

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



MASSES OF THE WEEK

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

Sunday, December 8

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish.
 10:30 a.m. † Elizabeth Scott by her son.
 † René Narbonne by Michelle Corbett.
 † Lydwin Redmond .
 For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

Monday, December 9

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 9:00 a.m. **NO 9:00 a.m. MASS.**

Tuesday, December 10

9:00 a.m. For Nicholas' health, safety and success by his Mother.

Wednesday, December 11

9:00 a.m. † Souls in Purgatory.

Thursday, December 12

The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
 9:00 a.m. In thanksgiving for all blessings received by Marika.

Friday, December 13

The Feast of St. Lucy
 9:00 a.m. For the speedy recovery of my brother John by Marika.

Saturday, December 14

Feast of St. John of the Cross
 9:00 a.m. **NO 9:00 a.m. MASS.**
 4:30 p.m. † Dr. Pierre and Mrs. Antoinette Prud'homme by their children.
 † Sandro Gagliardi, father of Patrizia Gagliardi, by Vanessa Hooper.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Blair Wright, Bas Houlahan, Baby Raechal McIntyre, Richard Robinson, Michelle Boyer, Alice Hilchie, Gordon F. Hilchie, Catherine Bedard, Lisa Rey, Christina Addison, Monique Beaudry, Erin Burnett, Sara Arias Hernandez, Marcelo Pimentel, Franco Azua Arias, Moli Coletti, Zygmunt Wysocki, Marcelle Makropoulos.



Lectors & Commentators

Saturday, December 14

4:30 p.m. Marie Comisso
Commentator: Vanessa Hooper

Sunday, December 15

9:00 a.m. Jane Arbour
Commentator: George Hack
 10:30 a.m. Carol Michon
Commentator: Miguel Planas

✦ EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ✦

Saturday, December 14

4:30 p.m. Cathy Major

Sunday, December 15

9:00 a.m. Michelle Corbett
 10:30 a.m. Juanita de Ocampo
Chalice: Joan Texeira & Peter Landry

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

Evangelization: That every country determine to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year A)

First Reading: Isaiah 11.1-10
With righteousness he shall judge the poor.
Second Reading: Romans 15.4-9
Christ has saved all people.
Gospel: Matthew 3.1-12
Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.

PARISH NEWS

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec. 24	4:30 p.m.	Mass
	6:30 p.m.	Christmas Carols
	7:00 p.m.	Solemn High Mass
Wednesday, Dec. 25	10:30 a.m.	Mass
Tuesday, Dec. 31	4:30 p.m.	Mass
Wednesday, Jan. 1	10:30 a.m.	Solemn High Mass

Please remember the parish when preparing your wills and bequests.

FLOURISHING CONGREGATIONS SURVEY

The survey must be completed and submitted by the end of the week. If you have not yet completed it, go to the parish website: www.sttheresaottawa.com click on Bulletins, click on Nov 3 or Nov 10 then click on the link under Flourishing Congregations Survey. Anyone having difficulty should contact the office for assistance.

THANK YOU

Father Vincent expresses his heartfelt thanks to all who worked on and supported the Annual Christmas Bazaar. We are very happy to report that \$13, 328 was raised!!

ALPHA 2019

Our parish Alpha program concluded this past weekend with a lovely closing celebration! Fr. Vincent and Deacon Guy wish to thank all those who participated in cooking, serving, and leading guests during our Alpha sessions. Special thanks to Rachael Dillman for being MC and leading prayer at the session talks, Carol Michon who coordinated the dinner team, and to Peter Landry who oversaw communications and assisted with logistics. Ten guests regularly participated each week. Several have shared how much they enjoyed learning about and sharing their Christian faith, for their closer relationship with Jesus and making new friends!

CHRISTMAS CAKES, COOKIES, CDs and PARISH CALENDARS

Christmas cakes, cookies, CDs and 2020 parish calendars will be sold at all the Masses this weekend.

PARISH FOOD DRIVE

The December parish non-perishable food collection for our neighbourhood food bank is **next weekend**. At this time of year, the foodbank needs your support.

SPAGHETTI & KARAOKE FUNDRAISER DINNER

The Knights of Columbus are hosting this very popular event in the parish hall on **Sat., Feb. 29, 2020, 5 p.m. – 10 p.m.** Info & tickets: Roger Richard (613-277-5423) and George McKenna (613-745-6953).

2020 PARISH ENVELOPES

2020 parish envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Boxes are labeled with your name & address. Unlabeled boxes are also available should you wish to start using envelopes in 2020. Kindly include your name, address and phone number on the first few envelopes and ensure that you **always indicate the amount of your donation on each envelope** every week for income tax purposes.

We strongly encourage everyone to sign up for pre-authorized donations by filling out the form found on our website website: www.sttheresaottawa.com

Thank you for your continued support.

COMMUNITY EVENTS & INTERESTS

ADVENT PRAYER SERVICE AND RECONCILIATION

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish, **Tues., Dec. 10, 2019, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.** All are welcome. 20 Grant St.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

An invitation from Archbishop Prendergast to the Annual Christmas Concert at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica on **Sun., Dec. 15, 2019, 2:30 p.m.** and the reception afterwards in the parish hall. All are welcome.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Featuring, Marc Coderre, Lindsay Delisle, Sophia Auger, Michael Trolly and Armando Prini. Free will offering for St. Vincent de Paul and Elimu, Resource Centre. Holy Cross Parish, 685 Walkley Rd., **Dec. 15, 1:30 - 3:00 pm.**

ST. PATRICK'S HOME: RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS

As meal assistants, Mass escorts, pastoral volunteers, program escorts, games assistants and friendly visitors. Info: Kathy Thompson, 613-731-0094 x235.

“Advent is the spiritual season of hope par excellence, and in this season the whole Church is called to be hope, for itself and for the world.” – Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI