



THE ORATORY OF SAINTS

# GREGORY & AUGUSTINE

## MASS

Sunday: 6:45, 8:00, 11:30am  
Monday & Friday: 12:15pm  
Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00am  
Wednesday: 6:30pm  
First Friday: 7:15pm  
First Saturday: 8:15am

## ADORATION

Wednesday: 9:00am - 6:00pm  
First Friday: 9:00am - 6:00pm

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## CONFESSION

Monday & Friday: 11am - 12pm  
Wednesday: 5:00 - 6:00pm  
First Friday: 6:00 - 7:00pm  
First Saturday: 7:00 - 8:00am

## FROM THE RECTOR – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

The season of Advent provides us with the opportunity to contemplate the glories of the Incarnation. The celebration of the birth of Our Lord in history is met with profound joy as we also prepare ourselves to meet Our Lord in His glory at the end of time. Christ has come, Christ is coming, and Christ is with us now. For us, these three realities are separated by time and space but because of His great generosity they are bound together and alive in the mystery of the Most Holy Eucharist. Through the Living God we have contact with His mercy and rightly receive from Him justice and judgement. These days of Advent exhort us to a renewed sense of sorrow and reparation for our sins, a deepened awareness of the Lord's mercy and an intensified expectation of the glories to come. While the penitential character of Advent is less intense than that of Lent, it is still important to make sacrifice, deny ourselves and to take up our Cross and follow Him. Soon comes our Lord and King; Hasten to adore Him!

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## NO PUBLIC MASSES: 29 November thru 2 December

Monday, 29 November through Thursday, 2 December there will be NO Public Masses or Confessions. Public sacraments will resume on 3 December which is First Friday. Also, a reminder that Eucharistic Adoration is suspended and that there will NO Adoration on First Friday.

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## ADVENT GIVING TREE

The Oratory will join St. Luke the Evangelist for the Giving Tree this year during the Advent Season. The GIVING TREE will be up next weekend! Again, this year support will be given to the Saint Vincent DePaul clients of Saint Luke the Evangelist and families that are served by Birthright.

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## SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The Immaculate Conception will be celebrated this year on Wednesday, 8 December 2021. In addition to the normal evening Holy Mass at 6:30 pm, there will also be a Holy Mass celebrated at 12:15 pm that day. So too, in addition to confessions at 5:00 pm, they will also be available at 11:00 am. There will be NO Adoration on this day.

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## CONFESSIONS: 11 DECEMBER from 8:00 to 11:00 am.

The faithful of both the Oratory and St. Luke will have the opportunity for an extended period of confessions on Saturday morning, 11 December 2021 from 8 am until 11 am. Both Msgr. Morris and Fr. Blake will be available for confession during that time. If you have had difficulty getting to confession, this may serve as the perfect opportunity to take advantage of the tribunal of mercy especially in preparation for Christmas.

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## CHURCH DECORATING: 18 December @ 10:00 am

On Saturday morning, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am, the Church will be decorated for Christmas. This is the normal day for Church cleaning and more hands will be needed to assist the faithful of St. Luke with decorating the Church. If you are able to do so, please come and help both decorate the Church and then clean afterwards if necessary. In advance, thank you for your charity and generosity.

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## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION (Plan early)

For the celebration of the Lord's Birth on Christmas Day, the Oratory will have the opportunity to celebrate three Sung Masses. The principal Holy Mass will be at Midnight. This will be High Mass assisted by our choir. On Christmas morning, Holy Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 am and 7:30 am. More information will be coming about Christmas and the Octave of Christmas.

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## THE RORATE CAELI MASS:

**When: 11 December 2021 @ 6:30 am**

The Rorate Caeli Mass is a traditional Advent devotion wherein the Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary for Advent is offered just before dawn.

The Mass takes its title, Rorate Caeli, from the first words of the Introit, which are from Isaiah 45:8:

*"Rorate, caeli, desuper, et nubes pluant justum, aperiatur terra, et germinet Salvatorem."*

*"Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just: let the earth be opened and bud forth a Saviour."*

The Rorate Mass is lit only by candlelight. Because it is a votive Mass in Mary's honor, white vestments are worn instead of Advent violet. In the dimly lit setting, priests and faithful prepare to honor the Light of the world, Who is soon to be born, and offer praise to God for the gift of Our Lady. As the Mass proceeds and sunrise approaches, the church becomes progressively brighter, illumined by the sun as our Faith is illumined by Christ.

The readings and prayers of the Mass foretell the prophecy of the Virgin who would bear a Son called Emmanuel and call on all to raise the gates of their hearts and their societies to let Christ the King enter; asking for the grace to receive eternal life by the merits of the Incarnation and saving Resurrection of Our Lord.

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## ADVENT by CANDLELIGHT: 11 DECEMBER @ 5:30pm

Ladies, mark your calendars for the Oratory's Annual Advent by Candlelight on 11 December at 5:30 PM. Gather together with women of the Oratory and friends of our community for an evening of prayer, reflection, and fellowship. Msgr. Morris will be our speaker for the evening. This is wonderful way to enter into the season of Advent. For those of you interested in hosting a table - we are almost at capacity. If you are interested in hosting a table and/or for more information, please contact Maggie Kiser at 314-565-4679 or [mjackson4488@gmail.com](mailto:mjackson4488@gmail.com).

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## COFFEE HOUR RETURNS

As the weather begins to turn colder, we are beginning again Coffee Hour which will be held in Saint Joseph Hall (basement of the rectory) twice a month: **2nd Sunday of the Month - after 8am Mass; 4th Sunday of the Month - after 11:30 Mass**

As our community continues to grow, it is a great opportunity for us to have time to get to know one another. So too, the increased numbers require extra hands to assist with the coffee hour. If you would like to assist with set up or clean up, please sign up using the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DA5AD29A1F4C25-coffee>

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## SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY – 26 FEBRUARY 2022

The Knights of Columbus is hosting a Trivia Night on 26 February 2022 to raise money for the council in order to perform more charitable works for the community and to support the Oratory. Be on the lookout for an email in the coming weeks to secure your table! If you would like to sponsor a round or otherwise help with the trivia night, please email [oratoryevents@gmail.com](mailto:oratoryevents@gmail.com).

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## NEW FAMILIES for OCTOBER (alphabetical order):

A warm welcome to our new parishioners!

- Agnew Family ~ Mike & Gina, Michael and Matthew
- Cory Conway
- Houser Family ~ Peter & Dani, Peter and Miriam
- Miles Kruzich
- Gretchen Meyers
- Schlappizzi Family ~ Craig & Maddie, Donny, Jude, and Mariella
- Tim Timpone



## MISSAL ASSISTANCE

In order to assist the faithful with the use of the *St. Edmund Campion Missal and Hymnal*, the bulletin will publish the Sundays for the month and the proper page in the Missal where these Masses may be located. It is hoped that this will assist everyone with use of the Missal.

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## SUNDAYS IN DECEMBER (ADVENT)

- 28 November – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent (Missal, p. 1)
- 5 December – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent (Missal, p. 5)
- 8 December – Immaculate Conception (Missal, p. 8)
- 12 December – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent (Missal, p. 9)
- 19 December – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent (Missal, p. 13)
- 25 December – Christmas Day (Missal, p. 22)
- 26 December – Sunday in the Octave of Christmas (Missal, p. 37)

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## INFORMATION TABLE

You will notice that there are several new items on the Oratory Information table located in the vestibule of the Church. All of the information is free, and all are encouraged to take advantage of those things present on the table. Please, however, only take what is needed for you and your family. Also, please make every effort to keep the table clean.

**FINAL NOTE: NO ONE IS TO PLACE ANY INFORMATION, LITERATURE, HOLY CARDS, ETC. ON THE TABLE WITHOUT THE EXPLICIT PERMISSION OF THE RECTOR.**

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## YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Any young person between the ages of 21-35 is welcomed to join. As this is a new venture, the intention is to meet monthly for social events. For more information or to assist with planning the various events, please contact Jessie Schrader at [jessiemschrader@gmail.com](mailto:jessiemschrader@gmail.com).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, 28 November: 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT; Vespers @ 4:30 pm
- Sunday, 28 November: Coffee Hour after the 11:30 am Holy Mass
- Friday, 3 December: *First Friday*
- Saturday, 4 December: *First Saturday*
- Sunday, 5 December: Vespers @ 4:30 pm
- Wednesday, 8 December: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
- Saturday, 11 December: Rorate Caeli Mass @ 6:30 am
- Saturday, 11 December: Morning of Confessions: 8 – 11 am
- Saturday, 11 December: Advent by Candlelight @ 5:30 pm
- Sunday, 12 December: Coffee Hour after the 8:00 am Holy Mass
- Sunday, 12 December: Vespers @ 4:30 pm
- Thursday, 16 December: Knights of Columbus Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- Saturday, 18 December: Church Cleaning @ 9:30 am (Altar & Rosary Society/Knights of Columbus)

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- Saturday, 18 December: Church Decoration @ 10 am
- Sunday, 19 December: Vespers @ 4:30 pm
- Saturday, 25 December: **CHRISTMAS DAY**
- Sunday, 26 December: Coffee Hour after the 11:30 am Holy Mass
- Sunday, 26 December: Vespers @ 4:30 pm

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## PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE/ 2021-2022

11/14-11/21 Grizzle	11/21-11/28 Turntine
11/28-12/5 Kelly	12/5-12/12 Wisniewski
12/12-12/19 Jones	12/19-12/26 Holman
12/26-01/02 Carapella	01/02-01/09 Cook
01/09-01/16 Hayward	01/16-01/21 Fowler
01/21-01/30 Blum	01/30-02/06 Alexander
02/06-02/13 Haulard	02/13/02/20 Catalano
02/20-02/27 Kenney	02/27-03/06 Raymond
03/06/03/13 Flannigan	03/13-03/20 Gelhot
03/20-03/27 Horan	03/27-04/03 Schuette
04/03-04/10 Filla	04/10-04/17 Petrick
04/17-04/24 Buyle	04/24-05/01 Agnew
05/01-05/08 Leljedal	05/08-05/15 Podesta
05/15-05/22 Grizzle	05/22-05/29 Turntine

Drop off and pick-up statue at back of church. Place on the floor to left of the Oratory table. Be in contact with each other to ensure that the statue will transfer on schedule.

PLEASE CONTACT SHARON ALEXANDER [saalex@sbccglobal.net](mailto:saalex@sbccglobal.net) TO BE ADDED OR TAKEN OFF THE PILGRIM STATUE SCHEDULE. NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 29 November – *Vigil of St. Andrew*

Mass Intention: Christopher Richard Maret (d)

Tuesday, 30 November – *St. Andrew*

Mass Intention: Christopher Richard Maret (d)

Weds., 1 December – *Feria of Advent*

Mass Intention: Thomas & Berthe Layton (d)

Thursday, 2 December – *St. Bibiana*

Mass Intention: Elizabeth Wilson (d)

Friday, 3 December – *St. Francis Xavier*

12:15 pm: Shane Warren (d)

7:15 pm: Pearson Family

Saturday 4, December: St. Peter Chrysologus

8:15 am: Frank Abatangelo (d)

Sunday, 5 December – *Second Sunday of Advent*

6:45 am: Pro Populo

8:00 am: Fr. Gerald Dolan

11:30 am: Tracey Stammer & Family

~ 11/21/2021 ~

### ACTUAL

Weekly Collection Total	\$ 7,629.10
Online Giving	\$ 3,483.00
Total	\$ 11,112.10
Needed	\$ 8,692.00 (\$ 2,420.10)
Year to Date Total	\$ 216,904.87

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Father. Be always  
my eternal Father. Do  
not leave my soul.  
Do not abandon me. Do not  
leave me out of Your sight, my Father,  
for I am Your child, whom You have  
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