ADVENT

Sunday, December 1

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

Monday, December 2 WORLD AIDS DAY MASS AND VIGIL

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 7 ADVENT MORNING RETREAT

9:00AM - 1:00PM

A new intentional community: The Mystics All are welcome, prayer & discussion led by L.J. Milone GREAT HALL

Monday, December 9

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

NOT a Holy Day of Obligation

Masses on December 9 at 7:30AM

12:10PM: CARDINAL WILTON GREGORY

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

No 11:00AM Confessions or Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays, December 10 & 17

JESUS' WAY OF TRANSFORMING PAIN | CLASS

7:00 – 8:30PM, led by L.J. Milone EAST CONFERENCE ROOM

Thursday, December 12
FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

(BILINGUAL IN ENGLISH & SPANISH)

6:30PM Rosary and 7:00PM Mass

MOST REV. EVELIO MENJIVAR

Refreshments and Music following the Mass NORTH CONFERENCE ROOM

Saturday, December 14 "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

Sunday, December 15 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Regular schedule of Masses

ADVENT LECTURE

12:15PM - 1:45PM

Julian of Norwich, a medieval English mystic
Presented by Dr. Julia Lamm from Georgetown University
GREAT HALL

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 17 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

Wednesday, December 18

THE INCARNATION | CLASS

7:00 – 8:30PM, led by L.J. Milone NORTH CONFERENCE ROOM

Thursday, December 19 CATHEDRAL BOOK CLUB

Jesus of Nazareth: The Infancy Narratives
by Pope Benedict XVI (Joseph Ratzinger)
7:00PM – 8:15PM, discussion led by Rev. John Hurley
WEST CONFERENCE ROOM

† ~ 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

Tuesday, December 24

Masses at 7:30AM and 12:10PM The Rectory closes at 2:00pm

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

Wednesday, December 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

The Cathedral opens at 8:00AM.

Masses:

9:00AM: Rev. Joseph McHenry

11:00AM: Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson
1:00PM (Spanish) (Coro Hispano): Rev. Isaac Sagastume
The Cathedral closes after the 1:00PM Mass.
The Rectory is closed.

Thursday & Friday, 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 29
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF
JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Regular schedule of Masses

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Wednesday, January 1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Holy Day of Obligation The Cathedral opens at 8:00AM. Masses:

5:30PM Vigil, (December 31), Rev. Joseph McHenry 9:00AM: Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson 11:00AM: CARDINAL WILTON GREGORY 1:00PM (Spanish): Rev. Isaac Sagastume No 11:00AM Confessions or Eucharistic Adoration The Cathedral closes after the 1:00PM Mass. The Rectory is closed.

Sunday, January 5 SOLEMNITY OF

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Regular schedule of Masses 11:00AM: CARDINAL WILTON GREGORY Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson, Concelebrant

Sunday, January 12 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
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WASHINGTON, DC

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS 2 0 2 4

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. Joseph McHenry Rev. Isaac Sagastume Parochial Vicars