



# EAST WINDSOR CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

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## Pastoral Team

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**Priest Chaplains to St. Anthony:** Fr. Barnabas Kiss OFM & Fr. Angelus Ligeti OFM

**General Office:** Robin Orosz x 21

*prepare the way...*



# ADVENT

Vocations Calendar Please pray for...	 Mass Intentions
<b>Tuesday, December 23</b> 9 am @ SJV  Fr. Michael Ryan	No Mass Today
<b>Wednesday, December 24</b> 5 & 7 pm @ OLA 5 pm @ SJV  Parish Administrative Assistants in the Diocese of London	<b>Christmas Eve</b>
<b>Thursday, December 25</b> 10 am @ SJV 10:30 am @ OLA	<b>Christmas Day Nativity of the Lord</b>
<b>Friday, December 26</b> Feast of St. Stephen  Fr. Seejo John	No Mass Today
<b>Saturday, December 27</b> 5 pm @ OLA & SJV  <i>St. John the Evangelist</i>  Mrs. Julie de Gouw, Pastoral Minister	Intentions of the Parishioners
<b>Sunday, December 28</b> <i>Feast of the Holy Family</i> 8:30 & 10:30 am @ OLA 9:30 am @ SJV  Fr. Joseph Onome Oghenejabor	Intentions of the Parishioners  Blessing of Families at all masses

Vocations Calendar Please pray for...	Mass Intentions
<b>Tuesday, December 30</b> 9 am @ SJV  Fr. James Roche	<b>Edmond Bedard-Richard Normandeu Clemons-Bose Family Esperanza Valerio- Her, Daughter &amp; Family Patrick McTaggart- Joe &amp; Elsie McTaggart Larry Chittle-Rose &amp; Family Corazon Abes-Manuel &amp; Cecilia Lim</b>
<b>Wednesday, December 31</b> 5 pm @ OLA & SJV  Institute of Secular Missionaries	<b>New Year's Eve</b>
<b>Thursday, January 1</b> 10 am @ SJV 10:30 am @ OLA	<b>New Year's Day Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God</b>
<b>Friday, January 2</b> 9 am @ OLA followed by Exposition of the Eucharist until 11 am  St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen  Dcn. Rudy Pflanzner	<b>Antonio DeRose-The Family Annabelle Marie Bridgen-Denise Coral Fadhil Arabo &amp; Kamil Arabo- Sister, Huda Edward De Roche-His, Family Rosa Ganci-Maria D'Agostini Don Kearns-wife, Bonita</b>
<b>Saturday, January 3</b> 5 pm @ OLA & SJV  Mrs. Julie de Gouw, Pastoral Minister	Intentions of the Parishioners
<b>Sunday, December 28</b> <i>Epiphany of the Lord</i> 8:30 & 10:30 am @ OLA 9:30 am @ SJV  Fr. Joseph Onome Oghenejabor	Intentions of the Parishioners



## Christmas Office Hours

Wednesday 24 Dec	CLOSED
Thursday 25 Dec	CLOSED
Friday 26 Dec	CLOSED
Monday 29 Dec	9am - 4 pm
Tuesday 30 Dec	9am - 4pm
Wednesday 31 Dec	CLOSED
Thursday 1 Jan	CLOSED
Friday, 2 Jan	9am - 4 pm

*Merry  
Christmas*



Sacrament of Reconciliation  
11 am—noon  
Sat, Jan. 3rd @ SJV  
Sat. Jan 17 @ OLA

**St. Anthony of Padua  
Hungarian  
Sun. Dec. 21  
Sun. Jan 18/2026  
@ SJV @ 11:30 am**



**COUNCIL 8919 BOTTLE DRIVE FOR  
SPECIAL OLYMPICS**

Save your bottles and cans and bring to the parking lot of Our Lady of the Atonement on Saturday, Jan. 10, 2026 and the Knights will be ready to assist you 9 am to 2 pm.



**Nursing Home Mass @ 2 pm**  
Jan 6, Riverside Place  
Jan 13, Heron Terrace  
Jan 20, Aspen Lake  
January 6, Riverside Place

## A Christmas Message From Fr. Rob.....

One of the world's favourite Christmas hymns is of course Silent Night. Have you ever considered the paradox of the first line though? "Silent night, holy night. All is calm, all is bright." In the midst of our busy world and homes that are screaming chaos, conflict, darkness and struggle with nothing even resembling calm and bright comes the heartfelt desire to experience the peace of Christmas. After all Isaiah prophesized that the Messiah would be known as the Prince of Peace.

I am sure for Mary and Joseph, they were hard pressed to find calm and bright in the midst of their journey. But find it they did! How? By being attentive to the angel's instructions and trusting completely in God's providence.

As we gather this Christmas Season, let us heed the message of Christmas. Welcome the joy of the Angel's singing a message of peace and good news for all people and for all times. See in each person we encounter— friend, stranger, co-worker, family member the face of Christ. Take time to just sit and be and reflect on the grace of this celebration. Sure there will be chaos and difficulty and challenge and stress. That's life. Like Mary and Joseph we must be prepared to make the journey to find the Prince of Peace.

May God bless our Family of Parishes as we soon conclude the Jubilee of Hope. May this Christmas Season renew our hope in the goodness God has placed in each human heart.

On behalf of our team: Fr. Mark, Fr. Barnabas, Fr. Angelus, Maria, Robin, John, Lamis, Kay and Mike I wish all of you a blessed Christmas with family and friends. Thank you for the care you have shown to one another, especially to the poor and suffering among us. Let us continue to pray for one another.

*Merry Christmas. Love Fr Rob*



### *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:*

***Carmen Eaton & Gary Houlahan***

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May the Risen Lord bring peace and comfort to those who mourn.*



## Sunday Offertory Envelopes 2026

2026 Offertory

envelopes are now ready for pickup in both parish halls. Please check your box to ensure the name and address are complete. **Please note:** numbers change every year as the list is generated alphabetically so make sure you pick up the right box. **Do not start using them until 2026.**

If you do not use envelopes presently and would like a set, please contact Lamis at ext. 35. She can also assist if you would like to sign up for the Pre-authorized giving programme. This is a simple way of making your offertory donation.

## From the Business Manager...

**Offertory Donations:** As we prepare for year end, please ensure **all donations for 2025 are received by Sunday, December 28th.** With the uncertainty of the mail, please do not mail: bring on Sunday, drop off to the parish office or use the mail slot at the residence at St. John Vianney. Thank you for your financial support of our

*Thank you*

parishes.



## Family of Parishes Youth Group

Our Youth Group is now on break until Tuesday, February 3rd to allow our high school leaders to prepare for their exams. Thank you to all our student and adult leaders.

## DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS- TODAY Dec. 21st

Come and help us clean up and decorate for Christmas

OLA: immediately after the 10:30 am mass

SJV: 2 pm

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