

Sunday Bulletin

December 15, 2019

Third Sunday of Advent

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve

Nativity of the Lord

December 24 4:45pm

Organ Prelude



5:00pm

Children's Pageant and Mass

8:00pm

Choral Prelude & Carol-Sing

9:00pm

Mass during the Night

11:00pm

Choral Prelude & Carol-Sing

12:00am

Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

Nativity of the Lord

December 25 10:45am

Organ Prelude

11:00am

Mass during the day

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

December 28 5:00pm

Mass

December 29 9:30am

Mass

11:30am

Mass

New Year's Eve

Mary, the Holly Mother of God

December 31 5:00pm

Mass

January 1 11:00am

Mass

Epiphany of the Lord

January 4 5:00pm

Mass

January 5 9:30am

Mass

11:30am

Mass

Christmas Poinsettia Donation



Give a Christmas flower in honour of, or in memory of, a loved one. Parishioners are invited to bring poinsettias and other Christmas flowers to help decorate the church for Christmas. Many donate in honour of someone special, or in memory of someone who has died. The list of names of those being honoured or remembered will be published in our Christmas bulletin on the weekend of **Dec. 21—22**. Please drop off flowers (or monetary donations) at the **Welcome Desk** or at the **Front Office**. Be sure to include: "In honour of..." or "In memory of..." with flowers. Thank you!

2020 Envelopes Available

The 2020 donation envelopes will be available at the **Welcome Desk** after all Masses this weekend (**December 15, 2019**). If you any questions or wish to register for envelopes please contact the Front office (613) 233-4095 ext. 251, or ask the Welcome Desk for registration forms.

Welcome!

New Parishioners and visitors please introduce yourselves at the **Welcome Desk** at the back of the church or contact Maria Virjee, 613-234-6000, mvsali2@gmail.com

Registration

Forms can be found at the Welcome Desk or the back of the Church.

Donations

Register with the Parish either to receive envelopes, sign-up for auto-debit, online through **Canada Helps**.

Don't like passing the basket empty-handed? Stop by the Welcome Desk before Mass and pick up a laminated donation card that you can drop in the basket as it passes.

Children's Liturgy: 9:30am Mass 3 Sundays a month. Children are invited to meet in age groups (JK-1, Gr 2-3 & Gr 4-6) & share on the Word of God at their own level. All children are welcome.

MASS TIMES & RECONCILIATION

- *Week Day Mass:* Wed to Fri at 12PM in the Rectory Chapel
- *Weekend Masses:* Saturday 5PM Sunday 9:30AM (Family Mass) & 11:30AM
- *University Mass (Sept-Apr):* Sunday 7PM
- *Reconciliation:* After weekday Mass or by appt.
- *Adoration:* 1st Friday of the month after the noon Mass

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

Isaiah 35.1-6a, 10

Second Reading:

James 5.7-10

Gospel:

Matthew 11.2-11



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Outreach Ministries Column



NEWS FROM AROUND THE SUPPER TABLE

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Happy weekend! Please check out our yearly update and year at a glance located at the Welcome Desk after mass. **We are looking for winter boots in Women/Men sizes 7.5 —11.5, spices especially salt and pepper; baking soda; baking powder; chocolate chips and baby supplies (wipes, food, cereal), canned meats and tinned coffee (or 5\$ coffee cards from Tim Hortons).** Drop off donations at reception or the offering basket. Monetary donations are welcome, please make your cheques payable to St. Joe's Supper Table. Tax receipts are provided. This weekend we gave out 45 turkeys, 20 hams and 25 tofurkeys to our guests for their Christmas celebrations.



St Joe's Women's Centre — Quality of life Awards2019

St. Joe's Women's Centre Celebrated the 20th anniversary **Quality of Life Event** on November 7th, 2019. Honoured was Gavin Lumsden, Barristers for the Better Bytown, and Nalin Bhargava for improving the lives of those who are disadvantaged within our community. The sold-out event took place at St. Joseph's Parish Hall and a fun time was had by all who attended!

— Stephanie Reynolds, Program Coordinator

ROC Update: Gently Used or New Skates Needed (all sizes— pre-school to adult)

The Skating Buddy Program is one of several ways The Catholic Center for Immigrants (CCI) introduces newcomers to fun things they can do to become comfortable with winter. With a team of volunteers, they teach newcomers of all ages to skate at City Hall's Rink of Dreams. Last year a number of the families the Refugee Outreach Committee were helping took part in this program and hope to continue if skates are available. Three of our children from an African country took to skating with much enthusiasm and laughter. New or gently used skates for all ages are needed. They can be obtained either from your family's hand me downs or at Value Village & Salvation Army Thrift shops at very inexpensive prices. If you would like to donate, please drop skates off in the labelled box at the back of the church. If you would like more information please contact John Weir: jhnwr99@yahoo.ca.

St. Joe's Ministry News & Updates

Young Adult Ministry
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**ALL
ARE
WELCOME**

University Mass every Sunday at 7PM.

Email Andrew to get on the Young Adult Mailing List.

Current Events:

Advent Discernment Journey: Closer Advent Discernment Dinners (Closer than a Heartbeat) - A Reflective Retreat Experience Offered at St. Joseph on Thursday Evenings During Advent by Karen Johnson: During Advent, as the evenings grow darker, you are being invited to retreat into the stillness and to listen expectantly. It is within this very stillness that Mary heard the words of the Angel Gabriel. What words do you hear in the stillness? Do you have the courage to believe that God reaches for you in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of each and every-day? Karen Johnson B.A. B.Ed, M.R.E. is a follow parishioner and adult educator

who has a passion for teaching people how to become "heart literate". She developed Closer Than a Heartbeat when she recognized that very few were teaching young adults how to listen to their hearts in order to hear the voice of God in their lives. These sessions will be held every Thursday evening of Advent. We will start with dinner and fellowship at 6PM, then move on to the discernment activities and reflections. If you are available for those days it would be great to have you journey with us. Please sign up by contacting Andrew.



Young Adult Christmas Dinner:

We will be having a Young Adult Christmas Dinner between the 5PM

and 9PM Christmas Eve masses. If you are staying in town and are away from family this season you can find food and fellowship with us. If you are interested just let us know by emailing Andrew.

Reminder: There will be no University Mass on the 22nd or 29th of December.

Our Financial Stewardship COLLECTION December 8, 2019: \$7,432

Step Up—Building Fund: \$21,685



Library News — Library titles on HOPE & GRATITUDE include – Miller, J. *Change & possibility: discover hope in life's transitions* (BV4435.M56 2005), Chittister, J. *Uncommon gratitude: alleluia for all there is* (BV4647.G8C45 2010) and Leddy, M. J. *Radical gratitude* (BV4647.G8L43 2002).

Advent Small Group Faith Sharing

All are welcome to join us for any of the remaining sessions as we continue to our share faith stories in light of the Advent Sunday scriptures. Wednesday evenings until December 18 at 7:15PM in the Oblate Lounge. Enter via the Laurier Avenue entrance.



Ottawa Children's Choir - CD for sale!

St. Joseph's Parish is the home of the Ottawa Children's Choir (OCC). The program's five choirs rehearse in the Church and the Parish Hall every week and perform three concerts here each year. The senior level of the OCC, Chamber Choir, will be touring Italy in April 2020 where they will perform at St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, as well as during mass at St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican. The choir has produced a CD as a fundraiser for this tour. CDs are available for purchase for \$20. Please see Jamie Loback (Music Director) following mass or email him at jamieloback@yahoo.ca should you wish to purchase a copy.



Parish & Ministry Information

Coffee Sales

Fair-Trade Coffee is sold near the Welcome Desk after each Sunday Mass. Bags (340g) are \$13. All proceeds directly benefit Development & Peace.

Parking

Parking is free during weekend Mass & 30 mins after. Or park in UofO Lot B **only** on Sundays from 8am-2pm (enter off Cumberland between Wilbrod & Stewart).

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Missing information?

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WEEKLY EVENTS AT ST. JOE'S

December 16th — December 22nd, 2019

	Monday 16 th	Tuesday 17 th	Wednesday 18 th	Thursday 19 th	Friday 20 th	Saturday 21 st	Sunday 22 nd
This Week	(1) Christian Meditation: 9:30AM Library		(1) Advent Faith Sharing: 7:15PM Oblate Lounge (2) Christian Meditation 4:00PM Library (3) English Conversation Group: 7PM—8:30PM, rm L-142 Lafromboise hall, St. Paul's University	(1) Advent Journey: 6PM, meeting room (YAM)	(1) Christian Meditation: 7PM Oblate Lounge	(1) Funeral 10AM	(1) Available 2020 Envelops, Welcome Desk (2) Pick up OM-RA grocery cards at Mass
Up Coming	(1) Male Spirituality Circle at Bethesda Renewal Centre: 7PM-9PM (last Mon.)	(1) ROC: 3rd Tues., 6:30PM, Library			(1) Adoration: 1st Fri, Main Floor Chapel. (2) One-on-One Healing touch: Feb 7 th , Church (3) Catholic LGBT & Straight Alliance (2nd Fri)		(1) Healing prayer following mass: First Sunday in Jan (5 th)



Volunteer Opportunities - Ancoura

Looking for meaningful volunteer work? Ancoura is a community agency in Ottawa that provides affordable housing and social supports to people living with a mental illness. We are looking for people to be: visiting volunteers who develop relationships with our residents by spending time with them at home and/or in the community; occasional volunteers who help from time to time with tasks like moving furniture, doing minor apartment repairs, or putting on events; and committee and board members. For more information, please contact Max Derenoncourt at 613-830-8130 or max@ancoura.ca

Announcements



The St. Joe's Supper Table annual Christmas newsletter is available at the back of the Church.

Funeral Announcement

There will be a funeral mass for Carol Brown here at the Parish on Saturday, December 21st at 10AM. Originally from Windsor, Carol was a long-time parishioner of St. Joseph's with her daughter Jodi, son-in-law Anthony, and grandchildren.

Mass Intentions:

Wed. December 18, 2019:

Thur. December 19, 2019:

Fri. December 20, 2019: Pat & Betty Horan,
Patricia Fournier



Mass intentions are available on Wed., Thur., and Fri. during Noon Mass for a \$15.00 donation. Please notify the Front Desk for arrangements. Thank you!

To add a name to the Book of the Sick: Either inform the Front Office or write it in the binder located at the Welcome Desk. We pray for those who are listed during the Prayers of the Faithful.

Prayers for the sick: Anne Morgan, Ken SwitzaerDale Wilson, Peggy Whelan, Bernie, Maureen Grace, Doyle Wilson, Jean-Claude Filion, Edmund Beckis, Jainaba Manner, Catherine Njie, Anna Kizas, Nyra Mineros, Madeline Forget, Hal Rowan, Sheila Granger, Christina De Simone, Vivian Gutierrez, Anne Patterson, Reesa Greenberg.

Prayers for those who have died: Jane Anido, Peter McDougnel, Andrew Hill, Peter MacDougall, Louise Picard-Labelle, Basile Foote OSB, Jeanine Herie, John Tymchuk, Mary Joy, Sister Jenny Nasello CND, Una Burke, Aideen Nicholson, Deborah Fournier, Hunter Straight-Smith, Louise Picard-Labelle, Jennifer Fernandes, Marie Beauchemin, Suzanne Sayers, Terence McCluskey.