

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

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SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord Jan. 7th & 8th 2017		
5:00 pm	Presider: Fr. Lindsay	
	#1 Christopher Vernell #2 Mary Ellen Agnel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marjorie Moore • Ian Moffat • Bill Roblin
8:00 am.	Presider: Fr. Lindsay	
	#1 Mary Jean Thompson #2 Monica Mullane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evariste Theriault • Bob McGaraughty • Ted Stephen
10:30 am.	Presider: Fr. Lindsay	
	#1 Judith Gray #2 Gino Brancatelli	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terry Durham • Fran Herman • John Schembri • Ming Leung • Catherine Leung

*If you are unable to serve as scheduled,
please ensure that you have found a replacement.*

Feast of the Solemnity of



Mary This feast is a celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus. The title "Mother of God" is a western derivation from the Greek Theotokos, which means "God-bearer". On this day, we are reminded of the role that the Blessed Virgin played in the plan of our salvation. Through the Holy Spirit, God the Father prepared Mary to be the dwelling place where His Son and His Spirit could dwell among men. Christ's birth was made possible by Mary's fiat, or sanctioning of God's plan with her words, "Be it done to me according to thy word". Calling Mary "Mother of God" is the highest honor we can give to her. Just as Christmas honors Jesus as the "Prince of Peace", the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God honors Mary as the "Queen of Peace". New Year's Day is also designated as the "World Day of Peace" further acknowledging the role of Mary in our hearts and in our world.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesdays: Legion of Mary - 9:30am Mass in Small Assembly Room
Wednesdays: Euchre - 12:30 pm in Small Assembly Room
 Liturgy of the Word or Mass at Redwoods - 2:00 pm
 RCIA - 7 pm. Board Room
Fridays: Liturgy of the Word or Mass at West Villa - 2:15 pm
Sundays: Children's Liturgy - at 10:30 am Mass
 Mass at Valley Stream Manor - 11:00 am
Mon. to Fri. After School Group - 3 - 6 pm. in SAR

Dates to Remember

Memorial Mass – Jan. 5th, 2017 7 pm.

**Enrollment Sunday – First Communion
Jan. 7th & 8th**

ANNUAL PARISH MEMORIAL MASS

The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League are organizing the annual Parish Memorial Mass on **Thursday, January 5th, 2017 at 7 pm.** Please forward names of family members who have passed away in 2016 that you wish remembered at this Mass to the parish office, along with the name of the representative who will attend on their behalf.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be no Children's Liturgy on **January 1st**. It will resume again on **Sunday, January 8th**. Thank you.

Notice for Parents – Re: Sacraments

Parents of children in the Public School System and children who are homeschooled are asked to please call the parish office to register for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. **(613) 829-1760.**

NEW ENVELOPE HOLDERS

If you are a new envelope holder for the upcoming year of 2017, welcome to the parish! Please fill out your name and address on your envelopes for the first few weeks to help us out with recording your contributions. Thank you.

OFFICE HOURS

Office will reopen on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS**

World Day of Peace

The Holy Father teaches us that being peace creates peace. We all can cultivate peace by looking within and committing to a spirituality of active nonviolence. God's peace lives within us, and we cannot forget that we have access to this wellspring of creative energy at all times. When we tap into this truth we create a living current of peace and offer a real gift to the world.



New Year Mass Schedule

Dec. 31st 5 pm

Jan. 1st 8:00 am. & 10.30 am.

MARYVALE ACADEMY OF OTTAWA ANNUAL FUNDRAISING DINNER GALA:

"For Love of You" on **Sat., Feb. 4** at St. Elias Centre, 750 Ridgewood Ave. Live & silent auctions, 50/50 draw, musical performances, speeches and dancing. Cocktails & silent auction at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$85/person (\$40 tax receipt). **Info/tickets:**

Maryvale Academy (613- 321-2186);

(www.maryvaleacademy.ca);

(www.facebook.com/MaryvaleAcademyOttawa).

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If your child will be 4 or 5 years old by December 31, 2017, then it's time to register for the high quality kindergarten program at all Ottawa Catholic School Board elementary schools. Our 2017 Kindergarten Registration event is January 16-20 at your local Catholic elementary school. You can also register anytime throughout the year. We welcome all! All schools offer rich French programming within a caring, innovative and faith-filled environment, representing an excellent choice for your child as they begin their school years. "Kindergarten – where dreams take off" Info: ocsb.ca/kindergarten.

Mass Intentions

Sat., Dec. 31st, 5:00 pm.

✠ Norman Martin by his wife Tina

✠ Ronald Kelly by Bill & Sue Hanchuk

✠ Patrick Dunnigan by Joanne Parenteau

Sun. Jan. 1st, 8:00 am.

For the intentions of our Parishioners

Sun. Jan. 1st, 10.30 am.

Blessings on Fr. Walter Vogels by Dominic & Teresa

✠ Brian Wilson by Betty Patterson & family

✠ Deceased members of Dawson/Randall families.

Tues. Jan. 3rd, 9:00 am.

✠ Tom Bartello by Deborah La Riccia & family

Wed. Jan. 4th, 9:00 am.

✠ Chun Yang by Doris Lam

For the intentions of Fr. Geoff Kerslake

Fri. Jan. 6th, 9:00 am.

Intentions of Kim & Dan O'Neil by Bob O'Neill

Sat. Jan. 7th, 9:00 am.

For the protection of all Human Life from conception until natural death

Sat. Jan. 7th 5:00 pm.

✠ Marthe Dubroy by Des Dubroy & family

✠ Doug Ketch by Joan Kitts

✠ Ron Kelly by Marc & Isabelle

Sun., Jan. 8th 8:00 am.

For the intentions of our Parishioners

Sat. Jan. 8th 10:30 am.

✠ Shirley Kennedy by Phil Kennedy & Family

✠ Mario La Riccia by Theresa Verver

✠ Karolina Lilliane Orzel by the St. Paul Community

✠ indicates deceased

*Please remember the sick and their families who journey with them.
Prayers and sympathy for those who have passed away especially Marion Lalonde.*

HOMELANDS MASS

The annual Homelands Mass will take place on **Sunday, January 22nd at 2.30 pm.** All are welcome!

Sunday Missals for 2017 – There are still a few missals available in the parish office for the new liturgical year. Cost \$5.00

JANUARY – Intentions of the Holy Father Christian Unity.

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.



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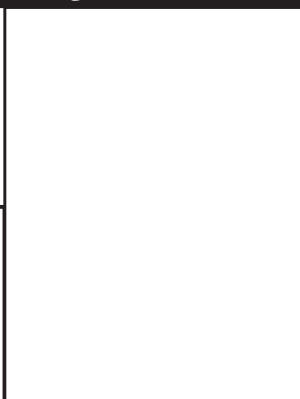
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