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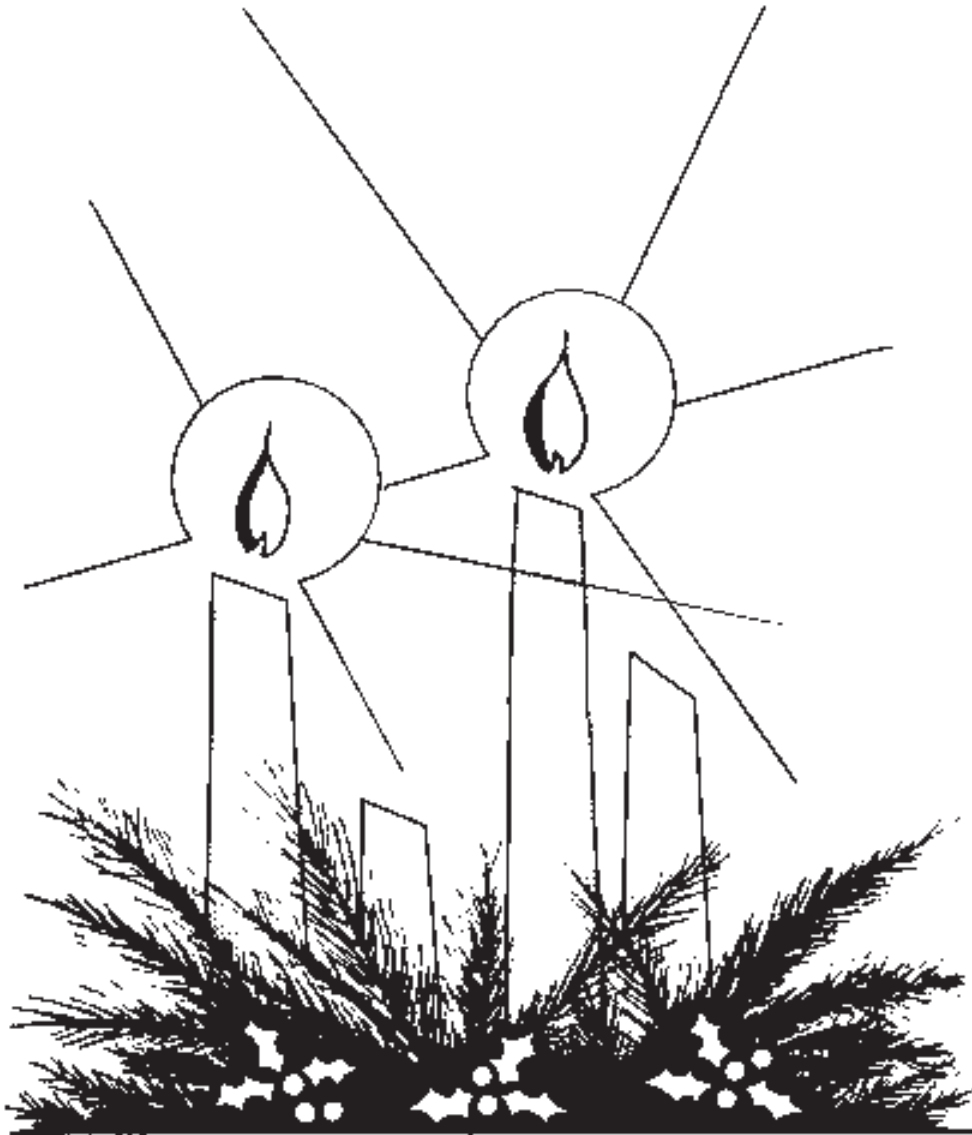
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Advent

Second Sunday of Advent – Year B

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 9

9:00 am † Claire Lamont –Malton Family

Wednesday, December 10

9:00 am For Andrew, Lorena and their family–Malton Family

Thursday, December 11

9:00 am For grieving parishioners

Friday, December 12 – Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas

9:00 am † Sr. Cora McKenna – Darla, Stephen, Rhonda &
Catherine

Saturday, December 13 – St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr

Sunday liturgy – Third Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm † Edna Ertel– Larry & Phyllis Ertel

† Audrey Moser– Her Family

Sunday, December 14 – Third Sunday of Advent

9:30 am † Elizabeth & Laird McDonald – McDonald Family

† Willard, Lilly & Doreen Hurley – Harold Hurley

† John Lowry – Lowry Family

† Alex McKinnon – Esther McKinnon

11:30 am People of St. Louis

For Second Sunday of Advent:

Chapters 40-55 of the Book of Isaiah were written towards the end of Israel’s exile in Babylon, around 550 BC. The author is referred to as Second Isaiah. Today’s reading is his opening section. He prophesied an almost unthinkable message of hope to the captive Israelites: the time of exile had come to a close. God had forgiven Israel her sins, and was calling Israel back to the Promised Land. Israel’s long wait in exile, spanning two generations, was finally coming to an end.

The words of comfort (“Comfort, o comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term...”) require a response (“In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God...”). Only then the “glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together.”

The author of the Second Letter of Peter addresses the concerns of a delay in Christ’s second coming. He assures that “the Lord is not slow about His promise.” Time is a matter of perspective. He reminds the readers of the tradition they received about the return of Christ: “the day of the Lord will come like a thief.” So, be prepared by living a good and holy life until that day when the Lord does return in glory.

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Dec 13 5:00 pm	1 Steven Mulhall 2 Kathie Mulhall C Bea Lajeunesse	1 Sharon Carey 2 Daniel Delattre 3 Debbie Delattre
Sun. Dec 14 9:30 am	1 Barry Hirschberger 2 Terry Collins C Annette Hulme	1 Anne M. Webster 2 Cecilia Beechey 3 Mary Smith
11:30 am	1 Gord Beaton 2 Carolyn Beaton C Janet Lanteigne	1 Charles Wilson 2 Darlene Wilson 3 Cathy Mahon

Upcoming Events

Monday, December 8

7:30 pm Bible Study – The Bible Timeline (8) Large Hall

Wednesday, December 10

6:00 pm RCIA Notre Dame Hall

7:30 pm (11:30) Choir rehearsal Church

Thursday, December 11

9:30 am Small Christian Community Notre Dame Hall

7:30 pm (9:30) Choir rehearsal Church

Friday, December 12

9:30 am Bible Study – Gospel of Luke (5) Large Hall

6:30 pm Youth Music Church

7:30 pm Youth Group – Christmas Party Convent

Saturday, December 13

6:00 pm Altar Servers’ Training and
Christmas Party with Fr. Michal Large Hall

Sunday, December 14

12:30 pm Good Shepherd’s Catechesis
Levels 1 and 2 Convent

Congratulations to our newly Confirmed parishioners and their families:

**Benjamin Beaton
Benjamin Bishop
Ciara Mantle
Fraser Morrison
Mariana Blanco
Natalie Wideman**

Advent Sale at the Carmelite Monastery begins First Sunday of Advent until December 23rd. Every day from 8:00 am till 8:00 pm. Homemade Jams, Jellies, Honey, Cards, Knitwear.

St. Anne’s Parish Advent Day of Prayer on Fri., Dec. 12. (268 East Ave. Kit.) Mass 8:00 am. Retreat 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Bring a bag lunch. To register: 519-745-5302 or stannesfamily@gmail.com

Longest Night Prayer Service - Join us Monday December 22 at 7:00pm at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 49 Blueridge Ave. Kit. for an evening of prayerful reflection in solidarity with all who have gone home to Jesus and those who grieve their loss. A reception will follow.

Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother is an extraordinary pilgrimage that reveals Mary’s unique role in God’s Kingdom and in our lives. 8 week series by Edward Sri, filmed on location in the Holy Land. Saturdays at 10 am in the Lower Hall at St. Mary’s, Kitchener, starting Jan. 17th. To order study materials call 519-576-3860 by Dec. 18th.

PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD!

Reconciliation Services next week in Waterloo

Monday, December 15th

7:30 pm St Louis Church, Waterloo

Tuesday, December 16th

7:30 pm St. Agnes Church, Waterloo

Wednesday, December 17th

7:30 pm St. Michael's Church, Waterloo

Thursday, December 18th

7:30 pm Our Lady of Lourdes, Waterloo

Reconciliation Services this week in the area

Tuesday, December 9th

7:00 pm St. Agatha Church, St. Agatha

Wednesday, December 10th

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

7:00 pm St. Patrick's Church, Cambridge

Thursday, December 11th

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

7:00 pm St. Clements Church, St. Clements

Friday, December 12th

5:00 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe (Spanish), Kitchener

Saturday, December 13th

3:30 pm St. John's Church, Kitchener



St. Louis Catholic Women's League membership drive (\$25). Please consider renewing or joining us for the first time. Our members enjoy praying, learning and working

together "For God and Canada" and our parish. Please use the blue envelope found in your Sunday collection envelopes with Dec 14th date, or your own envelope. Please write your name, telephone number, address and postal code. If sending a cheque, please write it to St. Louis Catholic Women's League.

Bible studies at our Parish:

The Tuesday afternoon Bible Study group has completed a very successful study of the Book of Revelation. Seventeen parishioners and non-parishioners met for approx. 1.5 – 2 hours of study. Lots of participation and sharing with the final conclusion that this book is all about Jesus and the celebration of the Eucharist.

Later in March afternoon sessions will resume. The meeting day will change to Thursdays and the topic will be "The Prophets".

The Monday night Bible Study group is looking at the 14 books from the Bible that carry the story line. The two last sessions covered the Book of Exodus, and especially the connections to the New Testament. For example, the Ark of the Covenant in the Holy of Holies contained the tablets (Law) together with manna (Food from Heaven) and rod of Aaron. Mary as the Ark of the New Covenant carried Jesus (the Word). The Holy of Holies in our churches is the tabernacle which contains Body of Christ – Food from Heaven.

Currently twenty four people participate in the study. The sessions will continue till early May. If you would be interested to join at this point, there are audio materials available to help with catching up. Please contact the office.

Friday morning following the 9 am Mass, 12 parishioners study the Gospel of St. Luke using a DVD program lasting approx. ½ hr featuring Frances Hogan a scripture scholar. Luke tells us about the life of Jesus from birth through to the ascension. This account of Jesus is more detailed than any other account in the New Testament books. The writer of the Gospel of Luke has been identified as a co-worker and companion of St. Paul. The first session of this program ends Dec 12th and will resume January 9th.



Christmas Season Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve (December 24th) –

5:00 pm (Family), 10:00 pm and Midnight

Christmas Day (December 25th) – 10:00 am

New Year's Eve (December 31st) – 5:00 pm

New Year's Day (January 1st) – 10:00 am

Christmas and Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (Jan 1st) are days of obligation.

Mass schedule for Sundays remains unchanged.

In this "Season of Giving" please remember the local charities, such as St. Vincent de Paul at St. Louis and Working Centre in Kitchener, or Resurrectionist Missions (265 Westmount Road North, Waterloo ON N2L 3G7). In addition check out "Save a Family Plan" run by seminarians in London Diocese, where 100% of donations reach the people in need. (See flyers in the church, or check www.safp.org)

Operation Underground Railroad (OUR) is a non-profit organization dedicated to rescuing children from human trafficking and sex slavery. The team at Magnet Forensics wants to help OUR continue to fight the battle against child sex slavery, and so we are organizing this fundraiser to raise money and awareness for this incredible organization. Please join us for the **First Annual Magnet Forensic & OUR Bowling Fundraiser on Tuesday, Dec. 16, 7-10 pm, at Bingeman's King Pin.** The event will be filled with bowling, networking, dancing, 50/50 tickets and prizes. To register your team of 4 to participate in the tournament and/or to donate please contact us at donate@magnetforensics or call 519-342-0195. Donating online: <https://yourrescue.org/projects/magnet-forensics-o-u-r-bowling-fundraiser/> (here you can also see your donations in action). Thank you for your support!

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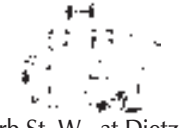
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