.org, 206-654-4640.

**SUNDAY HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** The coffee hour is a wonderful opportunity to extend the Sunday celebration, and provide a warm and welcoming atmosphere for parishioners to connect, visit with friends, and share community. Would you like to help with this important ministry? Hospitality is offered every Sunday following the 10:00am Mass, once a month (on the 2nd Sunday) after the 8:00am Mass, and once a month (on the 1st Sunday) after the Noon Mass. *Information*, Caroline Okello, cokello@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4650.

**THE CATHEDRAL KITCHEN** We have a special opportunity for a pianist who could play from 4pm to 4:45pm on Fridays. Music is a wonderful gift to our guests. Would you consider helping out in the Kitchen? (No concert resume necessary!) *Information*, Mick McHugh, Director of the Cathedral Kitchen, 206-949-6114.

**WEEKLY MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS GROUPS** Open to anyone who needs support, weekly groups are held every Friday of the month, 10-11:30am. The Mental Health and Wellness Ministry is offering different groups for mental health support, including art, board games, a mental health support group, mindfulness, yoga, and prayer, and a movie. Everyone is welcome! Held in the Pastoral Outreach Center. *Information and registration*, Anisa Ralls, 206-382-4269 or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org.

# St. James Cathedral Advent Bazaar

Sunday, December 8 | 9am-12 Noon & 6:30 – 7:30pm  
St. James Cathedral Hall (910 Columbia Street)



The annual **ADVENT BAZAAR** features the work of Cathedral artists and friends. Start your Christmas shopping while benefiting a good cause!

The **ADVENT BAZAAR** takes place on Sunday morning in Cathedral Hall. New this year is our Night Market, with vendors moving outside the Cathedral amidst caroling and winter treats!!

## HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

- **ETHICAL TRADE ITEMS** from Catholic Relief Services,
- **CHRISTMAS WREATHS** benefiting the Association of Catholic Childhood,
- **HAND-MADE RECYCLED WAX CANDLES** created by members of the Seattle L'Arche Community,
- **CRAFT ITEMS** from parishioners, and much more!

## OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE

- This year's **WARM HEARTS & SOLES SOCK DRIVE** has a goal of 2,024 pairs of new socks for the homeless. Drop socks off in the Cathedral Bookstore or at the Parish Office.
- Take a **GIVING TREE** tag for people in need who are supported by our partners at **CCS Prepares**, the **Tri-Parish Food Bank in Burlington**, **King County Juvenile Detention**, the **Frederic Ozanam House** and **St. James Immigrant Assistance**.

*Information, Patrick Barredo, 206-382-4515,  
pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org*

# A Service of Readings and Carols



**Jubilate! Young Women's Ensemble | Fratres Young Men's Ensemble | Schola Cantorum | Seraphim Choir  
Youth Readers | Youth Servers**  
Father Michael G. Ryan, *presider*

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2024 | 7:00PM**

*St. James Cathedral presents the annual service of Readings and Carols. In the soft glow of candlelight, readings from Holy Scripture tell the story of Christ's birth. The Cathedral's youth choirs present jubilant music for the Advent and Christmas seasons. This year, the service begins with a brief pageant in honor of St. Lucy.*

*This liturgy is free and open to all. No tickets required!*

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# Cathedral Children's Christmas Party

**Sunday,  
December 15**  
after the Noon Mass  
in Cathedral Hall

At the party, children are invited to pick up their "Christmas Around Cathedral Hall" passport and visit fun activity stations around Cathedral Hall.

Be sure to visit the Cathedral Youth Unite station to pick up a NEW Cathedral Youth Unite Hoodie in a NEW color!

**There will also be a pizza lunch and a visit from Santa!**

*Information or to RSVP, Tami Kowal, 206-219-5822  
or [tkowal@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:tkowal@stjames-cathedral.org)*



# *Rejoice heartily!*

**Indeed, the Holy One  
is in our midst!**

An Advent Afternoon of Reflection  
for Women  
Facilitated by Patty Repikoff

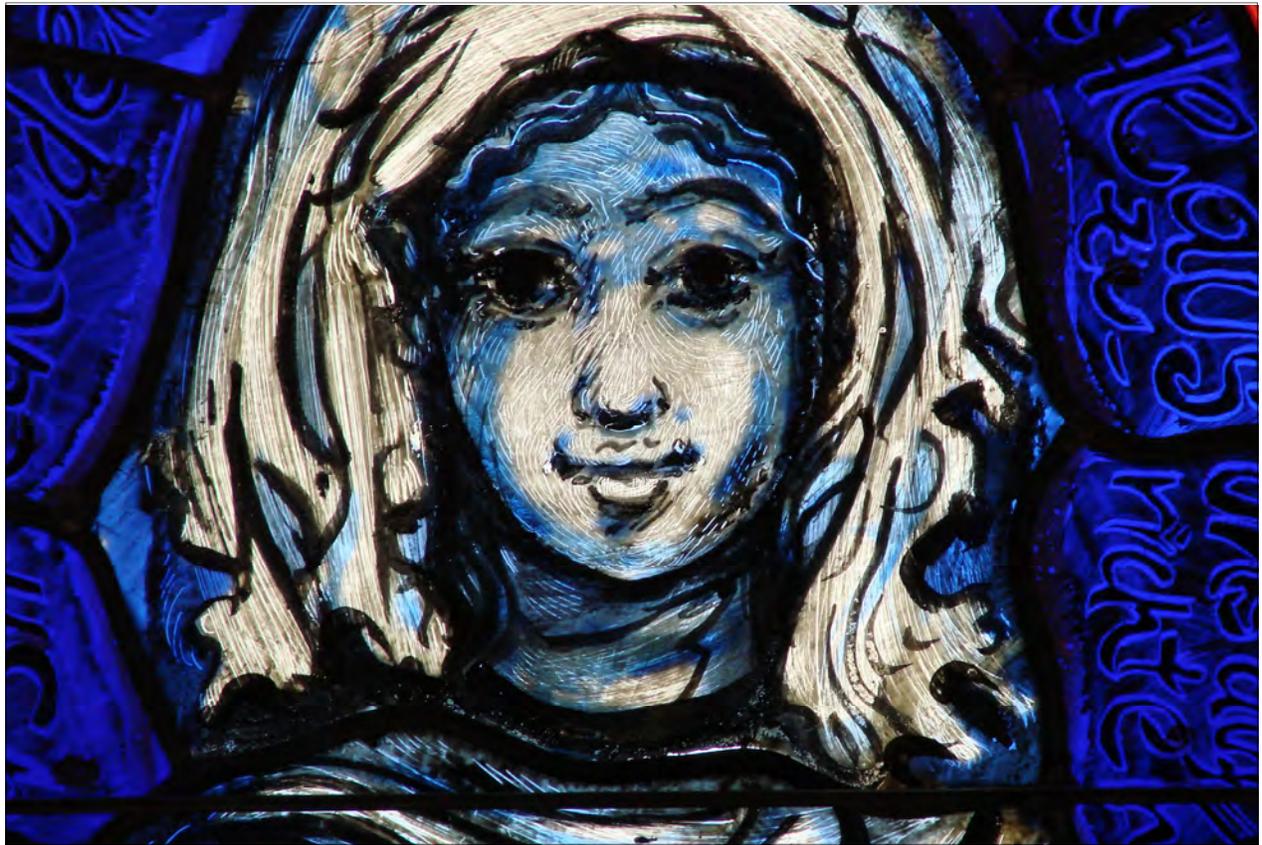
**Sunday, December 15, 2024  
1:30pm-3:45pm  
Holy Names Room,  
Pastoral Outreach Center**

On the Third Sunday of Advent,  
Gaudete Sunday, join us! For a few hours  
step aside from the hustle, enter a small  
patch of quiet, and ponder the mysteries  
of God's presence in our midst—today,  
yesterday, and forever.

We will offer quiet reflection and prayer  
with Sacred Scripture, and (optional)  
small group synodal listening and will  
end in time to attend Sunday Vespers at  
4:00pm.

**Registration required.**

For information and to register,  
Patty Pruitt, [ppruitt@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:ppruitt@stjames-cathedral.org)  
or 206-274-3108.



Parish Communal Celebration of the  
**SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION**

Monday, December 16, 2024  
7:00pm

During this beautiful service of readings, reflection, and song, we will open ourselves to experience the gift of God's gracious and loving forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance.

Pope Francis says: "The Sacrament of Reconciliation... enables us to touch the grandeur of God's mercy with our own hands. For every penitent, it is a source of true interior peace." *It has long been a tradition in the Church to confess one's sins before celebrating the great feast of Christmas. This will be the ideal time to do so.*

# ADVENT 2024

## *Simbang Gabi Celebration*

**Saturday, December 14, 11:00am Mass.** Join Archbishop Etienne and participants from many parishes for *Simbang Gabi*, the beginning of a novena of Masses in which we prepare for Christmas in company with Mary. The Mass includes the blessing of *parols* (star lanterns) and helps us to focus our attention on the coming of Jesus, Light of the World.

## *Cathedral Kids' Christmas Party*

**Sunday, December 15, after the Noon Mass.** At the party, children are invited to pick up their "Christmas Around Cathedral Hall" passport and visit fun activity stations around Cathedral Hall, including the Cathedral Youth Unite station to pick up a NEW Cathedral Youth Unite Hoodie in a NEW color! There will also be a pizza lunch and a visit from Santa! *Information or to RSVP*, Tami Kowal, 206-219-5822 or [tkowal@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:tkowal@stjames-cathedral.org).

## *Advent Retreat for Women*

For a few hours step aside from the hustle, enter a small patch of quiet, and ponder the mysteries of God's presence in our midst – today, yesterday, and forever. We will offer quiet reflection and prayer with Sacred Scripture, and (optional) small group synodal listening and will end in time to attend Sunday Vespers at 4:00pm. Facilitated by Patty Repikoff. **Sunday, December 15** at 1:30pm. Registration required. *Information*, Patty Pruitt, [ppruitt@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:ppruitt@stjames-cathedral.org) or 206-274-3108.

## *O Rising Dawn*

On Sunday, December 15 at 8:00pm, Opus 7 welcomes the holiday season with a stunning program of choral music for Advent and Christmas. Featured music includes eclectic settings of the O Antiphons by Peter Hallock, Bob Chilcott, Rihards Dubra, David Hurd, Melissa Dunphy, John Muehleisen and Vytutas Miškinis, and other music for the season by Alice Parker, Joachim Knoph, Pierre Villette, Jeffrey Van, Damijan Močnik and the world premiere of "Silent Night" by Jacob Malpocker. For tickets and more info, visit [opus7.org](http://opus7.org) or call (206) 782-2899.

## *Communal Reconciliation Service*

will be held on **Monday, December 16** at 7:00pm. During this beautiful service of readings, reflection and song, we will open ourselves to experience the gift of God's gracious and loving forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance. A second service with multiple confessors will be held on Saturday, December 21 at 2:30pm. In addition, confessions are heard weekly on Saturdays from 8:30am-9:30am.

## *Cathedral Dedication Anniversary*

**Sunday, December 22** marks 117 years since St. James Cathedral was dedicated in 1907, and 30 years since it was rededicated in 1994. We will celebrate this anniversary on the weekend of December 21-22, with the lighting of the dedication candles.



## *The Giving Tree*

Stop by the Mary shrine to pick a tag off our annual Giving Tree, or visit the Cathedral website for the virtual Giving Tree. Each tag contains a gift wish from someone in need in our community. It's easy and fun to participate: simply shop for the gift and return it after Sunday Mass in the Cathedral Bookstore or have it shipped to the Parish Office by Sunday, December 15. *Information*, Patrick Barredo, 206-382-4515 or [pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org).

## *Sock Drive*

Our Annual "Warm Hearts and Soles" Advent Sock Drive is underway! Our Goal: **2,024** pairs of socks for homeless men. Please drop socks off in the Cathedral Bookstore or in the Parish Office. If you're ordering socks online, have them shipped directly to St. James Cathedral.

## *Christmas Masses*

The celebration of Christmas begins with the Vigil Mass of Christmas at 4:30pm on Tuesday, December 24, and continues with the Mass during the Night – Carol Service at 9:00pm, Mass at 10:00pm. The Masses of Christmas Day on Wednesday, December 25 will follow the usual Sunday schedule: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00 Noon, and 5:30pm. Solemn Vespers of Christmas will be at 4:00pm on Christmas Day. Find out more at [www.stjames-cathedral.org](http://www.stjames-cathedral.org).

## *Candlelight Mass on New Year's Eve*

What better way to close out the old year and usher in the new than by celebrating the Eucharist? On Tuesday, December 31 at 5:30pm, all are invited to a candlelight Mass as we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, with the wonderful music of our Taizé ensemble and hundreds of lighted candles.



# Christmas 2024

at ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL



## Tuesday, December 24, 2024

**4:30pm (NOTE TIME!)**

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—  
VIGIL MASS WITH CHILDREN AND YOUTH**  
*Blessing of the Christmas Crib*  
The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan,  
Presider & Homilist  
*with youth readers, musicians, and servers*

**9:00pm CAROL SERVICE**

**10:00pm\***

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—  
MASS DURING THE NIGHT**  
The Most Reverend Paul D. Etienne,  
Archbishop of Seattle, Presider & Homilist

## Wednesday, December 25, 2024

**8:00am\***

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—MASS AT DAWN**  
Father Ryan, Presider & Homilist

*Wednesday, December 25, 2024 continued*

**10:00am\***

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—  
MASS DURING THE DAY**  
Father Ryan, Presider & Homilist

**12 Noon**

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—  
MASS DURING THE DAY**  
Archbishop Etienne, Presider & Homilist

**4:00pm**

**SOLEMN VESPERS OF CHRISTMAS**  
Father Ryan, Presider

**5:30pm**

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—  
EVENING MASS ON CHRISTMAS DAY**  
Father Ryan, Presider & Homilist

*Masses marked with \* will be livestreamed.*

*For more information, visit [www.stjames-cathedral.org](http://www.stjames-cathedral.org)*



# **MORNING MOBILITY**



**Saturday, January 4, 2025, 11:00am to 11:45am**  
St. James Cathedral Pastoral Outreach Center  
Led by Blake Steller, Certified Personal Trainer

**Join us every other month in 2025 for a refreshing  
and rejuvenating experience, sponsored by the  
Mental Health and Wellness Ministry!**

Morning Mobility will now be held on the first Saturday  
of every other month, starting in January of 2025!

Through 45-minutes of gentle, guided movements,  
you'll enhance flexibility, alleviate joint stiffness and  
muscle tightness, and learn mobility exercises you can  
practice daily at home.

No matter your age or fitness level, this class is perfect  
for anyone recovering from an injury, wanting to  
improve daily movement, or simply looking to feel more  
energetic.

**Please RSVP by January 1!**

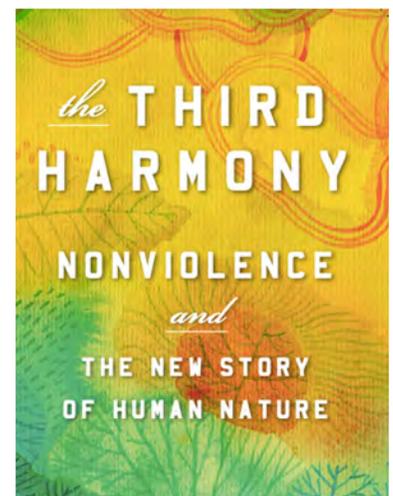
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# THE THIRD HARMONY

Virtual Film Screening and Discussion  
Wednesday, January 15, 2025 | 7pm-8:30pm on Zoom



The documentary film *The Third Harmony* tells the story of nonviolence, the greatest overlooked resource in human experience. Join St. James parishioners and local Catholics for this virtual film screening and short discussion afterwards with members of the film's production team from The Metta Center. Featured in the film is Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who focused on peacemaking in the last years of his life, and on whose birthday this event will take place.



*Co-Sponsored by the St. James Cathedral  
Life, Peace and Justice Commission and Racial Solidarity Team*

*Information and registration, Patrick Barredo,  
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