

Sunday Bulletin

December 3rd, 2023

1st Sunday of Advent



Presented by
the Parish Choir of St. Joseph's Church - Ottawa

A Festival of Lessons and Carols

3PM Sunday, December 17, 2023

Lessons and Carols Service

St. Joseph's Parish Choir will be hosting a service to raise money for St. Joe's Supper Table. A Festival of Lessons and Carols will take place at 3pm on Sunday December 17, 2023 at St. Joseph's Parish (174 Wilbrod St, Ottawa, Ontario). A collection will be taken to support the Supper Table.

Sunday Mass Time Change for Advent & Christmas Season

From Sunday, December 3rd 2023 through Sunday, January 7th 2024, we will celebrate one Mass each Sunday morning at 10:30 AM!

On Gaudete Sunday, after several weeks of these shared liturgies, we will seek feedback from as many parishioners as possible on their experience. Your feedback will guide our planning when it comes to Mass times in the new year!

Saturday 5:00 PM Mass and Sunday 7:00 PM Mass remain unchanged.

Welcome!

New Parishioners and Visitors Welcome! Registration Forms can be found through the Front Office (frontdesk@st-josephs.ca) or at the back of the Church.

Donations

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

MASS TIMES & RECONCILIATION

- *Week Day Mass*: Wed to Fri at 12PM
- *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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Fr. Robert is celebrating all weekday 12pm masses through the winter season in the Chapel, which is located in the Rectory. The Church entry will still be open.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Music at the Saturday 5pm Mass and Sunday 7:00pm Masses will be led by cantors.

NEW MEMBERS are welcome to join the choir. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings at 7pm. Please email our Music Director at jamieloback@yahoo.ca.

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St. Joe's Ministries and Outreach Updates

Limited edition Christmas cards designed by Father Robert available for purchase

As many of you know, our Pastor, Fr. Robert Laroche OMI, is an artist. He designed a lovely Christmas card this year (pictured below) and thanks to a generous parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous, a limited number of these have been professionally printed. They are available for purchase and all proceeds benefit our church. If you would like to purchase a pack of 5 cards with envelopes, they will be available for \$20. Please see Chris Adam at the Welcome Desk this Sunday, December 3rd, 2023 before or after 10:30 AM Mass to purchase your cards.



Library News — Library books on ADVENT include - Koellhoffer, C. Pope Francis: Living Advent with joy and peace (BX1999.21.F813 2015) & Mongeau, G. Called to pray, Advent and Christmas (BX2170.A4C35 2011).



New Library hours : Mon, Wed & Thurs 9:00 am - 1:00 pm; Tues & Fri 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Starting Sun, Dec 3 the Library will be open Sundays before and after the 10:30 Mass, that is to say 10:00 am - 10:30 am & 11:30 - 12:00 noon.



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FACULTY OF
THEOLOGY

Professor Sheila Smith, rscj, invites you to a winter course that examines the Churches' response to Canada's TRC Call to Action #48: to use the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as a framework for reconciliation. We will encounter Indigenous and non-Indigenous theological, pastoral, and other voices to resituate our self-understandings and faith-based commitments to live reconciliation.

This course is offered in English and is open to all, including non-degree students and auditors

Where? Online on Zoom or in-person at Saint Paul U.

For more information, please email

Sheila.Smith@ustpaul.ca

The Churches and Indigenous Peoples (THO 4132/WS00)

Winter Session 2024

Thursday evenings: January 11- April 4

5:30-8:30 p.m. (Eastern time)

Refugee Outreach Committee

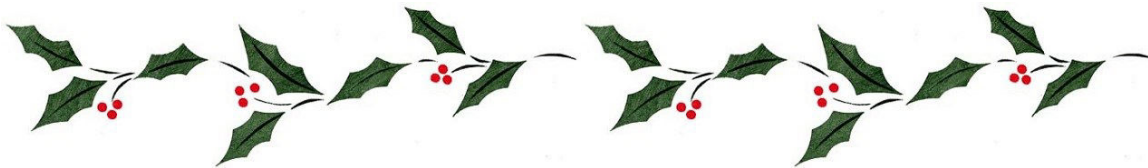
AMNESTY WRITE FOR RIGHTS

ROC Supports Amnesty International's Write for Rights campaign.

International Human Rights Day is approaching. To mark this day, thousands of people take part in Amnesty International's global Write for Rights campaign. Amnesty International provides information on persons or groups whose rights are being denied and gives direction for actions that can be taken through letter writing and petitions. These efforts have been instrumental in providing protection and support to the vulnerable and in attaining freedom for many who are unjustly imprisoned. Sending cards offers comfort and solidarity by letting recipients know that they have not been forgotten. All the information can be found at <https://amnesty.ca/write-for-rights/>.

Write on your own anytime between now and the end of January, or find a group to write with on their website. Amnesty's Canadian head office, just down the street at 312 Laurier Ave., is holding a letter writing open house Dec. 10, 1-5 pm.

Any questions - Deborah Dorner 613-612-3626.



St. Joe's Women's Centre

Bake Sale

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

ST. JOE'S WOMEN'S CENTRE WILL BE HOSTING A BAKE SALE AT 10:30 MASS

COME PURCHASE SOME BAKED GOODS AND GET TO KNOW MORE ABOUT OUR SUPPORTS AND SERVICES



Our Financial Stewardship

Sunday Offerings for November 26th, 2023: \$8.145

Parking

Parking is free during weekend Mass & 30 mins after. Parking is also available in UofO Lot B **only** on Sundays from 8am-2pm

Ministry Contacts

History Committee:

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Liturgical Environment

Ministry: Wayne Moyle
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Refugee Outreach Committee (ROC): Dona Bowers donabowers22@gmail.com

Pastoral Visiting Contact

Front Desk
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English Conversation Group for newcomers : Michaelrichard2008@hotmail.com

Christian Meditation:

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Beth Smith:
613-563-7091(Fri.)

2SLGBTQ+ Accompaniment Ministry:

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(OMRA): Donna Rietschlin
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Funeral Ministry

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Development and Peace — Caritas Canada

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Missing information?

To add or update Ministry info, please contact Front Office at frontdesk@st-josephs.ca or extension 251.

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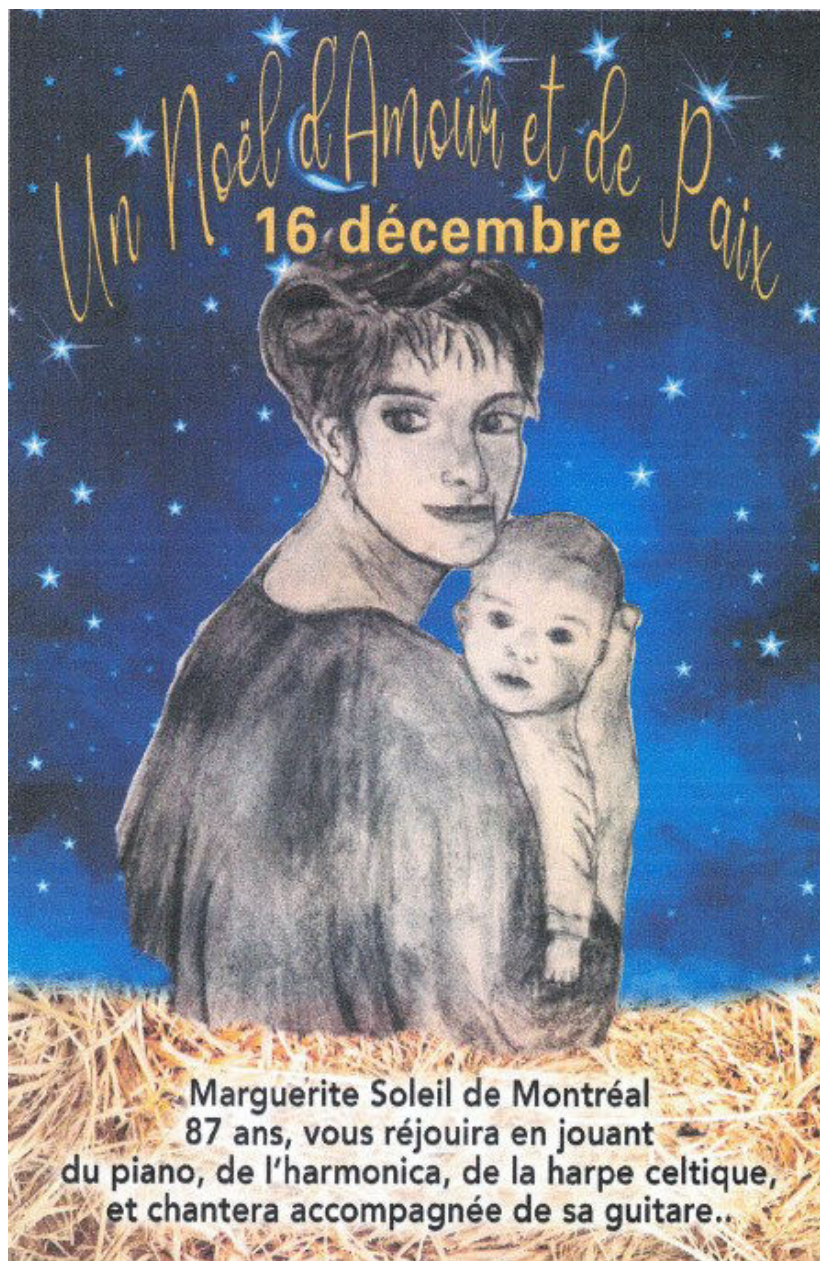
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St. Joe's Ministries and Community Events

A Christmas of Love and Peace -- A Concert at Sacré-Coeur Parish

Paroisse Sacré-Coeur and St. Joseph's Parish are not only neighbours in downtown Ottawa, they are both part of the Oblate family. Sacré-Coeur is hosting a concert for the benefit of the St. Joe's Supper Table on Saturday, December 16th, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. at 591 Cumberland Street, Ottawa, entitled "A Christmas of Love and Peace." The concert features Marguerite Soleil of Montreal, 87 years old, who will perform on the piano, the harp and the harmonica. Tickets are available for \$20 (or \$10 for students). Please see the French-language poster below for details and please consider attending this generous initiative by our friends at Sacré-Coeur.



Concert bénéfique pour :
St. Joseph's Supper Table
À 15 h 00 samedi, le 16 décembre
À l'église du Sacré-Cœur Ottawa
591, rue Cumberland K1N 7K3
Entrée : \$20.00 • Étudiant : \$10.00 (argent comptant)
Informations : 613 236-5743

WEEKLY EVENTS AT ST. JOE'S

December 4th — December 10th, 2023

	Monday Dec 4th	Tuesday Dec 5th	Wednesday Dec 6th	Thursday Dec 7th	Friday Dec 8th	Saturday Dec 9th	Sunday Dec 10th
This Week	(1) Christian Meditation, 9:30am, Sacristy (2) RCIA, 7pm, Oblate Lounge	(1) Faith Formation Bible Study, 7pm, Sacristy Library (2) Feast and Faith, 5:30pm, Oblate Lounge	(1) Weekday Mass, 12pm, Chapel (3) Marriage Preparation, 7pm, Oblate Lounge	(1) Weekday Mass, 12pm, Chapel (2) Marriage Preparation, 3pm, Oblate Lounge (3) Couple's Night, 7pm, Sacristy (3) AA Meeting, 7pm, Women's Centre	(1) Weekday Mass, 12pm, Chapel (2) Christian Meditation, 7pm, Oblate Lounge	(1) Weekend Mass, 5pm (2) Teacher's Group, 5pm, Oblate Lounge	(1) Weekend Mass, 10:30am (2) Children's Liturgy, 10:30-11:30am (3) University Mass, 7pm
Future							(1) Festival of Lessons and Carols, Dec 17

PARISH & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FRONT DESK ANNOUNCEMENTS

2023/24 Missals are now ready for purchase for \$5. Please contact Olivia at the Front Desk if you would like to buy one.

2024 Envelopes are also ready for pickup. If you requested an envelopes box, please contact Olivia, and your box will be prepared for you. If you did not request a box but would still like one, please inform the front desk as soon as possible, and a box will be assigned to you. Thank you!

Two Species Communion

On the first weekend of Advent (December 2nd and 3rd), consecrated wine will be offered during communion for those who wish to partake and are comfortable sharing the common cup. Please note that there is **no requirement** to consume the wine and that it is understood that everyone has different levels of comfort post-pandemic. Intinction (dipping the consecrated host into the wine) is not permitted. The risk of spreading disease is much higher if fingers touch the wine rather than sipping from the cup.

Mass intentions are available on Wed., Thur., and Fri. during Noon Mass for a \$15.00 donation. Please notify the Front Desk, frontdesk@st-josephs.ca for arrangements.

Thank you!

Wed., Dec 6th, 2023:

Thu., Dec 7th, 2023: Dr. Bernie Andrews and Family †

Fri., Dec 8th, 2023:



To add a name to the prayers for sick or those who have died: Email the Front Office at frontdesk@st-josephs.ca. We pray for those who are listed during the Prayers of the Faithful.

Prayers for those who are ill: Marie Bhaneja, Larry Martin, Hilde Ouellette, Carol Green, Frank O'Donnell, Ann Keatings, Justin Graham, Beate Bernhardt.

Prayers for those who have died: Doreen Armbruster, Johanna Horvath, Nancy McCormick Brigitte Bernhardt,