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HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Mass is livestreamed each Saturday at 4:30pm and may also be viewed anytime afterwards. Please click on the link on our website www.fatimaparish.ca as we celebrate Mass together.

Saturday, December 28, 2024

9:00 am Soul of Rev. Jeffrey King by Toni and Joe Kramar
4:30 pm Blessings for the newly married Anna and Edwin Marie by the Kumas Family

Sunday, December 29, 2024

8:30 am For all Parishioners
10:00 am 7th Anniversary Mass for the Soul of Terry Albert by the family
Prayers of Thanksgiving and Blessings received for the Souls of Saturnino, Augustina, Arturo, Rosela, Teresita and Roberto by Rebecca and Patrick
Intentions of Lindsay and Charles Campbell by Rosalie O'Connor
Mass of Thanksgiving by Rosalie O'Connor
Mass of Thanksgiving by Elizabeth Soosai and family
Soul of Maria Vogrig by the family
Souls of John and Bridget Grenier, and Pat by Marjory Oakley
Intentions of Fr. Lindsay Harrison by Joanne Parenteau
11:30 am Soul of Estrella Legaspi by Alfredo Legaspi
Souls in Purgatory
Peace, Harmony, Happiness, Forgiveness and Reconciliation for Sivakami, Siva Sankar and Muthu Kumar
Successful IP sales between Nokia and Charter Communications
Souls of Christine, Cathy, Jason and Karen Choachui
30th Anniversary Mass for the Soul of Len McArdle by Betty McArdle
Mass of Thanksgiving by Julie Padua
To reunite all the Families and Souls in Purgatory to the Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Jo-Ann
Soul of Michael James by Joanne Parenteau
Healing for Toni Kramar by her family

Monday, December 30, 2024

9:00 am Soul of Val Devine by Theresa and Oliver Hunt

Tuesday, December 31, 2024

9:00 am Souls of Shamoan Dawood and Emmanuel Dawood by the family

(New Year's Eve)

4:30 pm Soul of Catherine Swimmings by Ginny Ellis

Wednesday, January 1, 2025 (Solemnity of Mary)

10:00 am Intentions of Fr. John Ogbaje by Joanne Parenteau

11:30 am Deceased Members of the Parenteau Family by Joanne Parenteau

Thursday, January 2, 2025

9:00 am Soul of Catherine Swimmings by Irene Kibel

Friday, January 3, 2025

9:00 am Soul of Enrique Zamora by Carmelita Manalo

Saturday, January 4, 2025

9:00 am Soul of Guido Crapigna and All Souls Living and Deceased by his wife Suzanne

4:30 pm Soul of Rev. Jeffrey King by Joseph and Toni Kramar

Sunday, January 5, 2025 (Epiphany of the Lord)

8:30 am For all Parishioners

10:00 am Intentions of Lindsay and Charles Campbell by Rosalie O'Connor
Special Blessings for Angie Luten and family by Jo-Ann

Soul of Joseph Rusabert by Our Lady of Fatima Knights of Columbus Council # 9742

Souls of Declan and Genevieve Oakley by Marjory Oakley

Soul of Andrew Ludzjiewski by Dominica Ludzjiewski

Souls of Giuseppina and Giuseppe Prestera by their daughter Nina

For Lita Gomez Legaspi By Maria Lordes Linson

11:30 am Soul of Estrella Legaspi by Alfredo Legaspi

Soul of Robert Sergeant by his wife Lorraine
To reunite all the Families and Souls in Purgatory to the Flame of Love of the

Immaculate Heart of Mary by Jo-Ann

Soul of Val Devine by Irene Desjardins



Margaret Newcommon, Barry Burns, Steve Chapman, Sue W., Pat McGrath, Bruno B., Debbie S., Valerie O, Betty, Paula, Parker Scissons, Andrea, Emilia Bernabey, Caceres Family, Mary Lacroix, Allan Kelly, Remedios Balgos, Lilia Galla, Jinette Bergeron, Mirsada

Redzic, David (Huso) Redzic, Mariles Tanara, Pedro & Delores Valdez, Cecile Pilon, Linda Pilon, Diane Paulozza, Carol Louis-Seize, Derek Jones, Mary Killen, Chris Marleau, Lisa Carter, Kim Vardon, Catherine Levasseur, Lance Carter, Grace Schultz, Adelaida Mercado, Danilo Gomez, Elena Aguirre, Leopoldo Cruz, Richard, Imelda Dillon, Juanito Soto, Omar Diallo, Carol Giampaolo, Patricia Tolgyesy, Toni Kramar. **If you wish to add prayers to the prayer list, please do so by calling the parish office at 613-722-7661, or email info@fatimaparish.ca.**

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PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURE:

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed for two weeks for Christmas and New Year holidays from **December 23rd to January 3rd inclusive**. The parish office will reopen on **Monday, January 6, 2025 at 9:00 am**.

Dear Parishioners,

At this beautiful Christmas time I want to extend on behalf of myself, Father John and the staff our heartfelt wishes to each and every one of you. Merry Christmas! May your celebration of the birth of Our Lord and Saviour gift you and your loved ones with His peace and presence.

And as the New Year approaches, we also want to wish you a Happy New Year! May 2025 be a year filled with new beginnings and renewed faith.

God bless you abundantly this Christmas season and throughout the coming year.

Father Lindsay Harrison

ARCHDIOCESE OF OTTAWA-CORNWALL CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2024 from Archbishop Damphousse and Bishop Mathieu, s.m. is posted on our bulletin boards, with copies available at the entrances should you wish to take one home.

THANK YOU TO SISTER+HOOD member Sandra Lafrance for conducting our Bible Study this Fall. The Gospel of Mark was examined. Parishioners who participated both enjoyed and were edified by it.

THANK YOU FROM OUR PRO-LIFE COMMITTEE: Once again our Christmas Cake and Treat sale was a great success! Our sales totalled more than \$1,500.00, raised for the essential work of **Campaign Life Coalition**. We couldn't have accomplished this goal without our loyal customers and also those who generously gave their time at our table before and after the Masses. We wish you all a very happy and Blessed Christmas!

2025 DONATION ENVELOPES NOW AVAILABLE at the front of the church. **Please take any number and be sure to write your name and address the first few uses in 2025** so that we can allocate your donations accurately. Please note that unlabelled donation envelopes are being used so that any box may be taken. We understand some parishioners wish to keep the same number, so you are welcome to do so if it is available. This past year many labelled boxes were never picked up, and so we have found that allocating box numbers for each tax year via this method is the best use of church resources for capturing tax allocation amounts. Thank you for your understanding and thank you for your contributions!



SEEKING NEW FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Have you ever wondered about the contribution that the Finance Council makes to our Parish? This is your opportunity to learn about this important ministry by sharing your time and talent to ensure the Parish's financial health. The Finance Council supports the Pastor in fulfilling his temporal responsibilities. You will participate in discussions and decisions regarding Budgets, Asset Maintenance, Internal Controls and Fundraising. The Council meets approximately six times each fiscal year (January 1-December 31) and relies on electronic exchanges between meetings. Although experience in general administration is an asset, it is not essential for your participation. Volunteers are required to have or to obtain a security check. Please consider this call for new members as we continue to work together to maintain a vibrant and caring Parish. Your interest in joining the Finance Council can be confirmed through an email to Paul Hession, the Chairperson of the Finance Council at johpaulhession@outlook.com.

FIRST SATURDAY RECEPTION ON JANUARY 4, 2025: Parishioners are invited to the Parish Hall for refreshments and fellowship after the morning Mass.

FOUND: Someone has left a large jar of cranberry sauce, purchased earlier this month in support of Project Tembo, in the parish hall washroom. It was brought to the parish office that weekend and is being kept in the office copy room fridge. To date no one has claimed it. If it belongs to you, please speak to one of the priests after Mass and they will be able to retrieve it for you from the copy room fridge. Thank you!

SENIORS / YOUNG AT HEART CARD / BOARD GAMES GROUP will be taking a break for Christmas. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We will resume on **Wednesday, January 8, 2025**. See you then.



LOST & FOUND: There are often items accidentally left in the Church. We have put a Lost & Found box in the gated closet beside the St. Anthony Statue near the front entrance of the Church.

CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. Dec 29 (Holy Family) ...8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am
Tue. Dec 31 (New Year's Eve) ...4:30pm
Wed. Jan 1 (Solemnity of Mary / New Year) 10:00am, 11:30am
 *(Incense)
***Incense will be used at 11:30am Jan 1.**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Please note that there will be no Children's Liturgy this week **Sunday, December 29th**.

BELL TOWER MAINTENANCE: A detailed report on the physical status of Parish's buildings and exterior areas has been prepared by a professional engineering company. The report includes assessments of specific areas, systems and equipment based on visual observations and measurements in some cases. The Finance Council has discussed the recommendations included in the report. The Bell Tower is showing signs of aging and water damage. It will be the first of a series of maintenance initiatives over the next decade. The Bell Tower Sub-Committee of the Finance Council (Paul Hession, Bev Binette, Brian Gracie, Paul Gravelle) is currently creating a history of the Tower's original construction and its maintenance over the years. The group is also researching and identifying possible service providers. Parishioners will receive regular updates as the project progresses, including the projected costs of several possible options.



Our Lady of Fatima Parish, dedicated to the Mother of God, seeks to fulfill the call of Jesus to "come follow me", to be true worshippers of the Father through the power of the Holy Spirit, and to love one another as Christ has loved us.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Our warmest regards to all who worship with us today. Whether you are long-time parishioners or newly arrived in our community, you may register your family information here or on our website.

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