

4th Sunday of Advent

December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025



*“Do not be afraid,  
Mary, for you have  
found favor with  
God.”*

*Luke 1:30*

## ST JOHN BOSCO CATHOLIC CHURCH

315 N. Main Street Woodstock, Virginia 22664

*“For today in the  
City of David  
a savior has been born  
for you who is  
Messiah and Lord.”*

*Luke 2:11*

Christmas Day  
December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025



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**Prayer Requests for/Oremos Por**

Please keep all our families and friends,  
both home and abroad in your prayers  
this holiday season.



**Military & Their Families Prayer Request**

Captain Galen Rohr  
Please keep all our military in prayer.

**Tabernacle Candle**

+ Patty Heubusch

By donating \$10, the Tabernacle Candle will be lit  
for an entire week in honor of or in memory of your  
loved ones.



**HOLY MASS SCHEDULE / MISAS**

**Saturday**

Vigil at 5:00pm

**Sunday**

7:30am

9:30am

En Español a las 12:00, mediodía

**Weekday Masses:**

6:00pm Mondays & Wednesdays

8:30am Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Tuesday at 9:00am - Thursday 8:30am

**Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy**

Immediately following Daily Mass

**Confessions**

Wednesday at 6:30pm

Saturday after morning Mass and at 3:30pm

Or by Appointment - contact the Parish Office

**Our Lady of The Shenandoah Mission**

Parochial Vicar

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**Mass Schedule**

Vigil Mass for Sunday: Saturday at 5:00pm

Confessions: Saturday 3:30pm-4:30pm

Sunday Mass: 8:30am

**Daily Mass: Mon, Wed & Friday at 8:30am**

**Tues & Thurs at 6:00pm**

Adoration: Wednesdays 5:00pm-7:00pm

Community Holy Hour: Wednesdays 7:00pm

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Thurs 6:30pm



**Christmas Poinsettias  
for the Altar**



**In Memory Of**

Mr. Mrs. Manfred Goetz

Nicholas Picerno

Janet Fairbank

Larry Davidson

**In Honor Of**

The Bryce Family

The Stransky Family

The Cook Family



## Christmas Masses

*There will be no Daily Mass on December 24<sup>th</sup>*

Dec 24th, Children's Vigil Mass at 5:00pm in *English*

Dec 24th Vigil Mass at 7:00pm in *Spanish*

Dec 24th Candlelight Vigil Mass at 10:00pm in *English*

Dec 25th, Christmas Day Mass 9:30am in *English*

## The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Is a Holy Day of Obligation this year

*There will be no Daily Mass on December 31<sup>st</sup>*

December 31<sup>st</sup>, Holy Vigil Mass at 6:00pm in *Spanish*

January 1<sup>st</sup>, Holy Mass at 7:30am in *English*

January 1<sup>st</sup>, Holy Mass at 9:30am in *English*



December 24th

9:30pm—Prelude

10:00pm—Holy Mass

The Parish Office will be **closed** Wed, December 24<sup>th</sup>,  
Thurs, December 25<sup>th</sup>, and Thurs, January 1<sup>st</sup>.

There will be **No** Eucharistic Adoration the week of  
Dec 23<sup>rd</sup> - Dec 25<sup>th</sup> and the week of Dec 29<sup>th</sup> - Jan 1<sup>st</sup>.

## *Opportunity for Corporal Work of Mercy*

**Mass of Christian Burial** at St John Bosco

Monday, December 29<sup>th</sup>

at 11:00am

## Religious Education

### Important Dates:

**Dec 14 - 28 No Classes - Christmas Break**

Jan 04 All Classes RESUME

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Feb 08 No Classes - Mount 2000!

Apr 11 First Holy Communion Retreat (Mandatory)

May 02 First Holy Communion Mass & Reception

May 11 Confirmation Mass & Reception

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup>

Sunday Bible Study (SFR) 8:30am-9:30am

Parish Social Hour (HH) 8:30am-11:30am

Parish Potluck (HH) 1:00pm-2:30pm

Las Posadas (HH) 6:30pm-8:30pm

### Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>

Martial Arts Group (SJEH) 9:30am-11:30am

OCIA (SFR) 6:30pm-8:00pm

ESL (SJEH) 6:30pm-8:00pm

Las Posadas (HH) 6:30pm-8:30pm

### Tuesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

*Confessions* 9:00am

Legion of Mary (HH) 12:15pm-1:45pm

Pastorela (HH) 6:30pm-10:00pm

### Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> & Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

*No Scheduled Parish Activities*

### Friday, December 26<sup>th</sup>

RICA (SFR) 5:00pm-7:30pm

Coro de Espanol (MC) 7:00pm-7:45pm

### Saturday, December 27<sup>th</sup>

Cena de la Sagrada Familia (HH) 6:00pm

## Parish Potluck

Sunday,  
December 21<sup>st</sup>

*immediately following the  
12noon Mass*

**at 1:00pm in Hanley Hall**

Please come, bring your  
family and a dish to share!

*This reoccurring event  
happens every other month.*

If you cannot join us this  
month, we'll see you on  
February 15<sup>th</sup>!

## La Comida compartida

Dom, 21 de dic

*inmediatamente después  
de la misa del mediodía*

**a la 1pm, en Hanley Hall**

Por favor, vengan,  
¡traigan a su familia y un  
plato para compartir!

Este evento se repite cada dos  
meses.

Si no puedes acompañarnos  
este mes, te esperamos el 15  
de febrero!

## Thank you!

A HUGE Thank You to everyone who supported our  
youth group during our Thanksgiving bake sale and  
raffle. Because of your generosity, we are bringing 20  
teens to Mt 2000 in Feb. We are grateful for your support!

**Congratulations** to **Marlene Peters** for winning the Quilt  
Raffle. A special thank you to the Needles and Thread  
Group for donating the beautiful quilt!

**Congratulations** to **Fernando Martinez** for winning the  
Santa's Workshop! And thank you to Outreach for  
donating the workshop!



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Christmas 2025

Navidad 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

Christmas shines as a season of joy, unity, and renewed hope. The Child of Bethlehem comes to draw us together as one family of faith, bridging every distance and healing every division. His radiant light pierces the darkness reminding us that in Christ love triumphs and peace endures.

La Navidad resplandece como una temporada de alegría, unidad y esperanza renovada. El Niño de Belén viene a reunirnos como una sola familia de fe, superando toda distancia y sanando toda división. Su luz radiante atraviesa la oscuridad y nos recuerda que en Cristo el amor triunfa y la paz perdura.

As we gather once more around the manger of Bethlehem, our hearts are filled with awe and gratitude for the gift of God's love made visible in Jesus Christ. At Christmas, we rejoice in the wondrous mystery of the Incarnation - God made man, dwelling among us to share our humanity, joys and sorrows. In Him, heaven and earth are united, and through Him, we are reconciled to our Creator. The birth of our Savior reveals that God's love knows no boundaries.

Al reunirnos nuevamente en torno al pesebre de Belén, nuestros corazones se llenan de asombro y gratitud por el don del amor de Dios hecho visible en Jesucristo. En Navidad, nos regocijamos en el maravilloso misterio de la Encarnación: Dios hecho hombre, que habita entre nosotros para compartir nuestra humanidad, nuestras alegrías y nuestras penas. En Él, el cielo y la tierra se unen, y por medio de Él somos reconciliados con nuestro Creador. El nacimiento de nuestro Salvador revela que el amor de Dios no conoce fronteras.

I invite you to celebrate this holy season with renewed thanks for the gift of one another. May we follow the example of the Holy Family, who in faith and love welcomed the will of God with trust and serenity.

Los invito a celebrar esta santa temporada con un renovado agradecimiento por el don que somos los unos para los otros. Que sigamos el ejemplo de la Sagrada Familia, que con fe y amor acogió la voluntad de Dios con confianza y serenidad.

May the joy of this Christmas strengthen the bonds of unity among us and may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts and homes.

Que la alegría de esta Navidad fortalezca los lazos de unidad entre nosotros, y que la paz de Cristo reine en sus corazones y en sus hogares.

Sincerely in Christ,

Sinceramente en Cristo,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge  
Bishop of Arlington

Monseñor Michael F. Burbidge  
Obispo de Arlington

**SJB MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF**

December 22<sup>nd</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Monday	6:00pm	Christopher Szara
Tuesday	8:30am	Jane Dennison
Wednesday	5:00pm	James & Monica Rossi & Family
Miércoles	7:00pm	All the Children in Las Posadas
Wednesday	10:00pm	The Carlson Family
Thursday	9:30am	+ Eunice Taylor
Friday	8:30am	+ Eileen Ieda
Saturday	8:30am	+ Pascacio Arenas, + Andres Arenas, and + Adelaida Tiro
Saturday	5:00pm	Peter Zarrella
Sunday	7:30am	+ Mr. & + Mrs. John Sauer
Sunday	9:30am	David Black
Domingo	Mediodia	Our Parish Family

**OLS MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF**

December 22<sup>nd</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Sun 12/28 8:30am + Pat Harris



- 04 COR monthly Meeting
- 04 RE: All Classes Resume
- 04 Bautismo Clase de Espanol
- 06 KofC Officers' Meeting
- 08 Needles & Threads
- 10 URS: Dance-A-Thon
- 11 Parish Monthly Pancake Breakfast
- 31 St John Bosco Feast day: Chili Cook Off



**Lit Schedule for December 24<sup>th</sup>**

**The Nativity of the Lord (Vigil)**

	5:00pm English	7:00pm Espanol	10:00pm English
<b>Lectors</b>	T. Manchey V. Shelton	N. Martinez M. Velasquez	???
<b>Servers</b>	T. Parente D. Parente P. Andrews W. Andrews S. White	L. Garcia James J. Cardoso ???	J. Carlson J. Carlson O. White T. Cosby ???
<b>Ushers</b>	Z. White K. Andrews	B. Montes G. Bautista	T. Taylor James C.
<b>EMHCs</b>	C. Haydu T. Robertson	S. Sediles	Jon C.

**Lit Schedule for December 25<sup>th</sup>**

**The Nativity of the Lord (Day): 9:30am, English**

Lectors	Servers	EMHCs	Ushers
D. Walsh	Thurston Adam B. P. Brown	N. Beaune	Engelstad Schmitt

**Lit Schedule for December 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Feast of the Holy Family**

	5:00pm	7:30am	9:30am	Mediodia
<b>Lectors</b>	Korrigan	Manchey	Cammack J. Haydu	Ramiro D. Montes
<b>Servers</b>	Cosby ???	Andrews Andrews O. White	B. Beaune B. Beaune G. Beaune	James Jose Oscar
<b>EMHCs</b>	Korrigan	E. Long	L. Santos A. Beaune	M. Pinales
<b>Ushers</b>	J. Granier Stalbird	Joseph C. T. Taylor	A. Beaune Cammack	E. Carreno A. Ortiz

*Liturgical Ministers*

Request dates for the months of February, March and April are due Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, by 4:00pm.

Please include Holy Week Requests.

Thank you for your service to our parish!

