

Sunday, December 25

Christmas – The Nativity of the Lord

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish.

10:30 a.m. -----

Monday, December 26

Feast of St. Stephen

9:00 a.m. For the repose of the souls of Olwen Lavelle

and her friend Tony.

Tuesday, December 27

Feast of St. John the Apostle 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, December 28

Feast of the Holy Innocents

9:00 a.m. For the souls in purgatory.

Thursday, December 29

9:00 a.m. For the repose of the souls of Olwen Lavelle

and her friend Tony.

Friday, December 30

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

9:00 a.m.

Saturday, December 31

9:00 a.m. -----

4:30 p.m. -----

* EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS *

Saturday, December 31

4:30 p.m. Sheila McGlynn

Sunday, January 1

9:00 a.m. Michelle Corbett 10:30 a.m. Angela Bowen

Chalice: Juanita De Ocampo & TBD

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Universal: That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.

For Evangelization: That the people of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.



PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Monique Beaudry, Erin Burnett, Sara Hernandez Arias, Marcelo Pimentel, Franco Azua Arias and Moli Coletti.

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE		
Saturday, Dec. 31st	4:30 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, Jan. 1st	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	10:30 a.m.	Solemn High Mass

Lectors & Commentators

Saturday, December 31

4:30 p.m. Vanessa Hooper

Commentator: Marie Comisso

Sunday, January 1

9:00 a.m. Denise Corbett 10:30 a.m. Kathy McVean

Commentator: Alice Hilchie

THANK YOU

Many thanks to all the volunteers who shared their time and talent to decorate our church for the Christmas Season. We are also very grateful to those who donated to our Christmas Flower fund. Everything is beautiful!

This Christmas season we remember those who are ill, away, alone, in the military service and overseas.

PARISH CALENDARS

Parish calendars for 2017 are available in the parish office. Cost: \$3.00 each or two for \$5.00.

2017 PARISH ENVELOPES

During the Christmas season, 2017 parish envelopes will only available in the parish office.

SPAGHETTI & KARAOKE FUNDRAISER DINNER

The Knights of Columbus - St. Theresa Council are hosting a Spaghetti Dinner, prepared by Chef Lloyd Olive, and Karaoke evening in the parish hall on **Saturday, February 18th, 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.** Proceeds from the event will go towards St. Theresa Building Maintenance. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 10. The event is open to everyone (it's not restricted to parishioners)...bring your family & friends. Contact: Roger Richard (613-277-5423) or Daniel Boyer (613-421-5200) for info and tickets.

WORLD DAY OF PEACE 2017

Signed on December 8th, 2016, the Holy See has released the Holy Father's Message for the 50th World Day of Peace, which will be celebrated on **January 1st**, **2017**. The theme chosen by Pope Francis is Nonviolence: a Style of Politics for Peace.

ST. PATRICK'S HOME OF OTTAWA 2016 FOUNDATION LOTTERY

The purchase of a St. Patrick's Home lottery ticket is a win-win for you and for the residents of the home. Proceeds from the 2017 Lottery will support St. Patrick's Home palliative and spiritual care program which provides comfort to the residents. To purchase your Lottery ticket, please call (613-731-4660 ext. 352).

The parish office will be closed on Monday, Dec. 26th and Tuesday, December 27th.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Anglican community of Sts Peter and Paul are hosting Christmas dinner on **Christmas Day at 2 p.m.** and again at 4 p.m. in the hall at Knox Presbyterian church, 120 Lisgar St. corner of Elgin, for anyone who is looking for a place to go, meet people and have a good meal. Advanced notice is not required before coming.

FR. VINCENT'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

My dear parishioners, the People of God:

On the first Christmas God, our Loving Father, became a human being in the Person of Jesus in order that we may achieve redemption through Him. This is the true Joy of Christmas, the eternal gift of life that Jesus gave us through his Cross and Resurrection.

Deacon Guy, the parish staff and I wish all of you and your families the blessings of peace, joy and good health during this Christmas Season!

CHRISTMAS ACROSTIC

C is for the Child born that night to be our light.

H is for his Holy Name.

R is for Rejoice with gladness and joy.

I is for Immanuel, God with us.

S is for the Star that led the Wise men to Him.

T is for Truth & Grace that was sent our way.

M is for Mother Mary laying him in swaddling clothes in the manger.

A is for Angels singing songs of joy.

S is for Salvation.

By: Johnnie DesRochers

