

December 8, 2019 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 10th

6pm + Pat Steinke – John & Tammy Bock

Wednesday 11th School Mass

9:30^{am} + Bob Botsford - The Family

at Rainycrest Thursday 12th

10^{am} + Mike Bodnar – Elsie, Gloria & Teresa

Friday 13th

9am + Deceased Loved Ones - The Bereavement Group

Saturday 14th

5pm + Micheleya Cormylo - Grace Huntley and + Jane,

+ Jim & + Cindy McLeod - Wayne & Rita

Sunday 8th (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)

9am + Klyne and + Roach Families

11am + Linda & + Vivian - Jim and for the Intentions of Lydia Sharp's Family

December 8, 2019

Second Sunday of Advent

1st reading: (Isaiah 11.1-10**)** 2nd reading: (Romans 15.4-9) Gospel: (Matthew 9.27-31)

The faith in Jesus of the two men who were blind brought about their healing.



In your prayers, please remember those who are sick: Shirley Fraser, Ernie McColeman, Queenie Leschinski, Maurice DeGagné, Nicole LePine, Larry Mattson, Noella & Rick Hamilton, David Whalen, Isabella Keuler, Laura Dillon, Art

Cross, Nicholas Delvecchio, Catherine MacDonald, Father Thomas, David Cross, Keagan Evans, Julie Halvorsen, Patrick McColeman, Bridger Hands, Mary Kolynchuk, Dan Loney, Laura Ahrens & Family, Lori Woodgate, Ewen MacKintosh, Ross Anderson

> Offertory Collection for St. Mary's Weekend Of December 1 - \$2382.00

> > **Counting Teams** December 9 - Gina December 16 - Linda

A Great Christmas Begins with an Incredible Advent. We all know people who could use some inspiration this Christmas. Dynamic Catholic invites you, your family and friends to join them for the BEST ADVENT EVER to brighten your holidays! Go to dynamiccatholic.com and start your:





The NEW 2019-2020



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, Brian McPherson, Mary Lou Parks, Leslie Bauer, Rudy Morrisseau, Shirley A. Bruyere, Sue Foran-Ross, Dale Krueger, Lana Mainville, Angela Bruvere, Steven "Beaver" Morrisseau

Offertory Collection for Our Lady of Lourdes Weekend of December 1 - \$650.54

What's going on?!

Dec. 7/8 – St. Mary's Birthdays & Anniversaries Dec. 10 – Bereavement Group Meeting – 1:00pm

- First Reconciliation - 7:00pm

Dec. 11 – School Mass – 9:30am

Dec. 14 – Blessed is She Advent Gathering – 11:30-1:00pm

Dec. 15 – OLOL Christmas Breakfast

Dec. 17 – Assoc. of Ste. Marguerite d'Youville – 1:00pm

- Parish Council Meeting - 6:30pm Dec. 18 – OLOL Parish Council – 7:00pm Dec. 19 – OLOL CWL Potluck – 6:00



Our Lady of Lourdes is hosting a Christmas Breakfast on Sunday, 15th after 9:00am Mass. This will be in place of birthdays & anniversaries for this month.

The OLOL CWL Monthly meeting will be postponed until be Dec. 19th at 6:00pm. This will be a potluck and spouses are invited to attend.



CWL NEWS

Snowbird CWL members wishing to renew their memberships for 2020 before leaving for the winter or those members wishing to renew early, can pick up a form in the church lobby by the office.



Inviting women 18 and older to join us for a **Blessed Is She Advent** Gathering on December 14th from 11:30am-1:00pm, followed by lunch and fellowship. For more information contact Johanna Strahl at 807-271-5491 or johanna.strahl1@gmail.com.



The EDGE youth group had a Christmas gathering for the last EDGE of 2019. They played some very active games! We prayed around the Advent Wreath and thanked God for our many blessings here in Canada. Thanks to

all the wonderful parents who bring us such yummy snacks each week! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us at EDGE!!

Our next EDGE will be on January 9th, 2020!

Our next Life Teen night is January 11th, 2020.





DISCOVERY 2020

Discover the difference our Salt & Light Discovery Camp experience can make in your child's life and yours! Discovery Camp 2020 will be the week of July 13th – 17th 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!

"Come home this Christmas. Come home to your parish family. The doors of our churches are wide open to you."

Our Annual Christmas Open Church will be on Saturday, December 21st at 6:00pm. Come to enjoy desserts, some Christmas Cheer and fellowship! We need donations of desserts. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Also, please let us know if you are coming so that we have an idea how many desserts we will need! For more information, contact Kim LePine at 275-7832. Hope to see you there!!!

2019 Bishop's Diocesan Ministry Campaign

This year's theme is "Together on the Road".



Please support this important campaign. The campaign will run until December 31, 2019. If you did not pick up your donation envelope, it is in the mail. Blank ones are also available.

Parish goals: St. Mary's \$25,000 - so far we have received \$10,465.00. (only 60 families)
Our Lady of Lourdes \$4,000 - so far we have received \$1500.00. (only 8 families)

The outstanding balances will come out of our General Account.

The third Sunday of every month will be Food Box Sunday. Bring non-perishable food items for the needy.

<u>Food for Your Journey - The Lesson of the Bicycle</u> Wheel

The abbot of a large monastery was asked by some visitors how so many monks of such different origins and different talents and personalities could live and work so harmoniously under one roof.

He thought it over for a moment and then explained, "We are like a bicycle wheel. It has a rim, spokes and a hub in the middle. The rim is like the monastic wall around us. But that only keeps us together externally. Now from the rim a whole series of spokes run toward the middle of the wheel where the hub is. The hub holds the spokes together. We members of the community are those spokes. The hub is Jesus Christ. The rim of the wheel is just our monastery."

When the visitor nodded his approval, the abbot went on, "You will notice on a bicycle wheel that the nearer the spokes get to the hub, the nearer they come to one another. It is just like that in a community which has Christ as its centre and hub."

It is the same way in life: the more we make Christ the centre of our lives, the nearer we grow to one another.



CHRISTMAS and **NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE**

Tuesday, December 24

5pm Mass @ St. Mary's

8pm Mass @ Our Lady of Lourdes

11pm Mass @ St. Mary's

Wednesday, December 25

11am Mass @ St. Mary's

Tuesday, December 31

5pm Mass @ St. Mary's

Wednesday, January 1, 2018

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~