



December 23, 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday 24th Christmas Eve

5^{pm} + John & Lena Duchnicki and Mary & Maurice
Vaillancourt – Tom & Rochelle

8^{pm} + Billy Bird – Dick & Rose

11^{pm} + Linda & Vivian – Jim and + Frank, Fern, Linda &
Janet – Jim, Lori & Family

Tuesday 25th Christmas Day

11^{am} Intentions of all Parishioners

Wednesday 26th

No Mass

Thursday 27th at Rainycrest

No Mass

Friday 28th

9^{am} + Peter MacDonald – Kay & Family

Saturday 29th

5^{pm} + Dan Foran – Janine & Ernie and Intentions of Jesse
Blase – Nissa & Family and Intentions of Sara
DeGagné – Barb & Murray Dennis

Sunday 30th (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)

9^{am} + Patrick ‘Paddy’ Roach – The Family

11^{am} + Josh Sigurdson – Kathy & Terry Mueller and
Intentions of Gertie – Pearl & Family

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1st reading: (Micah 5.2-5a)

2nd reading: (Hebrews 10.5 - 10)

Gospel: (Luke 1.39-45)

*Why has this happened to me, that the mother
of my Lord comes to me?*



**In your prayers, please remember those
who are sick:**

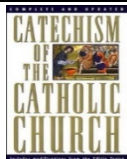
Ewan MacKintosh, Shirley Fraser, Kari Urquart, Ernie McColeman, Queenie Leschinski, Maurice DeGagné, Nicole LePine, Larry Mattson, Noella & Rick Hamilton, David Whalen, Isabella Keuler, Cyril Chabot, Monica Hanzuk, Jack Dillon, Art Cross, Nicholas Delvecchio, Catherine MacDonald, Jamie Buttner, Father Thomas, Florence Lerman, Betty Plumridge, David Cross

*Offertory Collection for St. Mary's
Weekend Of*

December 16 – \$4025.69

Counting Teams

December 27 - Marilyn



Now in stock ‘Catechism of the
Catholic Church’ for you to purchase.
The price is \$13.00 each.

**Your collection envelopes are ready
to be picked up in the lobby.**



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

PARISH NEWS

In your prayers, please

Remember those who are sick:

Jan Adams, Linda Anderson, Doug Cross, George Supinski, Curtis Jourdain, Florence Lampi, Phyllis Johnson (Bruyere), Brian McPherson, Vernon Yerxa, Mary Lou Parks, Leslie Bauer, Mary Jourdain, Rudy Morrisseau, Joseph Yerxa, Shirley A. Bruyere, Sue Foran-Ross

Offertory Collection for Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekend of

December 16 - \$658.00

Annual Bishop's Ministry Campaign

LOLO Parish Goal: \$4,000.00

Donations received: \$2,800.00/70% of our goal (this amount represents the 10 families who have made donations so far. Just imagine how quickly we can reach our goal if **everyone** made a donation!)

Remaining: \$1,200.00

**Please help us reach our goal. Funds must be at the
Chancery Office before Dec. 31, 2018**

**The remaining balance will be taken from the Parish
General Account. We only have a week left!!!**

What's going on?!

Jan. 8 – Finance Council – 11:00am

– Bereavement Group – 1:00pm

Jan. 10 – EDGE Night – 6:30 – 8:30pm

Jan. 12 – Youth Mass & Life Teen

Jan. 12/13 – CWL Membership Drive

Annual Bishop's Ministry Campaign

St. Mary's Parish Goal: \$25,000.00

Donations received: \$13,730.00/55% of our goal (this amount represents the 69 families who have made donations so far. Just imagine how quickly we can reach our goal if **everyone** made a donation!)

Remaining: \$11270.00

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Chancery Office before Dec. 31, 2018**

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CWL President, Diane Revus, says “**Thank you**” to all the parish for the support received for the many activities carried on throughout the past year by our CWL

Council. Watch for the 2018 Newsletter which will be distributed in January. This Christmas, Pres. Diane is looking for the gift of volunteers to be on the next CWL executive! Give her a call (481-9787) and let her know that she can look forward to a strong executive for the coming two year term. The executive will be made up of teams working together. You can do it! Step forward in faith and action! **Merry Christmas to all and may you be blessed in the New Year!**



We want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and many blessings for the New Year! **EDGE will take a break until January 10th, 2019.**

Our next Youth Mass and Life Teen night is January 12th. Hope to see you there!



LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

DISCOVERY CAMP 2019: SEARCH



Discover the difference our Salt & Light Discovery Camp experience can make in your child's life and yours! Discovery Camp 2019 will be the week of July 8th – 12th at Sunny Cove Camp

on Rainy Lake. **Applications are available.** A great gift idea for that hard to buy for teen/pre-teen!!! **We are offering a \$20 discount for the month of December!**

EDGE Youth Grade 8 Fundraising

The fundraising committee is planning a bottle drive for January 3rd to raise money for the school trip to Toronto. Please mark your calendars. If you have early pick-ups or would like more information, contact Beth at 275-7448.

The Traditional Aged Christmas Cakes made by the Monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey have arrived!! Limited quantities available at the Parish Office.



The Out of the Cold Homeless Shelter (located in the Apostolic Way Church) is looking for a group to donate food and volunteer to make dinner for the shelter guests. They will be open 4 nights a week (Monday-Thursday) and will be feeding a maximum of 15 people. There are 3 other churches on board and they are each taking one night a week; some of them are providing the service through the church organization, and others have congregation members volunteering. They would be serving the meal at 7:00; and it can be pots of stew, chili, lasagna, spaghetti...not complicated 5 course dinners!! They are hoping to open on January 14th until the end of March. Please let the parish office know if you would like to help.

May the peace & hope of Christ's birth be with you now and in the the days ahead.

From St Mary's Staff

Fr Alan Albao,

Tina Roth, Gerald Cousineau,

Kali Brady, Diane Darvell & Barb Godbout

Food for Your Journey - Ecumenical Christmas

It happened to a Christian couple living in the predominantly Jewish city of Brooklyn in American. This Thomas couple had a little boy named George. One day they were strolling down the street when an old man with a white beard went by them. Little George ran after him, tugged at his coattail, and said, "Santa Claus, will you please bring me a puppy for Christmas?"

The parents were embarrassed.

The old man just winked at the boy, patted him on the head, and went on his way.

On Christmas morning there was a knock at the door even before George was out of bed. And there stood that old man, white beard and all, with a little puppy in his arms. He gave it to the surprised young parents and simply said, "I didn't want to disappoint the young fellow."

And as he walked back down the steps, they said, "Good bye, Rabbi Podolsky, Have a merry Christmas!"

Christmas is always ecumenical.

A Smile for Your Journey - Christmas Gifts

A mother and her small daughter were thumbing through a Christmas catalogue looking at toys. "I'd like that big red bike," said the child.

"When you're bigger," the mother said.

The little girl pointed at a toy stove, a doll pram, a little fridge. Each time the mother made the same answer, "When you're bigger."

The girl kept pointing at still more toys and each time the mother's answer was, "When you're bigger."

Finally they closed the catalogue and the mother asked the daughter, "Well, have you decided what you want for Christmas?"

"Yes, mommy," she replied. "I want to get bigger."

CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 24

5pm Youth Mass @ St. Mary's

8pm Mass @ Our Lady of Lourdes

11pm Mass @ St. Mary's

Tuesday, December 25

11am Mass @ St. Mary's

Monday, December 31

5pm Mass @ St. Mary's

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

9am Mass @ Our Lady of Lourdes

11am Mass @ St. Mary's

The office will be closing for Christmas at noon on December 24th, and closed on the 25th and 26th and closing at noon on December 31st, and closed for New Year's on January 1st.

~MERRY CHRISTMAS~