

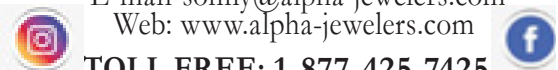


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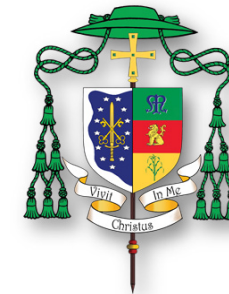
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December 4, 2022



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 Sunday: 6:30AM, 8:30AM, 10:30AM, and 12:15PM (Spanish)

WEEKDAYS
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 Wednesday: 12:15PM

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Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 11: 1-10 The wolf shall be a guest of the lamb.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 72 “Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.”

Second Reading: Romans 15: 4-9 God, the source of patience, enables us to live in harmony.

Gospel: Matthew 3: 1-12 Prepare the way of the Lord!

“Prepare the way of the Lord,” Isaiah cries through John the Baptist’s words, and we continue to heed that call today before we hear John quote him, we hear Isaiah himself, longing for the day when the Lord’s chosen one would arrive, and justice and harmony would blossom. Let us prepare a place in our hearts and in our homes for the Lord, so that we may sing, like the psalmist, of a new day of justice and peace for one and all.

MASS INTENTION SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, December 3, 2022
7:00AM- People of the parish

4:30PM -Eva & Eiljah Pemberton, Elana & Alana Ralph
Rb. Mary Pemberton

SUNDAY, December 4, 2022:
6:30AM-Addison Alfred for Success & Protection-
Rb. Himself

8:30AM - †Cristobal Ramon Edmundo Alvarez Rodriguez
Rb. Fiordaliza Infante

10:30AM - Veronica Gabriel -Thanksgiving -Rb. herself

12:15PM - People of the parish

MONDAY, December 5, 2022:
6:45AM - † Olman Connell - Rb. Edwin and Aurea Olive

TUESDAY, December 6, 2022:
6:45AM- † Carmen Grant - Ariel Farrington and family

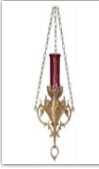
WEDNESDAY, December 7, 2022:
6:45AM - Julie Dominique and family - Rb. Julie Dominique

12:15PM-† Louis Hughes -
Rb.Carty, Farrington, and Sturdivant families

THURSDAY, December 8, 2022:
6:45AM - † Brittany Stewart - Rb. Amilda W. Millin

FRIDAY, December 9, 2022:
6:45AM - † Harry Mckenna -
Rb. St. Patrick’s Manor Nursing Home

8:15AM - School Mass



*At the request of Murtle
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December 3- 9



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1 Thessalonians 5:17

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in all things and desire You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You in the Sacrament, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You; do not permit me ever to be separated from You.
Amen.

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori)



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SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Anyone wishing to have his or her wedding celebrated at Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral must contact the parish office 9-12 months prior to the celebration and talk to a priest for pre-wedding counseling. Please visit our website www.cathedralvi.org or call us at 340-774-0201. The Sacrament of Marriage is generally celebrated on a Saturday between the hours of 11:00AM and 2:00PM. Please contact the parish priest if you would like a different time for your wedding. (Note that Saturday mornings are reserved for cleaning and decorating the cathedral.)

VISITING AND ANNOINTING THE SICK:

If anyone in your family is sick or shut-in, please inform the parish office so that we can pray for them and arrange to visit them. Please note that the hospital does not notify us when Catholics are in the hospital. Please call the parish office to inform us of a Catholic in the hospital who needs to have a priest visit. Thank you!

FUNERAL MASSES:

Funeral Masses at Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral are held on the designated day at 9:30AM. Please make arrangements with the Church office before the funeral home to assure availability of the date requested. The Funeral Program should read "Christian Burial" on the cover. If you would like a different time, please contact the parish priest. Viewings will not take place inside the cathedral. Funerals generally are not held on weekends (Saturday or Sunday). Thank you for your cooperation.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 4 & 18, 2022

Day of Recollection
Hispanic Community

December 11, 2022

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic School's Christmas Pageant at the Cathedral
4:00 p.m.

December 12 & 13, 2022

Advent Mission
Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral
5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

December 17, 2022

Holy Family Catholic Church Jubilee Pilgrimage to Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral

December 22, 2022

CCD Students Christmas Carols at the Cathedral
4:00 p.m.

Prayer to our Blessed Mother

O Blessed Mother, heart of love, heart of mercy, ever listening, caring, consoling, hear our prayer. As your children, we implore your intercession with Jesus your Son.

Receive with understanding and compassion the petitions we place before you today, especially (*mention request*). We are comforted in knowing your heart is ever open to those who ask for your prayer.

We entrust to your gentle care and intercession those whom we love and who are sick or lonely or hurting. Help all of us, Holy Mother, to bear our burdens in this life until we may share eternal life and peace with God forever. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. His Excellency Jerome Feudjio, Bishop of St. Thomas, has decreed a special Holy Year of the Eucharist for the Diocese of St. Thomas beginning the first Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2022, and ending on the Solemnity of Christ the King, November 26, 2023. A diocesan calendar of activities will be communicated shortly by the Chancery.

2. Brothers of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc, Theta Epsilon Lambda Chapter will be attending the 10:30 a.m. mass to commemorate the 116th anniversary of the founding of the fraternity and the 60th anniversary of the founding of the local graduate chapter. This fraternity has supplied voice and vision to the struggle of African Americans and people of color around the world.

3. During the Advent season, there will be a Mission preached by Rev. Fr. Izrael Thabang Nkadimeng. These days of recollection will begin on Sunday, December 11, at all the Masses, and continue on Monday, December 12, and Tuesday, December 13, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral. Our Advent penance service will take place on Saturday afternoon, December 17, 2022.

4. The Advent Recollection for the Hispanic Community will take place on Sunday, December 4 and Sunday, December 18, 2022 after the 12:15 Mass. Further details will be provided in the next bulletin. For more information, call the Church office.

5. Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral will welcome all the priests of our diocese on December 5, 2022, for a day of recollection. Please keep them in your prayers.

6. On December 11, 2022, at 4.00 pm, Saints Peter and Paul Catholic School's Christmas Pageant will take place in the Cathedral. All are invited to attend and support our Catholic School.

7. On December 17, 2022, the parishioners of Holy Family Catholic Church will come to the Cathedral for their Jubilee Pilgrimage. The pilgrimage will include prayers and confessions and the 4:30 pm Vigil Mass. Everyone is invited to attend.

8. On December 22, 2022, at 4:00 p.m., the CCD Students will have their Christmas Carols at the Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral. Everyone is invited to attend.

10. The following is a calendar of meetings of the different ministries functioning in the Cathedral:

- Thursday, December 8, 2022 at 4:00 pm: Liturgy Ministry
- Friday, December 9, 2022 at 4:00 pm: Ushers and Greeters Ministry.
- Saturday, December 10, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. Counters Ministry
- Friday, December 16, 2022 at 4:00 pm: Lectors Ministry

11. Altar Servers will meet every Wednesday and Saturday at 3:30 p.m at the cathedral. We are asking others to join and parents help us help your children by having them join the choir, ushers and altar servers. Thank you for answering the Lord's calling.

12. To all the individuals who participated in the Annual Thanksgiving Raffle Sponsored by the Cathedral Choir of Saints Peter and Paul, a grateful thank you to one and all especially those who were winners. Your support is greatly appreciated. Many Thanks,
Sara Connell Choir Director

JUBILEE YEAR PRAYER

In preparation for the 250th Anniversary of presence in this territory

Eternal Father, In this, Jubilee Year of Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral, we praise you for all blessings we have received over the past 250 years of existence. We bless you for the lives of all those who throughout the centuries, have helped build this vibrant community of love and service. May they rest eternally in Your divine and merciful presence. We give thanks for all the people who gather in this Cathedral to worship you, striving to turn away from my sin and follow the teachings of the faithful disciples of your Son Jesus- Christ. May Your Holy Spirit continue to lead us on the path of faith, hope, and charity, so that in every aspect of our lives, and inspired by the example of our patron saints Peter and Paul, we may always be joyous witnesses of Jesus Christ in the world. **Amen**

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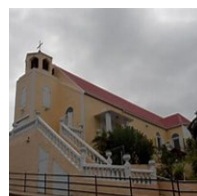
MASSES

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Weekdays: Wednesday & Friday 6:00PM

CONFESSION

Saturday 4:30PM



ANUNCIOS

1. Su Excelencia Jerome Feudjio, Obispo de Santo Tomás, ha decretado un Año Santo especial de la Eucaristía para la Diócesis de Santo Tomás que comienza el primer domingo de Adviento, 27 de noviembre de 2022, y termina en la solemnidad de Cristo Rey, el 26 de noviembre de 2023. La Cancillería comunicará en breve un calendario diocesano de actividades.

2. Durante el tiempo de Adviento, habrá una Misión predicada por el Reverendo P. Izrael Thabang Nkadimeng. Estos días de recogimiento comenzarán el domingo 11 de diciembre en todas las misas, y continuarán el lunes 12 de diciembre y el martes 13 de diciembre, a partir de las 5:30 p.m. a las 6:30 p.m. en la Catedral de San Pedro y San Pablo. Nuestro servicio de penitencia de Adviento tendrá lugar el sábado 17 de diciembre de 2022 por la tarde.

3. La Recolección de Adviento para la Comunidad Hispana tendrá lugar el domingo 4 de diciembre y el domingo 18 de diciembre de 2022 después de la Misa de las 12:15pm.

4. La Catedral de San Pedro y San Pablo dará la bienvenida a todos los sacerdotes de nuestra diócesis el 5 de diciembre de 2022, para un día de recogimiento. Por favor, manténgalos en sus oraciones.

5. El 11 de diciembre de 2022, a las 4:00 pm, tendrá lugar en la Catedral el desfile de Navidad de la Escuela Católica San Pedro y Pablo.

6. El 17 de diciembre de 2022, los feligreses de la Iglesia Católica de la Sagrada Familia vendrán a la Catedral para su peregrinación jubilar. La peregrinación incluirá oraciones y confesiones y la Misa de Vigilia de las 4:30 pm.

7. El 22 de diciembre de 2022, a las 4:00 p.m., los estudiantes de CCD tendrán sus cánticos de Navidad en la Catedral de San Pedro y San Pablo.

8. El siguiente es un calendario de reuniones de los diferentes ministerios que funcionan en la Catedral:

- Jueves 8 de diciembre de 2022 a las 4:00 pm: Ministerio de Liturgia
- Viernes, 9 de diciembre de 2022 a las 4:00 pm: Ministerio de Ujeres y Saludadores.
- Sábado, 10 de diciembre de 2022 a las 3:30 p.m. Ministerio de Contadores
- Viernes 16 de diciembre de 2022 a las 4:00 pm: Ministerio de Lectores

9. Los monaguillos se reunirán todos los miércoles y sábados a las 3:30 p.m. en la catedral.

II DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Primera lectura: Is 11, 1-10
En aquel día, brotará un renuevo del tronco de Jesé, un vástago florecerá de su raíz. Sobre él se posará el espíritu del Señor, espíritu de sabiduría e inteligencia, espíritu de consejo y fortaleza, espíritu de piedad y temor de Dios. No juzgará por apariencias, ni sentenciará de oídas; defenderá con justicia al desamparado y con equidad dará sentencia al pobre; herirá al violento con el látigo de su boca, con el sople de sus labios matará al impío. Será la justicia su ceñidor, la fidelidad apretará su cintura.

Habitará el lobo con el cordero, la pantera se echará con el cabrito, el novillo y el león pacerán juntos y un muchachito los apacentará. La vaca pastará con la osa y sus crías vivirán juntas. El león comerá paja con el buey. El niño jugará sobre el agujero de la víbora; la creatura meterá la mano en el escondrijo de la serpiente. No harán daño ni estrago por todo mi monte santo, porque así como las aguas colman el mar, así está lleno el país de la ciencia del Señor. Aquel día la raíz de Jesé se alzará como bandera de los pueblos, la buscarán todas las naciones y será gloriosa su morada.

Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 71, 1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17 R. (cf. 7) Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz.

Segunda lectura: Rom 15, 4-9
Hermanos: Todo lo que en el pasado ha sido escrito en los libros santos, se escribió para instrucción nuestra, a fin de que, por la paciencia y el consuelo que dan las Escrituras, mantengamos la esperanza. Que Dios, fuente de toda paciencia y consuelo, les conceda a ustedes vivir en perfecta armonía unos con otros, conforme al espíritu de Cristo Jesús, para que, con un solo corazón y una sola voz alaben a Dios, Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo.
Por lo tanto, acójense los unos a los otros como Cristo los acogió a ustedes, para gloria de Dios. Quiero decir con esto, que Cristo se puso al servicio del pueblo judío, para demostrar la fidelidad de Dios, cumpliendo las promesas hechas a los patriarcas y que por su misericordia los paganos alaban a Dios, según aquello que dice la Escritura: Por eso te alabaré y cantaré himnos a tu nombre.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio: Lc 3, 4. 6 R. Aleluya, aleluya.
Preparen el camino del Señor, hagan rectos sus senderos, y todos los hombres verán al Salvador.
R. Aleluya.

Evangelio: Mt 3, 1-12
En aquel tiempo, comenzó Juan el Bautista a predicar en el desierto de Judea, diciendo: "Arrepiéntanse, porque el Reino de los cielos está cerca". Juan es aquel de quien el profeta Isaías hablaba, cuando dijo: Una voz clama en el desierto: Preparen el camino del Señor, enderecen sus senderos. Juan usaba una túnica de pelo de camello, ceñida con un cinturón de cuero, y se alimentaba de saltamontes y de miel silvestre. Acudían a oírlo los habitantes de Jerusalén, de toda Judea y de toda la región cercana al Jordán; confesaban sus pecados y él los bautizaba en el río. Al ver que muchos fariseos y saduceos iban a que los bautizara, les dijo: "Raza de víboras, ¿quién les ha dicho que podrán escapar al castigo que les aguarda? Hagan ver con obras su conversión y no se hagan ilusiones pensando que tienen por padre a Abraham, porque yo les aseguro que hasta de estas piedras puede Dios sacar hijos de Abraham. Ya el hacha está puesta a la raíz de los árboles, y todo árbol que no dé fruto, será cortado y arrojado al fuego. Yo los bautizo con agua, en señal de que ustedes se han convertido; pero el que viene después de mí, es más fuerte que yo, y yo ni siquiera soy digno de quitarle las sandalias. Él los bautizará en el Espíritu Santo y su fuego. Él tiene el bieldo en su mano para separar el trigo de la paja. Guardará el trigo en su granero y quemará la paja en un fuego que no se extinguirá".

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SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

December 4, 2022 - Christmas Flowers
December 11, 2022 - Retirement fund for Religious
December 18, 2022 - Youth Ministry

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- JOHN H. VENZEN
- ULRICA VIALET
- RUTH WALCOTT

ROY SCHNEIDER HOSPITAL

The hospital does not notify us when Catholics are in the hospital. Please call the parish office to inform us of a Catholic in the hospital who needs to have a priest visit. Thank you!



OFF-ISLAND

- BISHOP HERBERT A. BEVARD
- FR. SIMON PETER OPIRA
- FR. JOHN SOLOMON
- JANET BENSON
- JOYCE CORREA
- CELESTINE DAVIS
- PRISCA DAVIS
- ALBERTA FOY
- DELTA GEORGE
- JOSEPH HODGE
- WINIFRED HODGE
- RITA KING
- DOREEN PIERRE LOUIS
- STEPHANY LOUZAN
- GWYNNEETH MOOLEAAR
- JOSEPHINE NOCH
- FELIX O'NEAL
- RAMÓN ORTIZ
- MIRIAM GARCIA RIJO
- ROSE ROBERTS
- VENIA SAKHRANI
- CARLOS SANCHEZ
- CÉSAR JULIO TIRADO
- LIAN VÁZQUEZ
- LAVERNE FRANCIS



DAILY READINGS SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, December 4, 2022
First Reading: Is 11: 1-10
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
Second Reading: Rom 15: 4-9
Gospel: Mt 3: 1-12

Monday, December 5, 2022
First Reading: Is 35: 1-10
Gospel: Lk 5: 17-26

Tuesday, December 6, 2022
Saint Nicholas, Bishop
First Reading: Is 40: 1-11
Gospel: Mt 18: 12-14

Wednesday, December 7, 2022
Saint Ambrose, Bishop
First Reading: Is 40: 25-31
Gospel: Mt 11: 28-30

Thursday, December 8, 2022
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Holy Day of Obligation
First Reading: Gn 3: 9-15, 20
Responsorial Psalm: 98: 1-4
Second Reading: Eph 1: 3-6, 11-12
Gospel: Lk 1: 26-38

Friday, December 9 2022
San Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin
First Reading: Is 48:17-19
Gospel: Mt 11: 16-19

Saturday, December 10, 2022
Our Lady of Loreto
First Reading: Sir 48: 1-4, 9-11
Gospel: Mt 17: 9a, 10-13

RECOMMENDED PRACTICES FOR THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Please be aware that during the COVID-19 pandemic, we recommend the following practices:

1. Wear a face covering in the cathedral.
2. Sanitize your hands.
3. Attempt to maintain a social distance of six feet.
4. Consider receiving Holy Communion in the hand.

OUR CHURCH AND OUR SCHOOL ARE SAFE ENVIRONMENTS:

We are all committed to the protection of the children in our institutions. **If you notice any harmful behavior toward our children, do not hesitate to contact us as soon as possible.**
Thank you.