

SAINT PIUS X PRIORY
SINGAPORE

WEEKLY BULLETIN
& MASS SCHEDULE

1 DECEMBER 2019

FIRST SUNDAY
OF
ADVENT

Confessions: 30 minutes before Sunday Masses;
Thursdays and Fridays: 17:45;
Saturdays: 11:00.

2nd Collections:
1st Sunday of the month *for the chapel loan reimbursement.*
3rd Sunday of the month *for the chapel/priory maintenance.*

Children's Catechism on Saturdays:

14:00-14:45
Post 1st Communion I (Eiko)
Pre Confirmation (Catherine)
Post Confirmation (Father)

14:45-15:30
Post 1st Communion II Catherine)
Older Group (Father)

Mass Stipends:

One Mass: \$25
Novena: \$250
Gregorian Masses: \$1,000

SUN 1 December	1 st Sunday of Advent <i>1st Class, violet</i>	8:00 — Low Mass 9.30 — Rosary 10:00 — Sung Mass
MON 2 December	Saint Bibiana <i>Virgin & Martyr, 3rd Class, red</i> Feria of Advent (<i>Comm.</i>)	7.15 — Low Mass
TUE 3 December	Saint Francis Xavier <i>Confessor, 3rd Class, white</i> Feria of Advent (<i>Comm.</i>)	7.15 — Low Mass 11.30 — Low Mass
WED 4 December	Saint Peter Chrysologus <i>Bishop, Confessor, 3rd Class, white</i> Feria of Advent (<i>Comm.</i>)	7.15 — Low Mass 11.30 — Low Mass
THU 5 December	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i> <i>St. Sabbas, Abbot (comm.)</i> <u>Monthly Requiem</u>	7.15 — Low Mass 18.20 — Benediction 19.00 — Low Mass (<i>Requiem</i>)
 FRI 6 December	Saint Nicholas <i>Bishop, Confessor, 3rd Class, white</i> Feria of Advent (<i>Comm.</i>) <u>First Friday</u>	7.15 — Low Mass 19.00 — Sung Mass Benediction & first Rosary 21.30 — Second Rosary 22.30 — Stations of the Cross 23.30 — Third Rosary
SAT 7 December	St. Ambrose <i>Bishop, Confessor, Doctor, 3rd Class, white</i> Feria of Advent (<i>Comm.</i>) <u>First Saturday</u> (Day of Fast & Abstinence for SSPX members)	6.30 — Meditated Rosary and Benediction 7.25 — Low Mass
SUN 8 December	FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION <i>1st Class, white</i> (2 nd Sunday of Advent)	8:00 — Low Mass 9.30 — Rosary 10:00 — Sung Mass

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas gifts. Christmas gifts items for sale at the bookshop.

Militia Immaculatae. Fr. Karl Stehlin, International Director of Militia Immaculatae and previous District Superior of Asia will be transiting Singapore on Monday, 9th December. He will be giving a conference after the evening mass, followed by enrolments into the MI.

Marian Hymn. During Advent, we shall sing the *Alma Redemptoris Mater* after Sunday Mass.

Nominations. Fr. Benoit Wailliez will be sent to Manila as prior, in view of the opening of the Tokyo Priory (by Fr. Thomas Onoda). Fr. Wailliez's last Sunday in Singapore will be 12 January 2020. Details will be given in due time for a farewell party. Fr. Lawrence Novak, American priest currently in charge of the apostolate in Central America, will replace him in Singapore. But he will only arrive here mid March 2020.

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Donation: "Friends of the SSPX" (cheque and bank transfer) - 0039073844 (DBS bank acct) - 1433004952 (UOB bank acct)



ADVENT

Advent is a period beginning with the Sunday nearest to the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle (30 November) and embracing four Sundays. The first Sunday may be as early as 27 November, and then Advent has twenty-eight days, or as late as 3 December, giving the season only twenty-one days.

With Advent the ecclesiastical year begins in the Western churches. During this time the faithful are admonished:

who describes accurately the passion and death of the coming Saviour and His final glory; who announces the gathering of the Gentiles to the Holy Hill. In the second Nocturn the Lessons on three Sundays are taken from the eighth homily of Pope St. Leo (440-461) on fasting and alms deeds as a preparation for the advent of the Lord, and on one Sunday (the second) from St. Jerome's commentary on Isaiah 11:1, which text he interprets of the Blessed Virgin Mary as "the rod out of the root of Jesse". In the hymns of the season we find praise for the coming of Christ, the Creator of the universe, as Redeemer, combined with prayer to the coming judge of the world to protect us from the enemy. Similar ideas are expressed in the antiphons for the Magnificat on the last seven days before the Vigil of the Nativity. In them, the Church calls on the Divine Wisdom to teach us the way of prudence; on the Key of David to free us from bondage; on the Rising Sun to illuminate us sitting in

darkness and the shadow of death, etc. In the Masses the intention of the Church is shown in the choice of the Epistles and Gospels. In the Epistle she exhorts the faithful that, since the Redeemer is nearer, they should cast aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; should walk honestly, as in the day, and put on the Lord Jesus Christ; she shows that the nations are called to praise the name of the Lord; she asks them to rejoice in the nearness of the Lord, so that the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, may keep their hearts and minds in Christ Jesus; she admonishes them not to pass judgment, for the Lord, when He comes, will manifest the secrets hidden in hearts. In the Gospels the Church speaks of the Lord coming in glory; of Him in, and through, Whom the prophecies are being fulfilled; of the Eternal walking in the midst of the Jews; of the voice in the desert, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord".

* to prepare themselves worthily to celebrate the anniversary of the Lord's coming into the world as the incarnate God of love,

* thus to make their souls fitting abodes for the Redeemer coming in Holy Communion and through grace, and

* thereby to make themselves ready for His final coming as judge, at death and at the end of the world.

To attain this object the Church has arranged the Liturgy for this season. In the official prayer, the Breviary, she calls upon her ministers, in the Invitatory for Matins, to adore "the Lord the King that is to come", "the Lord already near", "Him Whose glory will be seen on the morrow". As Lessons for the first Nocturn she prescribes chapters from the prophet Isaias, who speaks in scathing terms of the ingratitude of the house of Israel, the chosen children who had forsaken and forgotten their Father; who tells of the Man of Sorrows stricken for the sins of His people;

<http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/01165a.htm>