

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



If you are visiting today,
St. Patrick's Parish welcomes you.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24 -
VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD
4:45pm : Children's Nativity Play
Mass at: 5, 7 & 9 pm (*incense used*)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25
NATIVITY OF OUR LORD
10:00 am *only*

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26 -
(ST. STEPHEN)
5:00 pm
(*followed by Miraculous Medal Novena*)
+ Rosemarie & Ruedi Huber

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27 -
(ST. JOHN)
8:00 am (8:30 - 9:30 am *adoration & recitation of Divine Mercy Novena*)
+ Antonio Figueiredo

THE HOLY FAMILY OF
JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28
5:00 pm
+ Pauline Reidy
+ Audrey Shannon
+ Ruedi & Rosemarie Huber
+ Bernadette Stark

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29
8:00 am
9:00 am - for the People - *pro populo*
11:00 am + Lucille Stoltz

ARE HEAVENLY PERSON PRESENT AT MASS?

Jesus is present in the Mass in various and special ways. The Three Persons of God - the Father, the Son (Jesus) and the Holy Spirit - are present and active in bestowing grace as we address them in the prayers of the Mass. There are also other heavenly persons present at Mass - those of the Communion of Saints and the Angels. The Blessed Virgin Mary is present interceding for the Church, and countless thousands of Angels praising God, together with your Guardian Angel who is interceding for you. At every Mass, the church is also filled with many Saints of Heaven, both known and unknown, who come to glorify God with the Church on earth. Source: 101 Questions about the Catholic Mass.

LAMP OFFERING

December 22 - 28

December 29 – January 4

SANCTUARY LAMP

+ Benedict Farrell

+ Marie Farrell

LADY ALTAR LAMP

Intentions of Leil Thawar

Intentions of Megan

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

DECEMBER 28 & 29

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Lectors	M. Benoit	B. Sousa	M. Deska
Communion	C. Bracken	J. Streppel	T. Cabral



CHRISTMAS OVERFLOW PARKING

Overflow parking for Christmas Masses is available in the parking lot at the corner of Wellington and Main Streets, behind City Hall off of Cambridge Street and across from the David Durward Centre (Beverly and Dickson Streets).

DECEMBER 22, 2024



MEMBERSHIP IN ST. PATRICK'S CWL

The Catholic Women's League of Canada has a core purpose - uniting Catholic women to grow in faith and to promote social justice through service to the Church, Canada and the world. For more information about the CWL visit cwl.ca and cwl.on.ca. The cost to become a member of St. Patrick's CWL is \$40. Payment can be made by cash or cheque and can be dropped off at the Parish Office during regular office hours, by using the CWL Membership envelope in your box of weekly Sunday donation envelopes or you may place the money in a small envelope and drop it in the collection basket marked CWL Membership Dues. Inside, you must include your name and contact information. We look forward to either meeting you for the first time or to renewing old friendships.



SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, commemorates the divine motherhood of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of our Lord and God, Jesus Christ. This is a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics.

Masses will be offered at St. Patrick's Parish on **New Year's Eve, Tuesday, December 31 at 5 pm** and on **New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1 at 10 am**.

"...and then, just when everything is bearing down on us to such an extent that we can scarcely withstand it, the Christmas message comes to tell us that all our ideas are wrong, and that what we take to be evil and dark is really good and light because it comes from God. Our eyes are at fault, that is all. God is in the manger, wealth in poverty, light in darkness, succor in abandonment. No evil can befall us; whatever men may do to us, they cannot but serve the God who is secretly revealed as love and rules the world and our lives."

~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer

God Is In The Manger: Reflections on Christmas and Advent

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Jerek Scherber, L.C.
Tuesday	Rev. Adam Zettel, L.C.
Wednesday	The Nativity of Our Lord
Thursday	Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.
Friday	Rev. Rijo Jose, C.M.I.
Saturday	The Holy Innocents

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

In Canada, the holy days of obligation are the following: **every Sunday, Christmas Day (December 25) and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (January 1).**

On holy days of obligation, the faithful gather to express the fact that the Church is not self-generated but is always called to worship by God. On that occasion, we come to hear the Word of God, take part in the Eucharist and give thanks to the Lord for having been incorporated into Christ. Therefore, one must take part in the celebration of Mass either on the same day or at the vigil Mass on the previous evening.

CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PLAY

At 4:45 pm, just before the beginning of the 5 pm Christmas Eve Mass, the children of St. Patrick's Parish will be presenting the Nativity Play. Children ages 8 to 13 years of age will be asked to come to the front of the church and listen to the Christmas Story which will be narrated by children in the parish. Parents, please encourage your children to come forward when the announcement is made.



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Christmas Eve - Tuesday, Dec. 24

(Incense will be used at all Christmas Eve Masses)

5 pm (preceded by the Nativity play)

7 pm & 9 pm

Christmas Day - Wednesday, Dec. 25

10 am - only

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, JOSEPH

Saturday, December 28 at 5 pm

Sunday, December 29 at 8, 9 & 11 am

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

New Year's Eve - Tuesday, Dec. 31 at 5 pm

New Year's Day - Wednesday, Jan. 1 at 10 am

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Saturday, January 4 at 5 pm (Incense will be used)

Sunday, January 5 at 8, 9 & 11 am

Families who pray together, stay together!