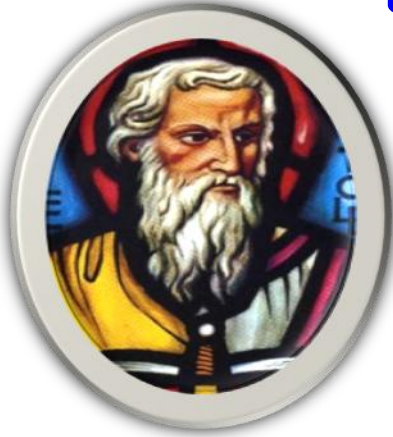


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**OFFICE HOURS** Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 4:00pm

Friday 8:30am to 12:00noon

**MASS SCHEDULE** Wednesday & Friday 9:15am (Maltese/English)

Tuesday & Thursday 9:15am First Saturday of the month 9:15am

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday: 4:30pm (English)

Sunday: 9:00am (English) 10:30am (Maltese/English) 12:00pm (English)

**Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Wednesdays 7pm - 8pm

**SACRAMENTS** **Baptism:** Please contact the office. Baptisms are held on the first Saturday of the month at 10:30am **Marriages:** Contact the priest one year in advance of the wedding. A marriage preparation course is mandatory. **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays: 3:45pm to 4:15pm, or anytime by appointment. **Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the priest. Parishioners are reminded that this is not a sacrament that should be left for the last possible minute. It is a Sacrament for the sick, not just for the dying.

December 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> – Third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday

**Saturday, December 13** 4:30pm (d) Deceased members of the Grech & Schembri Families  
**Sunday, December 14** 9:00am (d) Missa Pro Populo  
10:30am (d) Lorenzo & Dolores Bonello  
(d) Joseph & Carmen Gové  
(d) Carmela, Emanuel, Tessie & Joseph Psaila  
12:00pm (d) Frank Cini  
**Tuesday, December 16** (d) Frank & Gustav Grech  
**Wednesday, December 17** (d) Emanuel Sammut & Family  
**Thursday, December 18** (d) Frank & George Grech  
**Friday, December 19** All Souls in Purgatory

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2026**

We are now accepting Mass intentions for January to the end of March.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2026**

There are still some boxes of offertory boxes that have not yet been picked up from the back of the church. **Please make sure that it is your box you are taking.** Thank you for your continued support of the parish, it is truly appreciated!



For those participating in the Giving Tree Initiative, please remember to attach the **original tag** to your gift so it can be delivered to the correct person.

Once your gift is wrapped and tagged, kindly return it to the parish and place it beneath the tree located at the back of the church **by December 17th.**

Thank you for helping us bring joy to those in need this Christmas season!

**PRAYER FOR ADVENT**

Gracious and Loving God,  
On this Third Sunday of Advent, we light the candle of joy, remembering that Your coming brings light to our darkness and hope to our hearts. Fill us with the deep, unshakable joy that comes from knowing You — a joy not dependent on circumstances, but rooted in Your presence and promises.

Help us to share this joy with those who are weary, lonely, or burdened, so that our lives may reflect the good news of Christ's birth.

As we wait for the celebration of Your Son's arrival, may our hearts be open, our spirits lifted, and our voices ready to rejoice.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

**We are raffling off a Christmas gift basket!** Tickets can be purchased during the weekend Masses, or from the Parish office during office hours.

Tickets prices: 1 for \$2.00; 3 for \$5.00; 7 for \$10.00; 20 for \$20.00. **The draw will take place following the morning Mass on Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>.**



## CHRISTMAS AND MARY MOTHER OF GOD (New Year's)

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

#### **Wednesday, December 17**

Confession: 7:00pm – 8:00pm

#### **Thursday, December 18**

Confession after morning Mass, until 10:30am

#### **Saturday, December 20**

regular confession time

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### **Christmas Eve**

7:30pm bilingual, 10:00pm English

#### **Christmas Day**

9:00am English, 10:30am Maltese

#### **Wednesday, December 31**

*Solemnity of Mary Mother of God*

4:30pm English

#### **Thursday, January 1**

*Solemnity of Mary Mother of God*

9:00 am English, 10:30am Maltese

## CLOSING MASS

### FOR THE HOLY YEAR OF JUBILEE

Cardinal Leo wishes to extend a warm invitation to the faithful of the archdiocese to join him for the closing Mass for the Holy Year of Jubilee on **Sunday, December 28, 2025, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica at 5:00pm. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available with numerous priests present from 3:30 to 4:45pm.** All are most welcome.



### *Holiday Office Hours*

Wednesday, December 24

❖ 8:30am – 12:00 noon

Thursday, December 25 –  
closed

Friday, December 26 – closed

Monday, December 29 – closed

Tuesday, December 30

❖ 8:30 – 12:00 noon

Wednesday, December 31

❖ 8:30 am – 12:00 noon

Thursday, January 1 – closed

Friday, January 2 – closed

*The parish office will reopen on  
Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am.*

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