



EAST WINDSOR CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

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Sunday, December 11, 2022 Third Sunday of Advent
A message from Fr. Rob....

Today the church celebrates Gaudete (Rejoicing Sunday). The pink candle is lit, rose coloured vestments are worn and we listen to scripture passages that are filled with joy. This joy comes from an awareness that God is fulfilling the promises made long ago to care for His people. They will never be alone and have no need to be afraid. Their inner joy will be a sign of recognition of the nearness of the Saviour. Jesus tells the crowd to look around and see what God is doing among them. We are to do the same. In the midst of life's challenges and the darkness of war, violence, sickness, poverty, indifference etc. the Light of Christ shines brightly for all of us. As we continue our Advent journey, take some time to sit quietly in prayer, reflecting on where you see the Lord at work in your life.



In our family this weekend we gather with our youth and their families to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is a great day to celebrate with the youth. It fills us with joy. The Holy Spirit and the many gifts the Spirit bestows will be a great help to these young people as they find their way through the world. May the Lord bless them today and open their hearts to a new awareness of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. We have two confirmation masses today: 12:30 pm at OLA and 3 pm at SJV. Please keep them in your prayers.

Thanks to Fr Jim, Maria, Pat Collins, Darlene Demars and Jenna Ciampa for journeying with the youth over these last few months and helping them to grow in faith.

WISDOM OF THE SAINTS



"Am I not here who am your Mother? Are you not under my shadow and protection? Are you not in the crossing of my arms? Is there anything else you need?" Our Lady of Guadalupe to St. Juan Diego (Feast Day Dec. 12th, Patroness of the Americas) National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples

Pastoral Team

Pastor:

Fr. Rob Rocheleau

Associate Pastor:

Fr. Jim Higgins

Pastoral Minister:

Rachelle Leslie

Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministry:

Maria Mollica

Priest Chaplains to St. Anthony:

Fr. Barnabas Kiss OFM & Fr. Angelus Ligeti OFM

New Mass Schedule (Temporary times due to COVID-19):

Saturday

5 pm Our Lady of the Atonement

5 pm St. John Vianney

Sunday

8:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement for
St. Vincent de Paul Parish

9:00 am St. John Vianney

10:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

The mass for Hungarian Community is on hold
for time being

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available by appointment only at this time.

Call the office to arrange a time.

Baptism

Contact the Pastoral Minister to discuss baptism.

Marriage

Contact the office at least eight months in advance.

Marriage preparation is required.

Sacrament of the Sick


Communal Celebrations Seasonally.

Individually anytime - Speak to one of the priests.

Office Hours

Monday: 9 am-3 pm

Tuesday-Friday: 9 am-4pm

Vocations Calendar Please pray for...	 Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK
Tuesday, December 13 9 am @ SJV <i>St. Lucy</i> Mrs. Jean Beneteau Pastoral Minister	Jim LeClair -Richard Normandeau Giuseppe, Giovanna & Cheryl DeBeneditti -John & Virginia Soave Alessandro, Giuseppina, Pasqualina Soave -John & Virginia Soave Erminia Gallucci -son Nick & Granddaughters Barb Lapierre -Lapierre Family Guy Dufour & daughter Carol Dufour -Marc Dufour
Wednesday, December 14 9 am @ OLA <i>St. John of the Cross</i> Avery Fuerth, Life Teen Coordinator	Special Intentions of Ely Garcia-Aniceta "Virgie" Sama -husband, Ali Sama & Family Darla MacMaster -Gary & Sylvia Major Victor Formosa -Tony & Emma Ellul Manuel "Boy" Capampangan -Manny & Lita Floresca Keith Campbell -Gary & Sylvia Major
Thursday, December 15 9 am @ SJV Fr. Christophe Mbunzu, O.F.M. Cap.	In Thanksgiving for God's Blessings - Lamug/Dumlao Families Ints. of Angie Papineau -Ursie, Liz & Marie Filomena Lamug (5th Anniv.) Her Family Klemen Bremenkamp -sister, Burgy Bose Antonio Arlotta -His Family Bill Couvion -wife Sandra & Family
Friday, December 16 9 am @ OLA Deacon Brian MacDonald	Ints. of Lina & Jun Delarmente -sister, Susan Arduino Fortuna -wife, Onoria & Family Angelo Mariani -His Family Roger Fortier -wife Joanne & Family Eugene Lefebvre -Bob & Suzanne Cayea Nora Lina -Her Family
Saturday, December 17 5 pm @ OLA & SJV <i>Ministers to the Bereaved in the Diocese of London</i>	Intentions of the Parishioners
Sunday, December 18 Fourth Sunday of Advent 8:30 & 10:30 am @ OLA 9:00 am @ SJV Fr. Augustine Ogunde	Intentions of the Parishioners



Individual Reconciliation

Saturday, Dec. 17
10:30 am - Noon @ SJV

Saturday, Dec. 17
10:30 am - Noon @ OLA

Tuesday, Dec. 20
9:30 am – 10:30 am @ SJV

Wednesday, Dec. 21
9:30 am – 10:30 am @ OLA
Come to confession &
Prepare your heart for Christmas

OFFERTORY DONATIONS: year end is here



and with bank and stat holidays, please try to have all 2022 donations received by **Sunday, December 25**. They can also be dropped off to the parish office prior to that or put in the slot at the rectory door at SJV at the latest Wednesday, December 28th at noon. The office will be open Dec. 28 and 29. It is advisable not to mail it in as you never know this time of year. Your financial support is very much appreciated.



OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2023

The envelopes are ready for pick up.

Please pick up envelopes for Our Lady of the Atonement in St. Francis Hall. The envelopes for St. John Vianney are available in the parish hall. Envelopes for St. Anthony are prepared and will be available when we are able to resume.

Please **do not use 2023 envelopes before January 1, 2023**. Please put your name and address on them when making your donation as this helps greatly. If you do not presently use offertory envelopes and would like to start please contact Pauline: 519-735-6023 ext. 30 or planglois@dol.ca.

***St. Vincent: continue to use your 2022 envelopes until the end of the year. Be sure to contact the office about your wishes for 2023.**



OFFICE UPDATE-RETIREMENT

Congratulations and best wishes to Pauline Langlois as she retires from serving our family at the end of the month. Pauline has faithfully served at Our Lady of Fatima, then St. John Vianney and the last few years within our Family of Parishes. We are grateful for her dedication and expertise and wish her many blessings in her retirement.

There is a Time for Everything under Heaven...

Let us all pray for all those who are in need of healing, at home, nursing homes or in hospital, and all those who care for them. Let us pray also for our deceased parishioners and family members who have died:

Derrek Barwise, Mario Mancini, Fred Moroun, Mary Lou Mousseau & Brianna Van Watteghem
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.
May the Risen Lord bring peace and comfort to those who mourn.

What's Happening

Date & Time	Parish	Group & Location
Tues. Dec 13 @ 6:30 pm Last one until the new year	OLA	Church Family Youth Group (Atonement Centre)
Tues. Dec 20 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	OLA/Society of SVDP (St. Francis)



OUR PARISH MISSION SUPPORT

Thanks to the generosity of our Family of Parishes we are able to support a number of partners. Our mission collection is the first Sunday of February and many people make donations all year long. Our support this year:

Catholic Missions in Canada: \$2250 support of missionaries across Canada

Diocese of Mackenzie Fort Smith, NWT: \$2250 assistance for poor families in need; food pantries

Chalice Canada (Cath. Aid agency based in Nova Scotia): \$1500 various development projects in Africa, Haiti

Save A Family Plan (based at St. Peter's Seminary) support of 4 families in India: \$1056

Thank you for your prayers and financial support of these partners.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BOTTLE DRIVE FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS



The Knights (8919) will conduct their bottle & can drive on Saturday, January 7th from 9am-2pm at the rectory garage at Our Lady of the Atonement. Please hold on to your liquor bottles and cans to support this worthwhile cause. Many thanks!



We are not out of the covid woods yet and cold and flu season is now upon us. Feel free to wear a mask while indoors and make use of the hand sanitizer found at all the doors of the church when you arrive. Let's keep one another healthy.

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS



We are in need of men's coats, heavy blankets and sleeping bags. If you have any of these items and wish to donate, just bring to church on any weekend and we will get them to the volunteers who are doing amazing work with their outreach to the homeless in Windsor.

St. Peter's Seminary Advent Appeal

Each gift to the 2022 St. Peter's Seminary Advent Appeal supports the learning and formation experience in the Seminary and is an investment in the Church's future. We trust that in your generosity, and amid many urgent causes in today's world, you will have a place in your hearts and in your prayers for the men and women of the Seminary community!

Envelopes are available at the back of the church for those who are interested in supporting St. Peter's Seminary.

May God bless you, your family, friends and community!



THANK YOU to everyone for their generous response to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Giving Tree project this advent. Your gifts will enable us to respond to many families experiencing the challenges of poverty.



<i>Our Lady of the Atonement</i>	Christmas Masses	<i>St. John Vianney</i>
	Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24	
Saturday 4:30 pm		Saturday 5:00 pm
Saturday 7:30 pm		Saturday 8:00 pm
	Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25	
Sunday 10:30 am		Sunday 10:00 am
	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, New Year's Jan 1st	
New Year's Eve Saturday 5 pm		New Year's Eve Saturday 5pm
New Year's Day Sunday 10:30 am		New Year's Day Sunday 10 am

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