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ADVENT

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From the Pastor's Desk

Sunday (Dec. 18):

Fourth Sunday of ADVENT:

Joseph believed the angel's message "that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit" God rewarded him not only with guidance and consolation, but with the divine assurance that he had indeed called Joseph to be the husband of Mary and to assume a mission that would require the utmost faith, confidence, and trust in Almighty God. Joseph believed in the divine message to take Mary as his wife and to accept the child in her womb as the promised Messiah. Like Mary, Joseph is a model of faith for us. He is a faithful witness and servant of God's unfolding plan of redemption. Are you ready to believe in the promises of God, even when faced with perplexing circumstances and what seems like insurmountable problems?

Readings for Sunday, December 11th 4th Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Isaiah 7.10-14

Look the virgin is with child.

2nd Reading: Roman 1.1-7

Jesus Christ, descended from David, was declared to be the Son of God.

Gospel: Matthew 11.2-11

Jesus was born of Mary, who was engaged to Joseph, son of David.



Nov. 19th to Dec. 25th

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: held at 8:00 a.m. each weekday morning before Mass. "Come let us adore Him" for the New Evangelization of the Parish, rosary at 8:35 a.m.

<u>Door to Door Caroling</u>: on Sun., Dec. 18th, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass and Tues., Dec. 20th at 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Hamper Deliver: on Thurs., Dec. 22nd at 10:00 a.m.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Marcel Grandbois, Renee Grandbois, Margaret Clair, Mary McElheran, Ken Burke, Cecilia Hastings and Karyna Laroche.

VIGIL LIGHT INTENTION

For the week of Dec. 18th

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

~ Hannah ~

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS FOR 2016		
Annual Budget	\$203,354.00	
Date	December 4	
Total Collection YTD	\$166,195.45	
% Collected YTD	82%	
% Year Elapsed	94%	

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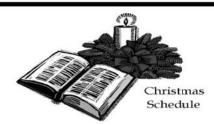
Join us this Sun., Dec.18th, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass and Tues., Dec. 20th, at 7:00 p.m. for caroling door-to-door in the neighbourhood around the church. Meet at the Baseline entrance to the church. Dress warmly. All are welcome; song sheets will be provided. A wonderful way to spread Christmas joy to our neighbours!

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

The Social Action Committee needs volunteers to help deliver Christmas hampers to the needy of the area, on **Thurs.**, **Dec. 22**nd, at 10:00 a.m. If you are able to help out with this worthy cause, please call: Inez Gignac (613-526-0172).

COFFEE SUNDAY

There will be <u>no Coffee Sunday on the last Sunday in</u> **December (Dec., 25th)**. Our next Coffee Sunday will be Jan., 29, 2017.



<u>CHRISTMAS EVE</u>: (Sat., Dec. 24th) 4:30 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

*Christmas Carols at 8:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY: (Sun., Dec. 25th) 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S EVE: (Sat., Dec. 31st) 4:30 p.m.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY: (Sun., Jan. 1st) 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: the parish secretary will be on vacation from Mon., Dec. 19th to Mon. Jan. 2nd. The parish office will be closed during this time. Regular office hours will resume on Tues., Jan. 3rd.



2017 Sunday offering envelope packages are available for pick-up at the Baseline entrance of the Church.

CURRENT ENVELOPE USERS: Envelope packages are in alphabetical order. In order to avoid confusion, we ask that you use your envelopes applicable to the current year (2017). Please discard or recycle /repurpose any left over envelopes from 2016 or previous years.

<u>NEW ENVELOPE USERS</u>: Unlabeled envelope packages are available for anyone who would like to start using parish envelopes in 2017.

BOTH CURRENT AND NEW ENVELOPE

USERS: please include your full name, address and telephone number on the first few envelopes you use in 2017.

REMINDER: The **amount** of your contribution must be written on every envelope you use throughout the year.

2017 parish calendars are available at all entrances of the Church. Donations are appreciated.

Mass of the Intentions Week		
DEC. 19 TH TO DEC. 25 TH		
Mon. Dec. 19	9:00 A.M.	For <i>a speedy recovery from a recent illness</i> by Josephine Dawson.
Tues. Dec. 20	9:00 A.M.	For <i>the repose of the soul of Kaye Crogie</i> by Father Frank Scott.
Wed. Dec. 21	9:00 A.M.	For seniors, shut-ins, and those who find this time of year difficult by Father Frank Scott.
Thurs. Dec. 22	9:00 A.M.	For <i>the souls in Purgatory</i> by Angie.
Fri. Dec. 23	9:00 A.M.	For young adults in our parish seeking their vocation by Father Frank Scott.
CHRISTMAS EVE		
Sat. Dec. 24	4:30 P.M.	For the repose of the soul of Ortensia Zanetti by her husband. For living and deceased family members by Julia Laroche.
	9:00 P.M.	Missa Pro Populo
CHRISTMAS DAY		
Sun. Dec. 25	9:00 A.M.	For <i>the repose of the souls of Henry & Barbara Hoglund</i> by the Hoglund family.
Sun. Dec. 25	10:30 A.M.	For the repose of the soul of Don Heaslip by his wife, Margaret.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If your child will be 4 or 5 years old by December 31, 2017, then it's time to register for the high-quality kindergarten program at all Ottawa Catholic School Board elementary schools.

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