

#### $\dagger$ - For the repose of the soul / in memory of the person(s) indicated

#### Sunday, December 25

Christmas – The Nativity of the Lord 9:00 a.m. ------10:30 a.m. † Veronica, Leo and Louisa Slaney by Donna Slaney. † Michael Valiquette by a friend.

#### Tuesday, December 27

Feast of St. John the Apostle9:00 a.m.

### Wednesday, December 28

*Feast of the Holy Innocents* 9:00 a.m. † Souls in Purgatory.

#### Thursday, December 29

9:00 a.m. For the living and deceased members of the Chevalier family.

#### Friday, December 30

*Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph* 9 a.m. ------

# Saturday, December 31

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

## Sunday, January 1

Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God9:00 a.m.------10:30 a.m.------

### PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Joan Marie (Ryan) Potvin, Michelle Boyer, Ann Taillon, Baby Ivy Murray, Nickie Shaw, Eugene Vargas, Marie-Andrée Boyer, Patricia McNamara, Raechael McIntyre, Moli Coletti, Zygmunt Wysocki.



#### Saturday, December 24

4:30 p.m.Children7:00 p.m.Darrell Herauf

#### Sunday, December 25

9:00 a.m.Paulette Michel10:30 a.m.Miguel Planas

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

### HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

*For volunteer not-for-profit organizations* ~ We pray for volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development; may they find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

## CHRISTMAS – THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (Year A)

**First Reading:** Isaiah 62.11-12 See, your salvation comes.

Second Reading: Titus 3.4-7 The goodness and loving kindness of God has saved us.

**Gospel:** Luke 2.15-20 The shepherds found *Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.* 

**Prayer for Vocations:** Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord – December 25. That young men and women will answer the call to bring the word of God to his flock as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

## THANK YOU

Many thanks to Allan & the volunteers who shared their time & 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!

### NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec. 31	4:30 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, Jan. 1	9:00 a.m.	Mass
Sunday, Jan. 1	10:30 a.m.	Solemn High Mass

# MANY THANKS

As the year 2022 comes to an end, Father Vincent would like to thank everyone who volunteers, ministers and helps out in any way with your time, talent and treasure for the betterment of the church. Please continue to serve the parish in the coming year.

## 2023 PARISH ENVELOPES

2023 Parish will not be available at the back of the church over Christmas, however, they can be pick-up at the office, during office hours.

Your regular contributions allow us to continue the important pastoral and temporal projects throughout the year that keep our parish strong and thriving. In addition to *church envelopes*, the parish encourages everyone to use *Pre-authorized Debit* and *Credit, Canada Helps.org and Interact e-Transfer:* donations sent to the church's e-mail address (sttheresa@rogers.com) without sharing any personal financial information. For more information on Pre-authorized Donations and CanadaHelps.org visit our website home page <u>https://www.sttheresaottawa.com/</u> or contact the office (613-235-5119).

We sincerely thank you for your donations.

# MASKING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

We are experiencing an increase of respiratory illness in our communities (COVID-19, Influenza and Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)). Although there is no obligation to wear a mask, everyone is encouraged to wear one in the church and other public areas.

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

# GREETINGS FOR CHRISTMAS

*My dear People of God:* 

Every time a new baby is born, we celebrate Christmas. Christmas is a constant reminder of joy, peace and love and that is what the Babe of Bethlehem taught us by his birth. However, unfortunately there are grinches to spoil the Christmas spirit. But more terrifying these days are the dictators and communists whose motives are to kill or silence the voices of Catholic Christians preventing them from celebrating Christmas in freedom. These are evils of our time that do not care about women and men of good will. I call each one of you to be united and stand together to pray for suffering people to have peace, joy and love while we celebrate Christmas freely in their name.

Merry Christmas to each of you and pray the New Year that is dawning soon brings beautiful new things especially the values such as peace, joy, love, health and prosperity.

Fr. Vincent, your beloved Pastor.

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

