

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



MASSSES OF THE WEEK

† - For the repose of the soul / in memory of the person(s) indicated

Sunday, December 16

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish.
10:30 a.m. For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

Monday, December 17

9:00 a.m. † Gloria Pereira by her family.

Tuesday, December 18

9:00 a.m. For the intentions of the Jack Purcell community by Lena Petek.

Wednesday, December 19

9:00 a.m. † Souls in Purgatory.

Thursday, December 20

9:00 a.m. For the intentions of OC Transpo Employees by Lena Petek.

Friday, December 21

9:00 a.m. † Gracia Ranger by the estate.

Saturday, December 22

9:00 a.m. † Bernard Chan by his wife Maria.
4:30 p.m. † Marko Kotar by his wife.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Malcolm McIntyre, Catherine Bedard, Michael Newman, Christina Addison, Monique Beaudry, Erin Burnett, Sara Arias Hernandez, Marcelo Pimentel, Franco Azua Arias, Moli Coletti and Zygmunt Wysocki.



Lectors & Commentators

Saturday, December 22

4:30 p.m. Cathy Major
Commentator: Don Murphy

Sunday, December 23

9:00 a.m. Denise Corbett
10:30 a.m. Miguel Planas
Commentator: Carol Michon

Diocesan Theme for 2018 - 2019: Christ is everything for us. "Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith". (Galatians 6.10b).

✱ EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ✱

Saturday, December 22

4:30 p.m. Sheila McGlynn

Sunday, December 23

9:00 a.m. Ellen Dulay
10:30 a.m. Juanita de Ocampo
Chalice: Kathy McVean and Peter Landry

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Universal: *In the Service of the Transmission of Faith ~*
That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

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First Reading: Zephaniah 3.14-18a
The Lord will rejoice over you with gladness.

Second Reading: Philippians 4.4-7
The Lord is close at hand.

Gospel: Luke 3.10-18
The crowds asked, "What should we do?"

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

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| Monday, Dec. 24th | 4:30 p.m. | Children's Mass |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Christmas Carols |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Solemn High Mass |
| Tuesday, Dec. 25th | 10:00 a.m. | Mass |
| Monday, Dec. 31st | 4:30 p.m. | Mass |
| Tuesday, Jan. 1st | 10:00 a.m. | Solemn High Mass |

CHRISTMAS CD, CAKES AND COOKIES

will be sold at all the Masses this weekend. All proceeds will go towards maintenance of the parish.

THANK YOU

Deacon Guy and I wholeheartedly thank each and every one who volunteered his/her precious time, kind support and generosity to help out with the ALPHA program. We are very grateful for your hospitality. - Father Vincent.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Our parish will host a Children's Christmas Pageant at the **4:30 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve**. Info: Wendy Schieman (613-230-4552).

ORGANIST

St. Theresa Parish is seeking an organist. The position requires competence in playing the pipe organ, experience with Catholic Liturgical music and proven ability to work and direct adult choir members. The candidate must be available to play for the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays and an evening rehearsal once a week, along with weddings and funerals. For more information, contact the office (613-235-5119).

2019 PARISH ENVELOPES

2019 parish envelopes are available at the back of the Church. If you used envelopes in 2018, the envelopes boxes are labeled with your name & address. Please advise the office of any corrections or changes. Unlabeled boxes are also available should you wish to start using envelopes in 2019. Kindly include your name, address and phone number on the first few envelopes.

Forms to sign up for pre-authorized donations can be found on our website (sttheresa@rogers.com).

Thank you for your continued support.

FIRST AID / CPR / AED TRAINING

A First Aid, CPR and Automated External Defibrillator (AED) training course will be given on **Sat., Feb. 2nd**. Info: call the parish office (613-235-5119).

MARRIGE PREPARATION COURSE

At St. Theresa Parish on **Friday evening, March 22nd** and **all day Saturday, March 23rd**. Info: (613-235-5119).

COMMUNITY EVENTS & INTERESTS

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Ottawa Police Choir will present a Christmas Concert on **Sun., Dec. 16th, 2:00 p.m.** at Holy Cross Parish, 685 Walkley Rd. Enjoy classic religious music both traditional and contemporary. All are welcome.

NATIVITY SCENE EXHIBIT

Nativity scenes from around the world at Saint-François d'Assise Parish, 20 Fairmont Ave., in the church's museum **until Sun., Jan. 6th**. Open during Mass hours, Tues. – Sat., 11:00 a.m. and Sun., 10:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Info: Gilles Leclerc, gilles.leclerc7@sympatico.ca.

REFUGE NIGHT

Praise & worship, shared silence, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and a spiritual talk. Monthly, every third Friday at St. Augustine Parish, 1060 Baseline Rd, **Fri., Dec. 21st, 7:00 p.m.** Priests will be available for confessions, preparing for Christmas. Info: 613-225-7388

VIGIL OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

All night vigil of Eucharistic Adoration at St. Patrick's Basilica, **Fri., Dec. 21st, 8:00 p.m. – 6:30 a.m.**

OTTAWA SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY & SPIRITUALITY

Classes open to all. Registration for winter term, **Mon., Jan. 7th, 7:00 p.m.** at Dominican University College, 96 Empress Ave. Once weekly classes on topics such as our current spiritual crisis, Christian art, world Christianity, and more. Info: www.osts.ca.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE

- **Jan. 6th bulletin: Mon., Dec. 24th, 12:00 p.m.**

*Come, Lord Jesus.
Come and visit your people
We await your coming.
Come, O Lord.*

Excerpt from Creighton University's Online Ministries