



# St Joseph's Basilica

## *Advent and Christmas 2019*

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Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages. Advent is a season of joyful expectation.

During Advent, each Sunday's Gospel reading has a specific focus. The Old Testament readings, especially those taken from Isaiah, are prophecies about the Messiah and messianic times. The selections from the writings of the Apostles present exhortations and instructions on different themes of this season. (© Concacan Inc., 2019)

First Sunday of Advent: **December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

Reconciliation: **Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>** 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Advent Carol Service: **Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>** 2:30pm – 3:30pm

A meditative sequence of readings and carols for Advent to prepare for Christmas, led by our Schola Cantorum. Come and join us for this atmospheric service away from the pre-Christmas bustle of the city. All are welcome!

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe: **Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>** 7:00pm

Archbishop Smith will be presiding. Rosary will be led in five indigenous languages at 6:00pm. There will be NO 5:30pm Mass.

*A New Joy,*

Readings and Carols for Christmas: **Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Join our Schola Cantorum as we all celebrate the heart, wonder and mystery of Christmas. This is a perfect opportunity to come and greet your Lord. Everyone is welcome to join us for this joyful Christmas celebration!





# *Season of Advent and Christmas at a Glance*



<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time/Description</b>
<i>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	<b>December 1<sup>st</sup></b>	5:00pm (Saturday), 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:15pm, and 5:00pm
<i>Advent Carol Service</i>	<b>December 8<sup>th</sup></b>	2:30pm – 3:30pm
<i>Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>	<b>December 12<sup>th</sup></b>	6:30pm Rosary prior to Mass 7:00pm (Archbishop Smith) <b>NO 5:30pm Mass</b>
<i>Advent Confessions</i>	<b>December 14<sup>th</sup></b>	12:00pm – 2:00pm
<i>Christmas Carol Service</i>	<b>December 18<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00pm – 8:00pm
<i>Christmas Eve</i>	<b>December 24<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00pm, 9:00pm, 12:00am (Midnight) with sung Office of Readings at 11:15pm
<i>Christmas Day Masses</i>	<b>December 25<sup>th</sup></b>	10:30am, 12:15pm
<i>Boxing Day Mass</i>	<b>December 26<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00am
<i>Christmas Season Mass Times</i>	<b>December 27<sup>th</sup></b>	12:05pm, 5:30pm
	<b>December 28<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00am, 5:00pm (Anticipation)
<i>Holy Family of Jesus, Mary &amp; Joseph</i>	<b>December 29<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30am, 10:30am, 12:15pm, and 5:00pm
<i>Christmas Season Mass Times</i>	<b>December 30<sup>th</sup></b>	12:05pm, 5:30pm
<i>New Year's Eve</i>	<b>December 31<sup>st</sup></b>	12:05pm, 7:00pm (Anticipation)
<i>Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</i>	<b>January 1<sup>st</sup></b>	10:30am, 12:15pm, and 5:00pm