



ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL
The First Sunday of Advent
December 1, 2024



*The place where you stand is
holy ground*

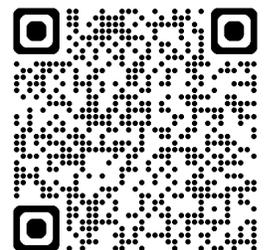
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ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR
The First Sunday of Advent

FIRST SUNDAY YOUTH CELEBRATION (Noon)

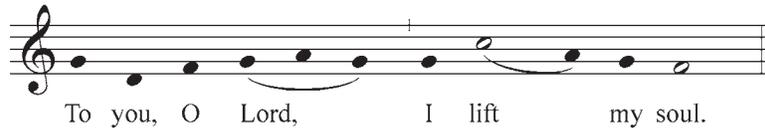
PRELUDE

Wake, awake, and sleep no longer, BWV 645
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

INTROIT FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Ad te levavi animam meam
Mode VIII, adapt. St. James Cathedral



SPRINKLING RITE

Rorate caeli
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 lus - tum.

OPENING PRAYER (COLLECT)

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 25
Robert J. Thompson (1862-1934)

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

SECOND READING

I Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

ALLELUIA

New Plainsong Mass
David Hurd (b. 1950)

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

GOSPEL READING

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

HOMILY

Father Mike Raschko (Saturday Evening)
Father William Heric (Sunday Evening)
Father Michael G. Ryan (all other Masses)

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.

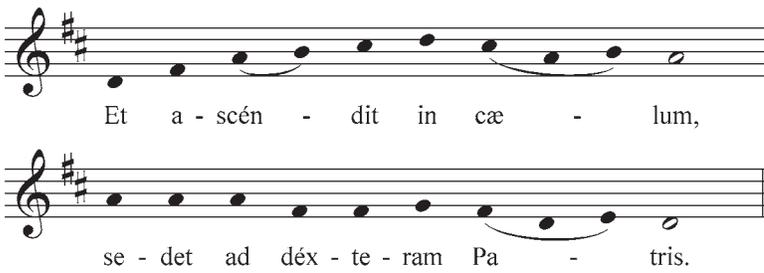
All STAND UPRIGHT

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



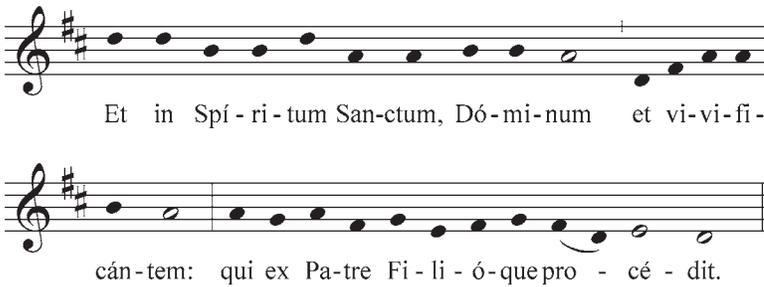
Et a - scén - dit in cæ - lum,
se - det ad dēx - te - ram Pa - tris.

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



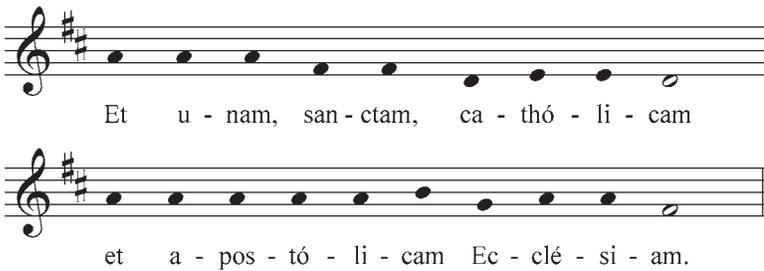
Et in Spí - ri - tum San-ctum, Dó-mi-num et vi-vi-fi-
cán-tem: qui ex Pa-tre Fi-li-ó-que pro - cé - dit.

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



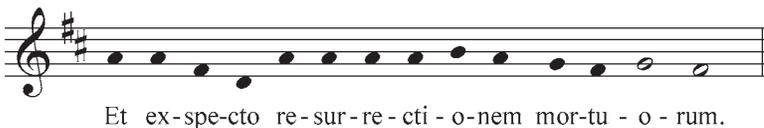
Et u - nam, san - ctam, ca - thó - li - cam
et a - pos - tó - li - cam Ec - clé - si - am.

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

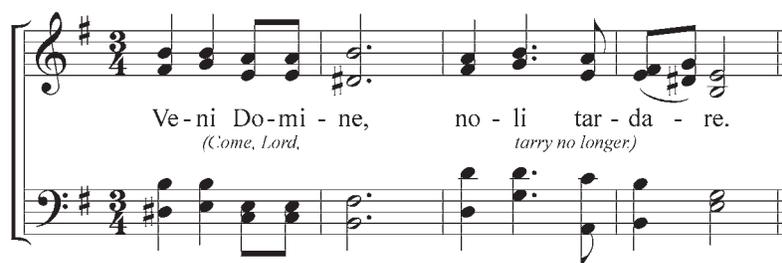


A - - - - - men.

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)

Ad te levavi

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525–1594)

Unto you have I lifted up my soul,
O my God, I trust in you, let me not be put to shame;
do not let my enemies to laugh at me;
for none of those who are awaiting you will be disappointed.

Ps. 24:1-4

(Noon)

People, look east

arr. Barry Rose (b. 1934)

(Sunday evening)

Zion hört die Wächter singen

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

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

The Lord will bestow his loving kindness,
and our land will yield its fruit.

Dominus dabit benignitatem
chant, Mode I

(10:00)

Virga Jesse

Anton Bruckner (1824–1896)

(Noon)

Zion hears the watchmen calling
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

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

HYMN OF PRAISE

Come, O long expected Jesus
STUTTGART

1. Come, O long ex - spect - ed Je - sus, Born to set your
2. Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, You, the hope of
3. Born your peo - ple to de - liv - er; Born a child and
4. By your own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our

peo - ple free; From our fears and sins re - lease us;
all the earth, Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion,
yet a king! Born to reign in us for ev - er,
hearts a - lone; By your all suf - fi - cient mer - it

Free us from cap - tiv - i - ty.
Come, and save us by your birth.
Now your gra - cious king - dom bring.
Raise us to your glo - rious throne.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

PROCESSION

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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

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WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION | CHRIST OUR HOPE

The First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2024

WELCOME, 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 *Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths.* Detail of North transept stained-glass window, St. James Cathedral. Charles Connick, artist.

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY Come to Cathedral Hall after the 10:00am Mass for homemade spring rolls, fresh fruit, and fellowship. After the Noon Mass, all are welcome to join in a light lunch with the children and families of our Faith Formation and Youth Music programs.

FLOWERS AT THE STATUE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY in the North Transept are offered by Mary McCarthy in memory of Thomas and Nancy McCarthy.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1 FIRST SUNDAY YOUTH CELEBRATION Children and teens, please come to the west vestibule before the noon Mass begins to join the entrance procession. Parents are welcome to accompany their young children in the procession. After Mass, please enjoy kid-friendly food and family hospitality in Cathedral Hall.

YOUNG ADULTS GATHER ON SUNDAY EVENING You are invited to our first Sunday of the month meeting, December 1. After sharing a meal, the group will enjoy a discussion with Bishop Frank Schuster! Gather in the Pastoral Outreach Center Sunday evening after the 5:30 Mass. *Information*, Patty Pruitt, ppruitt@stjames-cathedral.org.

SENIOR CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGALONG All St James Seniors are invited to a Christmas carol singalong on Wednesday, December 4, 1-3pm in the Pastoral Outreach Center. We will sing Christmas carols together and enjoy hot chocolate and cookies! RSVP to Anisa Ralls by November 29, 206-382-4269 or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org.

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 families of Sacred Heart, Bellevue and St. Monica, Mercer Island; and St. Louise and St. Madeleine Sophie, Bellevue.*

THE NEXT CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION CLASSES AND PARENT GATHERING take place on Sunday, December 8 at O'Dea High School. 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.

ADVENT GIVING TREE, SOCK DRIVE, ADVENT BAZAAR 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. This year's Sock Drive has a goal of collecting 2,024 pairs of men's athletic socks. Lastly, mark your calendars for this year's Advent Bazaar, with Cathedral parishioners and friends selling their artwork and homemade goods. It will be on Sunday, December 8, 9am to 12pm in Cathedral Hall. New this year is the St. James Night Market after the 5:30pm Mass!

ADVENT CANDLES If you have need of candles for your home Advent wreath, look no further! The choristers of St. James Cathedral's Youth Music Program are selling boxed sets of Advent Candles for \$15 each. Each boxed set contains three purple taper candles and one pink taper for the 3rd Sunday of Advent. Email or call the Youth Music Office to purchase and arrange pick-up of your Advent candles today! *Information*, 206-382-4876 or youthmusic@stjames-cathedral.org.

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.

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.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL THANKS YOU This young woman moved to Seattle from Texas a year ago to take a good job with an attorney's office. Several losses in her family caused personal stress and she found herself unable to concentrate at work, leading to her being let go. She now coaches girls sports part-time while looking for full-time work. She has managed to get her back rent down to a manageable level and called for help with the rest. Those in need of assistance can call the SVdP Helpline (206-767-6449 or apply online <https://svdpseattle.org/get-help/online-help-request-form/>) With your donations, the SVdP ministry was able to help with her rent. Thank you. *Information*, Blake Steller 907-244-6683 or blsteller@gmail.com.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED THE THANKSGIVING DAY FOOD DRIVE through your prayers and your generosity. Especially during this time of year, many people have to make the difficult decision to pay their rent, heating and utility bills or purchase groceries. Thank you for your support of the Cathedral Kitchen and the Food Bank at St. Mary's, who help our neighbors facing food insecurity.

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 Saint Mark's Cathedral, where the shelter will be located. *Information*, Patrick Barredo, pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4515.

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.

OUTREACH AND ADVOCACY NEWSLETTER Learn about upcoming events and opportunities as well as stay informed on Catholic social teaching by receiving this monthly newsletter. *Subscribe*, outreach@stjames-cathedral.org.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? Are you, a family member, or a friend interested in joining the Catholic Church? Are you curious about how a person becomes Catholic or do you simply want to learn what Catholicism is all about? *Information*, John Marquez, jmarquez@stjames-cathedral.org, 206-654-4640.



ADVENT 2024



Advent Liturgies

To mark this holy season, we change some of our usual liturgical practices. The procession is modified and the altar is decorated more simply. During the liturgies, a greater role is given to silence, to the chanting of psalms, and to the ringing of bells. In accordance with a very ancient tradition in the church, the use of the organ is reduced during Advent.

Advent Wreath

The Advent wreath is a devotion Catholics have adopted from the Lutheran tradition. Prior to each Mass, we pause to pray and light a candle, a symbol of the dawning of the light of Christ into the world. The Advent wreath used in the Cathedral was designed by Father Josef Venker, SJ of Seattle University. The weathered wood base suggests the words of the prophecy: *A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom* (Isaiah 11:1).

Evening Prayer with Music from Taizé

On **Friday, December 6** at 6:30pm, all are invited to this beloved monthly prayer service, with music, candlelight, and silence.

Season of Hope: Advent Reflection

During this Advent season, you are invited to join in a weekly small group reflection: *Season of Hope: Through Advent to the Jubilee*. The coming year, 2025, is a Jubilee Year in the Church. Pope Francis is calling all of us to be pilgrims of hope. In this series, we will reflect on the meaning of Jubilee with the Scriptures of Advent. Mondays, December 2, 9, 16, and 23 on Zoom. *Information*, Caroline Okello, cokello@stjames-cathedral.org.

Senior Christmas Carol Singalong

All seniors are invited to a Christmas carol sing-along on **Wednesday, December 4**, 1-3pm. We will sing Christmas carols and then enjoy hot chocolate and cookies! Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia St. RSVP to Anisa Ralls by November 29 at 206-382-4269 or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org.

Madre de las Americas

Saturday, December 7, 11:30am, Entrance of the Dancers. 12:10pm, Mass with Archbishop Etienne. The Hispanic community of Western Washington comes together at this celebration in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Mother of the Americas. All are welcome both for the procession and the Mass!

Immaculate Conception Church Marks 120 Years

On **Sunday, December 8** at 11:00am, our sisters and brothers at Immaculate Conception Church celebrate 120 years from the dedication of the church, the oldest Catholic Church in the city of Seattle. All are invited to join in a festive Mass and celebration. Congratulations to the people of Immaculate Conception Parish from your new Parish Family!

The Immaculate Conception

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be observed on **Monday, December 9**. Masses for the Holy Day will be at 8:00am, 10:10am (with O'Dea High School), and 12:10pm.

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.

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 or 206-274-3108.

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.

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.

ADVENT MUSIC



Saturday, December 7 at 8:00pm

Medieval Women's Choir *Tenebris ad Lucem*

In the medieval mind, darkness and light were closely related to death and life, evil and good, ignorance and enlightenment. The progression from Advent, a time of anticipation and preparation, to the celebration of the Nativity was seen as a transition *de tenebris ad lucem* – from darkness into light. Tickets and more info at medievalwomenschoir.org/events/ or 206-717-4550. \$30 general admission or use the pay-what-you-will option on their ticketing page.

Friday, December 13 at 7:00pm

A Service of Readings and Carols

St. James presents our annual Service of Readings and Carols. In the soft glow of candlelight, St. James youth choirs and readers celebrate Advent with music and readings heralding Christ's birth. This prayer is open to all; freewill offering.

Sunday, December 15 at 8:00pm

O Rising Dawn

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 Vytautas Miškinis, and other music for the season by Alice Parker, Joachim Knoph, Pierre Villette, Jeffrey Van, Damijan Moćnik and the world premiere of "Silent Night" by Jacob Malpocker. For tickets and more info, visit opus7.org or call (206) 782-2899.

Information, 206-382-4874 or
www.stjames-cathedral.org/music

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.



Mondays of Advent, December 2, 9, 16 and 23
12:00pm-1:00pm on Zoom

SEASON OF HOPE

Through Advent to the Jubilee

Join a four-week small group prayer and reflection preparing for Christmas and for the opening of the Jubilee Year (December 29). With scripture and reflections from Pope Francis, and facilitated by Caroline Okello, this is a wonderful way to mark the holy season of Advent. Join in the group from wherever you are during the lunch hour.

To register and receive the Zoom link and study guide, contact Caroline Okello, cokello@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-654-4650.

Donate items to St. Vincent de Paul!

In the spirit of the season, St. James Cathedral's SVdP Conference will be accepting collectibles for donation to be sold this year at the parish Advent Bazaar on December 8.



We're especially seeking old religious items: statues, rosaries, devotionals. Also, art and collectibles, including quality clothing. Unsold items will be donated to our St. Vincent de Paul thrift stores.

Drop off donations at the Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia Street, Friday, December 6, 9:00-Noon and Saturday, December 7, 2:00pm-5:30pm.

Information, please TEXT Andrea Stuber (206) 225-6838.



Contemplative Evening Prayer with music from Taizé

Friday, December 6, 2024 | 6:30pm

*Jesus our peace, by the Holy Spirit you always come to us.
And in the deepest part of our soul, there is the wonder of a presence.
Our prayer may be quite poor, but you pray within us.*

Brother Alois of Taizé

On the first Friday of each month, all are welcome to a contemplative prayer in the Cathedral, with song, silence, and candlelight. The service includes the meditative chants of the ecumenical Taizé community in France, founded by Brother Roger Schutz as a sign of reconciliation after World War II.

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*

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*



Rejoice heartily!

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

An Advent Afternoon of Reflection
for Women
Facilitated by Patty Repikoff

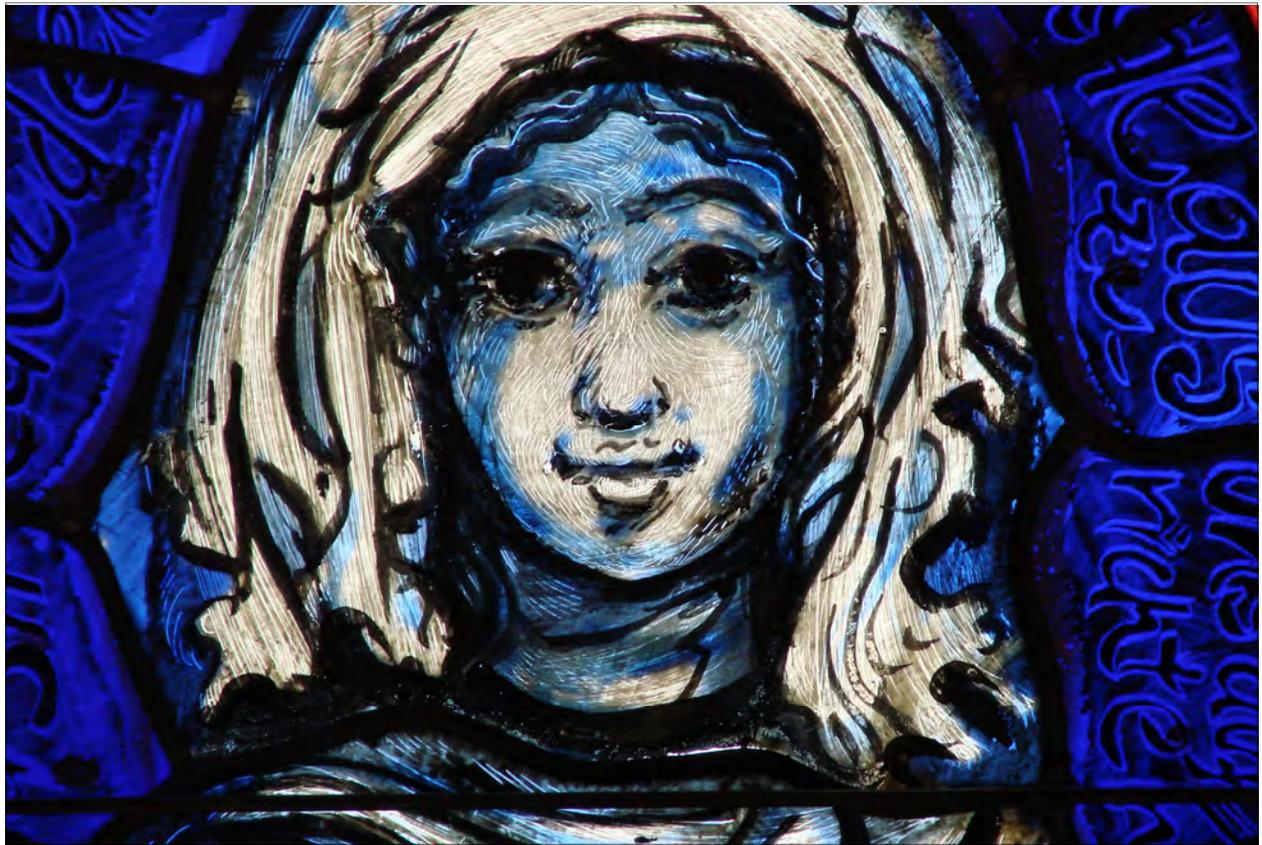
**Sunday, December 15, 2024
1:30pm-3:45pm
Holy Names Room,
Pastoral Outreach Center**

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
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.*

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