



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 3rd
4:30 pm. Repose of soul of James Sweeney Sr. by Lynda, Mike & Dillon family

Sunday, December 4th: Second Sunday of Advent
9:00 am. Repose of soul of Mary Agnes McKenna by Joan & Marty Chesser
10:30 am. Special intentions of parishioners by Pastor

Tuesday, December 6th
7:00 pm. Repose of soul of Steve Brazeau by Jane St. Germain

Wednesday, December 7th: NO MASS

Thursday, December 8th: PARISH FEAST DAY (no 9 am Mass)
Solemnity, Immaculate Conception of Mary
7:00 pm. Mass - Special intentions of parishioners

Friday, December 9th: Saint Juan Diego
9:00 am. Repose of soul of Nancie Gamble & Leo & Esther Langlois by Jenna Marinier

Saturday, December 10th
4:30 pm. Special intentions of parishioners by Pastor

Sunday, December 11th: Third Sunday of Advent
9:00 am. For Madeleine Bouwhuis by Bouwhuis family
10:30 am. Intentions of Robert Ferguson by Fr. Tim

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Monday: Teen Sports, St. Thomas Aquinas gym, 8 pm.
CWL Christmas Dinner outing

Tuesday:
Men's Basketball, 8:30-10:30 pm. St. Thomas Aquinas gym
Wednesday: St. Thomas Aquinas High School Confessions (Grades 9-11), 9 am.-STA School; RCIA, Kitchen-7 pm.; Baptismal Preparation Meeting, 7 pm. - Hall

Thursday: 9 am. Mass CANCELLED; Parish Feast Day Celebration/ Living Rosary/ Mass, 6:30 pm.

Friday: Eucharistic Adoration, 9:30 am - 12 noon;
KOC Christmas Social (ten Den's home), 7 pm.

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent; Coffee Sundays: 9 am. Charlene Chenard; 10:30 am by Children's Liturgy

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT OUR LADY'S . . .

Monday, Dec. 12th: Teen Sports, St. Thomas Aquinas gym, 8 pm.

Tuesday, Dec. 13th: Advent Penitential Service, 7 pm.

Men's Basketball, 8:30-10:30 pm. St. Thomas Aquinas gym

Wednesday, Dec. 14th: Advent Mass, St. Thomas Aquinas High School-1 pm.; RCIA, 7 pm. - Hall

Thursday, Dec. 15th: The 9 am. Choir Practice, 7 pm.

Friday, Dec. 16th: Eucharistic Adoration, 9:30 am - 12 noon

Sunday, Dec. 18th: 4th Sunday of Advent; Coffee Sundays
9 am. St. Thomas Aquinas Athletic Dept. & 10:30 am by CWL
Baptisms, 1:30 pm.

Monday, Dec. 19th: Teen Sports, St. Thomas Aquinas gym, 8 pm.

Tuesday, Dec. 20th:

Men's Basketball, 8:30-10:30 pm. St. Thomas Aquinas gym

Thursday, Dec. 22nd: The 9 am. Choir Practice, 7 pm.

Friday, Dec. 23rd: Eucharistic Adoration, 9:30 am - 12 noon

Saturday, Dec. 24th: NO 4:30 pm. Mass; Christmas Eve Masses:
5:00 pm. St. Thomas Aquinas H.S.; 8 & 10 pm. Church

Sunday, Dec. 25th: Birth of the Lord, Mass - 10:30 am.

ALTAR SERVERS: DEC. 10TH & DEC. 11TH

Sat., Dec. 10th - 4:30 pm. Patrick J. & Kristina

Sun., Dec. 11th - 9:00 am. Kimberly, Deanna & Carl

10:30 am. Brianna, Eva & Jack

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to Mass.

Thank you for your loving service to Our Lord.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Wednesday at Noon in *writing* please.

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PLEASE NOTE



Coffee and Donuts

COFFEE SUNDAY: We Serve Fair Trade Coffee!

Please remember this is a service to the parish.

It is your donations that will keep it viable.

9:00 am: hosted by our Parish Youth Group

10:30 am: hosted by our Knights of Columbus

Let us continue our celebration by meeting with other parishioners after Masses.

◆ PILGRIMAGE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL is at the home of Jeanette Morris this week. To reserve a week to have Her visit with you and your family, sign up on the sheet in Foyer. Many graces will surely follow.

"Under Mary's protection we shall have nothing to fear."

—words of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

◆ OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL BE IN THE RUSSELL SANTA CLAUS PARADE this Sunday afternoon, Dec. 4th at 1:30! All children interested in participating in the parade are to assemble at the ball field at 12:30 pm. Wear something that makes you think of Christmas and bring your singing voice. Remember there will be hot chocolate in the arena afterwards.

◆ REMINDER → RUSSELL TOWNSHIP GOOD NEIGHBOURS FOOD BANK: Needed items include kleenex, toilet paper, dish soap, soap, laundry detergent, toothbrushes, toothpaste, condiments, mayonnaise, salad dressings, peanut butter.



YOUTH CORNER (for youth ages 13+)

TEEN SPORTS *continues* on Mondays at St.

Thomas Aquinas High School gym at 8 pm.

Info: Jim Watson 443-0115

WANT TO HELP THE FOOD BANK WHILE HAVING FUN WITH FRIENDS AND SINGING SONGS TOGETHER? The Youth Group is organizing a night of caroling this Fri. Dec. 9th. Anyone who is wanting to participate should meet in the Church Hall at 7pm. Bring a friend and have a blast! Hot chocolate will be provided after the event. Info: Richard Desmarais, 445-3683

POTPOURRI 2006: Calling all youth, 13 - 25! The producers of Potpourri 2006 are looking for people with talent (whatever your talent might be). We're especially in need of actors, dancers, stage technicians and set designers. Come to our first cast meeting Sun. Dec. 11 at 12 pm. in the Church Hall. Info: Jessica Cogan, 443-1169 or Meghann Vincelette, 745-6371

DECEMBER 4TH, 2005



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every Friday, 9:30 am-12 noon. First Friday Adoration: 9:30 am. - 12 noon as well as Reconciliation from 7-8 pm.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Everyone is invited to celebrate our Parish Feast Day on Thursday, December 8th at 7:00 pm.

Join us for Mass followed by a reception in the Church Hall.



Did you know? On Nov. 29/05 Pope Benedict decreed a Plenary Indulgence for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. This Thurs. Dec. 8th marks 40 years since Mary was proclaimed Mother of the Church by Pope Paul VI at the Second Vatican Council. (See bulletin board for details)

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

The Penitential Service will take place on Tuesday, December 13th at 7:00 pm. There will be several priests available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This is an excellent opportunity for individual confession for both parents and children.



CHURCH DECORATION & FLOWERS: Parishioners can help beautify the church for Christmas by making a donation for church flowers and decorations in the name of a departed loved one. The names of the donors and the names of their departed loved ones will be published in the church bulletin at Christmas. Envelopes are in the pews. DEADLINE: Next Sunday, Dec. 11th

◆ **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FUND (EAF):** Please remember that the EAF is available to parishioners who find themselves in unexpected financial hardship. If you know someone in our parish who is in need of temporary financial relief, please contact Father Tim or Suzanne McKenna.

◆ **REMINDER:** Please pick up your 2006 CHURCH ENVELOPES in the Church Foyer or sign up for the POST-DATED CHEQUE PROGRAM. All current post-dated cheque users are asked to submit your 12 monthly cheques for 2006 at your earliest convenience either in the collection basket or at office.



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Web Site: www.sta-russell.com

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Dec. 7: Confessions 9:00 am. - 2:00 pm.

Dec. 14: Advent Masses: 10:00 am. Grades 7 & 8

1:15 pm. Grades Gr. 9-11

Dec. 14: Advent Drama Play, 7:00 pm.

Dec. 16: Snow Flake Semi-Formal Dance

Dec. 21: Advent Music Concert, 7:00 pm.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASSES

... Penitential Service ...

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13th at 7 pm.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24th

St. Thomas Aquinas High School-5 pm.
Church -8 pm. & 10 pm.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25th - 10:30 am.

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31st

New Year's Eve Mass -4:30 pm.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1st -9:00 am. & 10:30 am.

◆ **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS RAFFLE:** The CWL is selling raffle tickets for 50¢ each. Approximate value of each stocking is \$450. Draw date: Dec 11th after 10:30 Mass.

◆ **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR REHEARSAL DATES** for the 5 pm Family Christmas Eve Mass are on Dec. 12, 19 and 23 in the Church at 6:30 pm. Info: Tara Shannon 229-9631. Come one! Come all!

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED
ON A PILGRIMAGE TRIP TO
CAP DE LA MADELEINE *** QUEBEC CITY ***
STE. ANNE DE BEAUPRÉ
3 days - May 22, 23 & 24, 2006

Come for a holiday and come to pray at the holy sites of Cap de la Madeleine, Ste Anne de Beaupré, and the tombs of the Canadian saints of Quebec City, where there will be plenty of time for sightseeing in the historic city. Pilgrimage includes daily Mass, professional tour director, luxury air-conditioned coach with onboard toilet, first class hotel with all service charges, taxes and portorage, 2 breakfasts and 1 three course evening meal.

For further information or to book now, please contact Fr. Tim or Suzanne at the office (445-3054).

OTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED



ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT: *What does it mean for me to be a Catholic in this world today?* People of the Word. Presenter: Most Reverend Marcel Gervais, Archbishop. Sat., Dec. 10. Cost: \$15. 9 am.-3:30 pm. Diocesan Centre, 1247 Kilborn. Info: Carol, (738-5025 X 251)

◆ **CHRISTMAS CANTATA:** St. Andrew's and St. Paul's United Church will be performing a Christmas Cantata entitled "Born a Saviour, Born a King" on Sun., Dec. 11th at 7 pm. Goodwill offering with proceeds to Russell Food Bank.

◆ **WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT:** Dec. 17 & 18, 9 - 5 pm. at St. Thomas Aquinas High School. Cost: Free-donations to Russell Food Bank. Please see bulletin boards for details.

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