

THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

(ST. CECILIA)

(followed by Novena to St. Anthony)

5:00 pm

+ Giovanni Presti

+ John Young

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

8:00 am

+ Julietta & Ana Marie Soares

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

(ST. ANDREW DŪNG-LAC & COMPANIONS)

5:00 pm

(followed by Miraculous Medal Novena)

+ José Ferreira

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

8:00 am (8:30 - 9:30 am adoration & recitation of Divine Mercy Novena)

+ Antonio Bairos & Manuel Chaves

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

5:00 pm

+ John & Luiza da Costa

+ Betsy Biscotti

+ Michael Pauze

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

9:00 am

+ José Pereira

11:00 am - for the People - *pro populo*

“Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.”

Psalm 122



If you are visiting today,

St. Patrick Parish welcomes you.



COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

We invite you to stay after the **9 & 11 am Mass this Sunday, November 20** for coffee fellowship in the Parish Hall. This is an ideal time to come together to renew existing friendships or to form new ones. A special invitation is extended to new parishioners who would like to get better acquainted with St. Patrick's Parish community. Regular coffee socials will now be hosted on the first and third Sunday of each month following the 9 & 11 am Mass times. All are welcome. Please join us!

SUNDAY MISSALS

2022 - 2023 Sunday Missals are available for purchase at \$5 each in the narthex of the church while supplies last. Place your donation in the box. Please bring exact change. Thank you.

2023 Offering Envelopes

2023 offering envelopes will be available in the parish hall on the weekend of **December 10 & 11**. Please be sure to free up storage space and take your envelopes home with you as soon as possible.



CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PLAY

Children from grades 3 to 5 from St. Patrick's Parish will be presenting the Nativity Play prior to the 5 pm Mass on Christmas Eve. Practices will take place at 12:15 pm on four Sundays beginning **Sunday, November 27** in the Church (one practice will be a dress rehearsal). If your child(ren) would like to take part in this Christmas presentation, please contact Bonnie O'Brien at 519-716-2735.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The next Knights of Columbus Galt Council # 2184 meeting will be held at **7:30 pm on Monday, November 28** at St. Patrick Church in the parish hall. All men over 18 years are welcome to attend.

OFFERTORY

NOVEMBER 13, 2022

Envelope Contributions	\$2,157.00
Loose Collection	\$ 388.30
EFT Donations	\$1,099.75
Total Collection – Thank you	\$3,645.05

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

NOVEMBER 26 & 27

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Lectors	M. Benoit	A. Jamieson	J. Kelly
Communion	P. Cooper C. Bracken	J. Bui J. Streppel	H. France R. France



THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

The Feast of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man's thinking and living. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's sovereignty over individuals, families, society, governments and nations. This feast is celebrated annually on the last Sunday in Ordinary Time in the liturgical year. The following are the words of Pope Pius XI in the Encyclical *Quas Primas* - On the Feast of Christ the King: "He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls." QP # 33



ARTS & ENVIRONMENT

The liturgical seasons, particularly Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter, provide opportunities to enhance our worship space by the use of flowers and other seasonal arrangements. If you have a flair for decorating, we encourage you

to assist in this ministry. *Time:* Several hours per season. Please contact Dawn Wylie at 519-740-8865.

OUTDOOR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

St. Patrick Church is looking a volunteer to oversee and for additional volunteers to help with outdoor Christmas decorations around the church property this year. If you are interested, please contact the office at stpatrickscambridge@gmail.com as soon as possible.

PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF THE CAPE

The pilgrim statue of Our Lady of the Cape arrived at St. Patrick Church on Thursday, November 17 and will remain with us until Tuesday, November 22. During her stay the church will be open daily for adoration, prayer, hymns, recitation of the rosary and Mass. There is an itinerary in the narthex for your reference. All are welcome.

"Our entire task in this life, dear brothers [and sisters], consists in healing the eyes of the heart so they may be able to see God."

~ St. Augustine

HERE ARE SOME CATHOLIC TRADITIONS FOR ADVENT

The Catholic Church has designated the four weeks preceding Christmas as Advent, a time to prepare the way of the Lord for His coming as our King and Saviour. The Catechism stresses the two-fold meaning of this "coming": When the Church celebrates *the liturgy of Advent* each year, she makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Saviour's first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for his second coming (CCC 524). Therefore, on one hand, the faithful reflect back on Our Lord's first coming when He humbled Himself, becoming incarnate and entered our time and space to free us from sin. On the other hand, we recall in the creed that Our Lord will come again to judge the living and the dead and that we must be ready to meet Him.

Advent begins next Sunday, November 27.

Here are some ways you can take advantage of the Advent Season to prepare for the coming of our Saviour:

1. Prepare an Advent Wreath: The wreath is a circle, which has no beginning or end: God is eternal, and His love for us is everlasting. The wreath is made of fresh plant material, because Christ came to give us new, everlasting life through His passion, death and resurrection. Three candles are purple, symbolizing penance, preparation and sacrifice; the rose candle symbolizes the same but highlights the third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday, when we rejoice because our preparation is now half-way finished and Christ will soon come. The light represents Christ, who entered this world to scatter the darkness of evil and show us the way of righteousness. The progression of lighting candles shows our increasing readiness to meet Our Lord. Make the Advent wreath the centerpiece of the dinner table and light it at dinner time.
2. Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
3. Set time aside to pray and reflect on the readings of each day.
4. Make the time to attend some weekday masses as well as on the Lord's Day.
5. Children love to read and be read to. Read with them the stories of St. Francis and the first Christmas crèche, St. Boniface and the first Christmas tree or St. Nicholas who is Santa Claus.
6. Give of yourself by doing good works. St. Francis said, "It is in giving that we receive," and through our charitable works we will receive the love of Christ Himself.
7. Ponder the calendar of saints during Advent and read and reflect on their stories - some of whom include St. Nicholas, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Saint Lucy, and St. John of the Cross.

Source: catholicstraightanswers.com/prepare-christmas/

