

# ADVENT

## Friday, December 1

### MASS AND PRAYER VIGIL FOR WORLD AIDS DAY

Mass at 5:30PM followed by  
Candlelight Prayer Vigil  
(bilingual in English and Spanish)  
on the Cathedral steps

Reception following the Prayer Vigil  
NORTH CONFERENCE ROOM

## Saturday, December 2

### ADVENT MORNING RETREAT

“FINDING JOY IN WAITING”

9:00AM – 1:00PM

presented by Heather Kinney

Associate Director for Academics and  
Pastoral Placement for the Paulist Fathers  
GREAT HALL

## Sunday, December 3

### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Regular schedule of Masses

Blessing and Lighting of

the Advent Wreath at all Masses

Sale of gift items from the Holy Land by  
*Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation*

at Hospitality Receptions following  
the Vigil and all Sunday Masses

NORTH CONFERENCE ROOM

## Mondays, December 4, 11 & 18

### CONVERSATIONS IN THE SPIRIT

Small Group Experience of the Synod

7:00 – 8:30PM, led by L.J. Milone

GREAT HALL

## Tuesdays, December 5, 12 & 19

### ENJOYING GOD | THE SPIRITUALITY

OF JOHN OF THE CROSS

7:00 – 8:30PM, led by L.J. Milone

EAST CONFERENCE ROOM

## Saturday, December 9

“WALK WITH MARY”

Depart at 11:00AM from the Shrine of the  
Sacred Heart, DC to the Basilica of the  
National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

## Friday, December 8

### SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Masses for the *Holy Day of Obligation*:

5:30PM Vigil (December 7)

December 8 at 7:30AM, 11:00AM

† 12:10PM: **CARDINAL WILTON GREGORY**

5:30PM and 7:00PM (Spanish)

*No 11:00AM Confessions*

*or Eucharistic Adoration*

## Sunday, December 10

### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Regular schedule of Masses

### FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

MUSIC AND REFLECTIONS

ON THE COMING OF THE LORD

7:30PM

*Schola Cantorum* and Festival Singers

Followed by caroling with sweets and wassail

GREAT HALL

## Tuesday, December 12

### FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

6:30PM Rosary and 7:00PM Mass (Spanish)

### MOST REV. EVELIO MENJIVAR

Refreshments and Music following the Mass

NORTH CONFERENCE ROOM

## Sunday, December 17

### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

GAUDETE SUNDAY

Regular schedule of Masses

## Tuesday, December 19

### ADVENT COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

† 12:10PM

Many priest confessors available, including  
confessors in American Sign and Spanish

*No 11:00AM Confessions,*

*Eucharistic Adoration, or 12:10PM Mass*

## Sunday, December 24

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Masses at 7:00AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM,

and 1:00PM (Spanish)

*The Rectory closes at 2:00PM.*

† ~ Interpreted for the deaf

All Cathedral music events are open to the public.

Donations are accepted and appreciated.

# CHRISTMAS

## SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD Sunday, December 24

### CHRISTMAS EVE

### A CHRISTMAS PRELUDE, 4:00PM

Contemporary Choir

### VIGIL MASS OF CHRISTMAS, 4:30PM

Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson

### A CHRISTMAS PRELUDE, 9:15PM

*Schola Cantorum* and Festival Singers

### SOLEMN MASS OF CHRISTMAS, 10:00PM

(BILINGUAL IN ENGLISH & SPANISH)

### CARDINAL WILTON GREGORY

Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson, Concelebrant

Blessing of the Manger Scene

## Monday, December 25

### CHRISTMAS DAY

*The Cathedral opens at 8:00AM.*

Masses:

9:00AM: Rev. John Hurley

11:00AM: Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson

1:00PM (Spanish) (Coro Hispano): Rev. John Benson

*The Cathedral closes after the 1:00PM Mass.*

*The Rectory is closed.*

## Tuesday & Wednesday, December 26 & 27

Masses at 7:30AM and 12:10PM

*No 11:00AM Confessions*

*or Eucharistic Adoration*

*The Cathedral closes at 1:00PM.*

*The Rectory is closed.*

## Sunday, December 31

### FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF

JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Regular schedule of Masses

2024

**Monday, January 1**  
**SOLEMNITY OF MARY,**  
**THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

*Holy Day without Obligation*  
*The Cathedral opens at 8:00AM.*

Masses:

9:00AM: Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson

11:00AM: **CARDINAL WILTON GREGORY**

1:00PM (Spanish): Rev. John Benson

*No 11:00AM Confessions*  
*or Eucharistic Adoration*

*The Cathedral closes after the 1:00PM Mass.*

*The Rectory is closed.*

**Sunday, January 7**

**SOLEMNITY OF**  
**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

Regular schedule of Masses

† 11:00AM: **CARDINAL WILTON GREGORY**  
Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson, Concelebrant

**Monday, January 8**

**FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Regular schedule of Masses

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*Please help all of us to enjoy the beauty of the Christmas Season by making a contribution in the envelopes marked "Flower Offering" that can be found in the pews. These offerings permit us to decorate the Cathedral appropriately for the holy days with noble simplicity. Thank you for your support and generosity.*



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**Cathedral Hours:**  
Sunday 6:30AM - 7:00PM  
Monday through Friday 7:00AM - 6:30PM  
Saturday 7:00AM - 7:00PM

The nearest Metrorail stations are on the Red Line at Farragut North and Dupont Circle.

**Rectory Hours:**  
Monday through Sunday 9:00AM - 4:00PM  
(closed 1:00 - 1:30PM)

The Rectory entrance is located three doors to the right of the Cathedral main entrance, on Rhode Island Avenue.

CATHEDRAL OF  
ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE  
WASHINGTON, DC

**ADVENT &**  
**CHRISTMAS**

2023

Schedule of  
Liturgies & Events



*"What came to be through him was life,  
and this life was the light of the human race;  
the light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness has not overcome it."*

JOHN 1:4-5

**Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson**

Rector

**Rev. John Benson**

Parochial Vicar