

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO INTRODUCE YOURSELVES TO A MEMBER OF OUR PASTORAL TEAM AND TO REGISTER IN THE PARISH.



November 30, 2014 1st Sunday of Advent





"Watch!" This word occurs three times in today's Gospel passage. Moreover, it is placed at significant points: the beginning, the center, and the end. Though this is technically a parable, it is quite short (four verses). The threefold repetition of "watch" leaves no doubt as to what the story is about.

We often think of Advent as a

time of waiting, but it truly is a season of watchfulness, a very active form of waiting for the coming Day of the Lord. It is that day, more than Christmas day, that the Christian community faithfully expects, using all of our gifts and talents for this purpose, as Paul reminds us in the Letter to the

Corinthians. When we use these gifts in faithful

watching and expectation, we become like the servants of the parable, set to their tasks, not waiting around idly, but engaged in the master's work until his return. May our Advent be a time when we return or rededicate our lives and our communities to this work—the active and diligent faithfulness that the Lord will expect to find.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — We are the clay and you, O Lord, are the potter: we are the work of your hands

(Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7).

<u>**Psalm**</u> Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

Second Reading — God is faithful; by God you were called to fellowship with the Son (1 Corinthians 1:3-9).

<u>Gospel</u> — Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. (Mark 13:33-37).

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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

22nd Annual Solemn Celebration in Honour of Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrim Image **Friday December 12, 2014** 6:15pm-Holy Rosary 6:45pm-Procession of Nations 7:00pm-Holy Mass Presider-Fr. Don McLeod C.S.B.

Assumption Parish (McEwan Campus) 711 McEwan Avenue Windsor, ON

Reception to follow in the church basement

Street parking is available on both sides of McEwan Avenue. Adie-Knox Arena and Shoppers Drug Mart parking lots have signs posted for Towing and also surveillance cameras. Church parking is not permitted on these premises.

Accessible entrance and parking are located at the rear of the building with designated parking for those who have permits.



The 2015 Envelopes have arrived! They will be available for pick up at the front entrance of the church starting on December 6 and December 7, 2014. All parishioners who currently have envelopes have been assigned a new envelope number.

This is to get an accurate number of how many envelopes go out each year. Over the years people have come and gone and therefore do not pick up envelopes that have been assigned to them.

In order to cut costs we will be issuing new envelope numbers every year.

If you wish to start using offertory envelopes, please fill out a registration card found at the front entrance of the church. If you wish to discontinue your envelopes or have a change of address or names please contact Sally at the rectory.

<u>PLEASE TAKE THE ENVELOPES WITH YOUR NAME</u> ONLY AND DO NOT USE UNTIL 2015

Also please note that the envelopes will remain in the name of Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Parish....we have just moved to another location, so if you are already registered with us you do not need to register again.



Thank you, on behalf of those in need, for your generous donations to the Giving Tree. Please return donations in the collection basket by **December 7th**

We will do our best to make sure that everyone has something under their tree at Christmas.

There is still time to sign up to sponsor a family. That would mean doing the shopping and preparing the entire Christmas basket, complete with dinner, for one family in need. Please contact Sr. Lise at the rectory if you have the time and resources to help.

SEASON OF ADVENT ARE YOU READY!

The Season of Advent begins on November 30, 2014

Advent is the "*New Year*" for our Church and is a time of waiting for the Lord united in the joy of the Gospel to encourage us in our own preparation to welcome the infant Jesus at Christmas.

To help us prepare, our Parish is inviting you to spend some quiet time with the Lord by purchasing "*The Little Blue Book for the Advent/ Christmas Season.*"

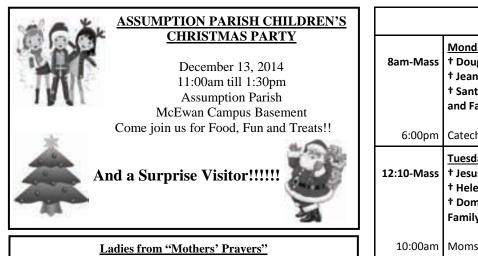
These six-minute reflections will guide you on your Advent journey. <u>The cost of each book is only \$2.00</u>

Available at the church entrance before and after all Masses By purchasing this little book we can thank God for all his blessings six minutes a day.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2015 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service.

Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637



Meet every Wednesday at 9:15am and 7:30pm at Madonna House located at 1374 Benjamin Avenue Please come in the morning or evening to pray for your children and grandchildren, and be united with all the "Mothers Prayers" groups that are all over the world. Spiritual mothers, mothers, grandmothers, aunts, etc. are welcome. For more information visit: http://mothersprayers.mpweb.co.uk Contact: Sr. Anna Sierak 519-256-7115

HEALING MASS

Immaculate Heart Parish 2153 Parkwood Avenue at Tecumseh Road East Friday December 5, 2014 7:00pm We will have Teams to pray with you after Mass This facility handicap accessible



Mass for the Deceased Heavenly Rest Cemetery

in Resurrection Mausoleum Tuesday, December 2, 2014 4:30pm <u>Presider:</u> Fr. Chris Bourdeau. All those grieving the loss of a loved one are welcome Mary Heath, Pastoral Minister 519-969-4836

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:First Sunday of AdventMonday:World AIDS Awareness DayWednesday:St. Francis XavierThursday:St. John DamasceneFriday:First FridaySaturday:St. Nicholas; First Saturday

SUNDAY COLLECTION

<u>November 23, 2014</u> Regular Offertory Misc. (Giving Tree & a Misc. Donation) Total Collection this week

\$4,245.71 <u>\$4,745.32</u> \$8,965.03

Thank you for your continued support of the restoration campaign. At this point we are asking to please give pledges, not cash. Your name, address, and amount of pledge.

Mass Creations for the Intentions Week	
8am-Mass	Monday December 1st † Doug White by Dennis & Delores Brisson † Jeanne Cormier by her Family † Sante, Augusta & Tesolin Families by son Francesco and Family
6:00pm	Catechism Program (McEwan Campus)
12:10-Mass	<u>Tuesday December 2nd</u> † Jesus Barrera by his Family † Helen Thrasher 11th Anniversary by her Family † Domenico & Benadetta Nardone by the Nardone Family
10:00am 7:00pm	Moms and Tots (McEwan Campus) Seven Sorrows (Rosary Chapel)
5pm-Mass	<u>Wednesday December 3rd</u> † Betty Palazzi by her Family † Maria Teresa Foglia by Paul & Maria Maini † Mrija Elezovic by the Family
12:10-Mass	<u>Thursday December 4th</u> † Dan Barron by his wife Dorene † Carmen Vitarelli by the Family † Doug White by Theresa Haggarty
7:00pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	Choir Practice with Peter (McEwan Campus) Hour of Power (Rosary Chapel) Nar Anon (Rosary Hall)
8am-Mass	Friday December 5th † Vincenzo & Eugenia Giannone by the Calamita Family † Anton Koren by the Koren Family † David Koren by the Koren Family
9:00am 3:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	SVDP Forgotten Harvest Produce (McEwan Campus) Divine Mercy Hour (Rosary Chapel) Confessions (Rosary Chapel) Apostolate of Fatima Mass & Rosary (Rosary Chapel) Alliance of the Two Hearts Vigil (Rosary Chapel)
Mass 5:00pm	<u>Saturday December 6th</u> For the Parishioners
8:30am	SVDP Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus)
Masses 9:00am 11:00am 4:00pm 7:30pm	<u>Sunday December 7th</u> For the Parishioners For the Parishioners Campus Ministry Mass (Rosary Chapel) For the Parishioners
10:00am 12:00pm 2:00pm	Advent Crafts Kindergarten and Grade 1 Students (McEwan Campus) RCIA Program (McEwan Campus) Blue Army - 15 Decades of the Rosary (Rosary Chapel)
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To keep the heart unwrinkled, to be hopeful, kindly, cheerful, reverent that is the triumph over old age. —Thomas Bailey Aldrich

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