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## December 22nd, 2024 — Fourth Sunday of Advent 22 dicembre 2024 - 4<sup>a</sup> Domenica D'Avvento





May the joy and peace of this Christmas Season be with you all through the New Year!!

The Family of Parishes Staff;

Jacob, Lucy, Zeljka, Sally, Lamis, Kevin, Laura, Sister Connie, Kim, Tim, Robert, Melissa, Lynne, Jean, Deacon Paul, Deacon Gerard, Deacon Edward, Father Timothy, Father Christian. Father Tony, Father Jim

#### **Christmas Mass Schedule**

Christmas Eve Tuesday, December 24th Christmas Day Wednesday, December 25th

**Assumption** 5:00pm, 7:30pm, Midnight

**Assumption** 10:00am

St. Alphonsus 5:00pm, 9:00pm

St. Alphonsus 12:00noon

St. Angela 4:30pm (Bilingual) St. Angela 10:00am (Bilingual)



St. Daniel Community at St. Alphonsus 2:00pm

#### **Daily Mass Schedule**

Monday, December 23rd 7:00pm—St. Angela

Tuesday, December 24th

8:00am—Assumption Church Rosary Chapel Confession to follow

Wednesday, December 26th and Thursday December 27th No Daily Mass

> Friday, December 28th 12:00noon—St. Alphonsus Adoration at Assumption—9:00am to 7:00pm

> > Monday, December 30th 7:00pm—St. Angela

**Tuesday, December 31st** 8:00am—Assumption Church Rosary Chapel

#### **Happy Retirement Sally!!!**

As we announced a few weeks ago, Sally McQuaid our Records Secretary is retiring at the end of this year. We thank her for her dedication over the years and keeping the office running, her efforts on the fundraising campaigns to restore Assumption Church, and for helping the parish communities adapt to the new Family of Parishes model. You will be missed around the office, but we know you will enjoy your camping adventures that await.

#### Welcome Lamis!

We extend a huge welcome to Lamis Kusto, our new Records Secretary. We are excited to have you on the team!

#### New Year's Mass Schedule

Tuesday, December 31st

4:30pm—St. Angela (Bilingual) 5:00pm—St. Alphonsus 5:00pm—Assumption

Wednesday, January 1st

10:00am—St. Angela (Bilingual) 10:00am—Assumption 12:00 noon—St. Alphonsus

#### **Family and Youth Ministry News**

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - FAMILY

REFLECTION: "In the encounter between Mary and Elizabeth described in today's Gospel, we learn that other people can help us recognize God's presence and action in our lives. Mary traveled to see Elizabeth because Elizabeth's pregnancy was a sign that everything the angel told Mary would truly happen. Elizabeth recognized Mary as the mother of her Lord because her unborn child, John the Baptist, leapt at the sound of Mary's greeting. Elizabeth and Mary rejoiced together at the wonderful things God was doing in their lives. We too are blessed when we have people who help us recognize God's action in our lives. We pray that our family can be this for one another." (Source: Loyola Press). The end of Mary's journey to Bethlehem and the birth of her child, Jesus, is getting closer. As a family talk about where we "see" Jesus in each other - just as Elizabeth did with Mary. Pray together the "Hail Mary".

CHRISTMAS 2024 - FAMILY REFLECTION: "Christmas should be an easy time to find God in all things, as St. Ignatius of Loyola calls us to do. But often it does not seem so simple. With all the distractions at home, school, and work, it is easy to lose sight of what is really important." (Source: Loyola Press) The birth of Jesus Christ gives us pause. Families take time, take a breath, and while being present to each other, pray. (Parents remember it is not all about the details (although it is important to celebrate), presents, wrapping and lights are not the only thing important about Christmas. Remember to bring your family's light to Jesus Christ in the manger, who is the "Light" of the world! See you in church.

Have a blessed, holy and joyful Christmas! Keeping all families close in prayer, Lynne Tibor CPM CYM



#### **HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

The Family of Parishes main office at Assumption and the St. Angela office will be closed from **noon on December 24th until January 2nd.** 

The office staff wish everyone the best of the season!!

#### Daily Mass Intentions—Assumption—8:00am

#### Tuesday, December 24th - 8:00 a.m.

† Tom Menard by Janet Menard

- † Madeleine Alexander by Leonard Alexander and Family Fr. Maurice Restivo (38th Anniversary of Ordination) by Pat Marino Souls in purgatory by Mary Ha
- † Robert Sr. and Kathleen Stobbs by David
- † Cheryl & Robert Stobbs Jr & Kathy Hughes by David

#### 5:00 pm and 7:30pm - Christmas Eve

For all Parishioners

Wednesday, December 25th - 12:00 am - Midnight For all Parishioners

#### 10:00 am - Christmas Day

For all Parishioners

Thursday, December 26th and Friday, December 27th No Masses

#### Daily Mass Intentions—St. Alphonsus –12:00pm

Tuesday, December 24th - 5:00 pm and 9:00pm - Christmas Eve For all Parishioners

Wednesday, December 25th - 12:00 pm - Christmas Day For all Parishioners

Wednesday, December 25th - 2:00 pm - Daniel Comboni For all Parishioners

#### Friday, December 27th - 12:00 pm

- † Patricia Zahler by Margo Shanklin
- † Souls in purgatory by Paul McAiney
- † Serapio Aragones Jr. (1st Anniversary) by Wife Lourdes and sons

#### Sanctuary Light Memorial—For the week of December 22nd Rosary Chapel

Antoinette and Lawrence by Marie Mifsud

Assumption Church
† Helen Thrasher (21st anniversary)

The grounds at Assumption Church have had festive lighting throughout the Advent and Christmas seasons for the past 13 years thanks to an anonymous donor. Assumption Parish and the West Windsor community express our gratitude to this kind benefactor who fully funds and supports the lighting each year. Take a drive by and enjoy the beautiful lighting.

#### Assumption Catholic Women's League

It has been a difficult year for our League; however, we are ready to welcome 2025 with hope and promise for a successful year and fulfill the Mission Statement of the league namely, being a part of "an organization rooted in Gospel values that call all members to holiness through service to the people of God." With this in mind our first meeting of the new year will take place on Sunday, January 19th in the Sacristy following the 11:00am Mass. We look forward to seeing you and sharing our Christmas memories and make plans to work towards helping our Parish and our Community. To all in our Family of Parishes we extend to you and your families a Christmas bright with celebration, wrapped in your favorite memories and warmed by the love of family and friends. The very best wishes for a blessed, healthy, and very "Happy New Year."

Marilyn Morrison, President

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

#### Daily Mass Intentions—St. Angela Merici

#### Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> - 7:00 pm

- † Antonio and Rufina Mucciaccio by family
- † Maria Luisa Martini by Lucia Deluzio
- † Frank Coletti by Margherita DiPonio
- † Angelo Marra by Esther Marra and family
- † Elvira and Gerardo Lomazzo by Elia and Errico Sarno

Dwayne L. Defrane by Alex and Maria DiPonio

## <u>Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> - 4:30 pm - Christmas Eve</u> For all Parishioners / Per tutti i parrocchiani

<u>Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> - 10:00 am - Christmas Day</u>For all Parishioners / Per tutti i parrocchiani

Thursday, December 26th and Friday, December 27th No Masses / No messe

## <u>Saturday, December 28<sup>th</sup> - 4:30 pm</u> † Maria e Donato Cellucci da Gerardo Tullio

#### Sunday, December 29th - 9:30 am

- † Augusta Monte by Claudia Monte
- † Isidoro Raneri by moglie e figli

#### Sunday, December 29th - 11:30 am For all Parishioners

#### PRAYING WITH THE SUNDAY GOSPEL RESOURCE FOR INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES

Lectio Divina, "divine reading", is a traditional method of scriptural prayer that leads to communion with God.

Download this week's Gospel at windsorheritageparishes.ca

#### LAST DATE FOR 2024 DONATIONS

The last day to drop off 2024 donations to the parish office is Monday, **December 24th by noon.** The last day you can donate for the 2024 income tax receipt at mass and online is Tuesday, December 31st.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Canada Revenue Agency considers the date of donation to be the date the gift is actually received by the charity. Any December donations dropped off or mailed to the office in January will be posted to January, not December and will show on your 2025 tax receipt.

## **Community Outreach News**

St. Alphonsus Cares

Thanks to all who participated in our Christmas craft day with Barb. Fun was had by all and there are some nice pieces of art being gifted to folks for Christmas. Stay tuned for our craft day!

Santa was kept busy with pictures last weekend. Thanks to all who stop by for a picture and donated to our meal costs. Merry Christmas!

Gobble Gobble! Turkey Bingo was a blast! Thanks to all who donated a turkey or 2! To the players and Bingo Caller Denise! Thanks for keeping things rolling along!

Our last community meal of 2024 was Friday, and it was a wonderful way to end the year. The Choir serenaded us with Christmas Carols and we all enjoyed a festive meal.

If you haven't been to our community meals make time in your schedule to join us in 2025. They are every Friday at 5:00pm beginning January 3rd. Doors open at 4:00.



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