



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ Year C
CHRISTMAS & THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH.

Diocesan Theme "When they arrived, they called the church together and related all that God had done with them and how he had opened a door of faith"(Acts 14.27)

"Increase our Faith (Luke 17.5)..."

Parish Theme "Though Many We Are One Body in Christ."

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 22nd

4:30 pm For the intentions of Mrs. Elizabeth Guertin on her retirement by MTCS Council

Sunday, December 23rd

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Monica Baker by Carolina Huismans

10:45 am For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Monday, December 24th

5:00 pm For the repose of the soul of Sean James by Kathy Mack

8:00 pm For the intentions of Tom & Beatrice Mascaro by the James Family

10:00 pm For the intentions of the Drummond Family by Kathy Mack

Tuesday, December 25th

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Paul & Gable Berard by the Berard Beaupre Family

Wednesday, December 26th At the Parish

9:00 am For the intentions of Jim Munro by the Parish

Thursday, December 27th

9:00 am For the intentions of the Wolfert Family by Luke James

Friday, December 28th

9:00 am For the intentions of the Mulholland Family by Richard James Jr.

Saturday, December 29th

4:30 pm For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Sunday, December 30th

9:00 am For the repose of the souls of Paul & Gable by the Berard Beaupre Family

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Monica Baker by the CWL

Monday, December 31st

4:30 pm For the intentions of the Clarke Family

Tuesday, January 1st

10:45 am For the intentions of the Barnes Family by the James Family

Wednesday, January 2nd At the Parish

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Douglas Beaudoin by the Chartrand Family

Thursday, January 3rd

9:00 am For the intentions of Al Clarke by the CWL

Friday, January 4th

4:30 pm For the intentions of Jim Munro by the Parish

Saturday, January 5th

4:30 pm For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Sunday, January 6th

9:00 am For the repose of the souls of Beverly Marie Lovenuk & Olga Lovenuk by Clarence, Karen, Tyler & Lindsay Lovenuk

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Francis Ouellette by the James Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CATECHUMENS

They are Blake Brooks, Lareina Gerstgrasser, Kate Johnston and Sean O'Reilly. Please keep them in your prayers as they journey towards the Easter Vigil.

Christmas Office Hours:

The office will be closed from December 24th ~ January 2nd. Telephone calls will be monitored daily. In case of emergency please call 613-854-8857

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IN OUR PRAYERS

For the sick among our families and friends especially:
Matthew Holmes, Isaac Berkers, Maddy Nichol,
Lydia Knock, Yolande Bekkers, Burt Bekkers,
Louis Ranger, Pat Gates, Ken Poirer, Anita Cottrell,
Justine McKenna, Sandy Geerts, Sandra Sweeney,
Arthur Durocher and Dawn-Leanne Thomson:
may Christ bless and heal them

The Edge is coming to OLMM!

Edge is weekly program for 8th, 7th and 6th graders to have fun, learn about their Catholic faith, be involved in the parish and encounter Christ! Edge will be happening Friday nights in the New Year. Stay tuned.

If you are a Parent, A teen (9th grade and up) or an adult who wants help elementary aged students grow in their faith, by volunteering at weekly edge nights please Email Rob at OurLadymmyouth@gmail.com.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ~ There will be no Children's Liturgy on Dec 30th for the Christmas Break. We will resume on Jan 6th. Thank you and Merry Christmas!

~YEAR OF FAITH~

Introduction to the Nicene Creed - Part Thirteen. The second last part of the Creed concerns the Third Person of the Holy Trinity – the Holy Spirit. These few lines contain a lot of theological teaching which we can only touch upon: "I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE LORD, THE GIVER OF LIFE, WHO PROCEEDS FROM THE FATHER AND THE SON, WHO WITH THE FATHER AND THE SON IS ADORED AND GLORIFIED, WHO HAS SPOKEN THROUGH THE PROPHETS." This part of the Creed addresses the heresies that claimed that the Holy Spirit was a creation of the Father or of the Son and not the equal of the Father and the Son. This part also teaches that the Holy Spirit was active in salvation history by speaking through the Old Testament Prophets who foretold the coming of Christ.

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CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

In memory of Larry & Barney Bedard by Evelyn Bedard

ARCHBISHOP PRENDERGAST'S 2012 CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This has been a busy and happy year in the Archdiocese of Ottawa and in the Universal Church!

Highlights of 2012 include the canonization of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, the opening of the Year of Faith, and the Synod of Bishops on the New Evangelization.

During the canonization Mass, Pope Benedict entrusted the renewal of faith among the First Nations and in all of North America to Saint Kateri Tekakwitha as he named her the "Protectress of Canada".

In the words of the Holy Father, she gave us an example of a life "generously spent for love of Christ." She encourages us in our life of faith and in our mission of proclaiming the Gospel.

During a school visit I saw how readily the children imitated Kateri and sang with joy her dying words, "Jesus I love you!"

Saint Kateri shows all Christians how to live a life of faith that transforms our daily life and makes us want to share it with others.

This Christmas, I encourage you to seek a quiet moment to welcome Jesus into your life as Kateri did. It might be when you visit the crèche in your church or hear Christmas carols being sung.

May you experience the truth St. John proclaims about those who receive Jesus: that to all "who believed in his name, he gave them the power to become children of God" (John 1.12). Jesus wants very much to be with us and get to know us! And the good news is that he doesn't give up, even if we haven't yet opened our hearts to him. In the Book of Revelation he says, "Look! I am standing at the door and knocking. If anyone listens to my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he will eat with me" (3:20). Jesus wants to heal us physically, mentally, and spiritually, and he longs for us to seek him. May Mary, who delighted in showing her Son to everyone from shepherds to kings, intercede with her Son and obtain for us the Christmas blessings of joy, love, and peace.

Merry Christmas!

+Terrence Prendergast, S.J. Archbishop of Ottawa