



Our Lady of the Atonement

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December 9, 2018– Second Sunday of Advent

As we gather this weekend, we are reminded that God continues to pour out gifts of grace into our lives. When we are truly open to allowing the Holy Spirit to



be our guide, then we can be pleasantly surprised at what the Lord has in store for us. May we continue to focus on being messengers of hope and joy as we move through these advent days.

We had a very joyful celebration with the students and staffs of our two schools this past week to begin the Advent Season. The children always bring enthusiasm and a keen desire to shine with the Light of Christ.

We are joyfully preparing for the celebration of confirmation with our youth next weekend. This is surely a sign of joy for us.

Also be sure to take advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation this advent. You are welcome to join in an area confession service which will be held at Good Shepherd Parish just near Patillo Road on Wednesday at 7 pm.

We did not send out a Christmas mailing this year so we have included the schedule this weekend. Keep it handy. Envelopes for your Christmas offering can be found at the doors of the church. Please be sure to put your name and address on it to ensure proper credit for a tax receipt.

Parish Team

Pastor:

Fr. Rob Rocheleau ext. 22

Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Maria Mollica ext. 23

Office Coordinator

Mary Mullins ext. 35

Events Coordinator

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Robin Orosz ext. 21

Custodian: Mike MacLellan

Finance Council Chair

Loretta Brennan

Pastoral Council Chair

Annemarie Bondy

Mass Schedule

Saturday ~ 5:00 p.m.

Sunday ~ 10:00 a.m.

Daily Masses ~ Consult inside

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday ~ 11 a.m. to Noon

Weekdays by request

Baptism

Expectant parents are asked to contact the Pastor to discuss baptism.

Baptism preparation is required

Marriage

Contact the office at least eight months in advance. Marriage preparation is required.

Sacrament of the Sick

Communal Celebrations Seasonally.

Individual anytime-contact Pastor for appointment.

Please Contact the office.

Office Hours

Tue., Wed., Thur., & Fri.

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Office is closed on Monday.

Vocations Calendar Please Pray for...	Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK
Monday, December 10 Mrs. Christine Coyle Coordn. of Youth Ministry	No Mass Today
Tuesday, December 11 2:00 pm 7:00 pm Fr. Steve Wlusek	Heron Terrace Tommy Gardener- Phil & Mary Berthiaume Luigi & Antonietta Ruccolo- Their Daughter & Family Olivia Grillo- Mary Bellemore
Wednesday, December 12 10:00 am <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i> Ms. Suzanne Walton Pastoral Minister	In Thanksgiving- Ely Garcia Lola & Frank Manning- Delores & Dave Paquin James & Bob Hind- Their Family
Thursday, December 13 6:00 pm <i>*Note Time*</i> <i>St. Lucy</i> Mrs. Jean Beneteau Pastoral Minister	The CWL Members in need of Healing- The Priests of the Diocese of London- Maureen Gervais- The Catholic Women's League
Friday, December 14 9:00 am <i>St. John the Cross</i> Mrs. Marguerite Hewer Pastoral Minister	Ints. of the Barfuss Family- Marietta Yap Handayan- Susan Galizio Boris Dybenko- Lida & Basilio Crestan
Saturday, December 15 5:00 pm Fr. Jan Pochwala	Intentions of the Parishioners
Sunday, December 16 10:00 am <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> Deacon Brian McDonald	Intentions of the Parishioners <i>Zephaniah 3.14-18a</i> <i>Philippians 4.4-7</i> <i>Luke 3.10-18</i>



FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Please ensure that all donations for the 2018 tax year are received by 10 am mass on Sunday, December 30th. Any donations received after this will be credited for 2019.

Donations for Parish Mission projects and capital donations can be made year round.

Your continued support of the parish is deeply appreciated as we face the challenge of decreasing Sunday offertory and try to keep the lid on all expenses.



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

We invite the young actors & actresses in our parish to take part in our 5 pm Christmas Eve Presentation. If you would like to share your talents for Jesus, please speak to Mrs. Mollica after mass or call the parish office.



December 18th will be our last Youth group session for this year. We will take a break in order to allow our Youth Group Leaders to prepare for exams. We look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday, February 5th at 6:30 pm.



FIRST RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST

Information was prepared and sent home with the children in Grade 2 at Lassaline and Desmarais. If your child attends an out of area Catholic, Public or French language school, contact Maria to get the information or from the Welcome Desk or parish office.

All catechesis will be done in the parish this year beginning with the parent meeting on Wednesday, January 16th. Catechism classes will be on Thursday evenings 6:30-7:45 pm for all children and begin January 24th.



SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Offertory envelopes for 2019 are ready for pick up in St. Francis Hall. **We have discovered a glitch in our computer system which inexplicably did not print out all the required envelope users labels (it appears to have affected 30-50 names).** If you do not find your set, please contact Mary ASAP so we can remedy the situation.

Be sure to check that your name is right on the box and that you pick up the right box. **PLEASE DO NOT USE THEM UNTIL 2019. Any unused 2018 envelopes can be tossed into recycling.**

PAR: pre-authorized remittance is also available if you would like to start using this method for your Sunday offering. Mary has all the forms ready for you. Just give her a call. Those presently using PAR are asked to contact Mary with any changes.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We warmly welcome into our family through the waters of baptism this weekend:

Cailyn Easter, Jaxson Easter, Alyssa Hudson, Liam Suta

May the Lord bless them as they begin their journey of faith among us.

The next celebration of baptism will be on January 13th. Please phone Fr. Rob now to make arrangements.

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 those who have died: Antonio Gugliotta, Cecil DeCoteau, Elizabeth Kendall

May the Lord comfort those who mourn them.

What's Happening

Sun. Dec 9	11 am—4pm Super Sunday for Confirmation Candidates
Tues. Dec. 12	Mass at Heron Terrace 2 pm Communal Confession Celebration 7pm @ Good Shepherd Parish
Thurs. Dec 13	6 pm Mass & CWL Christmas Dinner
Fri. Dec 14	10 am Centering Prayer
Sun. Dec 16	12 pm Confirmation



LITURGICAL MINISTERS: A reminder to please check your schedules and upon arrival for mass, check in the sacristy to ensure we have enough servers, lectors and ministers of communion for each mass. Thank you!

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Members will gather this Thursday beginning with mass at 6 pm and then our dinner and social.



This will be a perfect opportunity to renew your membership for another year.

Many thanks to all who worked so hard this week to make the meat pies and to all our wonderful customers. It was a lot of hard work and we are grateful for all the workers and buyers!

SIGN UP SHEETS FOR CHRISTMAS LITURGIES



Lectors and ministers of communion are asked to sign up for ministry for the Christmas liturgies in the sacristy.

Ushers are asked to sign up on the sheet in the ushers room.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



Since the end of September, our 54 candidates have been preparing to receive this sacrament which completes their initiation as disciples. We continue to pray for them. All are welcome to join us for the special Mass of Confirmation next Sunday at 12 noon.

We will also celebrate confirmation with a couple of candidates at the Tuesday evening mass this week.

Advent Prayer for Families

Heavenly Father, your Son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us, a great sign of your love. Guide us as we strive to walk in that love together as a family this Advent. As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, bring us closer to each other and to your Son. Give us the grace and strength we need every day. Help us to always trust in you. Come, Lord Jesus, lead all people closer to you. Come and dispel the darkness of our world with the light of your love.

Amen.



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