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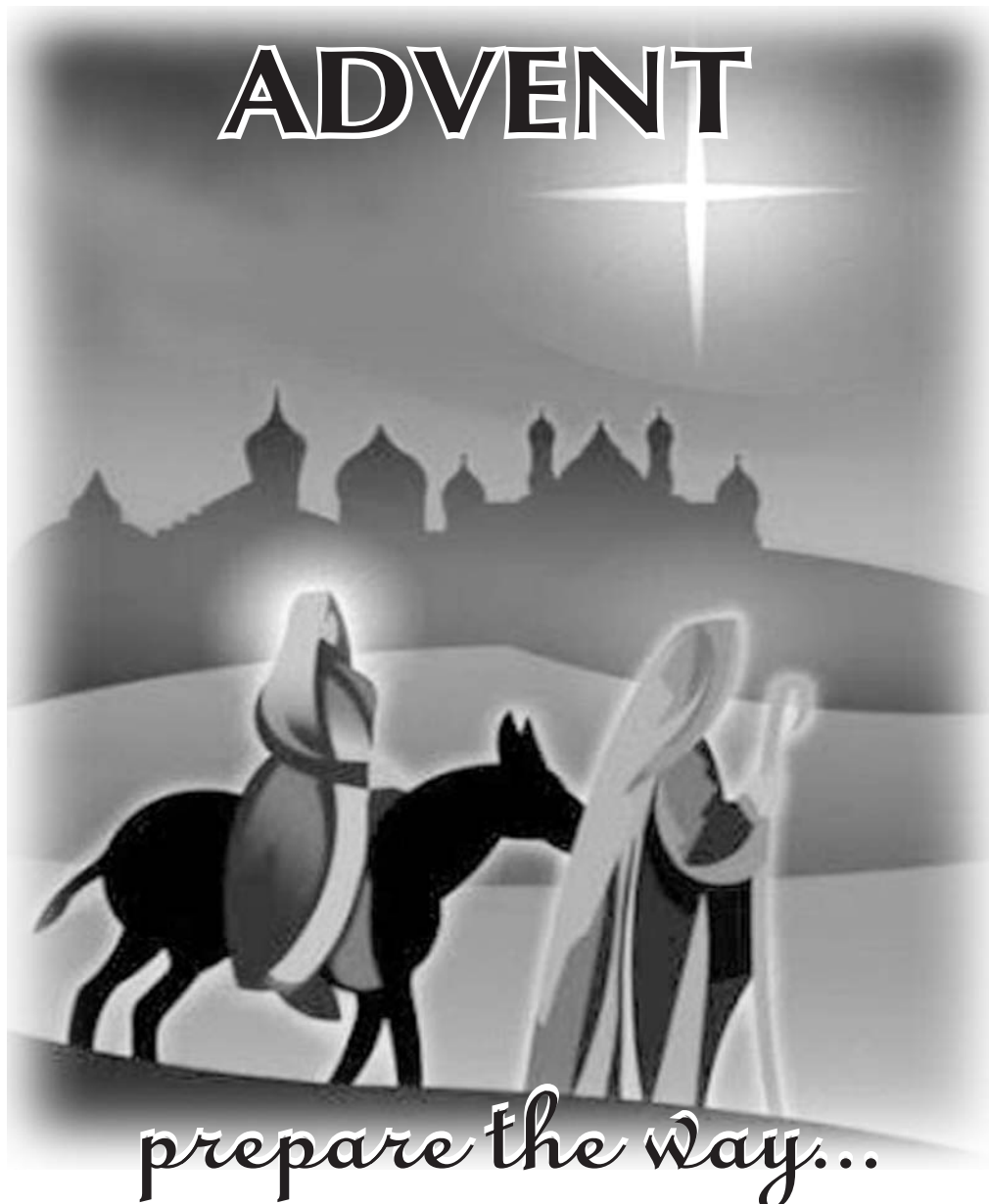
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*prepare the way...*

# Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 18, 2022



Dec 19 to Dec 25

**Mon 9:00 am** Foch Family (Int)  
Private Mass: Matthew Fitzsimmons (Int)

**Tue 9:00 am** Adrian Pereira (Int)  
**7:00 pm** Tracy & Robert Kubeshskie (Int)  
Private Mass: Doreen & Gene Robins +

**Wed 9:00 am** Prayers & Square Group (Int)  
Private Mass: Therese Pinnegar (Int – Healing)

**Thu 9:00 am** Don Duggan +  
**7:00 pm** Rosaleen Engel +  
Private Mass: Irene M. Patriquin +

**Fri 9:00 am** Richard & Regina Makuch (Int)  
Private Mass: Sister M. Michael Martin +

## Saturday – Christmas Eve - December 24

9:30 am Lion's Head – Bert & Doris Brockhouse +  
11:30 am Tobermory – Laurie & Dianne McKenna (Int)  
5:00 pm Owen Sound – Fr. Emmanuel Ogboli (Int)  
7:00 pm Owen Sound – Fr. Wojtek Kuzma, Fr.  
Francis Hubilla & Fr. Luc  
Payette (Int)  
9:00 pm Owen Sound – Allyson Turner +

## Sunday – Christmas Day - December 25

9:00 am OS – Tony Burg +  
11:00 am OS – Pro Populo  
9:00 am Chatsworth – John McKeown +  
11:00 am Meaford – Tom Forbes +  
9:00 am Hepworth – Ann Billings +  
11:00 am Wiarton – Earl & Marian Hoffman & Patrick  
Ryan +  
1:00 pm Cape Croker – Mass

## From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar This week we pray for:

Mon Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic  
Tue Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.  
Wed Voluntas Dei Institute (i.v.Dei.)  
Thu Rev. Louis DeVaugelas, L.C.  
Fri Rev. Jerek Scherber, L.C.  
Sat Rev. Adam Zettel, L.C.

\* **Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the Sick:**  
Available upon request



## From the Pastors Desk:

### The Gift of Joy



The Third Sunday of Advent, known as the Sunday of Joy, invites us to reflect on the often forgotten fruit of Christian Joy. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church Joy is mentioned as one of the fruits of the virtue of love, along with peace and mercy. Joy is not something that we can manufacture on our own, and it is not something that can be just given to us like a Christmas present. No one can give us Joy, and we can't make ourselves feel Joy. So how do we attain it? The answer is hinted in the classification of Joy as a "fruit" of a life of love. Just like ordinary fruit (think of an apple or a strawberry), joy appears automatically provided that the right conditions are present. This means that we cannot focus on trying to attain "joy", but rather we must focus on providing growth opportunity to our life of love. Think of love as an apple tree, and our life of faith as the soil, sun, and water. If our life of faith continues to focus on living God's love in our lives, Joy will eventually appear without us trying to feel joyful. The best way I know to experience the fruits of joy, peace, and mercy, is to simply live a life of love towards God and our neighbour. And that life of love cannot be abstract, it cannot just be based on some emotional or rational conviction that I love God and people, that is not enough. Love needs to be expressed in concrete ways because we are physical beings and how we act with our bodies matters. Love, therefore, must be practical, measurable, and physical. If I am living a life of love I should be able to name ways in which I am choosing to love. Regarding our love for God, for example, a life of prayer is a concrete way to know that I love God. Spending time with God, with His Holy Word, going to Church: these are all concrete and measurable way that help us love God. Being kind, helpful, forgiving, towards one another is a concrete way to know we love our neighbour. Let's take care of our loving actions, and the Joy will grow on its own. Happy Advent my beloved!

*Fr. Wojtek Kuzma*

### \* In the Parish \*

#### St. Mary's Giving Tree Project – Just a



reminder that the gifts for the Giving Tree are due back this Sunday, **December 18th**. Please bring the item (**unwrapped**) and be sure to leave the gift tag with the gift. Thank you for helping to give a gift to a child at Christmas.

**St. Mary's & the Missions Christmas Card to each other** – The deadline for having your name

included in the Christmas card is this Sunday, **December 18<sup>th</sup>**. Please place your donation in the collection basket. Thank you for your support.



## Christmas Schedule 2022

### Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24

Lion's Head – 9:30 AM      Tobermory – 11:30 AM  
Owen Sound – 5 PM, 7 PM & 9 PM

### Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25

Owen Sound – 9 AM, 11 AM  
Chatsworth – 9 AM      Meaford – 11 AM  
Hepworth – 9 AM      Wiarton – 11 AM  
Cape Croker – 1 PM

## New Year's Schedule

### New Year's Eve, Saturday, December 31

Lion's Head – 9:30 AM      Tobermory – 11:30 AM  
Owen Sound – 5 PM

### New Year's Day, Sunday, January 1

Owen Sound – 9 AM, 11 AM  
Chatsworth – 9 AM      Meaford – 11 AM  
Hepworth – 9 AM      Wiarton – 11 AM  
Cape Croker – 1 PM

**Catholic Woman's League** – A vote held at the general meeting on December 7, 2022 determined that CWL fees will be increased to \$40 for the 2023 year.



### \* *In the Community* \*

**Get Ready for School** is a learning to read program for children aged 3 and 4 (born in 2019). It takes place Jan 17, 2023 – June 22, 2023 for two mornings each week: Tues & Thurs from 9 AM to 11 AM at 925 9<sup>th</sup> Ave W. Owen Sound. There is no cost. Apply online. For more information contact the Program Co-ordinator 519-743-9578 x 114 [grfs@strongstart.ca](mailto:grfs@strongstart.ca)

### \* *In the Diocese* \*

**Fourth Sunday of Advent** – “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife... When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him.” Are you willing to respond as Joseph did? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister or a consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, email

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) or visit the website: [www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

**Come Home for Christmas** - Any time is a good time to invite family, friends, and neighbours to attend Mass. Especially so during the beautiful Christmas season. What better gift can we give a loved one who is away from the Church than a warm invitation to *Come Home for Christmas*? Whether they have been away for a short time or a long time, we want all Catholics to know that they are warmly welcomed back to our Parish community. Please consider extending this invitation to loved ones, neighbours, and colleagues – for more information, visit <http://hamiltondiocese.com>.

**Parenting tip of the month** - Christmas is an exciting and busy time of year, a time when it is vital for parents to counter the secular side of the holiday, so heavily promoted, by helping their children understand the real 'reason for the season'. Ensuring you have a nativity set and Advent wreath in your home are important reminders that it is Christ we celebrate. Attending Mass, placing Jesus in the manger before opening presents on Christmas morning, giving to charity and reminding your children Baptism calls all of you to do so, are ways to give a place of importance to the birth of Jesus. If Christmas becomes only about Santa, it is a real loss for your children and their faith. From: Family Ministry Office.

**For the Sick**, our fellow parishioners and family



members who are in need of our prayers: for – Landon Archer, Yvette Fournier, Helen Hunter, Marjorie Plien, Nancy Watson, Therese Pinnegar, Geoff Solomon, Peggy Hayward, Cameron Gibbons, Brad Cahoon, Eunice Blom, Norm Gibbons, Ben Meissner, Matthew Fitzsimmons, Shane Fleming, Dalyce Kinderwater, Maynard Dietrich, Lyn Hannigan, Anne Loisel, Karen Ellis, Matt Bell, Pete & Edna van Aalst, Sharon Cantlon, Carolyn & Noah, Arnold Hodgkinson, Doug Woolway, Gordon Dion, Glenda Emma Dupont, Colleen Warmington, Mike Couture, Madelyn van Veen, Collin Rier, Phyllis Cooper, Marilyn Schinbein, Mike Adams, Pat McIntyre and Brenda Richter. **We pray to the Lord.**

**Donations received for the weekend of Dec 10/11 were unavailable at the time of printing.**

*God bless you for your generosity.*

Boxed envelopes for 2023 are now available for pick up. Please be sure to print your name and address on the first few you use.

It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you. **St. Teresa of Calcutta**

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