



Most Precious Blood Roman Catholic Parish

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Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 12 noon
12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
and 11:15 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday:
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Also by appointment.

Baptisms

Celebrated during the Masses on the
1st Sunday of each month. Please
call the office.

Marriage

Contact Father Greg one year in
advance to book an appointment.

Sunday Friends

Every Sunday from September to
June during the 11:15 a.m. Mass.

Vocations

If you are discerning a call to
Priesthood, permanent diaconate
or religious life, please contact Father
Greg at the parish office.

Sunday, December 20th, 2015
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Father Gregory J. Bonin, Pastor
Rev. Mr. Frank Lepain, Deacon
Mrs. Christine Coyle, Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Mrs. Liz Desmarais, Secretary
Mrs. Carol Lemire, Custodian / Maintenance Manager

Dear Parishioners,

As we approach the celebrations of Christmas this week, make this Christmas a celebration of the birth of Our Savior and the great gift of faith we have received. By striving to live in the presence of Christ during Advent, we will receive the best present of all — Our Savior.

As your family begins to look toward the celebration of the birth of Christ (the first advent--coming), take time each day to focus on the One we long to see face to face. Set apart a time of devotion together to anticipate and await with delight the coming of the Christ Child--God's own Son! Don't allow Him to get lost in the shuffle of activity--even as you physically prepare to celebrate.

Take time to prepare your heart for His coming . . . what is He calling you to do . . . how is He calling you to live for Him?

Please note: There will be no confessions this coming Saturday, December 26th. Also, there will be no Adoration or Benediction on Friday, January 1st, 2016.

Please note: There will be no weekday mass this Wednesday, December 23rd as the decoration committee will be decorating the Church for the Christmas Masses.

Jesus, the Light of the World, as we celebrate your birth May we begin to see the world in the light of the understanding you give us.

May God Bless our wonderful Parish with all our families!
Father Greg

Parish Mission Statement

**CENTERED IN CHRIST, WE ARE A WELCOMING COMMUNITY SHARING OUR
TALENTS AND GOODNESS, JOYFULLY CELEBRATING AND REACHING OUT TO ALL.**



MASSES OF THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

December 21st – December 25th

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday 7 PM - Zorka & Joseph Krajnc - *Lascaq Family*
 -Archie Gillies - *Family*
 - James & Jim Walsh - *Family*
 - John Smyth - *Norma Martin*

Wed. 8:30 AM - No Mass

Thurs. **Christmas Eve**
 -4:30 PM
 - 7 PM
 - 10 PM

Friday **Christmas Day**
 -10 AM

Saturday, December 26th No Confessions

**Office Closed Monday, December 28th
 until Monday, January 4th
 Office will open at 9AM on
 January 4th**

New Year's Masses

Thurs. Dec. 31st **New Year's Eve**
 5 PM

Fri. Jan. 1st **New Year's Day**
 10 AM

11AM New Year's Brunch



"Together let us pray to the Virgin Mary that she helps us ... to walk in faith and charity, ever trusting in the Lord's mercy; He always awaits us, loves us, has pardoned us with His Blood and pardons us every time we go to Him to ask His forgiveness. Let us trust in His mercy!" Pope Francis

Youth Ministry Update

This past week the young people had a lot of fun at the Youth Christmas Dance and then on Monday, December 14th we headed to St. Vincent de Paul Store on Chilver Road. There we helped the store with sorting, cleaning, organizing and more. It was a great opportunity to live out the Corporeal works of mercy together as a youth group. Youth group will resume in the New Year. Please keep checking the bulletin for updates.

Teen Event & Teen Ministry Group

On Wednesday, December 30th we will be hosting the first annual, "Almost" New Year's Dinner & Dance for teens in high school. Tickets are \$10. Mt. Carmel Teen Group will be joining us for this event. Space is limited. Please contact Christine if you would like to purchase a ticket. Dinner will be provided by Koolini's. The evening will be full of food, dancing, and fun activities. There will be a fun "gift-giving" activity. When you purchase your ticket, Christine will fill you in on all the fun.

Also, I am so excited to announce that we will be starting up a teen ministry group on Saturday evenings following our 5pm mass (bi-weekly). These nights will be a mix of faith, fun and outings for teens. Keep checking the bulletin, Facebook and the youth board for more details.

Youth Choir

Practice for our youth choir is on Tuesdays from 5-6:15pm. New comers are always welcome. Our first mass that we will be singing at is Saturday, January 9th at the 5pm. The youth choir will be singing every other week.

First Reconciliation/ First Eucharist Family Gathering

Our first meeting for children who are receiving both their First Reconciliation & First Eucharist is on Thursday, January 7th from 6:30-7:30pm here in the church hall. If you still need to register your child for the Sacraments forms are available in the church office and/ or you can fill out on January 7th before the meeting. Please note that if you want your child to make their First Eucharist this spring, they need to make their First Reconciliation first. Contact Christine if you have any questions.

Giving Tree Update

Thank you all once again for your generous donations to our Giving Tree 2015, our parish family really knows how to support the less fortunate especially this time of the year. Please see the Giving Tree list of what came in on the parish board in the narthex. Thank you all again!



Christmas Eve/Day New Years Eve/Day
Mass Schedule 2015

Christmas Eve: 4:30 p.m.; 7:00 p.m.; and
10:00 p.m.
Christmas Day: 10:00 a.m.
New Years Eve: 5:00 p.m.
New Years Day: 10:00 a.m.

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Last week the collection was \$7,929.00
Direct Deposit (avg. per week) \$ 1,078.50
Total Collection \$9,007.50

Building fund collection last week was \$340.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Building fund collection year to date is \$51,974.70
Building fund year to date paid is \$75,000.00

NEW YEAR'S DAY BRUNCH

Brunch will be in our hall following New Year's Day Mass. Food freshly prepared with a breakfast and lunch fare. Ticket prices are: Adults \$15, Seniors \$13 and 10 and under \$8, and five and under free. Tickets will be on sale after all masses or in the office during the week. Proceeds will go toward the building debt.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Most Precious Blood Conference sincerely thanks Fr. Greg, Deacon Frank, Liz, Carol, Christine and all of the parishioners for their abundant generosity throughout the past year. Your great kindness has given joy and hope to those we serve. Wishing you a blessed Christmas!

Dear Parishioners of Most Precious Blood

Sincere thanks and appreciation for selecting Drouillard Place as part of your Giving Tree for this Christmas Season. The gifts were right on the mark both for our Teens and young children. Please know that your generosity is greatly appreciated by all our families.

Your generosity does not go unnoticed and your rewards will be great knowing that you have been able to assist a Teen and a child not just with gifts but with the knowledge that they are loved and cared for by the broader community.

Since I will be away from December 15th, I want to extend to the parish team and to all of you my warmest wishes for Christmas and all the best for 2016. Marina Clemens, Executive Director, Drouillard Place.

RETRouvaille


Rediscover Your Marriage – Retrouvaille (pronounced reto-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery.' The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10's of 1000's headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information about, or to register for the January program beginning with a weekend on January 15, 2016 call 519-243-0687 or email: retrouvaillelondonstthomas@gmail.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

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