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December 24, 2023 ~ Fourth Sunday of Advent

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Readings for Christmas Day

1st Reading	Isaiah 52:7-10
Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6
2nd Reading	Hebrews 1:1-6
Gospel	John 1:1-18

CWL St. John de Brebeuf

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE – Please pass the word along to anyone who may be interested in joining our organization. We will also have some gift cards available if you would like to give a membership as a gift.
PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR LUNCHEON TO GET MORE INFORMATION AND TO MEET OUR MEMBERS.

CWL St. Michael's

All membership fees of \$35 for 2024 are currently due. Our Lady of Good Counsel, pray for us.

Living with Christ



Living in Christ 2024

January **Living in Christ** monthly missalettes are \$5 each. Please put your money in the envelope provided and place in the offertory collection. Thank you.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our **church bulletin**. The advertising will begin **February 2024** & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at **1-800-268-2637**

Congratulations to our newly baptized
Lucas Morgan & Theodore Powell
Welcome to our parish family.



May we not let this Christmas pass without doing something good, brothers and sisters. Since it is his celebration, his birthday, let us give him the gifts he finds pleasing! At Christmas, God is concrete: In his name, let us help a little hope to be born anew in those who feel hopeless!
~ Pope Francis

Mark Your Calendars -- Our next GriefShare program will begin the week of **January 31/February 1**. For information on how to register contact **Veronica Costa at 519-324-6796 or Tony Fellbaum at 519-792-7171**.

IMPORTANT 2023 TAX RECEIPT INFORMATION

Donations to be included on your **2023 tax receipt must be RECEIVED in the church office no later than December 31, 2023.**

Any donations received after December 31, 2023 will be credited to your 2024 donations.

Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

Please pray for our Diocesan Family

Rev. Steven Huber
Rev. Seejo John
Mrs. Julie de Gouw
Rev. Joseph Onome
Deacon Tim Raaymakers
Rev. James Roche



Vocations December 24, 2023

"Do not be afraid, for you have found favor with God." Consider following Christ more closely as a priest or in consecrated life. Contact, Fr. Danny Santos at **519-432-1824 Ext 204 or email: vocations@dol.ca.**

Peace and All Goodness! This Christmas is the 800th Anniversary that St. Francis of Assisi created the first living Nativity Scene at Greccio. It is legend that the Real Christ Child appeared to him as witnessed later by the townsfolk. "The Conference of the Franciscan Family is pleased to announce that Pope Francis has granted a Plenary Indulgence on this, the 800th Anniversary of St. Francis of Assisi's establishment of the Christmas Crib (Creche) at Greccio, Italy in 1223. This Plenary Indulgence is available from Dec 08, 2023, until Feb 2, 2024. It may be obtained by visiting a Church served by the Franciscans and praying before the Nativity Scene present there." If you can't visit a Franciscan Church, you can still experience the Indulgence by offering your sufferings or carrying out a spiritual sacrifice."

If you feel called to the Franciscan way of life as a Secular Franciscan, we invite you to our monthly Fraternal Gatherings where we share ongoing Formation of our Catholic Faith and Franciscan saints.

Please contact: St. Anne's Fraternity,
Minister John Vajdik, ofs, jvajdik@sympatico.ca

Parish Deacons:

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Sandy Foldesi | Janet Barraco | Jennifer Binder | Mary Salmon | Joe Piorro & Mike Chomyshyn

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Calendar of Events December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10 2nd Sunday of Advent Grade 9-12 Youth Group SM 7:45pm Our Lady of Guadalupe SM 3pm	11 SM - 1:30pm Portuguese Prayer Group Schola Choir SM 4-5:30pm	12 SM - 2:30pm Portuguese Rosary to end abortion Divine Mercy 3pm SJB Confirmation Class SM 6:30pm Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe SM 6:30pm	13 Grief Share - SJ 10am - 12noon Grade 6-8pm Youth Group SM 6:30-8 All Day Confession SM 10 am-12pm SM 2pm-4pm SM 6-8pm SJ 2pm-4pm	14 CWL Social SJ 1-3pm Grief Share - SM 6:30-8:30pm Confirmation Prep SJ 6:30pm	15 Divine Mercy 9am SM	16 First Reconciliation SM 1:30-4pm
17 3rd Sunday of Advent K of C Breakfast SJ 9:30am	18 SM - 1:30pm Portuguese Prayer Group Schola Choir SM 4-5:30pm	19 SM - 2:30pm Portuguese Rosary to end abortion Divine Mercy 3pm SJB Confirmation Class SM 6:30pm	20	21 Confirmation Prep SJ 6:30pm	22 Divine Mercy 9am SM Church office closed at 12 noon	23
24 4th Sunday of Advent 31 Holy Hour 11pm SM	25 Church office closed	26 Church office closed	27 Church office closed	28 Church office closed	29 Church office closed	30

Daily Mass Schedule - Week of December 26-30, 2023

Tuesday Dec 26, 6:30pm Leamington	CANCELLED	Thursday Dec 28, 6:30pm Kingsville	Charles Kelly Antonio Tavares Helen Gaffan
Wednesday Dec 27, 8:30am Leamington	Deceased Members of the Brown & Milligan Fam Manuel & Conceicao Freitas & Dec'd Fam Members Forgiveness of Generational Sin Lucas Reis & All Souls in Purgatory Gus Mattei & Family John & Jose Gomes & Ana Bernardes	Friday Dec 29, 8:30am Leamington	Manuel & Normenia Teixeira & Liv'g & Dec'd Fam Mem Maria Oliveira Harold Hayes, Lewelyn Voisine, Aline Michaud Zacarias Carreiro Joseph, Roseann & Yasso Doher Tony & Sarkis Doher & Living & Dec'd Family Mem
Thursday Dec 28, 10am Sun Parlor	CANCELLED	Saturday Dec 30, 8:30am Kingsville	Varghese Paul Souls in Purgatory Miquelina Aminta, Manuel Rodrigues

Masses will be live streamed on YouTube ~ [esscatholic.ca](https://www.esscatholic.ca)
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