

December 5, 2021 Advent II Advent – Prepare the Way

DAILY MASS ' *The*' prayer of Advent – the Holy Mass.

ADVENT BOOKS

Adults, teens, children \$2 each on the vestibule table **CHRISTMAS CARDS**

\$13 each or 2 for \$25 and some \$10 each. KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS MAGNETS Keep Christ in Christmas car magnets for \$5 2022 St. Joseph Missals - \$5

DECEMBER GIFT CARDS

Operation Scugog has requested again this year, as last year for donations of gift cards (and not 'presents') due to covid limitations. Members of K of C shall be at a table in vestibule collecting the gift cards. Thank you.

STREET PATROL - DONATIONS OF SCARVES/HATS / MITTS /LONG JOHNS / SOCKS / TIM CARDS Father Keith and some parishioners shall go downtown Toronto to hand out these items to the homeless DECEMBER 23. You may donate any item by placing it on the Mitten Tree in the vestibule. Thank you.



FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP – after 9:00 am Mass

We have 'returned' for Advent 2021. Join us in the Chapel for prayer and petition; song and intercession followed by faith discussions and then food & fellowship GATHERING: Fridays after Mass

PORT PERRY CHRISTMAS PARADE

THANK YOU to the K of C and to the Good Shepherd Catholic School for their amazing floats.

R.O.C.K. for Advent – Saturday Dec. 4 THANK YOU to the volunteers, children and families.

TAIZE MASS – Friday December 3 @ 7:00 p.m. Special Advent Eucharist, meditative music, quietness, peaceful and calm. THANK YOU to all who attended.

HELP OUR NEIGHBOUR FOOD DRIVE

The Knights and Squires have teamed up with other local groups and are hosting Help Our Neighbour food drive on **December 4** @ **10 to 2pm** at all Port Perry grocery stores. THANK YOU for your support, especially in this troubling year. Thank you.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 9:30 -10:30 AND Saturday Dec 18 @ 9:30 a.m.-12:00 / 7:00 pm. - 9:00 p.m.

https://immaculateconceptionpo.archtoronto.org/

SOLEMNITY OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Wednesday December 8, 2021 marks the Feast Day of our parish. Coffee, tea, sweets and fruit will be served after 9:00 a.m. morning Mass.



GRADE 8s CREATING CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR HOMELESS

Do you have any used Christmas cards? If so please place them in the box in the church vestibule. The Grade 8s will work with Fr Keith in creating Christmas Cards for the homeless. PLEASE also keep this in mind when after Christmas you may be disposing of your cards. Thank you.

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THEIR CARE-GIVERS Please remember in your prayers:

For those who are sick and their care-givers: Ethel Richard; Martin Portier, Rini Bouwmeester, Emelda Jackson, Les Keefer., Julie Smith-McGivern, Barbara Wallace Call the Parish Office to add a name to the sick list.

Five Smooth Stones: Facing the Goliath of our Fears

is a five-part reflection based on the biblical story of David and Goliath. Like David, as we prepare to take on the Goliaths of our fears, we too must pick up five smooth stones: Humility, Wisdom, Virtue, Courage and the Grace of God. Each chapter examines how these aspects of our Catholic faith embolden us to face the fears of our daily lives, calling the reader to delve more deeply into their relationship with God.

Meet local author Robert LeBlanc Thursday Dec. 16 @ 6:00 -9:00 pm Old Flame Brewing Co. in Port Perry. catholicmoment.ca/book

SCHOOL CORNER

+ ENROLMENT OF OUR SACRAMENT CHILDREN

Saturday 4 – Sunday 5th: First Communion Enrolment Saturday 11 – Sunday 12th: Confirmation Enrolment

+CLASSROOM VISITS FOR DECEMBER

Wednesday 1 @ 11am Gr 7 /8 Confirmation Lesson Wednesday 1 @ 1 pm Gr 1/2 First Communion Lesson Wednesday 1 @ 2 30pm Gr 3/4/5/ First Communion

Teaching on Advent and creating Christmas cards for the homeless

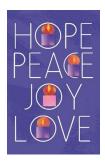
+ LITURGY and PRAYER:

Solemnity of Immaculate Conception December 8th @ 10 a.m. School Mass December 9th @ 10 a.m. School Mass



PARISH STEWARDSHIP TIME, TALENT, TREASURE

2022 Parish Offertory Envelopes are now available. Thank you for your support of the parish, its upkeep, its programs, its outreach in the Name of the Lord.



PRE AUTHORIZED GIVING (P.A.G.)

Presently 27 use PAG. This is a monthly donation from your bank account. You specify the donation. This helps the parish in our financial planning. This helps the parishioner in prayerfully deciding their monthly donation. This helps the parishioner and parish when one is away for holidays, weddings or in the event of covid lockdowns! PAG is very much appreciated. Forms are available on the counter at the parish office. You can still place an ENVELOPE in the collection basket – mark PAG on the front of the envelope.

MINISTRY AT MASS

USHERS – MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

THANK YOU to those who came forward for the Ministry of Ushers. If you feel called to the Ministry please contact Fr Keith. Thank you

ALTAR SERVERS

Boys or girls who has received their First Communion may become a Server. Contact Fr. Keith for training.

FIRST NATIONS

Parishioners have been asking me if there are any contacts with First Nations for Christmas Giving:

+ Niijkiwendidaa Anishinaabekwewag Services Circle:
For Indigenous women and their families in
Peterborough and surrounding area, collecting donations to provide a Christmas dinners http://www.niijki.com

+ CAREA Indigenous Initiatives: Grassmere Ave location in Oshawa. Family night for Indigenous families where Santa delivers gifts to the youth and families. Food items and gifts. http://www.careacha.ca

MONTHLY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

IS YOUR ANNIVERSARY IN DECEMBER? Add your name to the list to be prayed for Sunday, DECEMBER 26 @ 11:00 a.m. Mass

THANK YOU – CWL for hosting the luncheon for the priests & Bishop Zone meeting at our Parish. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS for the major cleanup of hall and kitchen after 1.5 years of covid restrictions. LACEY G. who donated her \$ 30 prize at school to the poor through her parish of Immaculate Conception.

THIS WEEK AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Monday December 6

St. Nicholas 9:00 a.m. Office and Church are open

Tuesday December 7

St Ambrose

6:00 p.m. Church is open

7:00 p.m. Mass –Intentions of Joseph DeCaria Reg. by Mary Lou Elliott

Wednesday December 8

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9:00 a.m. Mass – Intentions of Father Marco Testa Req. by Mary Lou Elliott

9:30 a.m. Parish Social

10:00 a.m. School Mass (in school Grade 1-4)

Thursday December 9

St Juan Diego

9:00 a.m. Mass – +Patrick Kistulenic 10:00 a.m. School Mass (in church Grade 5 – 8)

Friday December 10

9:00 a.m. Mass – Intentions of Marjorie Smith 9:30 a.m. Prayer Group 7:00 pm – 8:00 p.m. Holy Hour

Saturday December 11

9:00 am Mass – Intentions of Karen & Kevin Coughlin Req. by Frank & Marie Armstrong Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help 9:30 – 10:30am Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00 p.m. Mass – Intentions of all parishioners of

Immaculate Conception Parish

Sunday December 12

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 2021 ENROLMENT FOR CONFIRMATION

9:00 a.m. Mass – Intentions of all parishioners 11:00 am. Mass – +Douglas Eagmger

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASSES:

Friday December 24 – 6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 10:00 p.m.

Saturday December 25 – 10am

(There is no Saturday, Dec 25th 5:00 p.m. Mass

Friday December 31 – 5pm Mass

Saturday January 1 – 11am Mass

Open House Social by Fr Keith at the rectory - church house – all are welcome

(There is no Saturday, Jan 1st 5:00 p.m. Mass)



