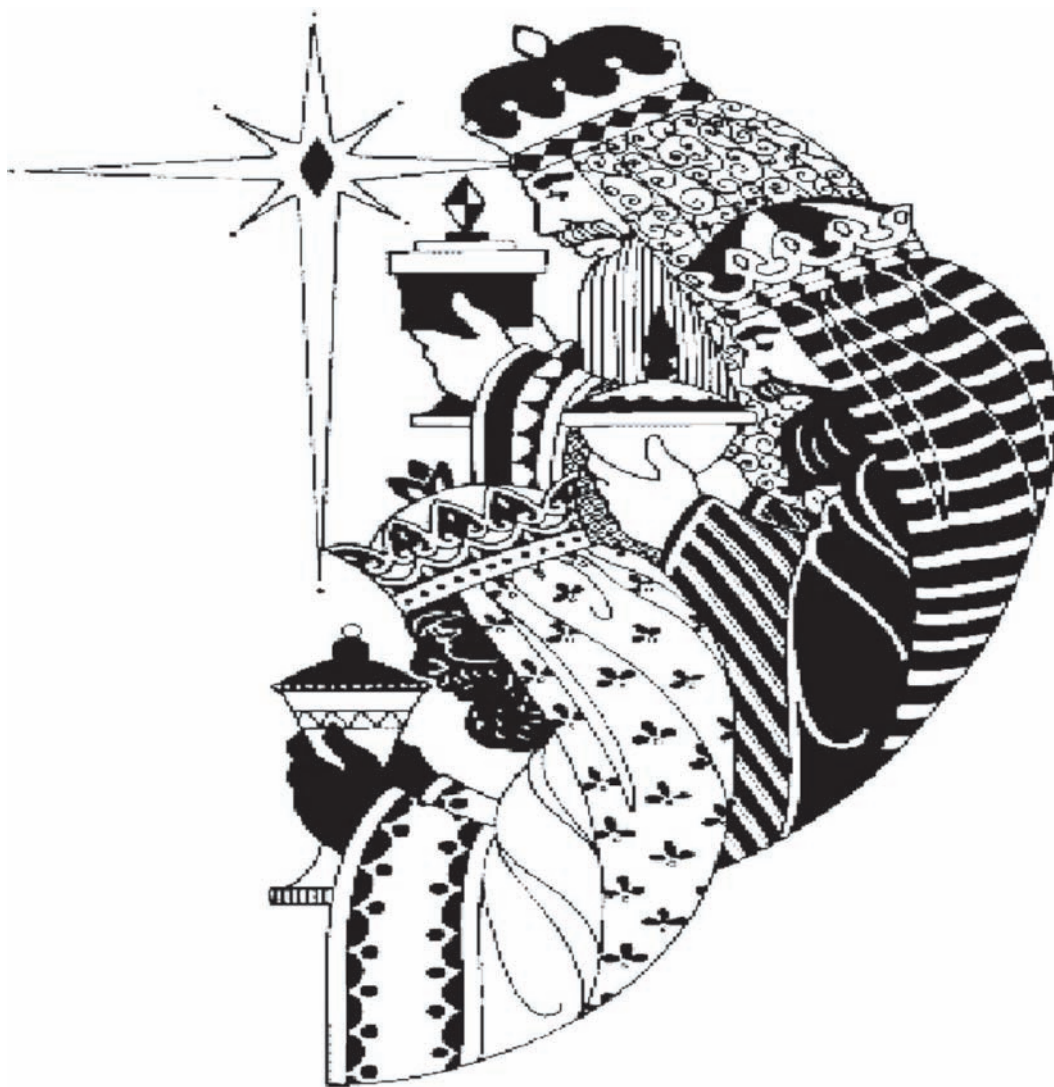

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*Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to
Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.*

ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, January 1st SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION and THE OCTAVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
WORLD DAY OF PEACE (established by Pope Paul VI in 1968)

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

Sunday, January 02nd THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. Jane Anderson by the Choirs of St. Columban Parish

11:00 a.m. Aileen Larocque by The Assoc. of Religious Hospitallers Of St. Joseph

Monday, January 03rd THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS (OM)

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** THE EPIPHANY

Tuesday, January 04th

7:30 a.m. Outpouring of the Precious Blood of Jesus & Flame of Love Over All Humanity by Darlene Brabant

Wednesday, January 05th

7:30 a.m. Theresa Bergeron by Rose & Joe Tothfaluse

Thursday, January 06th

7:30 a.m. Special Intention for Charles Soucy by Fr. Thomas Riopelle

Friday, January 07th ST. ANDRE BESSETTE (M)

7:30 a.m. Michael Redmond by Carol Papps

7:00 p.m. ADORATION

Saturday, January 08th ST. RAYMOND OF PENYAFORT (OM)

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confession

5:30 a.m. Irene, Lawrence, Art & Rick Jodoin by Mary, Lorna, Iris & Barbara

Sunday, January 09th THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. Florence Gravelle by Carol & Alain Giguere

11:00 a.m. Richard Valdez by Brian Lynch & Katie Burke
 Gerard Piche by Alan & Rita Boyce

Monday, January 10th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 1

In Rank Order: (S) Solemnity, (F) Feast, (M) Memorial, (OM) Optional Memorial.

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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“...They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.” -MATTHEW 2:11

What gifts do you give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that these three gifts represent what we should give God every day. Gold – we should reflect Christ’s wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense – represents our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh – is a symbol of our daily sacrifices that we unite with Jesus for the sake of others.

TODAY’S READINGS – JANUARY 02ND, 2022

1st Reading: Isaiah 60.1-6

2nd Reading: Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2.1-12

We have come from the East to pay homage to the king.

NEW YEARS MESSAGE

The first day of a new year invites gratitude and wonder, thankful for the gift of life and another year. We pray God’s mercy these past two years of Covid will end the fears, the heartbreak, the mourning of the loss of loved ones. Oh God! What will the New Year contain for all of us, our global humanity, let’s dedicate ourselves on this day, the first day to the Holy Mother of God. We entrust ourselves and this New Year to Mary. She is our Mother in grace, for we received adoption into Divine Life in her fruitful virginity in being the Ark of the Covenant, who bore He who is our Redeemer Lord and Saviour who triumphed over sin and death. Because of her yes and Her Magnificat, we rejoice in her desire to be our Mother, a mother to each one of us, for every time we ask “Holy Mary Mother of God pray for us sinners,” we can be confident she hears and answers us. Mary’s continued intercession for us proves that we are sons and daughters. Take this to heart, it’s true and give the Glory and Praise to God during this New Year 2022.

Blessings,
 Fr. Tom,
 Deacon Guy,
 The Pastoral Council

OFFICE HOURS - CHRISTMAS

The Parish Office will be closed from December 27th, 2021, until January 03rd, 2022.

PLEASE NOTE

We need to close the Parish Financial books on December 27th. All money received after December 27th will be credited for 2022.

CHRISTMAS MASS ATTENDANCE

The plan for attendance for our Christmas Masses will be **first come, first served**. The church will be considered full when all designated pews have been filled. Doors will open a half hour before the beginning of Mass. Remember to wear a mask, sanitize your hands and once seated do not change pews. Maintain the six feet social distancing guideline of public health, thus ensuring everyone enjoys a safe & Merry Christmas.

SHARE THE WARMTH CLOTHING DRIVE

There is a need for men’s clothing in the area. New socks and underwear. Gently worn Hats, Mitts and Sock, Sweaters, Coats, and Boots, as well as any men’s clothing. Sleeping bags would also be accepted. We have some boxes set up at St. Columban’s Parish, so donations can be dropped off as you arrive for Mass. Let’s Share the Warmth. DG

DEACON GUY'S REFLECTION

Today’s readings are excellent reminders that we encounter God in a variety of people, places, circumstances and situations. In Paul’s letter, he states that both Jews and Gentiles are welcome in God’s Kingdom. This statement of welcome and inclusivity reminds us that all people bear God’s image. Do we treat others with the God-given dignity they deserve? DG

Deacon Guy’s website is thedeaconguy.ca

KNEELERS

When leaving the church, you must leave the kneeler in the **down position** for the volunteers who are sanitizing the pews.

IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION

The living flame of the Sanctuary Lamp, signifying the Eucharistic presence of our Lord Jesus Christ, is offered this week in Memory of Christine & Ray Langlois by Daughter Monica McCool & Family.



2022 PARISH ENVELOPES

Envelopes are available at the 4th Street entrance. Please, ensure the number on the label matches the number in the box. Beginning January 1st please discard all 2021 envelopes and write your name on the 2022 envelopes for the entire month of January.

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME

If you are new and would like parish envelopes, please fill out a Registration Form which is located at the 4th St. Main entrance or in person during office hours, Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. You can also call the office during regular business hours (613-932-9616). Please introduce yourself to Fr. Tom or Deacon Guy.

PLEASE NOTE – LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

We offer low gluten hosts for those who have Celiac or are unable to have gluten. Please let Fr. Tom or Deacon Guy know before the start of mass.

SATURDAY CONFESSIONS

Confessions are from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

The sanctuary lamp is a special lamp that is kept close to the tabernacle. The sanctuary lamp remains alight to indicate and honour the presence of Christ. The living flame of the sanctuary lamp signifies the Eucharistic presence of our Lord Jesus Christ. Sponsorship of the Sanctuary Lamp is available for a week-long period. The stipend is \$20.00 per week, and the intention will be listed in the bulletin.

SAINT OF THE WEEK – SAINT ANDRÉ BESSETTE – January 7

Known to millions simply as Brother Andre, Alfred Bessette was born in St-Grégoire, Quebec, in 1845. Orphaned by the age 12, he was unschooled, small and sickly. In 1870 he joined the Congregation of Holy Cross. For the next 40 years, he was porter at the Collège Notre-Dame on Queen Mary Road in Montreal, where he excelled at hospitality. In the course of his duties, he welcomed the sick and afflicted, and it was his habit to pray with them through the intercession of Saint Joseph. He gained a reputation throughout the city and, as he was credited with extraordinary favours and with healings, more and more people came to the college to seek out the 'Miracle Man of Montreal'.

Possessed of a deep love for Saint Joseph, Brother André erected a statue of the saint on the mountain across from the college. Then, assisted by lay friends in 1904, he built a wooden chapel on the mountain. Over the years, the chapel grew into a basilica. Today, Saint Joseph's Oratory welcomes more than two million visitors each year. Its founder lived to be 91, was declared blessed in 1982, and canonized on October 17, 2010. Saint André Bessette is the patron of family caregivers in Canada.

ST. COLUMBAN - NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

New Year's Eve, Friday December 31st – 6:00 p.m.

New Year's Day, Saturday January 1st – 10:30 a.m.

POPE FRANCIS JANUARY INTENTIONS

For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

VOCATIONS

Prayer for Vocations: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - January 1, 2022. That Mary, the Mother of God and patroness of Vocations will nurture, guide and protect all those called to the priesthood, diaconate and the consecrated life.

MASS ATTENDANCE DURING RE-OPENING ONTARIO

The Provincial Government has announced the plan to safely re-open Ontario. These changes include being able to fully open with proof of vaccinations. **Archbishop Marcel Dampousse** requests parishes to continue with current procedures including maintaining physical distances and **not choosing** to start proof of vaccination. Everyone is welcome to attend mass as long as they wear a mask (unless medically exempt), sanitize their hands and follow the protocols in church.

WORKERS IN THE VINEYARD

It is our parishioners who graciously serve in various ministries, Sacristans, Readers, Servers, Communion Ministers, Ushers, Décor, Children's Liturgy, Choir, Collection Counters, Pastoral Care, etc. The list of service needs is extensive, and more helpers are needed. Many individuals serve in 2 or 3 areas of service because others are reluctant or too shy to come forward. Please, you are needed and welcomed to serve in any ministry, they don't take up a lot of time and you can help enrich the life of our Parish. Please call a member of our Parish Council (on the front cover of the bulletin) or the parish office and let them know you are ready to serve. *if not you - than who?*

CONGRATULATIONS & THANK YOU

Pro-Life Cornwall Pro-Vie would like to thank all those who supported life by buying raffle tickets in our draw for a ¼ beef and freezer. We would like to congratulate Harold Smith of St. Andrews West who had the winning ticket. We would like to thank the Hagen Family who generously donated the beef for the draw. The proceeds of the raffle help to continue fighting for life from conception to natural death. Stay tuned for our next event.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER

Organized by the Knights of Columbus Chevaliers de Colomb de la Nativité de la B.V.M Conseil #9695, **Sunday January 16th 2022** in the Banquet and Reception Hall (Lower floor) of the Knights of Columbus Council 755, 205 Second Street East (Amelia St. entrance), 4 pm to 7 p.m., \$10.00 per person.

LIVING WITH CHRIST MONTHLY MISSALS

Missals for January are available at the Church for purchase; the cost is \$3.25 each, and you can pick one up Tuesday – Friday before or after 7:30 a.m. Mass or at the weekend Masses.



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