

Advent-Christmas 2025/26 Events

at the Cathedral of Saint Paul



Sunday, November 30

First Sunday of Advent

- Regular Cathedral Saturday/Sunday schedule – except NO PSR/Youth Group

Sunday, December 7

Second Sunday of Advent

- Regular Cathedral Saturday/Sunday schedule (including PSR at 9:45am as usual)
- 5:30pm – Parish Potluck & Tree Lighting in the CLC (Youth Group follows, till 7:30pm)

Monday, December 8

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

- Church office CLOSED today
- 6:30am – Recited Mass celebrated by Father Jerabek
- 11:30am – Confessions (Father Jerabek)
- 12:10pm – Mid-Day Mass celebrated by Bishop Raica (cantor)
- 6:30pm – Solemn Mass celebrated by Father Spotswood (choir/incense)

Sunday, December 14

Third Sunday of Advent – “Gaudete Sunday”

- Blessing of Expectant Mothers at conclusion of all Saturday/Sunday Masses (NO PSR)
- 9:50am – “Bambinelli Sunday” in the Great Hall of the Cathedral Life Center – bring baby Jesus figurines from your nativity sets to be blessed; stay and enjoy coffee & donuts!
- 10:15am – Baptismal Preparation Class (contact office to sign up and for location)
- 4:00pm – “A Cathedral Christmas” – Concert of the Downtown Concert Series, in church
- 5:30pm—7:30pm – Final Youth Group of 2025 – note later start time, due to Concert

Sunday, December 21

Fourth Sunday of Advent

- Regular Cathedral Saturday/Sunday schedule – except NO PSR/Youth Group

Wednesday, December 24 – Thursday, December 25

Christmas

Holy Day of Obligation

- NO 6:30am or 12:10pm Masses on December 24
- 11:30am—1:30pm – Special Extra Xmas Eve Confession Times (Frs. Jerabek & Sessions)
- 5:00pm – Christmas Eve Mass celebrated by Bishop Raica (4:45pm Prelude)
- 8:00pm – Christmas Eve Mass celebrated by Father Sessions (7:45pm Prelude)
- 12:00am – Midnight Mass celebrated by Father Jerabek (11:45pm Prelude)
- 10:00am – Christmas Day Mass celebrated by Bishop Raica (w/ Fr. J.) (9:45am Prelude)

Saturday, December 27 – Sunday, December 28

Feast of the Holy Family

- 5:00pm Saturday Anticipated Mass – Father Sessions will celebrate the Mass and give the traditional Blessing of Wine/Liquor for St. John’s Day (12/27) – keep bottles w/you in pews
- Regular Cathedral Sunday schedule – except NO PSR/Youth Group

Wednesday, December 31 – Thursday, January 1, 2026

Solemnity of Mary

Holy Day of Obligation

- 5:30pm – Vigil Mass celebrated by Fr. Jerabek (cantor)
- 6:30am – Recited Mass celebrated by Father Merrill
- 11:30am – Confessions (Fathers Merrill/Jerabek)
- 12:10pm – Recited Mass celebrated by Bishop Raica
- 6:30pm – Solemn Mass celebrated by Father Jerabek (cantor/incense)

Sunday, January 4, 2026

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord (observed)

- Regular Cathedral Saturday/Sunday schedule – PSR and Youth Group (5:00pm) RESUME

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED: From 12:00noon on Wednesday, Dec. 24 through Friday, Jan. 2.
Office re-opens on Monday, January 5, 2026.