

# ST. PIUS X

CATHOLIC CHURCH



## Holy Mass

SATURDAY

5:30 pm

SUNDAY

8:00 am

MONDAY-SATURDAY

Communion Service/Mass

8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

before Mass and by appt.

## Directory

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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 23, 2018

**Christmas Poinsettias** The Christmas Poinsettias are given in memory of Mr. Jerry Tenbrunsel and Mrs. Mary E. Tenbrunsel.

## Christmas Mass Schedule

### Christmas Eve Mass

Monday December 24 at 5:30 pm

### Christmas Day Mass

Tuesday December 25, at 8:00 am

## Votive Candles. Why do we light a candle in

**Church?** When you enter a Catholic church, you might see a shrine, small side chapels or side altars with statues or icons and rows of votive candles. The word “votive” comes from the Latin “votum” meaning “vow,” and these candles are, when lit, used to symbolize our prayers, vows of prayer, or simply our honoring God or one of His Saints. They are lit by the people outside of Mass—usually for a specific intention. It’s a very Catholic thing to say to someone that you will “light a candle for them,” meaning that you will pray for them and ritually symbolize those prayers by the lighting of a candle. It’s not uncommon, too, to find these intentions written out and placed near the candles.

Another common reason to light votive candles is out of gratitude to God for answered prayers. We light the candle while praying for our intentions or offering thanks and then leave the flame burning as signs of our prayers. You might see a little coin box or basket nearby for donations to pay for the candles. If you’re truly poor, don’t worry about it! But if you are able, it is right to drop in several dollars to offset the costs.

Catholic families make use of votive candles at home, too, especially at family altars and, of course, during the Advent and Christmas Seasons with their respective Candles, and on Easter Sunday with its white Christ Candle symbolizing His divinity. Again if you take a candle home with you for these purposes please leave an offering for the candle.

For the inquiring minds in the parish, the pricing for the votive candles is; small candles \$1.00 & large candles \$3.00. Please help us to cover the cost of the candles by making the appropriate donation when lighting a candle. Thank you.



Saturday, March 2, 2019  
 6pm - 10:00pm  
 \$100 per person

**Catholic Medical Association Guild.** National organization for Catholic health care providers who want to practice within the framework of the teachings of the Church. Info on Nashville Chapter: [www.nashvillecma.org](http://www.nashvillecma.org).

**Seeking Missionary Team Members 2019 Totus Tuus Summer Youth Program Diocese of Nashville:** We are eagerly preparing for another year of Totus Tuus and currently in the process of accepting applications for Totus Tuus Missionary. If you know anyone who might be interested, please send them the following link to find the application. The first round of applications will end Dec. 31. <http://www.dioceseofnashville.com/totus-tuus>

**Serra Club of Nashville Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations, 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month, 5-6 p.m.,** followed by Mass, Christ the King Church, 3001 Belmont Blvd., Nashville.

Last Week's Collections:  
 Regular Collection: \$3,984  
 Online: \$290.00  
 Set your contribution up online now at:  
[www.stpiusnashville.org](http://www.stpiusnashville.org)

<u>Mass Intentions</u>	
SATURDAY 12/22	Celebrant's Intentions
SUNDAY 12/23	+ Margaret Catignani
TUESDAY 12/25	+ David Calvo
WEDNESDAY 12/26	+ Judith Cameron
THURSDAY 12/27	Alice Palazzini & Michael King
FRIDAY 12/28	Fr. Phillip Halladay

### CALENDAR THIS WEEK

SAT 12/22	5:30pm	Mass	Ember Saturday of Advent
SUN 12/23	8:00am	Mass	Fourth Sunday of Advent
MON 12/24	8:00am	5:30pm	Vigil of Christmas Communion Service Vigil Mass
TUE 12/25	8:00am	Mass	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
WED 12/26	8:00am	Mass	St. Stephen, The First Martyr
THU 12/27	8:00am	Mass	St. John , The Apostle
FRI 12/28	8:00am	Mass	The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

**Catholics Returning Home (Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31; Feb. 7, 14), 7 p.m.,** St. Stephen, 14544 Lebanon Rd., Old Hickory. 90-minute sessions to welcome back, update, and help returning Catholics transition back into active participation in Church life. Info: Jerry, [marcecj@gmail.com](mailto:marcecj@gmail.com) or 630-362-7150.

**Natural Family Planning Class (Feb. 11, March 11; April 8), 7 pm,** St. Phillip, 113 2nd Ave. S. Franklin. Info/registration: Franchelle Jaeger, [chellabie@gmail.com](mailto:chellabie@gmail.com)