



# EAST WINDSOR CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

Our Lady of the Atonement | St. Anthony of Padua | St. John Vianney

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**Sunday, December 10, 2023**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

**A Message from Fr. Rob**

On this second Sunday of Advent our Gospel presents us with the figure of John The Baptist, the last of the prophets whose task it was to prepare the people of Israel for the immediate arrival of the Messiah. Notice how St. Mark's Gospel begins today: "The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." St. Mark wastes no time in pointing out that #1 Jesus is the Son of God and #2 He has come to bring good news.

The role of John the Baptist was to call the people to a new awareness and to change their ways, returning to the Lord in order to best welcome the Messiah.

During this Advent Season we too have an opportunity for change and renewal as we prepare for the Lord's coming in our lives. We are invited to trust in God's grace and allow the Holy Spirit to guide us.

Speaking of the Holy Spirit, we will celebrate next Sunday with our youth and their families as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. It is always a moment of joy to see our young people growing in their faith. Let us continue to encourage them with our prayers and our witness of faith.



"The life of the body is the soul, the life of the soul is Christ." **St. Anthony of Padua**

"The closer one approaches to God, the simpler one becomes." **St. Teresa of Avila**

## Pastoral Team

### **Pastor:**

Fr. Rob Rocheleau

### **Associate Pastor:**

Fr. Jim Higgins

### **Pastoral Minister:**

Rachelle Leslie

### **Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministry:**

Maria Mollica

### **Priest Chaplains to St. Anthony:**

Fr. Barnabas Kiss OFM & Fr. Angelus Ligeti OFM

## Mass Schedule

### **Saturday**

5 pm Our Lady of the Atonement

5 pm St. John Vianney

### **Sunday**

8:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

9:00 am St. John Vianney

10:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

11:00 am mass St. John Vianney

The mass for Hungarian Community is on hold  
for time being

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

1st Saturday 11 am - noon @ SJV

3rd Saturday 11 am - noon @ OLA

or by appointment

### Baptism

Contact the Pastoral Minister to discuss baptism.

### Marriage

Contact the office at least eight months in advance.

Marriage preparation is required.

### Sacrament of the Sick


Communal Celebrations Seasonally.

Individually anytime - Speak to one of the priests.

### Office Hours

Monday: 9 am-3 pm

Tuesday-Friday: 9 am-4pm

Vocations Calendar Please pray for...	 <b>Mass Intentions</b> FOR THE WEEK
<b>Tuesday, December 12</b> 9 am @ SJV followed by <b>Rosary for vocations</b> <i>Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>	<b>Special Intentions of Shirley &amp; Gord Meloche-</b> Souls in Purgatory-F.O.S.S Ruth Freker-Her Family Barbara Lapierre (4th Ann.)-Her Family Filomena Lamug (7th. Ann)-Her Family <b>Deceased Members of the Meloche &amp; St. Antoine Family-</b>
<b>Parish Lay Readers</b>	
<b>Wednesday, December 13</b> 9 am @ OLA <i>St. Lucy</i>	<b>In Thanksgiving-</b> Ely Garcia Rosaria Lucy Ellul-Tony & Emma Ellul Antonio Rodrigues- Baltazar & Maria Amelia <b>Ray Charbonneau-</b> Carole & Bernie Souilliere <b>Dan Frimer-</b> The Charbonneau Family <b>Dennis Pouget-</b> Gary & Sylvia Major
<b>Mrs. Jean Beneteau</b> <b>Pastoral Minister</b>	
<b>Thursday, December 14</b> 9 am @ SJV <i>St. John the Cross</i> <b>Avery Fuerth</b> <b>Life Teen Coordinator</b>	<b>In Thanksgiving-</b> Rose & Zen Dumlao Evaristo Fregonese-Family Clarence Mineau-Geraldine Slack Carla Marcon-Anna Brieda Concepcion Martinez-Sandra Buglisi
<b>Friday, December 15</b> 9 am @ OLA	<b>Nora Lina &amp; Nicanora Magat-</b> Her Family <b>Dino &amp; Egle Pergolesi-</b> Maria Muccaccio <b>Aniceta "Virgie" Sama-</b> husband Ali Sama & Family <b>Arduino Fortuna-</b> wife Onoria <b>Angelo &amp; Rose Fallone-</b> daughter Onoria <b>Angelo Mariani-</b> His Children
<b>Fr. Christophe Mbunzu</b> <b>O.F.M. Cap</b>	
<b>Saturday, December 16</b> 5 pm @ OLA & SJV <b>Dcn. Brian MacDonald</b>	<b>Intention of the Parishioners</b>
<b>Sunday, December 17</b> 3rd Sunday of Advent 8:30 & 10:30 am @ OLA 9 am & 11 am @ SJV <b>Ministers to the Bereaved</b> <b>in the Diocese of London</b>	<b>Intention of the Parishioners</b>

### YEAR OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

Come and join us today, Sunday December 10th for our monthly Holy Hour for vocations to the priesthood. These monthly times of quiet prayer and intercession are meant to be a concrete way in which our Family of Parishes can earnestly pray to the Lord of the harvest that He send labourers into the harvest. We all need to be praying for priestly vocations.

We gather each month, alternating worship sites, spending quiet time before the Lord. It can be a moment of great grace for all of us. Join us 2-3 pm at Our Lady of the Atonement this month.



### CHRISTMAS SEASON LITURGIES

With Christmas falling on a Sunday/ Monday this year, it made for some challenging scheduling to make it manageable for all involved in liturgical ministry. Please look at the schedule and attend mass at the time and location that will meet your needs. Please be aware of the schedule with some changes to regular Sunday times for two weekends Dec. 24 & 31 OLA: no 8:30 am mass; SJV Dec. 24 & 31: one mass at 10 am; no 9 am or 11 am.

#### 4th Sunday of Advent Dec. 23/24

OLA: Sat. 5pm; Sun. 10:30 am

SJV: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 10 am

#### Christmas Eve Sunday night Dec. 24

OLA 4:30 pm & 7 pm

SJV 5 pm

#### Christmas Day Monday morning Dec. 25

SJV 10 am

OLA 10:30 am

#### Feast of the Holy Family Dec. 30/31

OLA: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 10:30 am

SJV: Sat 5 pm; Sun. 10 am

#### Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God (New Year's Eve/Day) Dec. 31/Jan 1

OLA: Sunday night 5 pm

Monday morning 10:30 am

SJV: Sunday night 5 pm

Monday morning 10 am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

11 am-Noon

Sat. December 16th

at OLA & SJV

Tuesday, December 19th

6:30 pm-7:30 pm

at OLA & SJV

### UPCOMING NURSING HOME MASSES 2 pm

December 12 @ Heron Terrace

December 13 @ Aspen Lake \*note date change

January 2 @ Riverside Place

### *There is a Time for Everything under Heaven...*

*Let us all pray for all those who are in need of healing, at home, nursing homes or in hospital, and all those who care for them. Let us pray also for our deceased parishioners and family members who have died:*

**Antonio Bagayawa, Ernesto Cabagay Stephen Chisholm & Consuelo Dancel**

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.*

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

We pray for the youth as they share this special time of preparation for this sacrament. They will receive this sacrament on the 3rd Sunday of Advent **December 17th at two special afternoon masses:**

**12:30 pm Confirmation at OLA**

**3 pm Confirmation at SJV**

**God Bless all our candidates!**

### Knights of Columbus #8919 Sept—Dec 2023    \$ Charities Report

Ontario Special Olympics	542.30
Vocations London	1200.00
St. Joseph High School	1000.00
H.J. Lassaline	1000.00
L.A. Desmarais	1000.00
Coats for Kids— K of C Charities Foundation	2070.00
Matthew House	500.00
St. Vincent de Paul (OLA Conference)	1500.00
Downtown Mission of Windsor	1000.00
Goodfellows of Windsor	1000.00
Second Chance Ministry	500.00
Street Help Windsor	1000.00
Autism Windsor	500.00
Salvation Army	2000.00
Our Lady of the Atonement Parish	2000.0

### Knights of Columbus #9528 Sept—Dec 2023    \$ Charities Report

St. Vincent de Paul Society (SJV Conference)	500.00
M.S. Canada	500.00
Catholic Missions	500.00
Downtown Mission	500.00
John McGivney Child Center	1000.00
Coats for Kids	3450.00

Thank you Knights for the awesome support to our community partners to support those in need. God Bless!

## Advent Giving Tree for our Family of Parishes




Thank you to all those who gave gifts cards and monetary donations to our Advent Giving Tree. If you forgot your donation we can accept it this **Monday** in the parish office as the conferences will begin their distribution. Please continue to keep all people who are in need in your prayers.

As always financial contributions to our Society of St. Vincent de Paul are greatly appreciated and can be made year round. **Please make sure you make the cheque payable to "Society of St. Vincent de Paul- (conference name) as we have 3 distinct conferences. If you wish a tax receipt for your financial donation, provide your name and address on the outside of the envelope and clearly mark the conference name".**

We sincerely thank you for your ongoing support and donations of food throughout the year. God bless you.

# What's Happening

Tues..Dec 12 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	Parish Family Youth Group
Tues, Dec 13 @ 6:30 pm	SJV	1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist Parent & Youth Mtg. (in Church)
Thur. Dec 14 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist Parent & Youth Mtg. (in Church)
Tues. Dec 14 @ 7 pm	SJV	K of C #9865 Meeting
Sun. Dec 17 @ 12:30 pm	OLA	Confirmation
Sun. Dec 17 @ 3 pm	SJV	Confirmation
Sat. Jan 6 9 am-2 30 pm	OLA	K of C Bottle Drive for Special Olympics.

**NEW**  **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2024**

Envelopes are available for pick up in the parish halls. **Your envelope number has changed therefore DO NOT USE THEM until 2024 please.** If you do not have envelopes presently and would like a set please contact Robin in the office at (519)735-6023 or [atonement@dol.ca](mailto:atonement@dol.ca). If you would like to switch to the automatic monthly withdrawal, please contact Mary at x. 35 or [mknowler@dol.ca](mailto:mknowler@dol.ca)

Please be sure to make any charitable donations for 2023 before year end. **Do Not Mail** if at all possible due to delays at this time of year.

## FIRST RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST 2024

Parent meetings will be held on **Wednesday, Dec. 13th @ 6:30 pm** at **St. John Vianney** and **Thursday, Dec. 14th @ 6:30 pm** for **Our Lady of the Atonement**.

Information was sent home with the Grade 2 children in our parish schools.

If your child attends public school or a school out of our parish boundaries, please contact Rachelle or Maria to get the information. Easter is very early this year so our programs will start up in January for the children.


## Goodfellows Paper Drive

Last week, the Knights from councils #8919 and #9528, along with some family members and parishioners devoted time to help raise \$6179.70 for the Windsor Goodfellows, by collecting donations and distributing papers at a variety of local store fronts. Our local Goodfellows help so many in our city with food, clothing and home necessities Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers. Brian Metcalfe, Goodfellow Chairman.





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