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CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday 5:30 PM

> Sunday 10:00 AM

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

PARISH STAFF

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers

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

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

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

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.

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

of the Sick:

Call the office Ext 1007

BAPTISMS

MARRIAGE

Pastoral Visitation

To arrange for a visit

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 Wednesday, 7:30 PM

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



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 28

Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122 :1-4,7-10 Matthew 8:5-11, 13 5:30 pm Anita Landeta +

Tuesday, November 29

Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17 Luke 10:21-24 5:30 pm The Parish Community

Wednesday, November 30

Romans 10:9-18 Psalm 19:1-4
Matthew 4:18-22
5:30 pm Sick of the Parish

Thursday, December 1

Isaiah 26:1-6 Psalm 118:1,8-9,19-21,25-27 Matthew 7:21,24-27 5:30 pm Deceased of the Parish

Friday, December 2

Isaiah 29:17-24 Psalm 27:1,4,13-14 Matthew 9:27-31 5:30 pm The Parish Comunity

Saturday, December 3

Isaiah 30:19-21,13-26 Psalm 147: 1-6 Matthew 9:35;10:1,5,6-8 5:30 pm Ely Tan Scholten +

Sunday, December 4

Isaiah 11;1-10 Psalm 72: 1-2,7-8,12-13,17 Romans 15:4-9
Matthew 3:1-12
10:00 am Frank & Carmela
Camilleri+



First Sunday of Advent



The Friar's Nook

As I write this, I'm suffering from a terrible cold. I was tested for COVID and it's not that, I don't have a fever, so I don't think it's the flu, I think it's just a really bad cold. Judging from what I've seen in the stores around here I'm not alone in this. I've been to two places to buy over the counter medication only to find empty shelves. At one drugstore I asked about it and was told but they can't keep products on the shelves, as soon as they load them up they're sold. Thank goodness no one has thought of the 7/11, because they have been my source.

I tell you all this because I got this cold from not wearing a mask when I should have. Take it from me, you do not want to be down with a cold this bad when simply wearing a mask would have kept it from happening. I have learned my lesson albeit the hard way.

This Sunday, we start the season of Advent. You should know notice some change in the church's decor that will continue to grow through this season and culminate with Christmas. We have engaged the children at Marrocco Merton high school, St. Luigi's elementary school and our own religious education programs in the process and have had a wonderful response. We will be featuring children from these areas over the next four weeks at Mass in the lighting of the advent wreath.

As we begin a new church year, I would love to see more of you at mass. I am presently considering adding back the noon mass on Sundays at the beginning of the year if our number is warrant it and we have enough ministers to cover it. Our Sunday coffee ministry is slowly getting up to speed with the help of our development and peace volunteers. We are still looking for a person or family to head this up. That doesn't mean you would be responsible for every Sunday but rather those people who do wish to help would have a contact person to ask questions of and to be scheduled by. In fact, since our stewardship Sunday back in November that seems to be the biggest gaps we have finding people to coordinate the various ministries. The reason we have so many vacancies is that as people moved or aged out or even died one or two people stepped in to help out. But when they became infirm, we had no one and so now there are lots of vacancies. If one person could cover all these various ministries just think how easy it would be to help coordinate just one of them. And that's our goal is to get different people coordinating each of the ministries so there is not undue pressure on anyone individual.

I'd ask you as we begin a new church year to consider you're part making the parish a better place for all and asking yourself what can I do. Trust me, you can do a lot!

Come Lord Jesus, Fr. Bob

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick:

The Deceased: Joan Miller

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Interested in joining the Catholic Church or know someone who is? All adults who are interested in being baptized or confirmed in the Catholic Church or seeking to learn about Catholicism are invited to attend. Our RCIA programme is held every Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The CWL will have their first general meeting since Covid started on Monday, November 28. Members will attend the 5:30 pm mass. Followed by a Candle-Light service remembering all our deceased members. The meeting will begin at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. Anyone interested in joining the League is welcome to attend.

Friars' Student Writing Contest 2023

Focus Question for the Writing contest. The message of Isaiah 1:12-18 calls for unity among Christians. How is this vision being lived today? What more needs to be done? Conclude with a short prayer that expresses your hope for the common witness of the disciples of Jesus in Canada. Read Isaiah 1:12-18 and consult resources for the writing contest at https://bit.ly/3AgBy51 Contestants must be 13-19 years of age and attending an Ontario Secondary school or equivalent programme. See poster for more details.

Winter Welcome Table

A new season has started at St. Peter's parish, jointly run by St. Peter's and St. Joan of Arc, serving a hot meal to their clients every Monday night. They are looking for warm winter jackets. If you have gently used jackets that need a new home, you can bring the to the parish hall, and they will be distributed at St. Peter's on Monday nights. In a few weeks, they will have their Xmas collection of gifts for men and women, labels will be available for you to take and put on a gift that you purchase for their cause.

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

Since Covid, our funds have been down. 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.



10:00 am SUNDAY LITURGY

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

This Week

Monday, November 28

7:00 pm CWL General 7:00 pm RCIA

Wednesday, November 30

10 am School Mass 7:00 pm RCIA

Future Dates to Remember

Monday, December 5

7:00 pm Development and Peace

Tuesday, December 6

7:00 pm Creation Care

Friday, December 9

D & P Set up

December 10/11

Fair Trade Products Sale

RELIGIOUS EDUCATON

The Religious Ed office is accepting registrations now for this year's Confirmation class that begins in January. Don't miss out, once we reach the maximum number of students registration will be closed.

SAVE YOUR USED STAMPS

Bring your used stamps (Christmas cards will be arriving) to our coming DECEMBER FAIR
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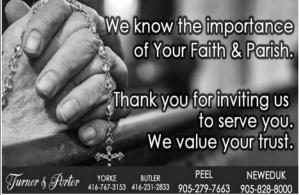
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