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Dcn. Paul Bezaire – *Deacon*
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Jason Grech - *Chair*

WEEKEND MASSES MCEWAN CAMPUS

Saturday Vigil - 5 pm
Sunday - 9 am, 11 am, 7:30 pm

CONFESSIONS - MCEWAN CAMPUS

Saturdays - 3:45pm to 4:45pm

DAILY MASSES - ROSARY CHAPEL

Monday – 8:00am
Tuesday – 8:00am & 12:10pm
Wednesday – 8:00am & 5:00pm
Thursday – 8:00am & 12:10pm
Friday – 8:00am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - ROSARY CHAPEL

Monday to Friday - 8:30am to 8pm

BAPTISMS

Baptisms for children of parishioners are celebrated monthly. Contact Dcn. Paul Bezaire for details of the program.

MARRIAGES

Couples must arrange one year in advance and be active in the parish. Contact the Parish Office.

RCIA

Program for those interested in the Catholic Faith. Contact the parish office.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

For children preparing for First Confession, Communion, Confirmation and for all other grades at well. Registration is required in September.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Contact Dcn. Paul Bezaire to make arrangements.

FUNERALS

Please have the Funeral Director contact the office for arrangements.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

(519-973-7033)
Fr. Paul McGill, C.S.B. - *Chaplain*
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CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS

Assumption Parish Community Association
Bridget Russo - *Chairperson*
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ASSUMPTION PARISH WELCOMES ALL VISITORS AND WE ARE BLESSED TO HAVE YOU WITH US.
NEW PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO INTRODUCE YOURSELVES TO A MEMBER OF OUR
PASTORAL TEAM AND TO REGISTER IN THE PARISH.

Third Sunday of Advent—December 11th, 2016

From The Pastors Desk...

I don't think I could ever count the times my mother said to me, "The road to hell is paved with good intentions." Sigh. I often have such grandiose intents, such great plans, such wonderful intentions. Unfortunately, they often remain just that, intentions, because I let myself get scattered, or I procrastinate, or... I think Jesus and my mom would be on the same page in this aspect. I just love the way that Matthew relates the story to us. John wants to know if Jesus is "the one who is to come." The answer has nothing to do with the beautiful words or teachings that Jesus often gives; instead, it is about what he *does*. Jesus is clear that the works he does testify to who he is: "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them."

I may not be able to lay hands on a blind person and have them see, or cure leprosy; I certainly can't go into Hotel Dieu and cure the people I go visit. There are ways, though, that I can mirror the Messiah in my actions: I can bring good news to people, especially to the poor (or the periphery, as Pope Francis would say). By my actions I can help people to "see" and to "hear" God's love in this world. In fact, in our first reading this weekend Isaiah says that by giving people hope, God will come and create that situation; God will come to give sight and hearing and healing.

Advent is a time to remember that I have the power to change the world, because I live in hope. I can recognize that *God is with us* and live in that hope. The world outside is already celebrating Christmas. Here, in the Church, we are living in hope and expectation. The world can be made new, if I just live the possibility. God will come. God is here. God asks each one of us to be Messiah to others. Can you imagine all that will happen if we accept God's challenge?

J. Maurice

ROSARY CHAPEL CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

December 24th, 25th and 26th - Closed
December 27th to 30th - 8am to 8pm
Daily Mass - 8:00am ONLY

There will be no 12:10pm Mass on Tuesday
December 27th and Thursday
December 29th and no 5pm Mass on
Wednesday December 28th.



SHOPPERS ALERT



Fr. Jim is looking for some volunteers to do shopping for our families in our parish who are less fortunate. We have raised money through our Giving Tree campaign and are now ready to spend it! If you are willing to take some time out of your busy day to help please contact Fr. Jim at the office.



Liturgy Corner by Kevin Mannara

What Is Advent?

Advent, from Latin *Adventus*, means coming.

Coming at the end of time. As Christians we are sent to build up God's kingdom on earth. We do this by living each day as his people: by working and praying, by obeying God's will and by suffering with Christ. At the end of time, Jesus will come to judge our efforts and to hand over to the Father the kingdom he has built with our help. During the first weeks of Advent (up to December 16) we reflect on Christ as our coming king and our judge; we wait in joyful hope for his return in glory (the parousia) to complete his work on earth.

Coming as our Saviour. Beginning on December 17, we join with the prophets and the people of God who looked forward to the coming of the Messiah. We express our longing for God's mercy, and grow more aware of our need for this saving help.

Quotable Pope Francis

The greatest enemy of God is money. The devil always enters through the pockets, always, his entryway. One must always struggle for a poor Church for the poor, according to the Gospel.

Reflection for the Week

Jesus tells us to be patient.

In what areas of your life do you need to be more patient?

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Last Sunday our parish celebrated the **Rite of Acceptance**. Two were received into the Order of Catechumens: Jessica and Joseph, and one parishioner, Luke, was accepted as a Candidate seeking to complete his Christian initiation through Confirmation and First Eucharist. They expressed their desire to continue with catechesis and learning so that they could more fully live the Christian life. Our parish accepted Jessica, Joe and Luke, and promised to support them on their journey ahead to the Easter Vigil and beyond.

The period of the catechumenate is for the unbaptized: a time for nurturing and growth of the catechumen's faith, their relationship with Christ and conversion to God. With the help of the Holy Spirit they will open their hearts so that they can freely convert to Jesus and commit to living as a member of the Body of Christ.



is the title of the new Christmas CD by Greg Mailloux & friends. Buy the CD Sunday for just \$10 (\$7 goes to our Youth ministry). Or download FREE during Advent at [mail-loux.volosite.com](mailto:loux.volosite.com)



There will be a Christmas practice for the
Altar Servers on
Wednesday, December 21st at 6:00pm
Snacks will be provided

There is a sign up sheet in the Sacristy please
put your name down if you are available

Week at a Glance

Monday, December 12th

6:00pm Catechism program (McEwan Campus-Basement)
7:00pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

Tuesday, December 13th

7:00pm Latin Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)
7:00pm Bereavement Group (Rosary Hall)
7:00pm Cenacle of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Rosary Chapel)

Wednesday, December 14th

6:30pm Advent Penance Service (McEwan Campus-Church)
7:00pm RCIA (McEwan Campus-Basement)

Thursday, December 15th

10:00am Card Games (McEwan Campus-Basement)
6:30pm Choir Practice (McEwan Campus-Church)
7:30pm Nar Anon (Rosary Hall)
7:30pm Hour of Power (Rosary Hall)

Friday, December 16th

9:00am SVDP Forgotten Harvest Produce (McEwan Campus)
3:00pm Divine Mercy Hour (Rosary Chapel)
6:30pm Confessions (Rosary Chapel)
7:00pm Apostolate of Fatima Mass & Rosary (Rosary Chapel)

Saturday, December 17th

9:00am SVDP-Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus-Basement)
5:00pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)
7:00pm All Are Welcome Group of AA (Rosary Hall)

Sunday, December 18th

9:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)
11:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)
12:00pm Coffee Social (McEwan Campus-Church)
4:00pm Campus Ministry Mass (Rosary Chapel)
7:30pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 12th

8:00am †Carmela Paciolla by Felice & Caterina Calamita
†Rodolfo VinLuan 5th yr Anniversary by his wife Corazon
†Alexandra Di Ponio by Toni Laberi

Tuesday, December 13th

8:00am †Suzanne Silva by Maria Rosario Travassos
†Margaret Dolan by Dennis Malette
For the Intentions of Berny Lesperance by Cecilia Lesperance

12:10pm †Henry & Dora Marchand by Bob & Michelle Marchand

Wednesday, December 14th

8:00am †Valent Scicluna by Joseph & Kenya Spiteri
†Elizabeth Masse by Norman & Karen Nantais
†Barbara Peacock by Dennis Malette

5:00pm †

Thursday, December 15th

8:00am †Cyril & Jean Halmo by the Family
†Maria Parisotto by the Family
†Santa Lucia Nardone by Amasio Nardone & Family

12:10pm †

Friday, December 16th

8:00am †Suzanne Silva by Joe Pereira
†Carmen Matteo Vitarelli by the Family
†Alexandra Di Ponio by Santina Pasqualitto

5:00pm Saturday, December 17th—McEwan Campus
For the Intentions of the Assumption Parishioners

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7:30pm For the intentions of the Assumption Parishioners

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Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2017 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service.

Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637

Sanctuary Light Memorial

For the week of December 11th

Rosary Chapel

†Hilda Patry 24th Anniversary by the Magee Family

Assumption Parish-McEwan Campus

†Reno Bertoia

We have a new look for 2017!



YOUR NEW ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP NEAR THE CHURCH ENTRANCE

ALL PARISHIONERS WHO CURRENTLY HAVE ENVELOPES WILL BE REASSIGNED A NEW ENVELOPE NUMBER.

- **THE ENVELOPES ARE IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, LOOK FOR YOUR NAME NOT YOUR OLD ENVELOPE NUMBER.**
- **PLEASE ENSURE YOU TAKE THE ENVELOPES WITH YOUR NAME ON THEN BOX.**
- **PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS ON THE FIRST FEW YOU USE IN 2017.**
- **DO NOT USE YOUR 2016 ENVELOPES - RECYCLE THEM!**
- **IF YOU DO NOT SEE YOUR ENVELOPES OR WOULD LIKE ENVELOPES PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.**



Advent Penance Service
Wednesday December 14th
6:30pm to 8:00pm

Following a service of the word, priests will be available for confession. Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a good practice within the context of Advent as we prepare for Christmas to recall Christ's first coming, and prepare for his second coming at the end of time. We are ever mindful that Christ continues to be with us through his Holy Spirit dwelling in the Church.

Li'l Saints Program is offered during the 11am Mass.
Age appropriate activities for children ages 3-7.

Totes for tots

Tote bags with activities and supplies related to the Sunday readings. Available near the main entrance to church. Please remember to return after Mass.

St. Vincent de Paul Collection

For the Month of November

November 6th	\$ 369.20
November 13th	\$ 356.00
November 20th	\$ 362.00
November 27th	\$ 585.00
Total	\$1,672.20



Sunday Collection

December 4th, 2016

Regular	\$ 7,926.05
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,159.00
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Total	\$12,314.55



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