

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 22nd at 5:15 pm
Vera Farrell +

Sunday, December 23rd at 9:00 am
For the People of the Parish

CHRISTMAS EVE
5:00 pm - Blessed Sacrament
7:00 pm - Saint. Linus, Bath
9:00 pm - Blessed Sacrament
CHRISTMAS DAY
10:00 am - Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, December 26th No Mass
Thursday, December 27th No Mass
Friday, December 28th No Mass

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Saturday, December 29th at 5:15 pm
Phyllis Ethridge+ (Ron & Family)

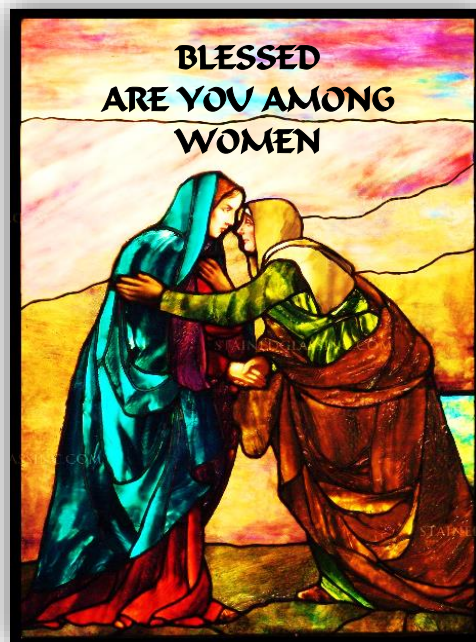
Sunday, December 30th at 9:00 am
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Liturgical Ministries

Saturday, December 29th at 5:15 pm
Lector: S. McDonald;
Eucharist: Deacon, P. Hoobin & A. Glover;
Offertory Procession: M. Smith & M. Barker.

Sunday, December 30th at 9:00 am
Lector: L. Hodgson;
Eucharist: Deacon, L. Callaghan & N. Scott.
Offertory Procession: TBA.
Helen Henderson: R. Coughlan & Peter;
Briargate: Paul;
Children's Liturgy: N/A.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for a special intention.



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Give a Great Christmas Gift
NHL Bus Trip



There will be a Parish bus trip to see Connor McDavid and the Edmonton Oilers play the Ottawa Senators. Call the office for information and to reserve tickets. (Tickets are \$100 each).

First Communion Meeting: 7 pm on Wednesday, January 16th at Mount Carmel School. All grade 2 students and their parents please. More info, call the parish at 613-389-2009.

Family GAMES: Volunteers needed to help Father Shea organize our **Family Feud** games night (Saturday, January 19th). Let Father Shea know if you have any ideas for games. Also, starting next weekend, you can sign up your family for family feud night.

Jesus offers us even more than Santa can offer us...
Santa lives at the North Pole...**Jesus** is everywhere
Santa comes but once a year...**Jesus** is an ever-present help
Santa fills our stockings...**Jesus** supplies all our needs
Santa has a belly full of jelly...**Jesus** has a heart full of love
Santa says "You better not cry" ...**Jesus** says "Cast all your cares on me for I care for you"
Santa may make you chuckle but...**Jesus** gives you joy that is your strength

GIVE THE GIFT OF SINGING! Children (and grandchildren!) ages 8 and up are invited to sing in a new Youth Choir at Saint Mary's Cathedral planned to begin in the New Year. This is a wonderful opportunity to explore a rich tradition of music and to learn about singing in a supportive group setting with Jeffrey Moellman, Director of Music. Contact him very soon for details by calling 613-985-2224 or by email at musicmoell@gmail.com.

Feast of the Holy Innocents Friday, December 28: There will be a Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral at 7:00 pm. On this day of the Christmas Season, we remember the Holy Innocents – the babies who were killed by Herod seeking the Christ Child. We will gather to pray for our own "innocents", the thousands of victims of abortion. Please join us.

Understanding the 12 Days of Christmas: This lovely Christmas song was written in the late 1700's in England. Because the Catholic Church was suppressed during those years, some recent authors have speculated that **The Twelve Days of Christmas** was actually a 'coded message' of faith that goes beyond the pretty images we sing every year. While modern 'myth busters' have dismissed these theories, the images we sing can still remind us of the truths we celebrate and of the deeper meaning of Christmas.

Partridge in a Pear Tree – 1 Saviour, Jesus Christ
Two Turtle Doves – 2 Testaments, Old & New
Three French Hens – 3 Virtues of Faith, Hope & Love
Four Calling Birds – 4 Gospels, Evangelists
Five Gold Rings – 5 Books of the Torah (Bible)
Six Geese A-Laying – 6 Days of Creation
Seven Swans A-Swimming – 7 Sacrament, Holy Spirit Gifts
Eight Maids A-Milking – 8 Beatitudes
Nine Ladies Dancing – 9 Fruits of the Holy Spirit
Ten Lords A-Leaping – 10 Commandments
Eleven Pipers Piping – 11 Faithful Disciples
Twelve Drummers Drumming – 12 Beliefs in the Creed

Parish Ice Time

W.J. Henderson Recreation Centre
322 Amherst Drive, Amherstview

Thursday, December 27th
1 pm – Kids Hockey – no charge
(Sign up for Hockey has started)
2 pm – Family Skating – no charge

Friday, December 28th
Noon – Adult hockey – no charge
(Sign up for hockey has started)

Looking Ahead – Events & Meetings

BINGO

December 31st at 1 pm – Mary Lou and Susan
**BINGO is at Community Spirit Gaming Centre,
900 Montreal Street, Kingston. Please come!**

Euchre & Bridge Night: January 15th at 7 pm

First Communion Meeting: January 16th at 7 pm

Family Feud Games Night: January 19th

Knights of Columbus Meeting: January 7th at 7:30 pm
(different day due to holiday)

CWL Meeting: February 12th at 7 pm

Intercessory Prayers

Monsignor Leo Clutterbuck, Fr. Michael McCarthy, Ossia Fisher/ Sr. Aurora RHSJ, Shelley Mallen, Bonny Greavett, Irene Hamilton/, Tammy Plourde, Jim McGinn, Laurie Gartland / /Joseph Reed, /Helen Hanley/Dale Ezard, Roman Masyk ///

We pray for our family members and friends who are chronically ill and for all whose sickness, impairment or personal situations keep them from joining us at Eucharist or from living a full and happy life. We pray for our troops and all who are away from home.

Please pray for recently deceased especially ...
Shirley Salter, Robert Battaglia, Genevieve Whalen and Wayne Murray.

Parish Prayer Network – See the back cover for info!
Please phone in or email new prayer intentions to the parish by **Monday at 9 am** to ensure that word gets to the prayer network for that week.



New Year's Mass Times

Mary, the Mother of God

Monday, December 31st at 5:15 pm

Tuesday, January 1st at 10:00 am