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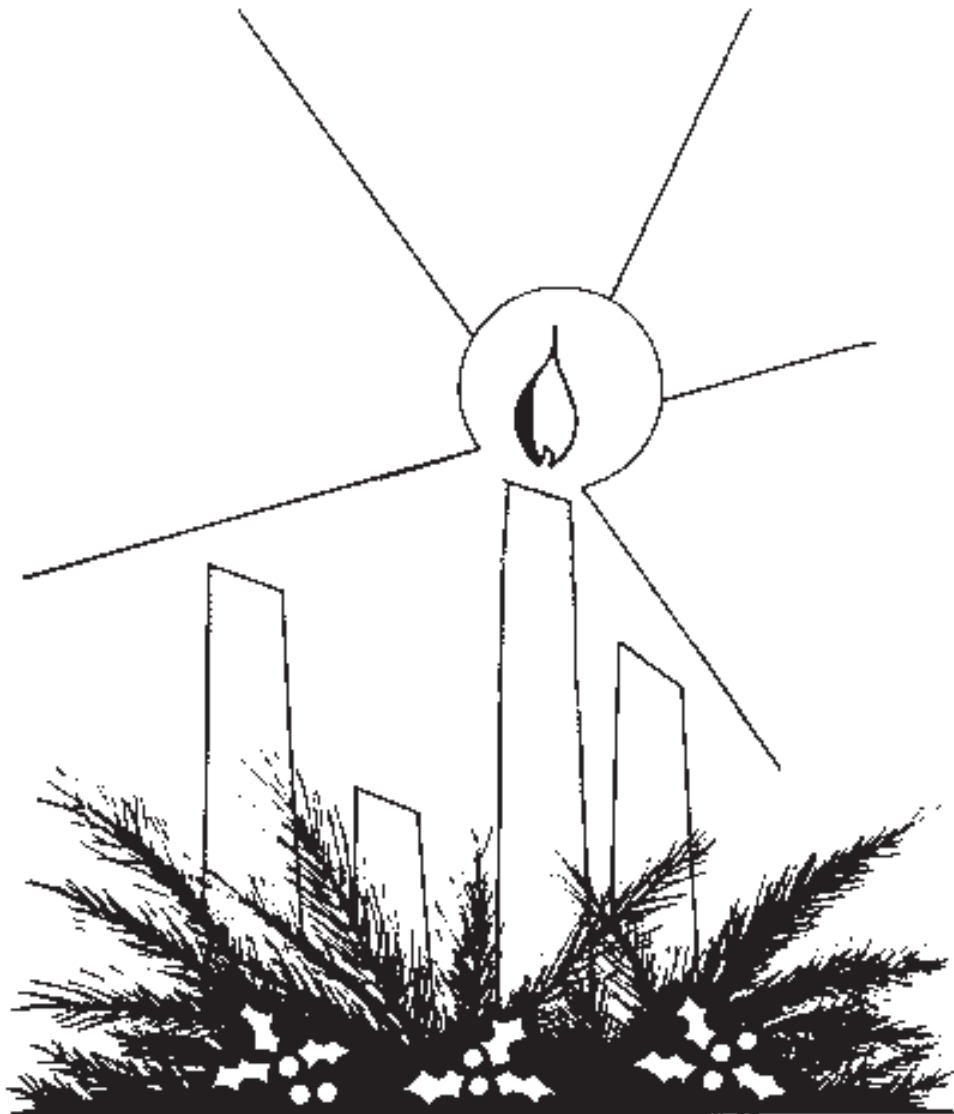
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Advent

First Sunday of Advent – Year B

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 2

9:00 am Beatification of Bogdan Janski, founder of the
Congregation of the Resurrection

Wednesday, December 3 – St. Francis Xavier, Priest

9:00 am † Barbara Adamska – Malton Family

Thursday, December 4

9:00 am † Daniel Caron – Claire Armitage

Friday, December 5

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

Saturday, December 6

Sunday liturgy – Second Sunday of Advent

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

Sunday, December 7 – Second Sunday of Advent

9:30 am † Kay Freiburger – Harold Freiburger & Family

† Dave Kirby – Kirby Family

† Wendy McNamara – Annette & Frank Hulme

† Khampheng, Kasem & Johnny Xaysy – Xaysy
Family

11:30 am People of St. Louis

For First Sunday of Advent:

The season of Advent begins our new liturgical year. Advent focuses on two “comings” of Christ: His birth (Incarnation) and His return (Second Coming). It is a season of waiting for the Lord.

In the First Reading, Isaiah petitions the Lord to reveal His presence to the captive Israelites who are in Babylonian exile. Having been in exile for many years, Isaiah acknowledges Israel’s collective sense of guilt and shame over the sins that led to their captivity: “We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth”. Isaiah recalls how God made His presence known in past mighty deeds, and implores the Lord to make his presence known once again to His people.

In today’s Gospel Jesus forewarns the four apostles, “Beware, keep alert,” since no one knows when the end time will arrive. Jesus’s command applies to Christian of all ages, since by our baptismal call we are the “servants” and “gamekeepers” of the Lord’s house. We, too, are challenged to remain alert and “keep awake” for the coming of the Lord at the end times. The season of Advent reminds us at the start of each new liturgical year to remain faithful to our fundamental duty to be watchful and alert for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Dec 6 5:00 pm	1 Betty Gross 2 Mary Smith C Sharon Carey	1 Trudy Allensen 2 Guy Tremblay 3 Joan Sichewski
Sun. Dec 7 9:30 am	1 Jack Bishop 2 Christopher Bishop C Tom Bishop	1 John Klein 2 Maggie Fioravanti 3 Frank Hulme
11:30 am	1 Mac Graham 2 Aurora DiPasquale C Paul Butler	1 Marianne Butler 2 Natalie Ferrier 3 Pegg Leroux

Upcoming Events

Monday, December 1

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

7:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting N. D, Hall

Tuesday, December 2

1:00 pm Bible Study - Book of Revelation -11 Large Hall

7:00 pm OOTC Meeting Large Hall

Wednesday, December 3

6:00 pm RCIA Notre Dame Hall

7:00 pm CWL general meeting Large Hall

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

Thursday, December 4

9:30 am Small Christian Community Notre Dame Hall

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

Friday, December 5

9:30 am Bible Study – Gospel of Luke (4) Large Hall

6:30 pm Adoration & Benediction (Taize) Church

7:30 pm Youth Group Convent

Saturday, December 6

1:30 pm Architectural Conservancy of Ontario Large Hall
talk on St. Louis interior-see below

This Sunday, His Excellency Bishop Daniel Miehme will bestow the Sacrament of Confirmation on six young members of our Parish during the 11:30 am Mass. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

The Year of Consecrated Life will be formally inaugurated at a Prayer Vigil in the Papal Basilica of St. Mary Major on Saturday, November 29th followed by a Mass at the Papal Basilica of St. Peter on Sunday, November 30th. The theme for the year, as presented by the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life is *GOSPEL, PROPHECY, HOPE: consecrated life in the church today*. Watch for the program for the year-long celebration in the Diocese of Hamilton on our Diocesan Website.

On Saturday December 6th at 1:30 pm in the Large Hall you are invited to join Tom Graham and members of Architectural Conservancy Ontario (ACO) North Waterloo Region as we learn about the people and artists who made St. Louis Church so beautiful. Tom Graham will share stories from his years of research on the Globe Furniture Company of Waterloo, the company which made the pews on which you sit, as well as confessionals, altars, chairs. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Kae Elgie 519-635-8951, or aco.nwrw@gmail.com.

KEEP ALERT,

KEEP AWAKE!



CWL Mission Bake/Craft Sale Results:

Sincere thanks to all who donated baking, crafts, gifts; to our youth and men who helped in many areas; for the time and effort our members spent “displaying and selling their goods” and for you, our generous parishioners who supported our event! Approximately \$4,400 was raised. Each of the 4 missions will receive \$1100. (The four missions are listed in this week’s News and Views insert.)

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. (Please read our News and Views insert).

CWL December meeting on Wed. Dec 3rd 7:00 pm in the Large Hall. There will be no Mass. Advent prayers • meeting discussing Mission Sale results and Card Party • Fun auction (with Marg Danard as our auctioneer) • Christmas delights and time to enjoy each other. Please use the elevator entrance or the side door (Convent side). Hope to see you!

St. David Grade 8 Student and Parent Information Night:

Thu. Dec. 4th, 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Any students who live within the St. David Boundary and are planning to attend grade 9 in September 2015 are invited. Come with your parents and see all of the wonderful programs and facilities that we offer.

Prayer Vigil - Thursday, Dec. 4th, from 9:00 am to 10:00 am in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, for babies being aborted. Parking at Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com



36th ANNUAL ADVENT NOVENA - AN INVITATION TO PREPARE WELL FOR CHRISTMAS: Nine daily Masses at 6:30am at **St. AGNES Church, 75 Bluevale Street N., Waterloo, Friday, Dec. 5th to Sat., Dec. 13th.** Note exception: Sun., Dec. 7th Mass is at

9:00 am and 11 am. You are welcome to attend your own church on this day. Make this Advent a special time of preparation for Christmas by joining your Twin-City friends who have been keeping this Advent tradition for many years.

Discernment Retreats in December -Have you thought about the priesthood or religious life? If you would like to learn how to listen to God’s call in your own life, and how to follow that call in your own vocational discernment, then this retreat is for you. Open to people 18 year old and older: Dec. 5-7 (for women) and Dec. 12-14 (for men). To find out more visit www.HamiltonVocations.com

Sharing Fair at St. Joseph’s Parish - Sale of handcrafted goods give honour and dignified employment to women in developing countries. 100% of the profits are returned to the village. Parish Hall on Sat. Dec 6th 4- 6:30 pm & Sun. Dec.7th 10 to 1 pm.

Calling all St. Louis Altar Servers and wannabe Altar Servers for Training and Christmas Pizza & Mr. Bean party on Saturday December 13th after 5 pm Mass in the Church and then Large Hall.

If you missed it last weekend at St. Louis... **“The One Called Jesus”** travelling art exhibit is at St. Anthony Daniel’s parish this weekend (Nov 29 & 30).

St. Teresa’s Annual Christmas Dinner – Dec. 5th 6 pm Church Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. Take-out meals pick up at 5:30 pm. Tickets are limited. To order call Mon. to Fri. 9 am to 1 pm 519-669-3387. Ticket prices: adults \$16.00; children 6-12 years \$8.00 and children 5 & under are free. Door prizes! Last chance to purchase tickets is Wed., Dec. 3rd.



On Friday Dec. 5, Waterloo Knights of Columbus: **Fish Fry dinner and an evening of traditional Advent music and Christmas Carols featuring the St Louis Parish Choir led by John Miller.**

Dinner, (incl. dessert) \$10.00 for a 1 pc Fish n' chips and \$12.50 for a 2 pc Fish n' chip. Doors open: 5:30 pm. Dinner and show: 6 pm. Free will offering for St Louis Parish. For tickets call 519-884-2060 the Knight of Columbus Hall, 145 Dearborn Place Waterloo.



Lectures in Catholic Experience – “For the sake of the earth, let’s deal with our collective malaise.” Lecture by, Bruce Alexander,

psychologist and professor emeritus at Simon Fraser University, B.C., on Fri., Dec. 5 at 7:30 pm C. L. Siegfried Hall, St. Jerome’s University. Free parking at Renison or St. Paul’s University College.



Healing Mass for Those Mourning the Loss of a Child – Losing a child is a painful and life-altering experience. The feeling of loss is often more profound during the Christmas season. A Diocesan

Healing Mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel Miehm is planned at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for Sunday, Dec. 7th, at 4 pm.** Anyone who has lost a child of any age is invited. Come and experience God’s healing presence. Registration preferred. Call: 905-528-7988 X 2249.



His Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI invites you to join him at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on **Sunday Dec. 7th at 7 pm for an Advent Hymn Festival for Peace.** A freewill collection for the Good Shepherd’s Annual Christmas Dinner.

St. Anne’s Parish Advent Day of Prayer on Friday, December 12. (268 East Ave. Kitchener) Mass 8:00 am. Retreat 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Bring a bag lunch, tea & coffee provided. To Register: call or e-mail St. Anne’s 519-745-5302 or stannesfamily@gmail.com

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