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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Call the office

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Andrew O'Handley

Lectors:
Maryanne Chard
10:00AM Choir
Susan McElcheran
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM
12:00 Noon Choir
Antoine Pellerin

Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday
5:30 PM

Sunday
10:00 AM

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the
Religious Education office. Couples
expecting a child are encouraged to
contact the office before the child is
born. Please contact Ext 1003, for
more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Bob at least one year
prior to the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office Ext 1007

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday and Thursday
9:30 am to 11:30 am

Monday to Thursday afternoons
1:00 pm to 4:00pm

Monday & Wednesday Morning Closed

Friday closed

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
See CWL Bulletin Board for Details

Children's Liturgy
10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry
2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace
www.devp.org
3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers
3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group
Wednesdays after mass

Parish Council
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society
2nd Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday School (ages 3-6)
During 10:00 AM Mass



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 12*Zechariah 2:10-13 Revelation**11:19; 12:1-6m10 Luke 1:39-47*

5:30 pm Elfriede Horvatin +

Tuesday, December 13*Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13 Psalm 34:1-**2,9-13 Psalm 34:1-2,5-6,17-19, 22**Matthew 21:28-32*

5:30 pm Sick of the Parish

Wednesday, December 14*Isaiah 45:6-8, 18,21-25 Psalm**85:8-14 Luke 7:19-23*

5:30 pm Deceased Friars

Thursday, December 15*Isaiah 54:1-10 Psalm 30:1,3-5,10-**12 Luke 7:24-30*

5:30 pm Lil & Joe Zerebeski +

Friday, December 16*Isaiah 56:1-3,6-8 Psalm 67:1-2,4-**7 John 5: 16-17, 33-36*

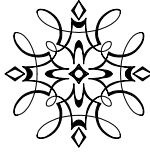
5:30 pm Gus Visentin +

Saturday, December 17*Genesis 49:2,8-10 Psalm 72 1-**4,7-8,17 Matthew :1-17*

5:30 pm Patti Labraccio +

Sunday, December 18*Isaiah 7:10-14 Psalm 24:1-6**Romans 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-24*

10:00 am Sofia Prus +

*Third Sunday of Advent**The Friar's Nook*

I hope you've noticed when you've been at Mass, the large circle in front of the altar is getting more and more filled up. The figures on this circle have been made by the children of this parish and I must say some of them are fascinating. I would recommend you take some time to look at them up closely because some of them have words written on them as well as an image of the child who made it. There are words like love, hope, and peace.

Last Sunday a young girl came to me after Mass and asked me if this was hope Sunday or love Sunday. I simply smiled and said "Let's call it hope Sunday, because every Sunday should be love Sunday." It pleased me to see someone so young thinking about things so profound. I'm glad that she noticed the change in the church because it's supposed to speak to us and draw us deeper into the season.

This also brings to mind the words of the prophet Isaiah that we hear throughout the Advent season:

"The wolf will live with the lamb,
the leopard will lie down with the goat,
the calf and the lion and the yearling together;
and a little child will lead them."

The reason Isaiah talks about a child leading us, is because as an adult we often get in our own way not to mention getting in the way of others. We might lead people but it's going to be according to our way not necessarily according to God's way. I often joke that it's so easy to say in the Lord's prayer, "Thy Kingdom come, my will be done." I believe the older we get the harder it can be to follow God's will in the easier it is to believe that our will is in fact God's will.

Hence, as Isaiah mentions, we need a child to lead us. Someone without guile or self will, that may lead us along the way of God's will. 2000 years ago, we had one such child when Jesus was born in Bethlehem. Today we need to look for that same honesty in sincerity in the little ones that are around us that they may be a source of the purity and goodness of God to us and to the world.

*Follow the Lord,
Fr. Bob*

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick:

The Deceased: John Hruskoci

FAIR TRADE WEEKEND - DEC. 10 / 11

This weekend (Dec. 10/11) is D&P's monthly Fair-Trade Weekend. Along with our Fair-Trade products (wonderful, meaningful Christmas gifts!!), we invite you to become a **member** of *Development and Peace - Caritas Canada* and join the over 11,000 Catholic Canadians working for peace and justice here and abroad. For those who have not already done so, we, also, invite you to **sign** the **Due Diligence Petition** that D&P is presenting to parliament. D&P will host **Coffee Sunday** on the 11th. We look forward to seeing you there.

Winter Welcome Table

They are looking for warm winter jackets. For Christmas this year, they are asking for personal needs (toiletries), Toothbrushes, tooth paste, soap, etc., these are needed more than gloves and scarves. They can be left at the entrance of the church. They will be needed for December 19th. Thank for helping us to continue to serve the clients of Winter Welcome Table.

St. Joan of Arc Conference of St. Vincent de Paul

We rely on the poor box to do our work in looking after the less fortunate of our area. If you use our blue or Xmas Hamper envelopes to make a donation and print your name and address on the envelope, we will issue a tax receipt at the end of the year. The blue envelopes are out all year round because we give out help all year round. Please help us to continue to help the less fortunate of our community.



Christmas Schedule

<i>Christmas Eve, December 24</i>	<i>5:30 pm Liturgy</i>
<i>Christmas Day, December 25</i>	<i>10:00 am Liturgy</i>

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

<i>New Year's Eve December 31</i>	<i>5:30 pm Liturgy</i>
<i>New Year's Day January 1</i>	<i>10:00 am Liturgy</i>

10:00 am SUNDAY LITURGY

We continue to live stream the 10:00 am Mass on our Facebook page.

Yes, The Christmas mass will be line streamed.

This Week

Wednesday, December 7

7:00 pm RCIA

Future Dates to Remember

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Ed office is accepting registrations now for this year's Confirmation class that begins in January. There are a limited number of openings left.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Any child interested in participating in the Christmas Pageant is invited to come to the parish hall at 12 noon today for the first rehearsal. Parts will be given out. We are looking for readers, shepherds, 3 Kings, town's people, angels and of course Mary and Joseph. You must be present to be chosen. The second Rehearsal will be next Sunday at the same time. Parents are also needed to help with the children during the rehearsal and the pageant.



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