

# St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church

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**Jesus Christ King of the Universe**

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OFFICE HOURS

M, T, Th, F 9:00am-3:00pm

Closed Wednesday



## A PRAYER FOR THE First Sunday of Advent

God of light and life,  
give us hope as we wait  
for your coming again.  
When we are tempted  
to be grateful to have found you  
while others are lost,  
send us out into the darkness  
in search of those  
who need you most.  
Amen.



## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM**

**Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM**

**Daily Mass: M, T, TH, F 8:30 AM**

**Wednesday 6:00 PM**

Music Director and Rel. Ed. Coordinator:  
David Collins

## PARISH STAFF

Administrator: Fr. Joseph Gates  
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December 1, 2019

# Mass Intentions



## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: Is2:1-5

Psalms: 122: 1-9

Second Reading: Rom 13:11-14

Gospel Reading: Mt 24:37-44

### Devotions:

Tuesday 9:00am Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday 9:00am St. Frances Cabrini Novena

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

After Mass M, T, Th, F with the Rosary

Friday 9:00am—2:30pm



**Parish Membership:** Through baptism we become God's sons and daughters, and brothers and sisters to each other in Christ.

Every family in the parish is encouraged to properly register and receive numbered offertory envelopes.

**Registration forms for permanent members can be obtained by visiting the Parish Office during office hours.** We appreciate you taking the time to update your parishioner information.

Please email us [Secsfxc@verizon.net](mailto:Secsfxc@verizon.net) or call the office at 941-776 -9097 with any updates.

**Night Emergencies: 941.201.9741**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 2</b>
8:30	+ Walter Soltys
Req. By:	Eleanor
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 3</b>
8:30am	+Nancy Cunningham
Req. By:	Morell Family
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 4</b>
6:00 pm	+Leonard & Ruth Kehres
Req. By:	Craig Kehres Family
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 5</b>
8:30am	+Poor Souls in Purgatory
<b>Friday</b>	<b>December 6</b>
8:30am	+Fran Nolder
Req. By:	Kay
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>December 7</b>
4:00pm	+Rossmesl Family
Req. By:	Joan Rossmesl
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>December 8</b>
8:00am	Parishioners of SFXC
10:30am	+Angela Bellisari
Req. By:	Anna Petryniac

### SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** For registered and active parishioners: Please contact the Church Office. Baptism instruction is required for Parents.

### Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturdays 3:00-3:45 PM

Or by Appointment

**Weddings:** For registered and active parishioners: must be arranged with the pastor at least 6 months before the date desired. Please contact the Church Office for more details.

## 1st Sunday of Advent

### Readings for the Week

Monday

Is4:2-6 Ps122:1-9 Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday St. Francis Xavier

Is11:1-10 Ps72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17 Lk10:21-24

Wednesday St. John Damascene

Is25:6-10 Ps23:1-6 Mt15:29-37

Thursday

Is26:1-6 Ps118:1,8-9,19-21,25-27a

Mt7:21,24-27

Friday St. Nicholas

Is29:17-24 Ps27:1,4,13-14 Mt9:27-31

### OFFERTORY

Date	Amount	Attendance
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Nov. 17, 2019	\$10,189.35	1185
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Nov. 18,2018	\$8,596.15	1000
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### CFA

Collected	\$114,751.30
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Goal	\$164,000.00
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## *Christmas Pageant 2019*

### The Faith Formation Christmas Pageant

**Sunday Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm** in the Cabrini Center.

This year we will be presenting the Nativity of our Lord according to The Gospel of Saint Luke. There will also be a youth music recital prior to the Pageant. If anyone is interested in volunteering to help with preparations, please e-mail David Collins at: [David.Collins@sfxcparrish.com](mailto:David.Collins@sfxcparrish.com)

**Thank you!**

# Learning and Understanding Our Faith

## Four Advent Attitudes: Fr. Edward Looney

**It's hard to believe Advent has already arrived.** It seems Advent is one of the seasons that happens, and usually goes quicker than we would like! We are always in a hustle and a bustle preparing for Christmas that we do not slow down enough to take in the purpose of these Advent days of waiting. As we wait for the birth of Jesus on Christmas day, here are four Advent attitudes we can strive to foster.

### ***Patience***

The season of Advent demands patience because it is a time of waiting and expectation. Mary, a daughter of Israel, patiently waited for the coming of the Messiah with all her brothers and sisters. On the feast of the Annunciation, the angel came to her, and announced the good news that the time of waiting was over! She was to give birth to the Messiah. For nine months, she patiently waited for the fulfillment of the promised one. As a Church, we now journey with Mary through the final days of her pregnancy, as she travels to Bethlehem and gives birth to the one who will save us from our sins.

Seek to cultivate an attitude of patience during these next four weeks of Advent. It's a busy time of the year. Lots of activities are planned and many things need to be accomplished. You will be invited to many Christmas parties. Some people there might not be your best friend. They might overwhelm you or cause you angst. How do you deal with them? Short responses? A lack of love? This advent be patient with them. Going out shopping? Stores will be busy as people make their final preparations for Christmas. Instead of becoming agitated while waiting in line, wait patiently with Mary, knowing that everyone around you is preparing to celebrate Jesus' birth.

### ***Service***

The Advent season provides ample opportunities for service. This is another way we imitate Mary during the Advent season because she was a woman of service. After she received word that Elizabeth was with child, she set out in haste to serve her cousin. During this Advent season look for an opportunity to serve the less fortunate. Prepare a meal or volunteer at the local homeless shelter or soup kitchen. In this way, you can help to bring the light of Christ's birth to their life. Visit nursing homes with your family or Church and sing the songs of Christmas for the elderly. Bring them the warmth of Christ's love. The opportunities for service are endless. Have an attentive and charitable heart like Mary, and serve others this Advent season.

### ***Pondering***

The Advent season allows us to become like Mary who pondered much and treasured many things in her heart. Even before the birth of Christ, Mary had a lot to reflect on—the angelic visitation, her visit to Elizabeth, and now her journey to Bethlehem. After Jesus' birth her heart continues to treasure all her experiences.

During the Advent season take a few moments each day to ponder what we are about to celebrate, God becoming man. The joyful mysteries of the rosary allow us to focus on the events leading up to Christmas. In this method of praying the rosary, phrases are inserted after the name of Jesus, focusing one's meditation, and allowing us to ponder Jesus' role in salvation history. Praying the rosary in this fashion will provide a new appreciation for the incarnation. Another way to ponder each day would be through the Angelus. Try to daily remember the season of Advent and contemplate the one for whom we wait.

### ***Forgiveness***

This Advent comes on the heels of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. The reality is the Year of Mercy does not have to end, but was a way for us to live mercy every year for the rest of our lives. During the Year of Mercy many people engaged the corporal and spiritual works of mercy or received mercy in the confessional. Unfortunately, in many families or among friends there are divisions. Words or actions from the past that remain unforgiven. Maybe this is the year to reconcile. After receiving and showing mercy to others, why not continue to live mercy by extending it to those in our lives from whom we are estranged. Consider reaching out to whoever it is and invite them for a conversation over a cup of Christmas cheer at the local coffeehouse. Is there a family member whom you have not talked to in years? Invite them to your family Christmas. Jesus came to bring peace to the world. Allow him to bring peace to your heart through the sacrament of Penance and peace to your family relationships and friendships through reconciliation.

### ***Conclusion***

During these Advent days we prepare for Christmas, the mystery of God becoming man. In the weeks ahead, try not to get ahead of yourself, but live the Advent season. Develop these four Advent attitudes and you will be ready to welcome Christ in the manger on Christmas morning. (Catholicexchange.com)

December 1, 2019



# St. Frances Cabrini Christmas Potluck

## **Come Join Us!**

Thursday, December 19th at 5:30 pm in the  
Mother Cabrini Parish Hall.

Please call the parish office at 776.9097  
to RSVP with the number of people who  
will be attending and the entrée, side  
dish, or dessert you would like to bring.



**We look forward  
to seeing you!**

# 1st Sunday of Advent

## Why December 8th is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

December 8 is usually the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the patronal feast day of the United States. Because it's such an important feast for the U.S. church, it is the only holy day of obligation in the U.S. that remains a holy day of obligation even if December 8 falls on a Saturday or Monday.

But what happens when December 8 is a Sunday?

In the Table of Liturgical Days, which you'll find at the end of the Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the Calendar (see the front of your Roman Missal), **Sundays of Advent rank higher than any other Solemnities.** According to #5 of the Norms on the Liturgical Year, those Solemnities then get moved to the next Monday.

So Monday, December 9 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, right? Right! And, because it's our national feast day, it's a holy day of obligation, right? Not quite.

According to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the obligation is attached to the *calendar date*, not to the transferred feast. So December 8 remains a holy day of obligation, which just also happens to be Sunday, the "primordial feast day" (Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and Calendar, 4), or as it said in the previous translation of that document, "**Sunday must be ranked as the first holy day of all.**" (Diocese of San Jose)

Sunday, December 8, 2019 is the Second Sunday of Advent. On Monday, December 9, 2019, the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated. It will **not** be a holy day of obligation. (Since it is a solemnity, the Glory to God and the Creed still will be included in the Mass.) The Feast of Saint Juan Diego (December 9) will not be observed in 2019.



## November Potluck

A wonderful Thank You to the 140 people who attended our November 19 Potluck event. It was a wonderful time of fellowship and good food.

A special thank you to those on the Hospitality Committee who helped set-up, decorate the tables, guided the food in

the kitchen, washed dishes, and cleaned up. Most especially: Hedy Nuspl, Nancy and Kevin Almengual, Diane Creel, Marisol—Megan, and Hector Morales, Linda Pless, Hermie Alo, Theresa and Amanda Smith, and Mickey Mattson & Sons. Also to Chris Malone who took in all the Phone calls for the event.

## Out and About the Parish

### *Pray for our Military:*



Sgt. Amy Cook; Sgt. Thomas Cook; SFC Kevin A. Correira; Sgt. John M. Danko, Jr; Lt. Patrick Devito; Lt. Cmdr. Julie Dumais; P5 Kathleen Foley; Maj. Joseph Gill III; Sgt. Jonathan D. Ginn; Sgt FC Joseph Jackel; CPO Jennifer Keisacker; Sgt. Jeffery Keisacker; 1st Lt. William Knox; Sgt Austin W. Kommick; Seaman Nolan MacDowell; Major Bonnie Meister; Cpl Jaclyn Monnerjahn; Cpl Matthew Monnerjahn; SSgt. Francois Moreau; Sgt. Anthony Mottaz; E1 Brian O'Houlahan; LCpl Patrick O'Houlahan; 2C Rose O'Houlahan; Cpl Timothy O'Houlahan; Cpl Matthew Ortiz; SSgt Jeremy Pelkey; Maj. Allen Pepper; SSgt Alex Dante Ponzi; Sr.A Chelsey Danielle Ponzi; Sgt Steven Popek; Capt. John A. Scott; CPO Kevin Sips; Pfc Jason Stinton; Lt. Cmdr. Stephan Szachta; Sgt. Eric Terlau; 1st Lt. William P. Traeger; Capt. Edward Vazquez; Sgt. Nicholas Weaver, CPL Taylor-Kurlas White; Sgt. Damon White

### Health Tips for the Fall and Winter

The cold and flu season is here. I would like to ask that everyone take seriously their own health and the health of our fellow parishioners. Very often we forget how fragile some people's immune system is and that although we mean well, shaking each other's hand while we are ill can very easily spread germs that can make others very sick.

**During the coming months please do not feel uncomfortable about not shaking hands at the "Sign of Peace" during Mass—a simple friendly wave or nod of the head is acceptable and could help keep all of us healthy this winter.**

### CCW Angel Tree

The last date to return the Angel Tree items is Monday, December 8th. Please have your Angel Tree items in the Narthex by that time.  
Thank you!



## **Knights of Columbus Council 12155 Nativity Fundraiser**



The St. Frances Cabrini Knights of Columbus will be taking orders after each Mass for a beautiful Nativity Silhouette. This Bright, white Nativity of the Holy Family is made for all weather and is fade resistant with white PVC.

Large Nativity (4'X4') - \$120 + Tax  
Small Nativity (2'x2') - \$60 + Tax