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"You have made us for yourself Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you."

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGY:

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

SUNDAY LITURGY

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday to Thursday: 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. (Confessions are available during this time)

PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome to new parishioners. Please call the parish office to register.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:	Ray Gervais	613-228-6848
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BAPTISMS: CHILDREN'S LITURGY: MARRIAGE: At least 9 months prior to ORGANIST: PASTORAL CARE: SOCIAL ACTION:	Parish Office Denis Therrien marriage date. James Fraser Betty Roy Inez Gignac	613-225-7388 613-228-7646 613-225-7388 613-224-1382 613-228-4138 613-526-0172

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:	Antonella Couse	613-668-2400
7:30 p.m. Mondays (Hall)		www.peopleofjoy.ca
REFUGE (Praise & Worship):		, ,
7:00 p.m. – 3rd Thursday of the month	Joe Cousineau	613-422-4387
HOLY SPIRIT HEALING CLINIC	Michael Crane	613-834-5031
www.holyspirithealingclinic.com		
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL	_ #16714: Jeff Edwards	613-729-4071

PARISH SCHOOLS				
St. Augustine Elementary	1009 Arnot Road	613-225-8020		
St. Rita Elementary	1 Inverness Ave.	613-224-6341		
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St. Piux X High School	1481 Fisher Ave.	613-225-8105		

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PASTOR'S DESK

December 11, 2022 – Third Sunday of Advent

The third Sunday of Advent we are invited to reflect on the joy we have access to because of our faith in Jesus. One of the defining characteristics of Christ-followers is their *joyful demeanor*. Let's not allow the struggles of this year steal from the **great joy** we have because of Jesus. Let us pray/worship to regain that lost JOY (rose candle).

<u>Philippians 4:4-5</u> says, "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near."

Over this Advent, pray that the *joy of the Lord* be evident in your heart and home? May God's spirit transform the days leading up to Christmas into a time of holy anticipation; preparing our hearts, as we joyfully await the chance to celebrate the arrival of our king.

Refuge - a special evening Liturgy takes place on the Third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m., in the church. This is a wonderful Holy hour of prayer, adoration and devotion. In thee, O Lord I take refuge. Join us for the next Refuge evening, **this Thursday, Dec. 15**th, as we contemplate *"prepare the way of the Lord."* Our special guests will be the parents and children of our schools. *Come let us Adore HIM.*

There is an anticipation for this annual meditation, on the true meaning of Christmas. "In its genuine poverty", the Pope said "the nativity scene helps us to rediscover the true richness of Christmas", a different Christmas "from the consumerist and commercial one". It helps us "to become intimate with God, with the fragile simplicity of a small newborn, with the meekness of his being laid down, with the tender affection of the swaddling clothes that surround him."



Maureen and Nicarlo Funai, Ron Choy, Maxine Kelly, Lillian Bradley, Barbara Minshall and those who are isolated, suffering from mental illness or who have Covid, the flu or RSV.

SCRIPTURE READINGS – DEC. 11TH Third Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Isaiah 35.1-6a, 10

God himself will come and save us.

2nd Reading: James 5.7-10

Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the

Lord is near.

Gospel: Matthew 11.2-11

Are you the one who is to come, or are we to

wait for another?



Our 2023 parish calendars are now available at all entrances of the Church. A free will offering for the calendars would be appreciated. Please put your offering in the metal cash donation boxes attached to the tables at all church entrances.

VIGIL LIGHT INTENTION For the week of Dec. 11th

The vigil light in front of the Blessed Sacrament is reserved for:

~ the deceased members of the Feraco & Mariano families ~

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – DEC. 11TH The Third Sunday of Advent

That the Lord will call members from our flock to "bring glad tidings to the poor and heal the brokenhearted" as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister, we pray to the Lord.

COMBINED PARISH BULLETINS

<u>Please note</u>: The parish will be publishing two combined bulletins between Dec. 18th and Jan. 8th as follows:

Bulletin #1: Dec. 18th and Dec. 25th Bulletin #2: Jan. 1st and Jan. 8th

The regular weekly publication of the bulletin will resume on January 15th.



DEC. 11TH TO DEC. 17TH

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT		
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	For <i>the repose of the soul of</i>
Dec. 11		Bernadette Roy by Edith Pakenham
		& family.
Sun.	10:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo
Dec. 11		
Mon.	8:30 a.m.	For <i>the repose of the souls of Tom</i>
Dec. 12		& Joe Filoso by the Filoso family.
Tues.	8:30 a.m.	For <i>all parishioners living and</i>
Dec. 13		deceased.
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	For <i>the intentions of Simone Choy</i>
Dec. 14		by her parents & Susan.
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	For <i>the repose of the soul of Brian</i>
Dec. 15		Ward by Father Frank Scott.
Fri.		NO MASS ON
Dec. 16		FRIDAY MORNINGS
Sat.	4:30 p.m.	For <i>the repose of the soul of</i>
Dec. 17		Richard McCarthy by Bill Strong.

CONFESSION & MASS SCHEDULE ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SEASON

CONFESSIONS

Weekday mornings: Monday to Thursday during Holy Hour 7:00 a.m. until the beginning of Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Every Saturday

 $3:00\ p.m.$ to $4:15\ p.m.$, followed by Mass at $4:30\ p.m.$

ADVENT MASSES Nov. 27th to Dec. 18th

Saturdays: 4:30 p.m.
Sundays: 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE

Sat., Dec. 24th at 4:30 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

(Christmas Carols at 8:30 p.m. prior to Mass at 9:00 p.m.)

CHRISTMAS DAY

Sun., Dec. 25th at 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY (VIGIL) – (NEW YEARS EVE)

Sat., Dec. 31st at 4:30 p.m.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY (NEW YEARS DAY)

Sun., Jan. 1st at 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES

The **2023 Sunday offering envelope packages** are now available for pick-up in the Church.

<u>CURRENT ENVELOPE USERS</u>: Envelope packages are in alphabetical order. To avoid confusion, <u>please do not use any leftover (unused) envelopes from previous years</u>.

<u>NEW ENVELOPE USERS</u>: Unlabeled envelope packages are also available for anyone who would like to start using parish envelopes in 2023.

<u>BOTH CURRENT AND NEW ENVELOPE USERS</u>: must include your full name, address and telephone number on the first few envelopes you use in 2023.

REMINDER: Please ensure that you write the **amount** of your contribution on every envelope you use throughout the year.

Masking is highly recommended

The Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall has received information from Ottawa Public Health, Eastern Ontario Health Unit (EOHU) and Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit of an increase of respiratory illness in our communities (COVID-19, Influenza and Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)). In the spirit of this message, we want to do our share as a Catholic Church as we have done throughout the pandemic. Clergy and parishioners are encouraged to wear a mask in the church and other public areas. This practice will also help to protect people at risk and preserve our health system capacity.

Although there is no obligation to wear a mask, we ask that you be respectful of those who wish to wear or not wear masks or personal protective equipment.

The following behaviours will also help stop the spread of respiratory illnesses:

- Wearing well-fitted masks indoors and outdoors in crowded spaces;
- Staying up to date on vaccines and flu shots;
- · Staying at home when sick;
- Washing your hands frequently.

For more public health measures and advice on COVID-19 and other respiratory illnesses, please refer to the following sources:

https://covid-19.ontario.ca/public-health-measures
Ottawa Public Health

Eastern Ontario Health Unit

Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit

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