

1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 1, 2024

MASSES FOR DECEMBER 3RD – DECEMBER 8TH

English Rosary: Saturday 4:10 p.m. / Sunday 9:10 a.m. / Polish Rosary: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, December 3 rd	8:30 a.m.	+	Fr. Damian Smullen, req. by Jeannie & Colleen Shaughnessy
Wednesday, December 4 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Teresa Buettner, requested by Peter, Lucy & Kate Dawson
Thursday, December 5 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Fr. Damian Smullen, requested by a friend
Friday, December 6 th FIRST FRIDAY	8:30 a.m. 9:00-12:00	+ -	Luc Matteau, requested by Linda and family Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction
Saturday, December 7 th	4:30 p.m.	_	For the people of Immaculate Conception Parish
Sunday, December 8 th PARISH FEAST DAY MASS <i>(Fr. Stephen & Fr. Jozef)</i>	9:30 a.m.	-/+	All living & deceased members of the Moher family, requested by Shawn Moher All Souls in Purgatory, requested by the Tyka family (<i>No 11:00 a.m. Mass</i>)

+ Mass for the Deceased / – Mass for the Living

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Neave Alderson, Tim Ayotte, M.J.B., Gerard & Wanda Byrne, Pam Caravaggio, Margaret Collins, Mark Corkery, Gloria Crowley, John Dawson, Michael Dawson, Marian Dlugosz, Brian Eberle, Donna Ellis, Marie Green, Sawyer Growden, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Rachelle Kennedy, Cathy Lochner, Keith Mathieson, Peter McCarthy, Barb McKinnon, Pat McPhail, Jo Morrison, Nixon Parsons, Linda vanTol, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Sally Weglarz, Clint Young and those who have no one to pray for them. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.

BLESSING OF THE NATIVITY SCENE: The Knights of Columbus around the world set up the Nativity Scene on the first Tuesday of December. Fr. Jozef will bless our Nativity Scene this Tuesday, **December 3rd** at 6:00 p.m. Please join us!

PARISH FEAST DAY: The feast of the Immaculate Conception is Sunday, **December 8**th. There will be a special community Mass at 9:30 a.m. and Fr. Stephen DeCarlo will be the main celebrant. There will be no 11:00 a.m. Polish Mass that day. All are welcome!



CONGRATULATIONS: We welcome **Rylee Ruth Angela Franzen** into the people of God through **baptism**.

HOW DO YOU SAY THANK YOU IN POLISH? Dziękuję of course!!! Thank you to the Polish members of our parish who worked so hard and thanks to all who donated food as well as their time setting up, cooking and cleaning. A total of \$2,505 was raised for our parish.

DIOCESAN ROSARY PROGRAM FOR THE SCHOOLS—**REQUESTING VOLUNTEERS:** The Diocesan Rosary program in our schools is now in full swing! They need volunteers who will be willing to go into the schools for a half day, a couple of times a month. Training is provided as well as all supplies. Volunteers may contact Maria Fitzgerald at **705-740-3991**.



ADVENT BAKE SALE: We need "Bakers and Buyers" for our annual Advent Bake Sale the weekend of **December 14th & 15th** following all Masses. Your baking goods can be dropped off 30 minutes before Mass time. All proceeds go toward the purchase of our Christmas flowers.

PRO-LIFE CHRISTMAS CARDS: Support Pro-Life with the purchase of a box of 10 assorted religious Christmas cards for only \$10. Please call Francine to order at **705-741-7354**.

JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT VIDEO SERIES: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) Advent video spiritual reflections are delivered by the Most Reverend Frank Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto. <u>VIEW VIDEOS</u>

ADVENT ECUMENICAL SERVICE: St. John the Evangelist Parish in Kirkfield is hosting an Advent Ecumenical Service, Sunday, **December 1**st at 7:00 p.m. They invite us to join them for a beautiful service to brighten our hearts in preparation for the birth of our Lord! All are welcome to attend a reception for food and fellowship following the service in the Parish Hall.

ADVENT MISSION---VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, CAMPBELLFORD: Fr. Michael Prieur, a classmate of Fr. Claire Hickson and one of Fr. Bill's seminary professors, has agreed to speak at St. Mary's, Campbellford for an Advent Mission. Fr. Prieur will preach the homilies at all Masses on **December 7-8**. The next talk will be given twice on Monday, December 9th and the final talk will be given twice on Tuesday, December 10th. For further information please contact St. Mary's at **705-653-1093**.

COMMUNITY CAROL SING: Peterborough Community Sing welcomes you to join them on Sunday, **December 8th** at 2:30 p.m. at the Salvation Army, 219 Simcoe Street. All enquiries should be directed to Diann Butt at <u>diann1432@gmail.com</u>. (See poster on our bulletin board for more details.)

WAYSIDE ACADEMY PRESENTS...LESSONS & CAROLS! Monday, **December 9th** at 6:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains. Prepare your heart for Christmas through an enchanting evening of readings, traditional hymns, and magnificent compositions sung by the voices of the Wayside and Chesterton choirs, featuring works by Palestrina, Mendelssohn, and more. Freewill donation appreciated. *(See poster on our bulletin board for more details.)*

ST. MICHAEL'S, COBOURG—ADVENT MISSION & NOVENA: All are welcome to attend the Advent mission at St. Michael's, Cobourg on **December 9-11** at 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with Fr. Kevin Kelly, SJ. Also, a nine-day special Mass and Novena before Christmas: *"Simbang Gabi"*, Filipino, and *"Misa De Gallo"*, Spanish on **December 16-24**. (See poster on our bulletin board for more details.)

ADVENT: THE TRINITY IN THE CRIB: An Advent retreat at LaVerna, 820 Frank Street, exploring what the birth of Jesus means from the perspective of the life of the Holy Trinity. To be held Saturday, **December 14**th at 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Mass following). \$30.00 registration includes lunch, snacks and beverages. Register by **December 10**th at **705-243-9131**. *(See poster on our bulletin board for more details.)*

Planning for the Holidays 🔀					
The Nativity of the Lord	Tuesday, Dec. 24 th	(No 8:30 a.m. Mass) 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass (Children's Mass) 7:00 p.m. Evening Mass			
	Wednesday, Dec. 25 th	9:30 a.m. English 11:00 a.m. Polish			
Solomnity of Mary the Mother of Cod	Tuesday, Dec. 31 st	8:30 a.m. English 4:30 p.m. English			
Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God	Wednesday, Jan. 1 st	9:30 a.m. English 11:00 a.m. Polish			
ADVENT CONFESSIONS: Saturdays 3:30 to 4:15 p.m.; Sundays 8:30 to 9:15 a.m.					

"The only time that we are allowed to look down upon others, when we are offering to help them up." —Pope Francis