

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Sunday, December 18

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish.
 10:30 a.m. For Jacob Wiecek by his daughter Anna.
 In loving memory of Bryan Hardwick by his wife and family.

Monday, December 19

9:00 a.m. For the repose of the souls of Olwen Lavelle and her friend Tony.

Tuesday, December 20

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

Wednesday, December 21

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

Thursday, December 22

9:00 a.m. For the repose of the souls of Olwen Lavelle and her friend Tony.

Friday, December 23

9:00 a.m. For Nafisa & Hibtullal Khomusi by Lena Petek.

Saturday, December 24

9:00 a.m. -----
 4:30 p.m. Mass and Children's Christmas Pageant.
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 6:30 p.m. Christmas Carols.
 7:00 p.m. For Michael and Veronica Slaney by Donna Slaney.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:
 Monique Beaudry, Erin Burnett, Sara Hernandez Arias, Marcelo Pimentel, Franco Azua Arias and Moli Coletti.



Saturday, December 24

4:30 p.m. Angela Bowen
Commentator: Alice Hilchie
 7:00 p.m. Cathy Major

Sunday, December 25

9:00 a.m. Denise Corbett
 10:30 a.m. Maria Gillis

* EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS *

Saturday, December 24

4:30 p.m. TBD
 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 25

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



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec. 24th	4:30 p.m.	Mass & Children's Christmas Pageant
	6:30 p.m.	Christmas Carols
	7:00 p.m.	Solemn High Mass
Sunday, Dec. 25th	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	10:30 a.m.	Mass
Saturday, Dec. 31st	4:30 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, Jan. 1st	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	10:30 a.m.	Solemn High Mass

ST. THERESA FOOD DRIVE

Thank you very much for your donations this month to the Centretown Emergency Food Centre. Your support will directly benefit the needy in our community.

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

SYRIAN FAMILY UPDATE

Thanks to all of our prayers and efforts over the past year, our Syrian family is doing very well as we approach the end of St. Theresa Parish's commitment period in January 2017. Their journey of becoming Canadian has been truly remarkable in such a short time. Alaa is now working at a local grocery store where he enjoys his work and colleagues; Nour is taking daily English classes and is due in February with their third child; Georgette is proudly speaking English and Arabic and John is a happy, healthy baby about to celebrate his first birthday in his new country.

Please know that they will be forever thankful to this Parish and its congregation for the opportunity to build a new life in Canada.

ADORATION/PRAISE AND WORSHIP

On the **2nd Saturday** of each month, 6:30 p.m., at Holy Cross Parish, 685 Walkley Rd. All are welcome. Info: (613-731-7834).

OCSB CHILDREN'S, BOYS' & CHAMBER CHOIRS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

"Behold the Star" on **Mon., Dec. 19th, 7:00 p.m.** at St. Basil Church, 940 Rex Ave. Free parking off Maitland Ave. All welcome. Tickets: \$15 at door. Info: Lesley Cameron (ocsb.choirs.publicity@gmail.com); (616-836-3271); (choirs.ocsb.ca).

PARISH CALENDARS

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

FAITH FORMATION COURSE AT NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL

Offering one course beginning in January: "How Did Vatican II Change the Church?" Thursday evenings, **7:00 - 8:30 p.m., January 19th - April 6th**. Cost: \$20. Info & registration: (<http://www.notredameottawa.com/courses>); (613-241-7496).

2017 PARISH ENVELOPES

2017 parish envelopes are still available at the back of the church this weekend but will not be available at the back of the church over Christmas.

REGISTERING FOR OCSB KINDERGARTEN

The 2017 Ottawa Catholic School Board Kindergarten Registration event is **Jan. 16th-20th** at your local Catholic elementary school. Children should be 4 or 5 years old by December 31st. Info: (ocsb.ca/registrations).

SPAGHETTI & KARAOKE FUNDRAISER DINNER

The Knights of Columbus - St. Theresa Council are hosting a Spaghetti Dinner 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. Contact: Roger Richard (613-277-5423) or Daniel Boyer (613-421-5200) for info and tickets.

PILGRIMAGE TO PORTUGAL, SPAIN & FRANCE

With Fr. Tadeusz Jordan SDS. **October 8th-19th, 2017** the year of the 100th Anniversary of the apparitions in Fatima. Visit Fatima, Barcelona, Lourdes, Madrid, Avila, Santiago de Compostella. Price \$2,890/person (double occup.) with 2 meals daily. Limited space. Info & registration: Stan (416-444-6666 ext.339 or 647-463-9057); (stan@ihtours) or Fr. Tadeusz at (613-733-4661).



PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday Collection December 11: \$ 3,480.

We sincerely thank you for your generosity.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE

- **Jan. 1st bulletin: Mon., Dec. 19th, 9:00 a.m.**

Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in calm spirit. Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world seems upset – St. Francis de Sales.