



“Behold  
a virgin will conceive and bear a son,  
and she will call His name  
*Emmanuel*”  
– Isaiah 7:14

THE SEASON OF ADVENT ♦ HOPE ♦ LOVE ♦ JOY ♦ PEACE ♦

December 1, 2024 • First Sunday of Advent

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday 7:00 & 11:45 a.m.  
Saturday 7:00 a.m., Vigil 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 10:30 a.m. &  
12:00 Noon (*ad orientem*)

Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil 6:30 p.m.,  
7:00 & 10:00 a.m.,  
12:00 Noon (*ad orientem*), 6:30 p.m.

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**CONFESSIONS** Monday-Friday, 12:15 p.m. until all are heard  
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. • Sunday: thirty minutes before each Mass

### DEVOTIONS

**The Holy Rosary** follows the 7:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. Masses daily. The Dominican Rosary is prayed at 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays and 8:30 a.m. on Sundays.

**Novena to St. Margaret of Castello (with the veneration of her relic)** follows the 7:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. Masses on Wednesdays.

**Holy Hour with Benediction**, 12:15-1:15 p.m. on Fridays.

**Fatima Devotions** follow the 7:00 a.m. Mass on First Saturdays.

**All Night Eucharistic Adoration for Life:** Third Friday of the month from 8:00 p.m. until Benediction at 6:45 a.m. on Saturday, with recitation of the Holy Rosary at a local abortion facility following the Saturday 7:00 a.m. Mass.

**All Night Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations:** Fourth Friday of the month from 8:00 p.m. until Benediction at 6:45 a.m. on Saturday.

**Stations of the Cross (during Lent)**, 7:00 p.m. on Fridays.

*The St. Gerard's Mothers Blessing and enrollments in the Angelic Warfare Confraternity and the Rosary Confraternity are scheduled three times during the year after all Masses.*

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** Sundays at 1:15 p.m. Please contact the parish office to schedule your child's baptism. First-time parents must attend a baptism class on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY** Please contact the parish office at least nine months before your intended wedding date to fill out a Marriage Request Form. Non-parishioners must receive the permission of their pastor before scheduling their wedding at St. Patrick's.

**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK** Parishioners experiencing a medical emergency requiring the sacraments for someone in danger of death should call 614-224-9522, and press "8" to contact the priest on duty. Homebound parishioners who would like to schedule monthly visits from a priest and/or weekly visits from an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to the Homebound should contact the parish office.

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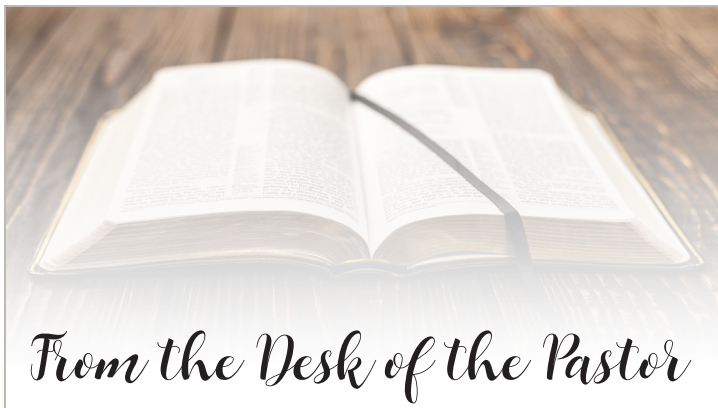
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Dominican Friars

### BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Please submit bulletin items a minimum of one week in advance of publication to Keelin Johnson, Bulletin Editor, at keelinjohnson@stpatrickcolumbus.org.



Today, we begin the holy season of Advent – these four weeks of preparation for Christ’s birth at Christmas. As we return from Thanksgiving celebrations (whether we stayed at home or traveled to be with loved ones), we don’t want to come back to “business as usual.” Christ is coming! He is coming at Christmas, but as these first couple of weeks remind us, He is coming again at the end of time. Will we be ready when He returns? As this season unfolds, may we always be open to the Lord’s coming in our lives: in the graces He gives in the sacraments, in the people we encounter throughout our lives, and in our readiness to meet Him when our earthly lives are over.

To make the most of the season, I encourage you to make the Eucharist the center of your spiritual lives! Consider coming to daily Mass on one or more occasions throughout the week, or spend some time in Eucharistic adoration. This Tuesday, we’ll be starting our weekly Eucharistic adoration from 12:15 p.m.-8:00 p.m.; consider coming to spend some time with our Lord. Be sure to make a good confession during this Advent season. Read the *Magnificat Advent Companion* throughout the days of Advent. And look for ways to share with those in need (we are grateful to those who already contributed to our Advent Giving Tree). Christ is coming – let us be ready when He arrives!

While Christ will be coming at Christmas, St. Thomas Aquinas will be coming next weekend! The long-awaited visit of the Angelic Doctor’s major relics (which includes the relic of his skull) will take place next weekend, starting after the Saturday Vigil Mass with a procession of the relics into the church by the Dominican friars. Veneration on Saturday evening will continue until 10:00 p.m. (with extra times for confession starting at 8:00 p.m.). On Sunday, December 8th, Bishop Fernandes will join us for Mass at 9:00 a.m. to commemorate the visit of St. Thomas’ relics (which will be kept on the side altar during our Sunday Masses). After the Noon Mass, public veneration will resume, beginning at approximately 1:15 p.m., concluding at 9:00 p.m. Extra times for confessions (with multiple confessors, similar to Good Friday), will begin at 4:00 p.m., and we will pause the public veneration for Solemn Vespers at 7:00 p.m. This is truly a once-in-a-lifetime event

for our parish; you don’t want to miss the chance to venerate the relics of St. Thomas Aquinas! A special word of thanks goes out to all those who have already signed up to volunteer for this event – and we can still use a few more!

God bless you,  
*Fr. Paul, O.P.*

### **DECEMBER 9th – A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

This year, the liturgical calendar has the rare occurrence of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (December 8th) falling on the Second Sunday of Advent. Because the Second Sunday of Advent takes precedence on the liturgical calendar, the solemnity is transferred to the following day, Monday, December 9th. When this has happened in the past (as it last did in 2019), the transferred feast was not a holy day, and there was no obligation to attend Mass. However, a canonical question was presented to the Vatican by the U.S. bishops, and our country received a different answer – this solemnity must remain a holy day of obligation (even if it is transferred). This is because the Immaculate Conception is the patronal feast day of the United States, and no permission was ever given to suppress the obligation if the holy day fell on a Monday.

With this being said, Monday, December 9th, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, **IS** a holy day of obligation this year. Our parish Masses will be at 7:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, and 6:30 p.m., and there will be no confessions that day. Because the feast falls on a Monday, we are unable to have a Vigil Mass on Sunday evening, since that would still be the Second Sunday of Advent, so we will have one less Mass than usual for a holy day schedule. Please ignore any liturgical calendars or publications which say it is not a holy day, since those were printed well before the new directive from Rome.

### **NOTICE:**

#### **INCENSE NEXT WEEKEND**

In addition to the regularly scheduled Masses with incense (5:00 p.m., 10:30 a.m., and Noon), we will also have incense at the 9:00 a.m. Mass next Sunday, December 8th. Bishop Fernandes will be celebrating the Mass, as we welcome the major relics of St. Thomas Aquinas.



### **NOTICE REGARDING CONFESSIONS ON THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 7th/8th**

Due to the demands during next weekend’s visit of the relics of St. Thomas Aquinas, the friars will not be able to continue hearing confessions once Mass begins. Confessions will promptly end at the start of each Mass. However, additional confession times (with multiple confessors) have been added during the times of public veneration.



## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS



### SATURDAY, November 30

5:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the  
+David MacDonald Family

### SUNDAY, December 1 –

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:00 a.m. Joe McMullen  
9:00 a.m. +Joan Schroering  
10:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving for Mary Mame Viers  
12:00 p.m. Parishioners and Benefactors

### MONDAY, December 2

7:00 a.m. +Jacqueline Roy  
11:45 a.m. Deceased Parents, Benefactors, Familiars,  
Brothers, and Sisters of the  
Order of Preachers

### TUESDAY, December 3 – *St. Francis Xavier, Priest (M)*

7:00 a.m. +Bettie Letzelter  
11:45 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the  
Newman and Howard Families

### WEDNESDAY, December 4

7:00 a.m. Kay DeBeni  
11:45 a.m. +John Arscott

### THURSDAY, December 5

7:00 a.m. +John W. Wilkins  
11:45 a.m. +Timothy Elflein

### FRIDAY, December 6 – *St. Nicholas, Bishop (M)*

7:00 a.m. Bill Shea  
11:45 a.m. +Bruce Horner

### SATURDAY, December 7 –

*St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (M)*

7:00 a.m. +Gary Baker  
5:00 p.m. +Jeremy Patrick and Jo-An Hartings Grady

### SUNDAY, December 8 –

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:00 a.m. +Larry Letzelter  
9:00 a.m. +Mary Tonneman  
10:30 a.m. Mike and Jackie Wiedt  
12:00 p.m. Parishioners and Benefactors

#### BULLETIN DEADLINES

Deadline for December 15 is December 6  
Deadline for December 22 is December 13  
Deadline for December 29 is December 15  
Deadline for January 5 is December 20  
Submit at: keelinjohnson@stpatrickcolumbus.org

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Sunday, December 1

First Sunday of Advent  
Giving Tree Donations Due  
No CCD classes  
12:00 p.m. Mass: OCIA Rite of Acceptance  
1:15 p.m. Baptisms: Zigmund John Chlosta,  
Rose Marie Tillar (Gallery)  
7:00 p.m. Solemn Vespers and Benediction (Church)

### Monday, December 2

6:30 p.m. American Heritage Girls  
(Patrick Hall, Aquinas, 2nd Floor)

### Tuesday, December 3

12:15-8:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Church)  
6:30 p.m. K of C Rosary/Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Adult Catechesis Series on  
St. Thomas Aquinas (Aquinas Hall)  
7:00 p.m. High School Youth Ministry  
(Patrick Hall, Library, Church)

### Wednesday, December 4

7:00 p.m. Choir (Patrick Hall)  
7:00 p.m. Martha-Mary Circle (Kolbe)  
7:00 p.m. OCIA (Aquinas Hall)  
7:30 p.m. Catholic in Recovery (Library, DePorres)

### Thursday, December 5

7:00 p.m. Junior High Youth Ministry  
(Patrick Hall, Library, Church)  
7:00 p.m. Mothers' Ministry (Church, Aquinas)

### Friday, December 6

9:00 a.m. CGS (Aquinas, 2nd Fl., Basement)  
12:10 p.m. Catholic Men's Luncheon (Patrick Hall)  
6:00 p.m. PJs and Pizza with St. Nicholas  
(Patrick Hall)

### Saturday, December 7

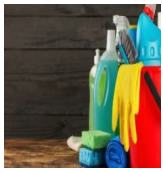
7:30 a.m. That Man is You (Aquinas)  
8:30 a.m. Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic (Billiard)  
9:30 a.m. Chorus Angelorum (Patrick Hall)  
6:15-10:00 p.m. Veneration of the Major Relics of  
St. Thomas Aquinas (Church)  
8:00-10:00 p.m. Confessions (Lib., Office)

### Sunday, December 8

Second Sunday of Advent  
Giving Tree Gift Distribution after noon Mass (2nd Floor)  
10:15 a.m. CCD (Aquinas, 2nd Floor)  
1:15-9:00 p.m. Veneration of the Major Relics of  
St. Thomas Aquinas (Church)  
4:00-7:00 p.m. Confessions (Lib., Office, 2nd Floor)  
7:00 p.m. Solemn Vespers and Benediction (Church)  
7:30-9:00 p.m. Confessions (Lib., Office, 2nd Floor)

## ADULT CATECHESIS

As an adjunct to the upcoming visit to Columbus by our brother St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Patrick's will be offering a three-part series of talks by the Dominican friars on Tuesday evenings beginning on November 26. The presentations will include: An account of his life in the context of his times (November 26). His more important writings and their enduring value (December 3). His posthumous "career" and how these important relics have made their way to us (December 10). Come out and learn more about this great Dominican saint and doctor of the Church! All talks begin at 7:00 p.m. in Aquinas Hall and include time for Q and A.



## ADVENT CHURCH CLEANING

Please volunteer to help clean the church for Christmas!

Saturday, December 14, from 12:00-3:00 p.m.

Please bring a bucket and some rags.

All minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

To sign up: email Joe Testa at [Joetesta9@icloud.com](mailto:Joetesta9@icloud.com) or call 614-361-7359.

## BAPTISM CLASS FOR FIRST-TIME PARENTS

December 11 at 7:00 p.m.

2nd floor Parish Center Classroom.

Preregistration is required.

Please contact the Parish Office to sign up.

Future classes will be on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

## THAT MAN IS YOU

Men of the parish, you are invited to TMIY fellowship on Saturday mornings in Aquinas Hall. We start at approximately 7:40 a.m., right after the 7:00 a.m. Saturday Mass (please note on First Saturdays of each month, we will start at approximately 8:25 a.m., after Fatima Devotions in the church). Grow in faith and friendship with other men striving to know the Lord better! Any questions, call Kevin McNamara at 614-598-8405.



**Catholic  
in Recovery**

## CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY

Wednesdays, 7:30-8:30 p.m.  
St. Patrick's Library.

Catholic Sacramental recovery resources for those seeking freedom from alcoholism and drug addiction. For more information, please visit: [www.catholicinrecovery.com](http://www.catholicinrecovery.com) or contact Jon at [circolumbus@gmail.com](mailto:circolumbus@gmail.com) or 614-588-4022.

If you cannot meet on Wednesdays, please join us at St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus, OH 43235 on Monday evenings from 8:00-9:00 p.m.

## AN EXPERIENCE OF HOPE

### POST-ABORTION HEALING GROUP

Experience of Hope is a confidential, safe place, providing support, prayer, hope, and reconciliation in the context of spiritual renewal. Meets every third Wednesday in the Library. For more information, contact Judy Schlueter, RN, MAPC at 614-537-6452.



## Little Margaret's Charity GIVING TREE GIFT TAGS

Please return your Giving Tree Donation by this Sunday, December 1, so that the gifts can be prepared for our families in time for Christmas.

Cash donations may be made

at: [stpatrickcolumbus.weshareonline.org](http://stpatrickcolumbus.weshareonline.org) or by using the envelope in the monthly packet.

**NOTE:** Gift Card donations will be acknowledged by letter. Please include your name and contact information to ensure correct acknowledgement. Contact Business Manager Frank Hartge, if you have questions, at 614-240-5911.

## GIVING TREE GIFT DISTRIBUTION



Sunday, December 8, 1:15 p.m. – 2nd Floor

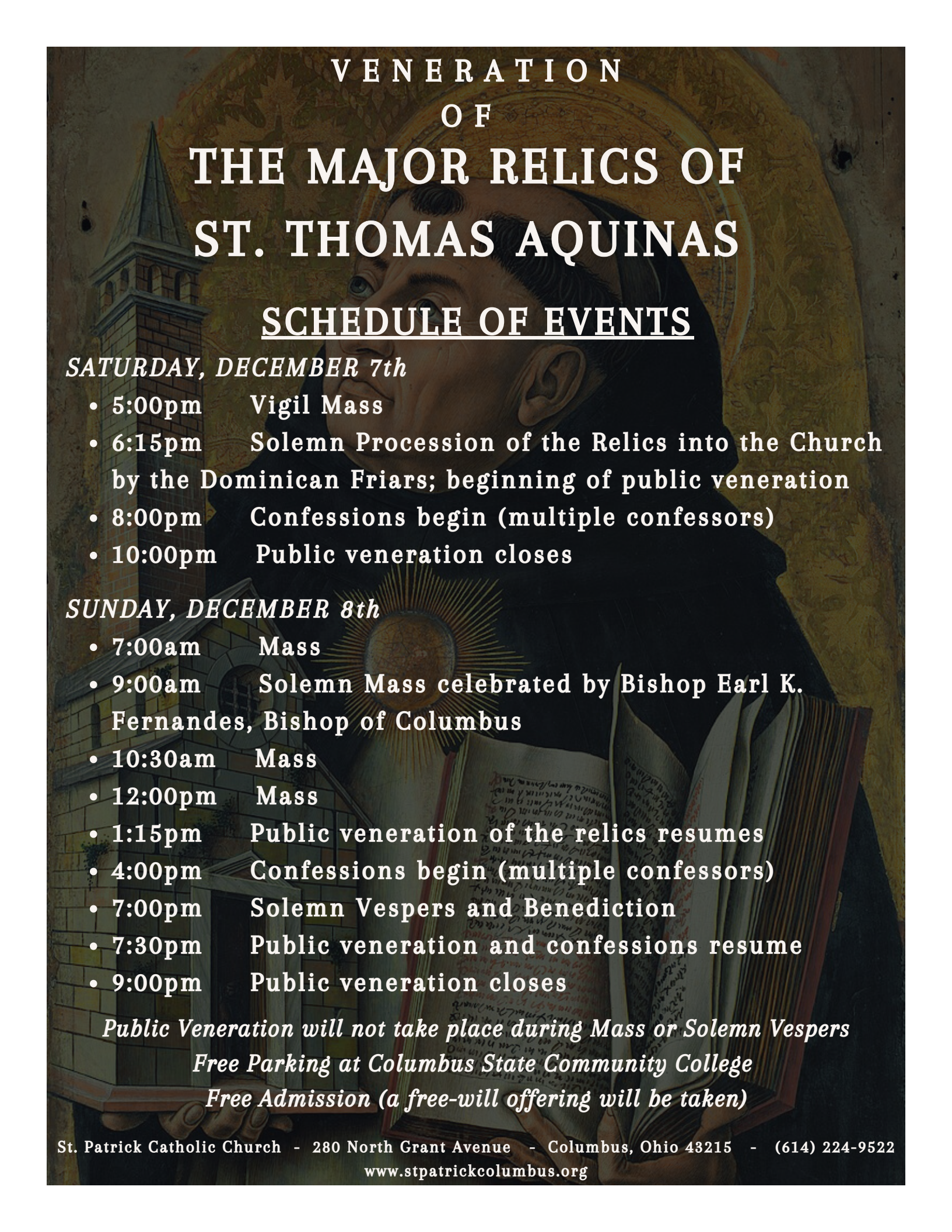


## THE APPEAL 2024

Year-end giving – If you intend to make an end-of-the-year donation and have it included on your 2024 donation acknowledgement statement from The Appeal, please note:

1. Your pledge envelope and check must reach the St. Patrick Church Office no later than December 15.
2. Your online donation at <https://www.columbuscatholicgiving.org/appeal-make-a-gift-now> should also be made no later than December 15.





VENERATION  
OF  
THE MAJOR RELICS OF  
ST. THOMAS AQUINAS  
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th*

- 5:00pm Vigil Mass
- 6:15pm Solemn Procession of the Relics into the Church by the Dominican Friars; beginning of public veneration
- 8:00pm Confessions begin (multiple confessors)
- 10:00pm Public veneration closes

*SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8th*

- 7:00am Mass
- 9:00am Solemn Mass celebrated by Bishop Earl K. Fernandes, Bishop of Columbus
- 10:30am Mass
- 12:00pm Mass
- 1:15pm Public veneration of the relics resumes
- 4:00pm Confessions begin (multiple confessors)
- 7:00pm Solemn Vespers and Benediction
- 7:30pm Public veneration and confessions resume
- 9:00pm Public veneration closes

*Public Veneration will not take place during Mass or Solemn Vespers*

*Free Parking at Columbus State Community College*

*Free Admission (a free-will offering will be taken)*



## ST. THOMAS AQUINAS RELICS WEEKEND – Frequently Asked Questions

### Information Volunteers Should Know to Assist Visitors

*Q: Where do visitors go, once inside the building?*

A: There will be an usher inside each of the entrances (west side/Grant Ave. and east side) who will greet visitors and refer them to the lines for veneration and/or confessions. Depending on the volume of people, the end of the line may be in Church; the Gallery; or Patrick Hall. The ushers will keep tabs on the lines and direct people accordingly.

*Q: What's going on inside the Church and Parish Center during veneration?*

**Church:** The relics will be exposed in the front of the sanctuary behind the closed communion rail gates. Two kneelers for veneration will be placed near the communion rail for veneration. Lines will form on each side of the main aisle in the Church nave (similar to lines for Holy Communion) to the back of the main aisle. Any overflow will be lined up on the south side of the Gallery. Any overflow from Gallery will be lined up in Patrick Hall.

Confessions will not be heard in the confessionals in Church.

The Church front doors leading to Grant Ave. will be locked from the outside, so no entrance from Grant Ave. And although those doors will be unlocked from the inside, all visitors are required to leave Church through the doors to the Gallery and NOT through those main Church doors.

**Gallery:** Line on south side of Gallery for veneration overflow from Church; Line on north side of Gallery for confessions

**Patrick Hall:** Overflow line for veneration (after Church and Gallery) and confessions, if needed, likely along the wall(s) in Patrick Hall; Drinks and snacks available; Tables and chairs will be set up; Volunteer headquarters

**Aquinas Hall:** Educational materials will be available in Aquinas Hall, including a video regarding St. Thomas Aquinas, the Order of Preachers and the relics.

**Library/Upstairs CCD classrooms:** Confessions will be heard in the Library and select classrooms on the second floor. Neither the library nor the CCD classrooms are open to anyone other than ushers and penitents (so not open to visitors “just looking around”). If needed, restrooms on the second floor may also be used.

The elevator will be available for penitents who prefer that to walking the stairwell to the second floor classrooms.

*Q: How do confessions work that weekend, if confessions won't be heard in Church?*

A: Penitents should get in the confessions line in the Gallery; they will be directed to the next available priest (no priest-shopping) in the library or second floor classroom.

All confessionals have a screen separating the priest and penitent. Act of Contrition will be posted in each confessional.

*Q: For visitors who want to venerate the relics and then go to confession, is there a shortcut from the veneration line to the confessions line?*

A: No, the lines are independent. After veneration, a penitent will need to go to the back of the confessions line.

*Q: Where do visitors park?*

A: On **Saturday**, visitors can park in any of the “regular weekend” lots – the church-owned lot behind the priory, the one adjacent (north) to it, and the lot on Grant Ave. On **Sunday**, visitors can park in any of the 3 Saturday lots or the large lot on the Columbus State campus (Lot 12-S) just east of Cleveland Ave. between Spring and Long Streets. Sunday parking volunteers will have a handout for arriving visitors, directing people to Lot S-12 from St. Pat's if the closer lots are full.

*Q: Is parking free?*

A: Yes, in the lots described above. For any other lots/street parking, visitors will need to pay in accordance with posted notices.

*Q: What are the hours of public veneration of the relics?*

A: Saturday 6:15-10:00 p.m.; Sunday 1:15-9:00 p.m. (with a break for Vespers from 7:00-7:30 p.m.)

*Q: What about visitors still in the veneration line at 10:00 p.m. Saturday or 9:00 p.m. Sunday?*

A: Everyone in line at those closing times will be allowed to venerate. No one will be added to the line after the closing times.

*Q: What are the hours for confessions?*

A: Saturday 8:00-10:00 p.m.; Sunday 4:00-7:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

*Q: Can visitors take pictures of the relics?*

A: Yes, but visitors will be asked to NOT use flash photography. And **no selfies** with St. Thomas!

*Q: Are holy cards/3rd class relics available for visitors?*

A: St. Patrick's has had a specially commissioned holy card made for the visit, which will be available to visitors after they venerate the relics. All of these holy cards will be placed against the relics beforehand by a friar, thus making them 3rd class relics.

*Q: Can visitors touch the relics or the reliquaries?*

A: No, and no exceptions.

*Q: Can visitors touch an item they brought with them (holy card, rosary, etc.) to the relics, to make such items 3rd-class relics?*

A: No, and no exceptions.

*Q: How long can a visitor venerate the relics at the kneelers?*

A: A visitor should remain on a veneration kneeler for **no more than two (2) minutes**, after which time an usher will ask the visitor to move along. After veneration, visitors may remain in the Church pews (not at the communion rail) to continue veneration and to pray.

*Q: How long of a wait is the line for veneration? For confession?*

A: Ask an usher for an estimate, as wait time will vary depending on length of lines.

*Q: How can visitors make a donation?*

A: Baskets will be placed in Church, Gallery and Patrick Hall for cash or checks. QR code will also be posted throughout the Parish Center, for online giving.

*Q: Is any food/drink available?*

A: Yes, drinks (coffee, bottled water, etc.) and snacks will be available at no cost in Patrick Hall, for visitors and volunteers.

*Q: Do handicapped visitors get to start at the front of the lines for veneration/confessions?*

A: Yes. At Usher's discretion, handicapped visitors in wheelchairs or with canes, walkers (and those accompanying such visitors), may be escorted by an Usher to the front of the line.

*Q: Do clergy/religious get to start at the front of the line for veneration?*

A: Visitors (primarily clergy/religious) who have a “VIP” pass will be escorted by an Usher to the front of the line. VIP passes will have been distributed by the pastor in advance, and are not available from any volunteer.

*Q: Is child care available while parents venerate the relics?*

A: No. And children should not be left unattended in Patrick Hall or anywhere else.

*Q: Are there security personnel on the premises?*

A: Yes, St. Patrick's will have uniformed parish security personnel on the premises at all times. Parking volunteers will also be stationed along the walking route between parking Lot 12-S and St. Patrick's.

*Q: Are restrooms available in addition to those on the main floor of the Parish Center?*

A: Yes, if a line forms outside any of the main floor restrooms, a Hospitality volunteer will ask those in line to go to the Gallery and ask an Usher for directions to additional restrooms. Usher will then direct visitors up the stairwell by the elevator to use the second floor restrooms (and, if necessary, the basement restrooms). Ushers will be posted on the second floor to direct visitors.



## ST. THOMAS AQUINAS MAJOR RELICS WEEKEND – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Be a part of one of the biggest weekends in the history of St. Patrick! Volunteers are needed for Hospitality, Usher and Parking during the relics weekend of December 7/8. Please volunteer and help us welcome the many visitors to our parish for this once-in-a-lifetime event. Scan the QR code with your phone's camera to view volunteer opportunities and to sign up. Questions about volunteering that weekend? Call, text or email Mike Meliere, Sr. at 614-214-7179 or boilerine5436@gmail.com.



## CATHOLIC MEN'S LUNCHEON – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2024 – SPEAKER: FATHER DAVID JOHNSTONE

Please join us on Friday, December 6 at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for a luncheon featuring a talk by Father David Johnstone. Father Johnstone is Parochial Vicar at St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Worthington, and Chaplain at St. Francis DeSales High School. Father Johnstone is one of five newly ordained priests in the diocese, and he will share his unique story. The Serra Clubs of Columbus are sponsoring the December luncheon. You can get more information about the Serra Clubs of Columbus at [www.serracolumbus.org](http://www.serracolumbus.org). If you are interested in sponsoring a luncheon, contact David Kilanowski at [dkilano@aol.com](mailto:dkilano@aol.com). Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m. and Father Johnstone's presentation. No reservations are necessary. \$12.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend! **There will be no meeting in January 2025.** Our next meeting will be on February 7, 2025, and will feature Jon Weaver from Catholic in Recovery which is a nonprofit organization that seeks to serve those suffering from addictions and unhealthy attachments (including alcoholism, drug addiction, pornography addiction, sex and relationship addiction, compulsive overeating and food addictions, gambling addiction, codependency and the impact on family, and general fear, control, and anxiety). Please mark your calendar to attend.



**WE ARE MESSENGERS**  
*of the GOOD NEWS*

**BISHOP FERNANDES** will celebrate Mass on the  
Feast of **SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2024 at 6 PM**  
**SANT JOSEPH CATHEDRAL**

*A first class relic of Saint Francis Xavier will be on display for veneration, and a blessing with the relic will be offered after the evening Mass.*



*Saint Patrick Church*  
**MOTHER'S MINISTRY**  
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5TH 2024**

**7PM ADORATION & CONFESSION**  
**PRAYING OF THE ROSARY**

**FOLLOWED BY**  
**8PM CRAFT & FELLOWSHIP**  
**AQUINAS HALL**



## Got Books...Gently Used Religious Books?

The Knights of Columbus, Council 11207 is looking for gently used religious books and religious items. If you have items you would like to donate, you can leave them in the box located in the hallway next to Aquinas Hall, or contact Dave Ball at 614-753-1696. The Council will be taking book and item donations anytime before the sale.



**The Knights' Annual Religious Book Sale is Scheduled for**  
**Saturday-Sunday, December 14th-Dec 15th, 2024 and**  
**December 21st and 22nd, 2024**  
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