

† This symbol signifies repose of the soul.

Sunday, December 22

Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. *For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish.*
10:30 a.m. Thanksgiving to St. Therese of the Holy Faith, the Sacred Heart, and Divine Mercy; for guidance, inspiration, and miracles: for Judette and her mother Marie, by Cy, Elza & Leo. For all the victims of the wars, by Jeanette of Nazareth.
For Novenario & Lucy Cahoy, and for Mel Cadiz, by Marissa Bagabuyo.
For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

Tuesday, December 24

Christmas Eve

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

Wednesday, December 25

Christmas, The Nativity of the Lord

10:30 a.m. *Veronica, Michael and Albert Slaney, by Madonna Slaney.*

Thursday, December 26

Feast of Saint Stephen

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

Friday, December 27

Feast of St. John

9:00 a.m. †Margaret Vice, as requested by Peter.

Saturday, December 28

Feast of the Holy Innocents

4:30 p.m. -

Sunday, December 29

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

9:00 a.m. *For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish.*
10:30 a.m. †Rudolph LaTour, by his family.
For all the sick, by Jeanette of Nazareth.
To consecrate Judette to God the Father, to bring reconciliation, restoration, peace & success, & for Elijah's rain over Judette & her mother Marie, by Cy, Elza, Eliza, John and Jude.
For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

Please remember the sick in your prayers:

Michelle Boyer, Baby Ivy Murray, Nickie Shaw, Marie-Andrée Boyer, Patricia McNamara, Rachel McIntyre, Zygmunt Wysocki, Linda MacNay, Theresa Tam-Sue, Alice Hilchie, Lily Harmon, Debby MacAdam, Michael Budge, Robby Felteau, Lise Campbell, Elaine Taylor, Richard Lafleur, Wanda Staples, JoAnne Valiquette.

Vocation Prayer: For an increase in those called to "fish" for God's people, and for a deeper gratitude for the priests and bishops serving our diocese, we pray to the Lord.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

For pilgrims of hope ~ Let us pray that this Jubilee strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
(Year B)**

First Reading: Micah 5.2-5a
Second Reading: Hebrews 10.5-10
Gospel: Luke 1.39-45

Tuesday, December 24

4:30 p.m. Children
7:00 p.m. Barbara Rawdan

Wednesday, December 25

10:30 a.m. Peter Landry

Saturday, December 28

4:30 p.m. Lyn Fong

Sunday, December 29

9:00 a.m. Paulette Michel
10:30 a.m. Children

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Tuesday, December 24

4:30 p.m. Wendy Schieman - Choir
7:00 p.m. -

Wednesday, December 25

10:30 a.m. Peter Landry - Choir

Saturday, December 28

4:30 p.m. -

Sunday, December 29

9:00 a.m. -
10:30 a.m. Miguel Planas - Choir

FR. VINCENT'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

We Catholic Christians celebrate Christmas every year by attending liturgies, visiting churches, putting up cribs, decorating homes, playing, or singing carols, lighting Christmas trees and streets and above all by warm greetings, giftings, hugs and kisses and many more such expressions. Joy is everywhere even in most difficult places and peoples' harsh conditions because of the birth of Christ Jesus the Redeemer. We are a bunch of hope filled people cannot contain ourselves but share the good tidings to all we meet, greet, and get to know each other as we celebrate both spiritual meaning of Christmas and not hesitating to enjoy social aspects of Christmas.

Thank you everybody. Merry Christmas.
Your one & only beloved Pastor, Fr. Vincent Pereira, jcd, jv.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR

The choir will be singing Christmas music before the 07:00 mass on the 24th, starting at 6:40 PM.

2025 ENVELOPES FOR PICKUP

Please collect your envelope box for the year 2025. They are at the entrance of the parish. ***Do not take an envelope box if you do not see your name attached to it.***

If you would like an envelope box but do not see your name, please inform the parish secretary. If you no longer wish to use envelopes for 2025, please let the secretary know.

Secretary: #613-235-5119

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 24
4:30p.m. ~ Children's Mass
7:00p.m. ~ Solemn High Mass

Wednesday, December 25
10:30a.m.

Saturday, December 28
4:30p.m.

Sunday, December 29
9:00a.m.
10:30a.m.

Tuesday, December 31
4:30p.m. ~ New Years Eve Mass

Wednesday, January 1
10 :30p.m. ~ New Years Day Mass

ONLINE MARRIAGE PREPARATION-MARRIAGES FOR MARY

The Marriage Preparation course that we offer will prepare you for the Sacrament of Matrimony. A certificate of completion is given at the end of the course.

January 25, 2025
Phone: (709) 697-2788 or (613) 408-0383
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SYNOD UPDATE

New information on the synod process moving forward. On 4 December, Pope Francis appointed the four members of the XVI Ordinary Council under his jurisdiction, thus integrating the list of members who make up the Ordinary Council of the General Secretariat. Among the four new members are two women of note:

They are:

- Most Rev. Sister **Simona BRAMBILLA**, M.C., Secretary of the Dicastery for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life (Italy)
- Dr. **María Lía ZERVINO**, Member of the Dicastery for Bishops (Argentina)

The other members were elected during the 15th General Congregation of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops on October, 23. With the changes to Article 10 of the Instruction on the Celebration of Synodal Assemblies and the Activity of the General Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops ratified by the Holy Father on 17 October 2024, the total number of members is 17: twelve of whom were elected during the October assembly from among the diocesan/eparchial or equivalent bishops. The new Ordinary Council, which will meet by videoconference next 17 December, and will play a fundamental role both in the implementation of this synodal process on synodality and in the preparation of the next Synod. Further discussions will be held on the role of women in the Catholic Church. It is believed that Rev Sister Simona and Dr Zervino will represent the hopes of Catholic women worldwide.

SAINT PETER CANISIUS DECEMBER 21

Saint Peter was born in Holland in 1521. He studied in Cologne Germany and received his Master's Degree when he was 19. He went on a retreat and met the leader Blessed Peter Faber. He decided to become a priest like Blessed Peter Faber and joined the Jesuit order. He became a great preacher and taught that the church's authority is from Christ. His preaching brought the universities back to the teachings of the Catholic Church. He worked tirelessly with the poor, the sick and children. He was sent to the council of Trent, an important meeting of the pope and bishops. After the council he smuggled the documents into protestant Germany. He was commissioned to write a catechism, a book of the Catholic faith. He died at the age of 76. He knew it was important for everyone to understand the church's teachings. After he wrote the catechism, he wrote another one for children. He felt it was important for us all to learn everything we could about God.