

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Cathedral

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Rector: Very Reverend Geoffrey Angeles

Deacon: Reverend Mr. Rudy Le Maître


Sacramental Assistant: Fr. Ken Barclay (Retired)





MONDAY, Dec 29/14 - Ferial
12:10 pm - 25 Anniversary for Margaret & Mitch Leenders
 - Nawrocki Family

TUESDAY, Dec 30/14 - Ferial
12:10 pm - † Antonio Ramos/Remy Ramos

 - Denise Markmann

WEDNESDAY, Dec 31/14 - New Year's Eve
 - The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God
5:00 pm † Natividad V. Aguadera/Remy Aguadera

THURSDAY, Jan 01/15 - New Year's Day
 - The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God
9:30 am
11:30 am - - Archbishop Gagnon presiding


 - Roman Cubacub
 - Rodolfo Mendoza Roque

FRIDAY, Jan 02/15 - Memorial
 - St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen
12:10 pm - Healing for Kimberly Nicole Bennett/Lori

 - Emelio Danting

SATURDAY, Jan 03/15 - Feast
 - Epiphany of the Lord
 Archbishop Gagnon presiding
5:00 pm - † Leonila Encarnacion Maranan/Family

SUNDAY, Jan 04/15 - Feast
 - Epiphany of the Lord
9:30 am & 11:30 am - for St. Mary's parishioners

 - Ernest Cutz
 - John Wachko Sr.

Liturgical Staff:

Director of Music: Ian Campbell
 Sacristan: Connie Nepomuceno

Faith Formation:

Children: Don Schroeder
 Rite of Christian Initiation: Sr. Rose Mary Sander

Parish Councils:

Finance: Bill Wachko
 Building & Grounds: Ky Mohammed
 Pastoral: Sr. Rose Mary Sander

Support Staff:

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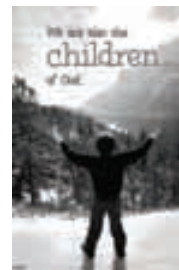
Affiliated Organizations:

Catholic Women's League: Eleanor Ulasz
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December 28, 2014

The Holy Family

"Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, 'And you yourself a sword will pierce.' " This old man in the Temple, a man filled with the Holy Spirit, uttered these ominous, prophetic words. Right in the midst of a religious celebration that could be considered a kind of parallel to Christian baptism, Simeon started talking about suffering. Although this might have put a damper on the joy of the occasion, it was nonetheless a precious moment. God was speaking through the mouth of the Spirit-filled Simeon and actually doing Mary a great service. God was helping Mary to prepare herself for what lay ahead. And the truth was, the road in front of her family was destined to be marked by the cross.



Our families also bear this mark. Although in a different way from Mary, we all have our crosses to deal with. Whether it be the sickness or death of a loved one, conflicts among siblings or spouses, or unexpected challenges like infertility or a lost job, no family is without its share of trouble. As we navigate these difficulties, we would do well to remember Simeon's words to Mary: suffering is going to happen, sometimes very painful, heart-piercing suffering. But instead of being shocked or angry at God, we can call to mind the fact that this is part of life in a fallen world. We can also remind ourselves that although Mary suffered when her son suffered, she also rejoiced when he rejoiced. Ultimately, every cross she bore as his mother was trumped in the end by the victory of the Resurrection. We share in this triumph as well. After all, our families are in the loving care of a heavenly Father. We are not just the children of our parents; we are also the children of God.

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**Readings for the Week of
 Dec 28, 2014**

- Sunday:** Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
 Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
 Luke 2:22-40
 or Luke 2:22, 25-27, 34-35, 39-40++
- Monday:** 1 John 2:3-11/Luke 2:22-35
- Tuesday:** 1 John 2:12-17/Luke 2:36-40
- Wednesday:** 1 John 2:18-21/John 1:1-18
- Thursday:** Numbers 6:22-27/Galatians 4:4-7
 Luke 2:16-21
- Friday:** 1 John 2:22-28/John 1:19-28
- Saturday:** 1 John 2:29; 3:1-6/John 1:29-34
- Next Sunday:** Isaiah 60:1-6/Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
 Matthew 2:1-12



*God of our yesterdays, our today and our tomorrows
 We praise You for Your unequalled greatness
 Thank You for the year behind us and for the year ahead
 Help us in Your new year, Father,
 to fret less and laugh more
 To teach our children to laugh by laughing with them
 To teach others to love by loving them
 We accept Your gift of a new year and we rejoice in what
 is ahead, depending on You to help us do exactly what
 You want...
 I say it again, we rejoice!
 In Jesus name
 Amen.*

Lectors Schedule
Group 5 will read next Saturday, Jan 3, 2015.
Group 5 will read next Sunday, Jan 4, 2015.



St Marv's Cathedral Christmas Schedule

Saturday, Dec 27 - Mass at 5:00 pm
Sunday, Dec 28 (The Holy Family)
 Mass at 9:30 am - **Archbishop Gagnon presiding**
 Mass at 11:30 am
Monday, Dec 29 - Mass at 12:10 pm
Tuesday, Dec 30 - Mass at 12:10 pm
Wednesday, Dec 31 - (New Year's Eve)
NO NOON MASS
 Mass at 5:00 pm
Thursday, Jan 01 - (New Year's Day)
 Mass at 9:30 am
 Mass at 11:30 am - **Archbishop Gagnon presiding**
Friday, Jan 02 - Memorial - St. Basil The Great
 and St. Gregory Nazianzen - First Friday
 Mass at 12:10 pm
Saturday, Jan 03 - (Epiphany of the Lord)
 Mass at 5:00 pm - **Archbishop Gagnon presiding**
Sunday, Jan 04 - (Epiphany of the Lord)
 Mass at 9:30 am and Mass at 11:30 am

Parish Office Holiday Closures
 Dec 31 – closed at 12:00 noon
 Jan 1- closed

Stewardship....for Life!
 Will return in the New Year after the holidays.

AGAPE TABLE
 The item for December is Non Dairy Creamer
 The item for January is Peanut Butter
 (items may be placed in the container in the sacristy)
 to volunteer : 204-783-6369 or volunteer@agapetable.ca

Attention all Parishioners
 Kindly give all donations that you wish to have included in your 2014 tax receipt to us by Dec 31, 2014. We will not be able to include any donation received after Jan 01, 2015 on your 2014 tax receipt.

Can Your Tax Receipt Find You?
 A kind reminder to all parishioners. If you have moved in the past year, and have not already done so, please update your information with the parish office at 204-947-0294, so that your income tax receipt can be delivered to you.

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,
On behalf of the entire cathedral staff, I would like to extend to you and all of those that you love, the warmest Christmas wishes and a blessed and joy-filled New Year. May this Christmas season find you abounding in love, rejoicing in hope, and secure in God's peace.

Fr. Geoffrey

CHOIR
 New members always welcome!
Rehearsals: Thursdays at 7 PM
Masses: Sunday at 11:30 AM
 Any questions, please contact music director Ian Campbell.

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.
Luke 2:39-40



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