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## DECEMBER 21

## FINANCE UPDATE

Last Sunday's Collection:		Compared to:
From envelopes:	\$8,182.00	Same Sunday last year: \$9,872.93
From non-envelopes:	\$ 792.61	
From P.A.G.:	\$ 2,216.31	2014 Weekly Budget: \$9,058.00
	<b>\$11,190.92</b>	



Monday, December 22

8:00 a.m. + Therese Duchesne req. by Irene Scotchko

Tuesday, December 23

12:00 Deceased Members of the DiRezze Family  
req. Luisa DiRezze Family

Wednesday, December 24

5:00 p.m. Mass

12:00 a.m. Midnight Mass

Thursday, December 25

9:00 a.m. Mass

10:45 a.m. Mass

12:30 p.m. Mass

Friday, December 26

9:30 a.m. Mass

Saturday, December 27

9:30 a.m. + Tim Byrne req. Ann Gibbens

5:00 p.m. Deceased Family Members of this parish

Sunday, December 28

9:00 a.m. Mass

10:45 a.m. Missa Pro Popolo

12:30 p.m. Mass

## EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP

You are invited every Thursday, from 7:00 to 8:45 p.m. in the parish hall with WARM-UP EXERCISES TAI-CHI, LINE DANCING and exciting activities.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE  
WHO ARE SICK

Rita Cincinnato, Margaret Main, Loretta Abbott, Fred Ramsperger, Stan DeDeckere and David deQuesnay

## WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Maria Bicanic, Clair Joseph Hayes, Therese Duchesne, Anthony Goveas, Gerry Martin and Philomena Goveas

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASS  
SCHEDULE

<b>Wednesday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Christmas Eve</b>	5:00 p.m. Mass with Christmas Pageant
	12:00 a.m. Midnight Mass
<b>Thursday, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Christmas Day</b>	9:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:30 p.m.
<b>Friday, Dec. 26<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30 a.m. Mass
<b>Wednesday, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup></b> <b>New Year's Eve</b>	5:00 p.m. Mass
<b>Thursday, Jan. 1<sup>st</sup></b> <b>Feast of Mary</b> <b>Mother of God</b>	9:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m.
<b>Friday, Jan 2</b>	7:00 p.m. Mass

## YEAR 2015 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Please pick-up your 2015 envelopes in the church hall. Kindly write your name, address and telephone number on the first envelope. If there are any errors please contact the rectory at (905) 884-7006. **DO NOT USE BEFORE 2015.**

## Welcome all new Parishioners

Please pick up a box of envelopes and fill out a registration form which can be found in the Parish Hall. Please put your name and phone number on the envelopes for the first couple of times that you use them. Thank you.

Please consider enrolling in the **PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving) Plan**. Participation in this program has increased as more and more parishioners discover and appreciate the convenience of making their regular offering to the parish via direct monthly deposits. This program also benefits the parish as it allows us to more accurately budget for parish needs. **If you are using PAG, please be sure to still pick up your box of envelopes.** Why? Donations to Special Collections (Christmas, Easter, ShareLife, etc) are only included in the box of envelopes.

## **CHRISTMAS GREETING**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we celebrate this fourth Sunday of Advent together, I wish to extend my pastoral greetings, blessings and prayers to each of you.

During the season of Advent, the church has called us to a time of waiting, watching and preparation for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. So often, these final days of Advent can become "Madvent" if we allow them to become consumed with shopping, baking, and other preparations for the festive season. We can easily lose sight of the inner meaning and reason for our celebration if we give in to the "madness" of commercialism and materialism. Even the singing of carols, the traditional meals, the family get-togethers and the loving exchange of gifts can obscure the deeper meaning of our Christmas festivities. As special as these experiences are, we are called to remember that beyond all of this good cheer, there is a great and Holy Mystery – the Word made flesh, Emmanuel – God with us, and among us, in our lives.

In the Gospel reading for this Sunday, St. Luke tells the story of the Annunciation, when Mary is visited by the Angel Gabriel. "Do not be afraid, Mary," the angel says, "for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. The angel reassures Mary and us that "nothing is impossible with God."

As we complete our final preparations for the Christmas feast, let us also hear and heed the voice of the angels and rejoice in the message that God is sending us. The virgin will bear a son who is our Lord and Saviour and he will save us from our sins and free us for lives of love, joy, and peace.

Amidst all the final shopping, baking, and meal preparations, let us take a few moments to ponder the meaning of the angel's words for us. They are words that invite us to receive the gift of God's love in Christ and to give it back to all those that we encounter in our lives.

Blessings and peace in Christ,

**Fr. Michel, Fr. Morosco, Deacon Malcolm, Dr. Michael, Cathie, Rita, Angela, Donata and Angela**

## **MILKBAG PROJECT**

At the parish we have two groups who come together to assist in this outreach project:

1. Jean Vanier students under the leadership of Serena Zeppieri and assisted by Dorothy Whelan. These students gather on alternate Wednesdays from 2:30 to 4:30 in the Parish Hall. The next workshop will be January 14, 2015.
2. Parish Volunteers under the leadership of Mercy De Souza. This second group invites all parishioners who wish to participate to meet on specific dates that will be published in the bulletin throughout the year.

Their energy and enthusiasm and love are a great blessing to so many!



## **THANK YOU** **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!**

Two weekends ago, these caring men served our parish family a wonderful lunch which nourished us. This past weekend, they served again, this time, at the Table of God. We are grateful for their hearts of love and service to our community of faith.

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD** **WITH CHILDREN**

It is important to know that Liturgy of the Word with Children is more worship than catechesis. It recognizes the integral part of children in the liturgical celebration. The purpose of celebrating the Liturgy of the Word with children is to lead them to full, conscious and active participation as they listen to God's Word in a language that is appropriate to them and their ability to understand.

## **MINISTRY LEADERS' MASS AND** **RETREAT (FOLLOWED BY LUNCH) ON** **JANUARY 10, 2015**

*The lay faithful, by virtue of their Baptism, are agents in the work of evangelisation and human promotion...incorporated in the Church, each member of the People of God is inseparably disciple and missionary (Pope Francis, Vatican City, March 10, 2014)*

In gratitude for you, as you live out your baptismal call to mission and discipleship, Fr. Michel will offer a Mass of Thanksgiving for all Ministry Leaders on Saturday, January 10, 2015 at 9:30 AM. After mass, Ds r. Michael Hryniuk will lead us in prayerful reflection. A hot lunch will be served at noon. Please confirm your attendance by emailing: [cathie@olqw.com](mailto:cathie@olqw.com).

## **FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST**

### **Win Great Prizes!**

Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a five hundred-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2015. The Theme for this coming year is "Jesus said to her: 'Give me a drink'" (John 4:7). Students should read the Scripture passage John 4:1-42 and answer the following question in the essay:

If Jesus was able to reach out beyond his own Jewish community, and to a woman with a questionable reputation, what does that tell Catholics about the value of Christian Unity?

First prize is an iPad Air (16 GB), second prize is a Kobo Aura H20, and third to sixth prizes are a one-year subscription to The Catholic Register and other prizes.

Deadline for entries is **Jan. 9, 2015**. E-mail your essay to [editor@catholicregister.org](mailto:editor@catholicregister.org) or FAX it to 416-934-3409 (please include your full name, email address, phone number, and the name of your school. For further info. call 416-934-3400, ext. 344 or 416-934-3410, ext 404 or 1-855-441 4077.

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