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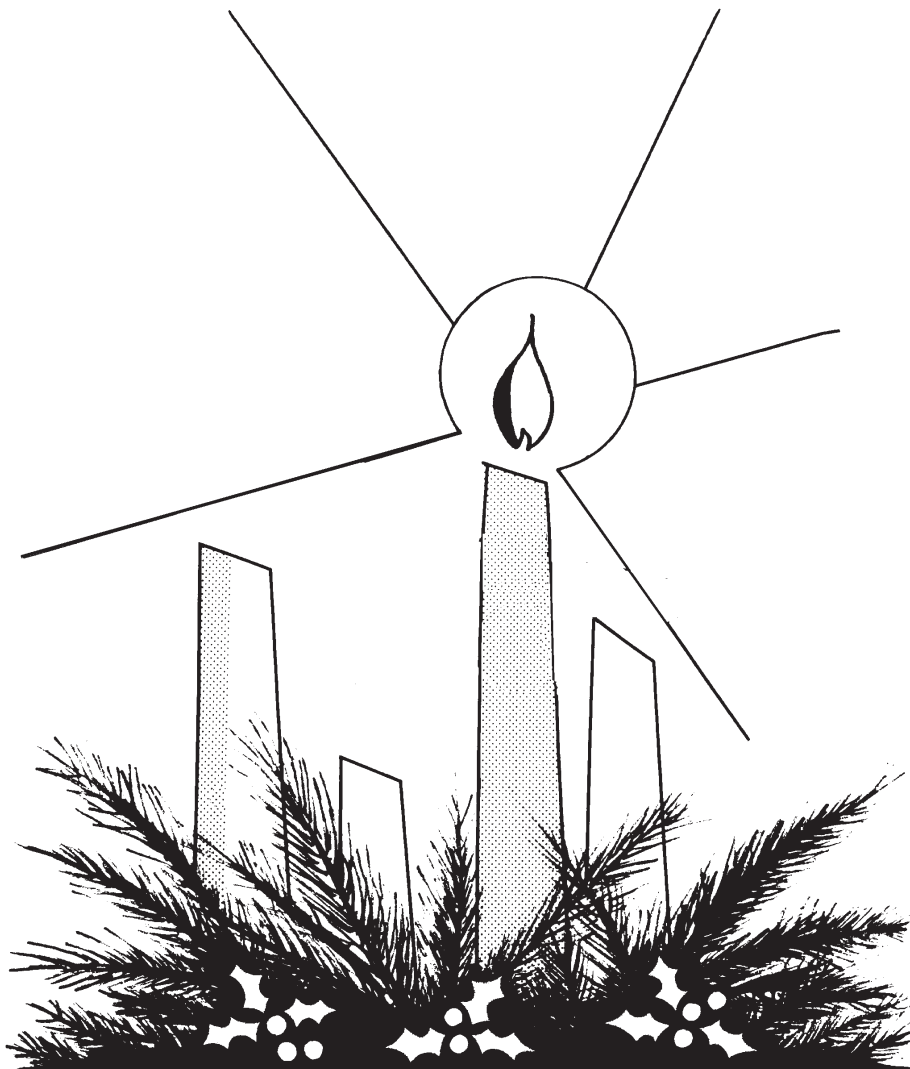
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Advent

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 4 – No Mass
Tuesday, December 5
 9:00 am Deceased Members of the Congregation of the Resurrection

Wednesday, December 6
 9:00 am † Bill Marley – Mary Ellen Marley
 7:00 pm † Fran Morrison – St. Louis CWL

Thursday, December 7 – St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor
 9:00 am † Fran Morrison – Noronha Family

Friday, December 8 – The Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary
 9:00 am † Krystyna Kowalska – Malton Family

Saturday, December 9
Vigil of Second Sunday of Advent
 5:00 pm † Bill Wharnby – Janet & Grant Ertel
 † Gerry Nixon – Andy Zajchowski
 † Fran Morrison – Roy & Carol Riel
 † Charlie Sehl – Joan Sichewski

Sunday, December 10 – Second Sunday in Advent
 9:30 am † Shirley Hinsperger – Hinsperger Family
 † David Kirby – Kirby Family
 † James Donkers & Family – Don & Lorrain Prior & Family
 † Kasem, Johnny & Khampheng Xaysy – Xaysy Family

11:30 am People of St. Louis Parish

Reflection on the Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

Advent is a season of watchfulness – being alert as Jesus instructs in today’s Gospel. Both before and after his parable about being watchful for the return of a householder who travels abroad, Jesus tells his listeners to watch. The word for “keep awake” (*gregoreo*) is the action of a sentinel or sentry, a person who remains always attentive, always vigilant, waiting sometimes for the arrival of someone expected, even while remaining alert for someone or something sudden and unexpected.

The reading from Mark’s Gospel is the last part of an address Jesus gives about the “last things”: the signs of the end, persecutions, and the coming of the Son of Man. It occurs just before the Passover that will begin Jesus’ Passion. Jesus will repeat the injunction to watch when he is in the garden with Peter, James and John. Through this repeated urging of watchfulness, Jesus reminds his disciples that their attentiveness must be a constant habit, whether they are with Jesus in the garden, or living as his disciples after his Death and Resurrection. The careful watchfulness in Jesus; instruction enables sentinels not only to see the arrival of the householder (Jesus himself), but also to understand, at least in part, the significance of the arrival.

This is the watchfulness of Advent. We remember the waiting of our ancestors, watching for God’s sending of the messiah, fulfilled in Jesus’ coming. We watch and wait for Jesus’ coming again in glory. We are attentive to his presence each day, especially as we meet Him in the Eucharist. During this season, we are all sentinels, watching for the coming of the Lord, and rejoicing in his presence.

THIS WEEK EVENTS

Monday, December 4
 noon Lunch and Learn Nursery
 4:00 pm Good Shepherd’s Catechesis I, II, III Nursery
 6:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul meeting Large Hall
7:30 pm Reconciliation Service Church

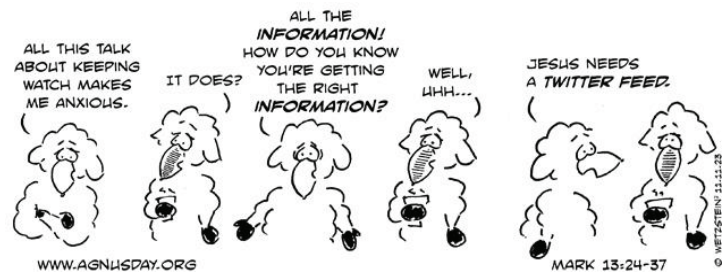
Tuesday, December 5
 6:00 pm Karate Club Large Hall

Wednesday, December 6
 6:00 pm 11:30 Choir Rehearsal Church
 7:30 pm CWL meeting Large Hall

Thursday, December 7
 9:30 am Small Christian Community Large Hall
 7:30 pm 9:30 Choir Rehearsal Church

Friday, December 8
 6:00 pm Youth Music rehearsal Church
 7:00 pm Youth Group Meeting (High School) Large Hall

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Dec. 9 5 pm	1. Nardo Nava 2. Maureen O’Grady C. Sharon Carey	1. Trudy Allensen 2. Rosemary Thorpe 3. Jerry Thorpe
Sun. Dec. 10 9:30 am	1. Joanna Malton 2. Carolyn Noel C. Mary Smith	1. Cecilia Beechey 2. Rob Hisperger 3. Frank Mensink
Sun. Dec. 10 11:30 am	1. Elizabeth Gaiger 2. Carol Sullivan C. Paul Butler	1. Al Kehn 2. Patti Walsh 3. Terry Sullivan



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Advent Activity: - Have you heard of a “Sacrifice Manger?”

Place a little wooden manger out during the Advent season. Have your children build a nice soft place for Jesus to lay in on Christmas day by doing nice things throughout the season for others. These good deeds could be for siblings, parents, friends, etc. Every time they do something nice, they get a small piece of yarn to put into the manger. The empty manger is a constant reminder that they must make a nice place for Jesus, in His manger and in their hearts.
Children attending 5 pm Christmas Eve Mass are asked to bring their yarn pieces on Christmas Eve as we will gather them together to place in our church manger for baby Jesus.



Sign up for Christmas Dramatization of the Gospel: All children ages 5 and up are invited to participate in our dramatization of the Gospel that will take place on Christmas Eve at the 5pm Mass. There will be two practices, Dec. 10th and 17th right after the 11:30 am Mass. Anyone wanting a specific role must be at both practices! Sign-up sheets will be in the Nursery, or contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Holiday Mass Times

Sat.	Dec 23	5:00 pm	<i>Vigil of 4th Sunday of Advent</i>
Sun.	Dec 24	9:30 am	<i>4th Sunday of Advent</i>
Sun.	Dec 24	11:30 am	<i>4th Sunday of Advent</i>
Sun.	Dec 24	5:00 pm	<i>Christmas Eve (Family Mass)</i>
Sun.	Dec 24	9:00 pm	<i>Christmas Eve Mass</i>
Mon.	Dec 25	9:30 am	<i>Christmas Day</i>
Mon.	Dec 25	11:30 am	<i>Christmas Day</i>
Sat.	Dec 30	5:00 pm	<i>Vigil of Feast of the Holy Family</i>
Sun.	Dec 31	9:30 am	<i>Feast of the Holy Family</i>
Sun.	Dec 31	11:30 am	<i>Feast of the Holy Family</i>
Sun.	Dec 31	5:00 pm	<i>Vigil of Feast Mary, Mother of God and New Year's Eve</i>
Mon.	Jan 1	9:30 am	<i>Feast Mary, Mother of God and New Year's Day</i>

Days of Obligation:

Sundays, Christmas & Feast of Mary, Mother of God

Reconciliation Services

Advent 2017

Sunday, December 10th

1:00 pm St. Jerome's University, Notre Dame Chapel, Waterloo

Monday, December 11th

7:00 pm St. Mary's Church, Kitchener

Tuesday, December 12th

1:00 pm St. Francis of Assisi Church, Kit.

Wednesday, December 13th

7:00 pm St. Joseph Church, Kitchener

7:00 pm St. Aloysius Church, Kitchener

Thursday, December 14th

7:00 pm St. Mark's Church, Kitchener

The **next St. Louis Catholic Women's League Meeting** will be **Wednesday Dec. 6th** - Mass 7 pm - Installation of the 2018-2019 new CWL executive and pre-Christmas get together. More information in next week's bulletin.

Retreats and Spiritual Direction: An open invitation to this year's Open House put on by the Jesuit Community of Guelph. Sunday, Dec. 3 from 2 - 4pm at Loyola House, Ignatius Jesuit Centre 5420 Hwy 6, N., Guelph.

39th Annual Advent Novena - An Invitation To Prepare Well For Christmas: 9 daily Masses at 6:30 am at St. Agnes Church, (75 Bluevale St. N. Wat.), **Fri., Dec. 8th - Sat., Dec. 16th**. Breakfast in the Parish Centre following Mass on Sat., Dec. 16th. A free will offering will be taken for St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers. Exception: Sunday, Dec. 10th - You are welcome to attend your own church on this day or St. Agnes at 9 am or 11 am. Make this Advent a special time of preparation for Christmas by joining your KW friends who have been keeping this Advent tradition for many years. Everyone is welcome!

Prayer for Vocations - Loving Father, bless Your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those whom You are calling to the married state and those You are choosing to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that through Him, with Him, and in Him, we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

The Noteworthy Singers, present, **Christmas Joy** - in support of the New Toys for Needy Kids Toy Drive and the Waterloo Knights of Columbus. Dec. 7th, 2 pm St. Aloysius, 11 Traynor Ave. Kitchener. Admission: Donation, cash or cheque, to New Toys for Needy Kids, or an unwrapped child's toy.

Special Messiah Concert at Centre in the Square - On Dec. 9, 7:30 pm, breathtaking images of handcrafted illuminations from The Saint John's Bible will be projected as the Grand Philharmonic Choir sings Handel's Messiah. Six of the seven volumes of this Bible will be on display in the lobby. Pre-concert presentation by Fr. Eric Hollas, OSB, St. John's Abbey, Collegeville, MN. Tickets available from the Centre in the Square Box Office.

Coping with the Holidays... when you have lost a loved one. Evening of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by Dr. Wendy Hofman at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, 16 Cooper St., Cambridge on Monday, Dec. 11th 7:00 - 8:30 pm. FREE of charge. Please call to reserve a seat: 519-658-4443. (If you haven't registered you are still free to attend.)

Lecture in Catholic Experience at St. Jerome's University - Friday, Dec. 8, at 7:30 pm. Fr. Eric Hollas, OSB, from St. John's Abbey in Collegeville, Minnesota, will help us to consider the profound insights that artists such as calligraphers and illuminators can offer us, especially with regard to the illuminations in The Saint John's Bible. Vanstone Lecture Hall, Academic Centre, SJU. This lecture is available on a complimentary basis. Please register at: www.sju.ca/lce


Inter Mennonite Children's Choir Christmas Concert: Gloria in Excelsis on Sunday, Dec. 10th at 3pm at St. Jacobs Mennonite Church (1310 King Street North St. Jacobs). Tickets: \$10 adult, \$5 children (ages 5-18).

Greetings from KW Birthright - a faith-founded, love motivated crisis service, run by compassionate volunteers and supported by donors. We come alongside women and men with acceptance, friendship, local resources, free infant and maternity wear to support those facing an unexpected pregnancy. Can you HELP as a volunteer, or with financial contributions? Contact 519-579-3990, or kitchener@birthright.org. Come to our Christmas Reception & Open House on Dec. 9th, from 2 -5 pm at 96 Highland Rd. W., Kit..

PAST DONATIONS

Date	Sunday Env.	Maintenance	Loose
Nov 26, 2017	3194.00	130.00	467.60

Preauthorized donations for Nov. prorated per week: \$ 1602.07
Thank you for your generosity & continuous support!

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