

# ST. NICHOLAS OF BARI ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### MESSE DOMENICALI

9:00am : Italiano  
10:30am: Inglese  
12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

### MESSE FERIALI

8:00am: da Martedì a Sabato  
7:30pm: Mercoledì & Venerdì:  
Messe memoriali (prenotare prima)

### BATTESIMI

Chiamate in Ufficio quanto prima

### CONFESSIONI

Tutti i giorni prima della Messa. Altri  
giorni su appuntamento

### MATRIMONI

Prenotarsi 1 anno prima

### RITI D'INIZIAZIONE

Chiamate in Ufficio

### SACRAMENTI PER GLI AMMALATI & ANZIANI

Chiamate in Ufficio qualunque  
giorno

### SUNDAY MASSES

9:00am : Italian  
10:30am: English (with Children's  
Liturgy)  
12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

### WEEKDAY MASSES

8:00am: Tuesday to Saturday  
7:30pm: Wednesday & Friday Memorial  
mass (upon request)

### BAPTISM

By appointment and after instruction.  
Parents must be registered members of  
our parish community

### CONFESSIONS

Every day before Mass and after mass  
and upon request

### MARRIAGES

One year notice and marriage course  
mandatory

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Please call the Office

### SACRAMENTS FOR SICK & ELDERLY

Please call Rectory anytime

The Church is open for  
personal prayer and meditation  
from 7:30am to 12:00pm  
(Tuesday to Friday)

### Gruppo di preghiera di San Padre Pio

III Mercoledì del mese  
alle 6:45pm

### Adorazione / Adoration

1° Venerdì del Mese  
First Friday of the Month  
6:45pm

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The Parish Hall is available for rent – Please call the Office

## 3rd Sunday of Advent – December 11th, 2022

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY



The Children's Liturgy is now re-summing. As you know, this is a great opportunity for our children, as it enriches their experience of the Mass while they listen to the Sunday Gospel at their own level. Any young adult wishing to help out in this ministry, please call the office and leave your name and phone number. Fr. Bruno will be in touch with you and you'll be invited to attend some training workshops. **The Children preparing for the First Reconciliation-Communion are highly recommended to attend.**

### Mass Schedule for Christmas & New Year 2023

**December 24, 2022—Vigil of Christmas**  
8:00pm - Bilingual (Italian and English)

**December 25, 2022—Christmas Day**  
9:00am - Italian  
10:30am - English

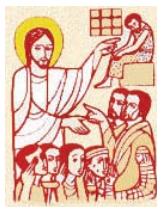
**January 1, 2023—New Year's Day**  
9:00am - Italian  
10:30am - English

**PLEASE NOTE:** The parish office will be closed on December 26, 2022 and January 2, 2023. Please call us if any emergency occurs and we will respond as soon as possible.

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6, 10  
2nd Reading: James 5:7-10  
Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

### Third Sunday of Advent



“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.” These are the words proclaimed in the entrance antiphon of Mass for Gaudete Sunday this week. It urges us to constantly rejoice in the Lord, and as good stewards of Christ, we should always strive to live lives inundated with the joy that flows from the Lord.

In order to do this, we must understand the difference between joy and happiness, for the Lord never promised us happiness. Instead He says, “I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete” (John 15:11). Happiness is a result of our good circumstances, because we feel good, or we had something positive happen to us, etc. Joy on the other hand goes much deeper. Henri Nouwen describes it as “the experience of knowing that you are unconditionally loved and that nothing; sickness, failure, emotional distress, oppression, war, or even death -- can take that love away.”

### Advent



At Christmas we will concentrate on the simplicity and poverty of Our Lord's birth; how human He was, born of a young woman, not in luxurious comfort, but in the discomfort of a stable. That shows him as one of us, the human side of “Emmanuel”. This gospel mentions the divine origin of Jesus. Although he has a human mother, he has not a human father, but was conceived in Mary by the power of the Holy Spirit. This unique way of coming into life, with God as the Father, and the virgin Mary as mother, underlines who Jesus truly is; both God and man, one of ourselves and yet one with the eternal God.

### First Communion session Session #3: Forgiveness and Healing

Date: January 5, 2023 7-8PM  
Parents and children to attend



### Confirmation session Session #3: The Church

Date: Tuesday December 13, 6-8PM



**Important Update: Group B will be merged with Group A. All classes will be on Tuesday evenings when Group A would normally meet**

### Christmas Food Drive



Parishioners and members of the community are invited to make a food donation to support Good Shepherd's Christmas Food Drive. Food items can be dropped off in the front lobby of St. Nicholas of Bari Parish until Saturday, December 24th. Donations will be accepted during the week when the church is open and before/after Sunday Masses. The following items are needed: canned soups & stews, tuna, canned vegetables, legumes (e.g. chickpeas, beans), pasta sauce, canned tomatoes, tea bags, chocolate bars, and granola bars. Thank you all for your kind support.

### Day of Confession



On Friday November 16, 2022, there will be a day dedicated to confession from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, and in the evening from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

### POINSETTIAS



In preparation for decorating the Altar during the Christmas season, parishioners are invited to donate poinsettias (red or white) or may offer a donation to purchase poinsettias for the Church. Please contact the parish office for more information.

### OUR COLLECTIONS DECEMBER 4, 2022

**\$1,251.50**

Thank you for your generosity!

## 3<sup>a</sup> domenica di Avvento - 11 Dicembre 2022



### **December 11 Sunday/Domenica**

9:00am - Giovanni, Gaetana e Giovannina La Corte, Joe e Serafino Militello, Giuseppe Lodato e Ignazio Shambari; Antonio Mottola, Nicola Rosa, Pasquale de Gregorio, Rosalinda Laverghetta, Vincenza de Gregorio, Luigi Montedorisio, Antonio Marino, Pasquale Antonietta, e Carmela de Gregorio; Attilio e Linda Perinetti; Rosario Paolo, Santo; Luigina Rasso, Franco Rasso e Concetta Rasso

10:30am - In onore di Santa Lucia; Giuseppina Mazzone

12:00pm - Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

### **December 12 Monday/Lunedì**

- Nessuna messa oggi/No Mass today

### **December 13 Tuesday/Martedì**

8:00am - In onore di Santa Lucia; Luciana Care; Potenza e Nicola e Defunti

11:00am - Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

6:00pm - Confirmation Session #3—The Church

### **December 14 Wednesday/Mercoledì**

8:00am - Repose of the soul of Diederich Acuña, Stanislav Monets, Georgina Munguia, Maria Olivera de Villanueva, End of abortion & Euthanasia, for the generosity of St. Nicholas's parishioners, for all souls in Purgatory, God's help upon Ania, Repentance, confession upon Ana, Brian, Maria Teresa Valderrama and their family members, for all persecuted Christians in the world

9:30am - Loretto College Mass

7:30pm - Memorial Mass; Guido Francesco Di Prospero

### **December 15 Thursday/Giovedì**

8:00am - Repose of the soul of Maria Elena Elias Hernandez, Maria Cristina Duran, Maria Olivera de Villanueva, Janina, Ana Piecha, All souls in Purgatory, Repentance, confession for the families of Carlos, Mauricio, Karla, Austin, Ivette, Arturo, Moshen, Dinora, Healing of Heide Park, Otto Martir Rivera, Mary Wahba, God's help upon Ania

11:00am - Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

### **December 16 Friday/Venerdì**

8:00am - Repose of the soul of Francisca Graciela Gutierrez, Maria de Villanueva, Diederich Acuña, Marina Carlota Moz, Repentance, confession for the families of Ania, Julian, Michael, Luana, Paul Michael, Alice, Martin Castillo, Luis Doradea, for the Priests of Holy Cross of Marylake, God's help upon Ania, Birthday blessings upon Scarleth Guadalupe Conde

10:00am - 12pm - Day of Confessions

6:00pm - 7pm - Day of Confessions

7:30pm - Memorial Mass—Alessandro Rossi (2 year anniversary)

### **December 17 Saturday/Sabato**

8:00am - For the Repose of the soul of Maria Agustina Chevez de Maravilla, Roberto Maravilla, Maria Olivera de Villanueva, for the unborn, orphan & unbaptized children, for all migrants, refugees, prisoners, dying, sick, lonely, unemployed, poor, Birthday blessings upon Jacqueline Lopez de Gomez, God's help upon Ania; Birthday blessings upon Rev. Priest Patrick Ezimora, C.C.E.

6:30pm - Spanish Group Mass

### **December 18 Sunday/Domenica**

9:00am - Albanese Giuseppe e Maria

10:30am - Vincenzo & Angelina Rubino, Bernardo Marino & Rocky; Antonietta Pallotta; Jim Deleo, Rosina Ferreri, Joseph Deleo & all the faithfully departed members of the Deleo & Ferreri families

12:00 pm - Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

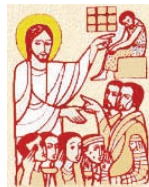
### **Letture**

Prima lettura: Isaia 35:1-6, 10

Seconda lettura: Giacomo 5:7-10

Vangelo: Matteo 11:2-11

### **Terza domenica di Avvento**



"Rallegratevi sempre nel Signore; di nuovo vi dico: rallegratevi. Infatti, il Signore è vicino". Queste sono le parole proclamate nell'antifona d'ingresso della Messa per la Domenica Gaudete di questa settimana. Ci esorta a gioire costantemente nel Signore e, come buoni amministratori di Cristo, dovremmo sempre sforzarci di vivere una vita inondata dalla gioia che scaturisce dal Signore.

### **Raccolta alimentare di Natale**



I parrochiani e i membri della comunità sono invitati a fare una donazione di cibo per sostenere la raccolta alimentare natalizia del Buon Pastore. Gli alimenti possono essere consegnati nell'atrio della parrocchia di San Nicola di Bari fino a sabato 24 dicembre. Le donazioni saranno accettate durante la settimana quando la chiesa è aperta e prima/dopo le Messe domenicali. Sono necessari i seguenti articoli: zuppe e stufati in scatola, tonno, verdure in scatola, legumi (es. ceci, fagioli), salsa per la pasta, pomodori in scatola, bustine di tè, barrette di cioccolato e barrette di cereali. Grazie a tutti per il vostro gentile sostegno. Tradotto con [www.DeepL.com/Translator](http://www.DeepL.com/Translator) (versione gratuita)

### **ORARIO PER LE MESSE DI NATALE E DEL NUOVO ANNO**

#### **Vigilia di Natale—24 Dicembre**

8:00pm - (Italiano/Inglese)

#### **Giorno di Natale - 25 Dicembre**

9:00am - Messa in Italiano

10:30am - Messa in Inglese

#### **Nuovo Anno - 1 Gennaio 2023**

9:00am - Messa in Italiano

10:30am - Messa in Inglese

**Nota bene:** l'ufficio rimane chiuso: Lunedì 26 Dicembre 2022 e Lunedì il 1 Gennaio 2023

### **Giorno Delle Confessioni**



16 Dicembre 2022, sarà un giorno dedicato alle confessioni. Dalle 10:00 a.m. alle 12:00 p.m. e dalle 6:00 p.m. alle 7:30 p.m. Venite e ricinciliatevi con il Signore

### **POINSETTIAS**



In vista della preparazione al Santo Natale, ci serve donazioni di Fiori per poter adobare la nostra chiesa. Si può donare poinsettias Bianchi o rossi) oppure una donazione monetare per comprare Fiori. Grazie in anticipo!

### **LE NOSTRE RACCOLTE 4 DICEMBRE 2022**

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