



# Holy Spirit Catholic Parish A Welcoming Community

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## PASTORAL TEAM

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

## WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

As indicated in the weekly calendar.

## RECONCILIATION

As indicated in the weekly calendar, with a communal celebration in Lent, and at other times by appointment.

## BAPTISMS

Baptisms are celebrated throughout the year. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after mass. See parish website for further information.

## MARRIAGE

Please make an appointment with the pastor as soon as a decision is made to marry. A minimum of nine months notice is required. Please make no other arrangements until a date is confirmed with the parish. A marriage preparation course, offered in our pastoral region, is required.

## DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS FOR PARISH BULLETIN: Tuesday, noon

## PASTORAL CARE

A Pastoral Care Team visits sick or elderly members of the parish in their homes or in hospital. To arrange for Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick, or a visit, please contact the Pastor.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Claudette Langdon, President 613-831-1286

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

## OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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Sacred Heart High 613-831-6643



**PARISH REGISTRATION:** If you are new to our Parish Community, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket.

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11.1-10  
Romans 15.4-9  
Matthew 3.1-12

### December 11 – Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35.1-6a,10  
James 5.7-10  
Matthew 11.2-11

### Parish Calendar December 5 – December 11

- Mon. 5** 9:30 am **MASS** at Guardian Angel School  
10:00 am Men's Small Faith Group  
6:15-6:45 pm Reconciliation  
6:30 pm Rosary  
7:00 pm **MASS**  
7:30 pm Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting
- Tues. 6** 8:15-8:45 am Reconciliation  
8:30 am Rosary  
9:00 am **MASS** with Sacred Heart HS grade 9's  
9:45 am Women's Fellowship
- Wed. 7** **St. Ambrose**
- Thurs. 8** **The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
10:00 am Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests  
6:15-6:45 pm Reconciliation  
6:30 pm Rosary  
7:00 pm **MASS**
- Fri. 9** 8:15-8:45 am Reconciliation  
8:30 am Rosary  
9:00 am **MASS**  
9:30 am Flame of Love
- Sat. 10** 4:15-4:45 pm Reconciliation  
5:00 pm **MASS**
- Sun. 11** **Second Sunday of Advent**  
9:00 am **MASS**  
10:00 am Rosary  
10:00 am Communion at Granite Ridge  
10:30 am **MASS**  
1:00 pm Reconciliation Retreat for First Eucharist

Angel Tree in Atrium until December 11.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS – Dec. 17 & 18



If you are celebrating an anniversary in December and would like your marriage blessed at one of the masses on the weekend of December 17/18, please call the office and leave your name, the number of years married and the mass you plan to attend.

### DECEMBER BULLETIN ITEM SUBMISSION SCHEDULE

Our publisher has sent us the bulletin printing schedule. Deadlines are as follows: Dec. 9 for Dec. 18 bulletin  
Dec. 14 for Dec. 25 bulletin  
Dec. 19 for Jan. 1 bulletin

Remember to request your announced masses in advance.



<b>CHRISTMAS MASSES</b>	<b>NEW YEAR'S MASSES</b>
Dec. 24 @ 4, 7, 10 pm	Dec. 31 @ 5 pm
Dec. 25 @ 10:00 am	Jan. 1 @ 9 & 10:30 am

### Mass Intentions

#### Sat., December 3 - 5:00 pm

Deceased Members of the Droogh Family by the Droogh Family  
†Frank Raimondo by Ed and Mary Olszewski  
†Betty Ann Leboldus by Margie and Sean

#### Sun., December 4 - 9:00 am

†Zita and †Patrick Byrne by Elaine and Gerry Kealey  
†Catharina Wytenburg by Holy Spirit Catholic Women's League

#### Sun., December 4 - 10:30 am

All Parishioners

#### Mon., December 5 – 7:00 pm

Intentions of Peggy Gallivan by Parishioner

#### Tues., December 6 – 9:00 am

†Albina Baznik by the Leblanc Family

#### Thurs., December 8 – 7:00 pm

Intentions of Monsignor Muldoon by Lisa

#### Sat., December 10– 5:00 pm

†Thomas Gillis by the Garvey Family

#### Sun., November 27 – 9:00 am

All Parishioners

#### Sun., November 27 – 10:30 am

†Brian and Frederick Grattan by Bev Combe

†Jose Santos by Ana Santos

†Pietro, †Filomena, †Teresa Scarfo and

†Raffaele, †Angela, †Maria Tassome by Giuseppe and Teresa Scarfo

† Indicates Deceased

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Third Sunday of Advent – Dec. 11. For men and women called by the Lord to be priests, deacons and consecrated religious, that the peace of Christ will guard their hearts and minds as they proclaim the good news of salvation to His people.

### POPE FRANCIS: APOSTOLIC LETTER ON MERCY

In his letter of Nov. 21, 2016 entitled *Mercy and Misery*, the Holy Father has established the **World Day of the Poor** which will be celebrated annually throughout the Church on the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.

### INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over. That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

### BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

Monday Dec.19, 5:00-9:00pm, here at Holy Spirit Parish. Book your appointment at [blood.ca](http://blood.ca)



**Cold and Flu Season is upon us!**  
**Please bow to one another for the sign of peace to avoid spreading illness.**

## Word from the Pastor

In the prophet Isaiah we read, "On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse and from its roots a bud shall blossom. The spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him..." In our seriously fractured world, Isaiah's promise of hope, after division and loss, seems a mere dream, wishful thinking. But we believers hear a clear, prophetic word of hope and promise, as we remember that the "stump of Jesse" did blossom a savior, upon whom the promised "spirit of the lord" rested. So we ask ourselves: Would we describe our self as a person of hope? From what or whom do we receive our hope?

*Monsignor Joseph Muldoon*

### ADVENT TRADITIONS

Did you know that the **liturgical colour** for Advent is purple, but not the same purple that we use during Lent. The purple of Advent is a bluer violet tone while Lent maintains a royal purple that is more reddish. On the third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday, the priest wears rose coloured vestments because it is a Sunday of rejoicing. We have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, our preparation is now half over and we are close to Christmas.

### ENVELOPES OR AUTOMATIC GIVING FOR 2017

If you do not use envelopes for your weekly offertory or donate by Pre-Authorize Debit, please consider doing so next year. By contributing to the offertory on a weekly basis you are supporting the ministry of the Church, and are leading by example. You will also benefit through income tax savings. Please pick up a form for auto debit in the atrium or a new set of envelopes for 2017 in the hall.

### SHEPHERDS OF GOOD HOPE

Please contribute 'New' winter clothing such as socks, gloves, mitts, underwear etc. Please place the items in the collection bins available in the atrium. We also encourage you to support the Toiletries Drive during the month of December sponsored by Kelly Funeral Homes. Items urgently needed are: tooth paste, tooth brushes, shampoo, soap, feminine products, deodorant, and razors.

### CHRISTMAS TREES

Knights of Columbus are selling Christmas Trees. Weekdays from 4pm until 8pm and on weekends from 10am until 6pm. Money can also be dropped off at the office during the day. All profits from this fundraiser will be used to support local charities and community activities.

### I Shall Not Rush

*The lord is my pace setter . . . I shall not rush  
He makes me stop for quiet intervals  
He provides me with images of stillness which restore my serenity  
He leads me in the way of efficiency through calmness of mind and his guidance is peace  
Even though I have a great many things to accomplish each day, I will not fret, for his presence is here  
His timelessness, his all importance will keep me in balance  
He prepares refreshment and renewal in the midst of my activity by anointing my mind with his oils of tranquility  
My cup of joyous energy overflows  
Truly harmony and effectiveness shall be the fruits of my hours for I shall walk in the Pace of my Lord and dwell in his house for ever.*

*A version of Psalm 23 from Japan, as reprinted in Mother Teresa, Life in the Spirit: Reflections, Meditations, Prayers, ed. Kathryn Spink (San Francisco, Harper & Row, 1983), 76-77.*

### ANGEL TREE - Nov. 26 to Dec. 11

Please place a gift card with the angel attached into the gift box under the tree by December 11<sup>th</sup>. These gifts will be placed in the hampers given to families using the Stittsville Food Bank this Christmas. Thank-you for your continuing generosity. Janice LeBlanc 613 831-2259.



### ADVENT HEALING AND RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at Holy Redeemer Parish, 44 Rothesay Drive, Kanata.

### PRIESTHOOD DISCERNERS' GROUP

Open to any man interested in knowing more about the priesthood. Next meeting: **Wed., Dec. 14, 7:00 p.m.** at St. Margaret Mary Parish. Info: contact Fr. Pierre Champoux (613-558-1445) or ([vocations@archottawa.ca](mailto:vocations@archottawa.ca)); (<http://www.catholicottawa.ca/priesthood>).

### ADVENT "GAUDETE" LESSONS AND CAROLS

Presented by the Choirs of Saint Patrick Basilica, with Brass Ensemble, on **Gaudete Sunday, Dec. 11, 3:00 p.m.** in the Basilica. All are welcome. Info: (613-233-1126 x 561).

### HANDEL'S MESSIAH

Thirteen Strings Chamber Orchestra. **Sat., Dec.17, 7:30 p.m.**, Knox Presbyterian Church, 120 Lisgar or **Sun., Dec. 18, 7:30 p.m.**, Dominion-Chalmers United Church, 355 Cooper. Info: (613-738-7888) or [thirteenstrings.ca](http://thirteenstrings.ca).

### CHRISTMAS ALTAR DÉCOR

If you would like to donate toward the decor in celebration of a loved one's birthday, anniversary, in memorial or in thanksgiving, please complete this form and put it, along with your cheque made payable to Holy Spirit Parish, in an envelope marked Christmas Altar Flowers and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. All names will be printed in our bulletin in the new year.

#### (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name of person(s) or intention: \_\_\_\_\_

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