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# ST. COLUMBAN

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## PARISH

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# ADVENT

# ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

IN OUR PARISH

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home."*

MATTHEW 1:24

*Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. Joseph was a model of these pillars of our faith. As we prepare for the birth of our lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.*

## ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR DECEMBER 04, 2022

Sunday Envelopes	4,156.00
Loose Collection	561.75
Christmas Offering	270.00
Weekly Total	\$4,987.75

## 2022 CHRISTMAS MESSAGE (THE WORD BECAME FLESH)

Hail Mary full of Grace – the Lord is with you  
Blessed are you among women & Blessed is the fruit of your womb.

Mary....Chosen to give God flesh!

Bethlehem of Judea – Beth – lehem --- House of Bread  
He himself said "I am the Living Bread which came down from Heaven"

And the word was with God & the Word was God.  
And the Word became flesh

He made His dwelling among us and we saw His Glory –  
The Glory as of the Father's only son full of Grace & Truth.  
We became children of God precisely because God reached down to us and became a Son of Man.

Come let us adore Him.

This profound mystery of Christmas puts into the hearts of Man – Peace

To live as Brothers & Sisters- children of the same God.  
Yes – we are kissed by – Beauty, Grace & Truth – from Jesus the Christ

The only begotten son – God who is at the Father's side has revealed Him.

Venite Adoremus - And became Flesh

May you all enjoy a very Blessed and Merry Christmas.

Fr. Tom  
Fr. Marc  
Deacon Guy

## TODAY'S READINGS – DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2022

1st Reading:	Isaiah 7.10-14
2nd Reading:	Romans 1.1-7
Gospel:	Matthew 1.18-24
	Jesus was born of Mary, who was engaged to Joseph, son of David.

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IN OUR PARISH

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday, December 17th

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Barbara Parisien by Joe Parisien & Family

### Sunday, December 18th

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. For those Remembered in Memoriam by the Patron's Foundation

11:00 a.m. Barry Adams by Carol, Ronald, Shannon & Families

Carmel Bourgon by Husband Urbain Bourgon & Family

### Monday, December 19th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** ADVENT – WEEK 4

### Tuesday, December 20th

7:30 a.m. Herbert Clarke Sr. by George Clarke

**Wednesday, December 21st** ST. PETER CANISIUS (OM)

12:10 p.m. For Our Godchildren by Richard & Carole Pilon

### Thursday, December 22nd

7:30 a.m. Laurette & Leonard Doyon by The Estate

10:15 a.m. St. Matthew & Bishop Macdonell School Mass

### Friday, December 23rd

ST. JOHN OF KANTY (OM)

7:30 a.m. Patricia Maloney by Darlene Brabant

**Saturday, December 24th** CHRISTMAS VIGIL – THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Annunciacion Cespon by Darlene & Lloyd Tyo  
Maria Rosa Vincelli by the Vincelli Family

### Sunday, December 25th

CHRISTMAS - THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

7:30 a.m. Barbara & Iola Parisien by Joe Parisien & Family

10:00 a.m. People of the Parish

### Monday, December 26th

ST. STEPHEN (F)

7:30 a.m. **No Mass**

CHRISTMAS

## SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION

The living flame of the Sanctuary Lamp, signifying the Eucharistic Presence of our Lord Jesus Christ, is offered this week for a Special Healing by a Parishioner.



## THE GIVING OF OUR TIME, OUR TALENT, AND OUR TREASURE

Stewardship is the proper managing and sharing of our time, talent, and treasure for building the Kingdom of God. Everything we have is a gift – our life, our property, our health, our talents, our money. All are gifts from God. We are called to share these gifts with others – not in a single action, not in a hundred actions, but as a way of life. We are called to receive God's gifts gratefully, to develop them responsibly, and to return them to the Lord through sharing with others. Stewardship is a direct response to God's generosity and an expression of discipleship.

## IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

### TIME AND TALENT

We grow in discipleship through service. Our volunteer community consist of over 50 members serving in one capacity or another. We are grateful for all our volunteers who so generously support our many ministries. For those of you who are not yet engaged, please consider serving in a ministry that best suits your available time and talent.

### TREASURE

Your financial contributions to the Parish allow us to meet our operating and maintenance expenses and to invest in upgrades to our facilities and programs. We currently offer several ways for you to contribute financial support:

1. **Envelopes and Parish Registrations**
2. **Interac e-Transfer**
3. **Wills and Bequests**

Whichever means works best for you, we are most grateful for your ongoing support.

### 2023 PARISH ENVELOPES

Envelopes are available at the 4<sup>th</sup> Street entrance. Please ensure the number on the label matches the number in the box. Beginning January 1<sup>st</sup> please discard all 2022 envelopes and write your name on the 2023 envelopes for the entire month of January.

### PLEASE NOTE

We need to close the Parish Financial books on December 29<sup>th</sup>. All money received after this date will be credited for 2023.

### ENVELOPES AND PARISH REGISTRATION

If you are new to the parish, please pick up a Registration Form located at the Fourth St. Entrance. You can drop it in the Collection Basket or the mailbox at the Rectory. You can also bring it to the Rectory during regular business hours. The registration form allows the parish to know how many families live in the parish and allows parish staff to contact families when necessary. It also allows the church to provide a yearly tax receipt. Registration means that we want to gather each Sunday with our brothers and sisters in Christ to worship God and that we want and intend to support the ministries in our parish. Registration is a concrete sign that the family is involved in the life and work of the parish.

### WILLS AND BEQUESTS

Please call or e-mail the parish office and we can assist you with your charitable gift. Parish Secretary 613-932-9616 or [office@stcolumban@cogeco.ca](mailto:office@stcolumban@cogeco.ca)

### POPE FRANCIS DECEMBER INTENTIONS

**For volunteer not-for-profit organizations.** We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

### VOCATIONS

*Prayer for Vocations:* Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 18. That many will answer the call to serve Christ as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, just as Joseph did as the Angel commanded, we pray to the Lord.

### CHRISTMAS - MASS SCHEDULE (revised)

Christmas Vigil, Saturday December 24<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m.  
Christmas Day, Sunday December 25<sup>th</sup> 7:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

### NEW YEAR'S - MASS SCHEDULE (revised)

New Year's Eve, Saturday December 31<sup>st</sup> 5:30 p.m.  
New Year's Day, Sunday January 1<sup>st</sup> 7:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

### OFFICE CHRISTMAS HOURS

The Parish Office will close on December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12:00 noon and remain closed until December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

### OFFICE NEW YEAR HOURS

The Parish Office will close on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon and remain closed until January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

### ADVENT FOOD DRIVE FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

We have reached out to the people at St. Vincent de Paul to see what items they have an immediate need of: Canned Soup, Mr. Noodles, and Lunch Snacks  
Donation bins are located at the Fourth street entrance and the front east door.

You can also assist St. Vincent de Paul with monetary donations. Envelopes and the donation box are located at the Fourth Street entrance. (Tax receipts will be given)

St. Vincent de Paul is currently located at St. Francis de Sales Parish. They provide assistance to those in need by distributing food items donated by the public on Tuesday and Friday 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a registered charitable organization that is recognized by the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall. They are run entirely by volunteers, if you wish to volunteer, call 613-932-9345.

### CATHOLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Available at the Catholic Bookstore (613-933-5099) are Sunday Missals for 2022-2023, both the "Living with Christ" and the "St. Joseph" missals. Also, Christmas cards, books, giftware, Nativity sets including a large outdoor coloured scene (40x50in).

### CATHOLIC CALENDARS

The calendars have arrived and are available on the Book Table. Besides the beautiful artwork and scripture meditations, they contain lots of information on our Catholic faith. Cost is \$5.00.

### PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH BINGO

Precious Blood Parish in Glen Walter will have their next bingo on Wed., December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, in the church hall at 7:00 pm. EARLY BIRD GAMES start at 6:15 pm. Doors open at 5:00 pm. Over \$1325.00 to be won. Everyone welcome. Hope to see you there!

### INTERAC E-TRANSFER PROCESS

Please get in touch with the Parish Office (613-932-9616) if you require assistance with this process.





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