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# St. Elizabeth Roman Gatholic Church

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FR. DARYOLD WINKLER, PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR



Peace on Earth

"Go to the land of Israel."

Matthew 2:20



In the story of the Holy Family today we hear the message given to Joseph by the angel of God, telling him to save the mother and child. And Joseph did that, going first into Egypt and then to the town of Nazareth. In that little corner of Galilee, Jesus grew up in "wisdom, age and grace", in a loving family home. Every child deserves the chance to do the same.



### Tuesday, Dec. 31: Eve of the Solemnity of Mary

4:30 p.m., Mae Smith by Bill Smith

### Wednesday, Jan. 1: Solemnity of Mary

10:30 a.m., For All Parishioners

#### Thursday, Jan 2: Weekday

No Weekday Mass

#### Friday, Jan. 3: Weekday

No Weekday Mass

#### Saturday, Jan. 4: Vigil Mass

4:30 p.m., For All Parishioners

#### Sunday, Jan. 5: Epiphany of the Lord

9:00 a.m., James Cameron by the Parishioners of St. Patrick's Church in Mount St. Patrick 10:30 a.m., For All Parishioners

### We pray for those who have died and for those who mourn them.

#### We pray for the sick of our Parish, especially for:

Brenda Barrington, Gerti Chapman, Ed Daudlin,
Jim Farrell, Elza Feher, Francis Fleury, Jodi Graham,
Norina Lachance, Robert LaRose, Marc Marshall,
Elizabeth McDonell, Andrée McKenzie,
Stella Normoyle, Margaret O'Doherty, Mary Parks,
Myra Anne Powell, Emily Rozsa, Mary Ruffo,
Anna Reddigan, Pat Redmond, Jean-Marie Stewart,
Sylvia Zito

### Ministers of the Liturgy

Jan. 4 4:30 p.m.

Commentator Micheline Lane Lector Gerry Sullivan Ciborium Gail Donaldson

Jan. 5 9:00 a.m.

Commentator Sheila Fleury
Lector Eileen Steil
Ciborium Lourdes Villena

Jan. 5 10:30 a.m.

Commentator Marlene Pignat Lector Paul Pignat

Ciborium José Escobar

### St. Elizabeth Parish Altar Servers:



**4:30 p.m.** Barry O'Gorman, Joe Legari, Mike Yantha,

Anthony Adu

9:00 a.m. Nonye Kagwachie 10:30 a.m. Guilor Fernandez,

Bella Fernandez, Angel O'Reilly, Joseph Uwayezu, Rodrigue Uwuukiza, Imena Ame, Tristan Kymaka

#### **Parish Events This Week**

**Thursday:** Altar Servers Party, 12:00 p.m. **Saturday:** Baptismal Prep Meeting, 1:00 p.m. **Sunday:** Ladies Aux. Coffee Sunday, after masses

Canadian Tire Money Count: \$ 242.53

### Thank you for supporting the work and ministry of St. Elizabeth Parish.

General Collection Dec. 15: \$2,355.73 Sunday offerings for Maintenance Fund: \$32.00 Sunday offerings for Poor Fund: \$23.70

#### **Bequests and Wills**

In your kindness, please remember St. Elizabeth Parish in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, the following clause may be included or added to a will or added by codicil: "I give, devise and bequeath the sum of \$.... to St. Elizabeth Church, Ottawa, to be used in the administration of the pastoral activities of the parish."



New Year's Message Fr. Daryold Winkler The Solemnity of Mary and World Day of

Every year since 1968, on the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary on New Year's Day, the Popes have issued a message dealing with the theme of peace. This year marks Pope Francis's first message on the World Day of Peace, entitled *Fraternity*, *The Foundation and Pathway to Peace*.

"In the heart of every man and woman," writes the Pope, "is the desire for a full life." This desire includes a longing for fraternity—a communion of all men and women around the world, which enables us to see all people as "brothers and sisters to be accepted and embraced." Without fraternity, he continues, "it is impossible to build a just society and a solid and lasting peace."

Francis discusses the grave challenges facing our planet that prevent the human race from experiencing true fraternity. These challenges include offences against fundamental human rights, global poverty, financial and economic crises, wars and bloody conflicts; a continued proliferation of arms — both nuclear and chemical; corruption and organized crime; the heartbreaking drama of drug abuse; prostitution, human trafficking, crimes and abuses against minors; the horror of slavery still present in many parts of our world and an irresponsible stewardship of the earth and an inequitable distribution of its resources.

Pope Francis asserts that what is needed is openness to the transcendent dimension of humanity – openness to "the One who loves each man and each woman." For us Christians, this means "one step forward, a perennial exercise of empathy, of listening to the suffering and the hopes of others, even those furthest away from me, and walking the demanding path of that love which knows how to give and spend itself freely for the good of all our brothers and sisters." Above all, "service is the soul of that fraternity that builds up peace."

Personally, I have been very much encouraged by the witness of so many parishioners here at St. Elizabeth who serve the community and are building up the fraternity that Francis encourages in his message. Not only serving in the ministries of our own parish but the volunteer efforts of parishioners in the local community at large. May we, in all that we do, continue to follow the pathway that leads to peace and justice. On this Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, let us pray that the Mother of Jesus help us live the fraternity that springs from the heart of her Son, so as to bring peace to each person on this our beloved earth.



Altar Servers New Year's Party: On Thursday, January 2 at 12:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Come and join in the fun with games, prizes and lunch!

<u>Envelopes for 2014:</u> If you are not currently receiving envelopes but would like to receive them please call the parish office or leave a note in the collection basket with your name on it in order to receive a proper income tax receipt.

Ladies Auxiliary Coffee Sunday: Please join the Ladies Auxiliary who will be hosting their Bake Sale in the parish hall on Sunday January 5, after the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. masses. All baking contributions are welcome.



**Bottle Drive for Special Olympics:** Join the Knights of Columbus in support of this great cause! Saturday, January 11 at 9:30 a.m. till 2:30 p.m. in the St.

Elizabeth parking lot. For more information contact Guy Bowie at 613.729.3305.

<u>Christmas Flowers:</u> Thank you to all who contributed to the flower fund this Christmas and to all who took the time to decorate the church.

Archbishop's Reception for the Feast of the Epiphany: At the Archbishop's Residence on Sunday, January 5, 3:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend

**Ministry for Separated and Divorced Catholics:** 

The Journey of Hope is a 17 week program designed to foster healing and support for anyone experiencing the pain of a marriage breakdown. Course for women begins January 14. Participation fee: \$25 (program workbook). Info/registration: Deacon Peter Lafleur (plafleur@archottawa.ca)

Goodness & Beauty of Man: "Holy Manhood". Welcome to all men wanting to be renewed in their Catholic faith and have fellowship with other men seeking to grow in their life as men, husbands, and fathers. Friday, January 24 at 6:30 p.m. – Sunday, January 26, 2:00 p.m. Cost: \$200 (retreat, room and meals), Marguerite Center, 700 Mackay St. Pembroke. Contact: Mark Reilander, 613.735.3894. (markreilander@alumni.uwaterloo.ca)



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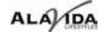
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