

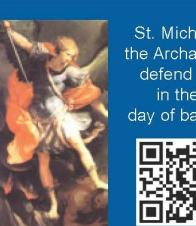


You shall love the LORD your GOD with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. Mk 12:30



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**Catholic Saints Of Christmas**  
These Saints Are Remembered Because Their Feasts Fall  
During The Christmas Octave Or Because Their Lives  
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Christmas**

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**St Nicholas 6th December  
The Real "Santa Claus"**

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/1206-St.Nicholas>

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**Nativity of the Lord 25th December The  
center of Christmas. We celebrate the  
Incarnation: God becoming man to save  
the world.**

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/1225-Nativity>

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**Saint Stephen 26th December The  
first Christian martyr. He reminds us to  
witness to Christ even in persecution.**

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/1226-St-Stephen>

**Saint John , Apostle and Evangelist 27th  
December The "beloved disciple," the apostle  
of love. size that God became flesh (John 1:14).**

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/1227-St-John-Evangelist>

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**Holy Innocents 28th December The infants  
killed by King Herod in Bethlehem.  
They are honored as the first martyrs for Christ.**

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/1228-Holy-Innocents>

**Saint Thomas Becket 29th December  
Archbishop of Canterbury, martyred  
for defending the Church. His courage  
echoes the cost of discipleship during the  
Christmas octave.**

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/1229-St-Thomas-Becket>

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**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Novena  
- The Sunday after Christmas Spouse of Mary and  
protector of the Holy Family. He sheltered Jesus at  
Bethlehem and led the family to safety in Egypt.**

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/Holy-Family>

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**St. Sylvester I Pope - 31st December**  
A pope of the early Church known for  
holiness and leadership. Honored on New  
Year's Eve.

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/1231-St-Sylvester>

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**Mary, Mother of God 1st January**  
Mary gave her "yes" to God and brought Christ  
into the world. The Christmas season  
concludes with her solemn feast.

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/0101-Mother-of-God>

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**Catholic World Day of Peace 1st  
January**

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/peace/>

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**St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen 2nd  
January** Great teachers of the Church whose  
feasts fall right after Christmas. Their writings  
defend the divinity of Christ.

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/0102-Sts-Basil-Gregory>

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**Most Holy Name of  
Jesus 3rd January**

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/0103-Holy-Name-Jesus>

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**Epiphany of the Lord 4th January 2026** Caspar,  
Melchior, and Balthazar traditionally represent the  
nations coming to adore the newborn King.

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/Epiphany/>

**Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton 4th January**  
First American-born saint. Her feast is  
always within the Christmas season.

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/0104-St-Elizabeth-Seton>

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**Saint John Neumann 5th January**  
Known for establishing Catholic  
schools; also celebrated in the  
Christmas season.

<https://saintmichaelusa.org/0105-St-John-Newmann>

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To feed the Lord's flock!  
Vision:**

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community of St. Pius X  
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happy and good witnessing  
of the Gospel through our  
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December 21, 2025



## The Fourth Candle of Advent



Nick Brown



**Pastor  
OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday thru Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Closed:**  
All State, Federal  
Holidays, and Special  
Church Events

### CHURCH SCHEDULE

#### Weekday Masses

Rosary - 7 a.m.  
Monday to Thursday,  
7:30 a.m.

**Friday - No Mass**

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday - 7:30 a.m.  
Saturday - 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday - 11:30 a.m.  
(Livestream)

#### CONFESIONS

Weekdays  
(by appointment only)

Saturdays  
(Cancelled)

#### FOOD PANTRY (HALL)

Tuesday and Friday  
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

### The ADVENT Journey

#### First week... the first purple candle:

**Hope** - The "Prophecy Candle," recalling the Old Testament prophets who foretold of Jesus' coming with hope and anticipation.

#### Second week... the second purple candle:

**Peace** - The "Bethlehem Candle," representing the journey Joseph and Mary took from Nazareth to Bethlehem in preparation for Jesus' arrival.

#### Third week... the third - the rose candle:

**Joy** - Known as "Gaudete Sunday," as we reflect on the joy the shepherd's felt as the birth of Jesus nears.

#### Fourth week... the fourth - the last candle of Advent - the purple:

**Love** - The "Angel's Candle," we rejoice in the endless love that God has for us, which is made apparent in the birth of his Son.



THE  
LOVE  
CANDLE

WAITING FOR THE SON



### Upcoming Events DECEMBER 22 - 28

**22 - MONDAY**  
7:00am - Rosary  
7:30am - Mass

**23 - TUESDAY**  
7:00am - Rosary  
7:30am - Mass

Food Pantry: 10:00am - 11:30am

**24 - WEDNESDAY**  
**Christmas Eve**  
Midnight Mass

**25 - THURSDAY**  
**Christmas Day**  
8:30am - Mass  
11:30am - Mass

**26 - FRIDAY**  
**No Mass**  
No Food Pantry

**27 - SATURDAY**  
7:00am - Rosary  
7:30am - Mass  
8:00am - Church Cleaning  
4:00pm - Mass

**28 - SUNDAY**  
8:30am - Mass

11:30am - Praise & Worship  
(Healing Service)



### Mass Attendance

**Saturday, Dec 13**  
4pm Mass: Adults 80 / Children 2

**Sunday, Dec 14**  
8:30am Mass: Adults 54 / Children 7

**Sunday, Dec 14**  
11:30am Mass: Adults 42 / Children 14

**Wednesday, Dec 17**  
7:00pm Penance Service: Adults 62



It is with great sadness but a blessing that on Thursday, December 18, the angels welcomed Winnie Lau as she joined her husband, Walter Lau, in Heaven.

Funeral for Walter and Winnie Lau will be held at St Pius X Church on Saturday, January 3rd.



### Saint Peter Canisius December 21

The energetic life of Peter Canisius should demolish any stereotypes we may have of the life of a saint as dull or routine. Peter lived his 76 years at a pace which must be considered heroic, even in our time of rapid change. A man blessed with many talents, Peter is an excellent example of the scriptural man who develops his talents for the sake of the Lord's work.

Peter was one of the most important figures in the Catholic Reformation in Germany. He played such a key role that he has often been called the "second apostle of Germany," in that his life parallels the earlier work of Boniface.

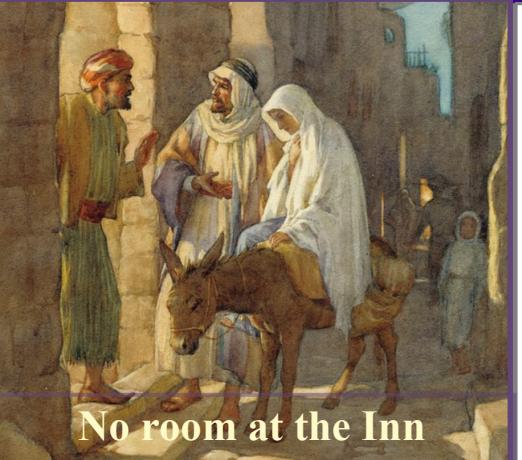
Although Peter Canisius once accused himself of idleness in his youth, he could not have been idle too long, for at the age of 19 he received a master's degree from the university at Cologne. Soon afterwards he met Peter Faber, the first disciple of Ignatius of Loyola, who influenced Peter so much that he joined the recently formed Society of Jesus.

At this early age Peter Canisius had already taken up a practice he continued throughout his life—a process of study, reflection, prayer, and writing. After his ordination in 1546, he became widely known for his editions of the writings of St. Cyril of Alexandria and St. Leo the Great. Besides this reflective literary bent, Peter had a zeal for the apostolate. He could often be found visiting the sick or imprisoned, even when his assigned duties in other areas were more than enough to keep most people fully occupied.

In 1547, Peter Canisius attended several sessions of the Council of Trent, whose decrees he was later assigned to implement. After a brief teaching assignment at the Jesuit college at Messina, Peter was entrusted with the mission to Germany—from that point on his life's work. He taught in several universities and was instrumental in establishing many colleges and seminaries. He wrote a catechism that explained the Catholic faith in a way that common people could understand—a great need of that age.

Renowned as a popular preacher, Peter packed churches with those eager to hear his eloquent proclamation of the gospel. He had great diplomatic ability, often serving as a reconciler between disputing factions. In his letters—filling eight volumes—one finds words of wisdom and counsel to people in all walks of life. At times he wrote unprecedented letters of criticism to leaders of the Church—yet always in the context of a loving, sympathetic concern.

At 70, Peter suffered a paralytic seizure, but he continued to preach and write with the aid of a secretary, until his death in his hometown of Nijmegen, Netherlands, on December 21, 1597.



No room at the Inn



### STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

### DECEMBER 13 - 14

Weekly Collections	\$ 2735.55
Repairs & Maint	257.00
Mass Intentions	110.00
Candles	32.00
Immaculate Conception	517.00
Ret Fund for Religious	555.00
Donation	300.00
Chex Mix (fundraiser)	428.00
Bazaar (fundraiser)	122.00
Thanksgiving	1.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 5,057.55</b>

### On-line Giving:

December 08 - 12 \$ 880.00

Thank You for your Support!!

### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, December 22

7:30am - Mary Yu (+)

#### Tuesday, December 23

7:30am - Thor Akana-Charles (BD)  
Mary Yu (+)

#### Saturday, December 27

7:30am - Alex Medeiros (+)  
4:00am - Mass for the People

#### Sunday, December 28

8:30am - Abigail Tong (+)  
11:30a - Mary Yu (+)  
Cecil Hunt (+)



Readings for the Week  
December 22 - 28

#### Monday, December 22

4th Week of Advent  
1 Samuel 1:24-28  
1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd  
Luke 1:46-56

#### Tuesday, December 23

4th Week of Advent  
Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24  
Luke 1:57-66

#### Wednesday, December 24

4th Week of Advent  
(Mass in the morning)  
2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16  
Luke 1:67-79

#### Thursday, December 25

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD  
(Christmas)  
Isaiah 62:1-5  
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25  
Matthew 1:1-25  
(or Matthew 1:18-25)

#### Friday, December 26,

St. Stephen, the First Martyr  
Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59  
Matthew 10:17-22

#### Saturday, December 27

St. John, Apostle  
and Evangelist  
1 John 1:1-4  
John 20:1a, 2-8

#### Sunday, December 28

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary,  
and Joseph  
Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14  
Colossians 3:12-21  
(or Colossians 3:12-17)  
Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

### Birthday Blessings



### Celebrating Anniversaries

Dominic Olaso



Quoc and Vivian Le

