

St. Mary's Church Bulletin

Readings for December 10 Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11

Second Reading: 2 Peter 3.8-14

Gospel: Mark 1.1-8

MASSES FOR THE WEEK Dec. 11 - 17

Monday December 11

7:30 a.m. ✠ Martin Kraan / Leona Saxun

7:00 p.m. **Adoration**

Tuesday December 12 – Our Lady Guadalupe

7:30 a.m. ✠ Jan and Anna Palko / Joe Palko

4:30 p.m. Rosary for Our Lady Guadalupe

5:00 p.m. Bilingual Mass for Our Lady Guadalupe

Wednesday December 13

7:30 a.m. ✠ Stefan and Kathy Palko / Joe Palko

5:30 p.m. **Adoration**

7:00 p.m. ✠ Ellie Meyer / B. Nolte

Thursday December 14

7:30 a.m. ✠ All Souls

5:30 p.m. **Adoration**

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus

Friday December 15

7:30 a.m. ✠ Colleen O'Grady / Olivia and Max Kuper

5:30 p.m. **Adoration**

Saturday December 16 – Day of Reconciliation

9:00 a.m. ✠ Jack Walsh / Teresa Walsh

9:30 a.m. - noon Reconciliation and Liturgy

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Reconciliation and Liturgy

5:00 p.m. For the people of our parish

Sunday December 17

9:00 a.m. ✠ George and Anna O'Leary / Vi O'Leary

11:00 a.m. Intentions of Florence O'Neill / M. Blanchard

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Especially for Donna Lee, Kathleen Walden, Sally Dickens, Kathy and Tom Bushell, Violet Marie Werry, Nicole Lessard, Norm Forget, Charlene Lavergne, Michael Smith, James Callaghan, Paul

Bouwmeester, A Special Nephew, Charlene Ashmore, Sister Sandra Boyer-CSJ, Peter Giorgini, Norma Goller, Father Claire Hickson, Emma Junkin, Sara King, Bob Milton, Myrna Morgan, Bill Muzzi, Paul Nicholls, Ron O'Connor, Suzanne O'Leary, Genevieve Rodrigues, Ellie Roy, Paul Skipworth, Louise Smusiak, and Giselle Young. May the Lord's healing hand touch them.

And for the deceased members of our parish

Especially Colleen Dow, Mark Henley and Gordon Walker. May they receive the gift of eternal life in heaven.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Fourth Sunday of Advent

5 p.m. December 23rd Sunday Liturgy Vigil

9 a.m. and 11a.m. December 24th Sunday Liturgy

Christmas (Holy Day of Obligation)

5 p.m., 7 p.m., 10 p.m. December 24th Christmas Eve Vigil

10 a.m., Noon December 25th Christmas Mass

Holy Family

9 a.m. Saturday December 30th Weekday Liturgy

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9 a.m., 11 a.m. Sunday December 31st Sunday Liturgy

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

5 p.m. Sunday December 31st Vigil

9 a.m., 11a.m. Monday January 1st Mass

Advent Schedule

December 9th, 16th ~ Decorate the Church.

After the 5 p.m. Mass join us in the Church to help us decorate with our three stages of Christmas decorating.

December 11th ~ Drawing Contest Submissions Due

Bring your submissions to the Rectory no later than 3pm.

December 12th ~ Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

4:30 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Bilingual Mass (English and Spanish)

6:00 p.m. Refreshment and Video at parish hall (St. Mary's School Gym)

December 16th ~ Day of Reconciliation and Liturgy

9:00 a.m. Weekday liturgy Mass

9:30 to noon Reconciliation and Liturgy

3 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Reconciliation and Liturgy

5:00p.m. Vigil, Sunday Liturgy

December 17th ~ 3rd Sunday of Advent

After 11:00 a.m. Mass, Coffee Sunday in the Parish Hall and advent drawing contest winners announced. Christmas play and hymns.

FEAST DAY OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

On December 12th Father Simon Magana will be celebrating the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe with a bilingual mass. Join us at St. Mary's Church for:

4:30 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Bilingual Mass (English and Spanish)

6:00 p.m. Refreshments and Video at the Parish Hall (St. Mary School Gym)

MONDAY NIGHT ADORATION

After Monday December 11th, Monday night Adoration will be cancelled until further notice. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS PARISH OFFICE HOURS

December 25th to January 1st Office Closed
January 2nd to January 5th: Office open 9am - noon.

If you are in need of a priest for Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office and follow instructions for Emergency. Thank you.

HELP US DECORATE FOR CHRISTMAS!

As we welcome advent to our parish join us after 5pm Mass on **December 9th and 16th** to decorate the Church in preparation for the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Coffee and treats in the Sacristy afterwards.

ADVENT DRAWING CONTEST

Children of our Parish! We look forward to seeing your advent drawings. Leave your creation in the colourful box in the church or bring your creation to the parish office by December 11th at noon .

Winners will be announced at the December 17th Coffee Sunday after the 11am Mass.

COFFEE SUNDAY

On **December 17th**, please join us for Coffee Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. We will be celebrating Advent with a Christmas play, announcing the winners of the drawing contest and of course enjoying your generous donations of sweet and savory treats.

CHRISTMAS BOUQUET CARDS

Christmas Bouquet cards have arrived! The intentions of these Christmas Cards are for living and deceased loved ones, friends, etc. Please complete the envelope form, and include an offering. Intentions will be offered at the 10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. Please put your envelope in the collection basket or bring it to the rectory no later than **Wednesday December 20th at noon** so we have the intentions for the Mass on Christmas Eve. Cards are at the back of the Church or at the parish office.

FAITH FORMATION

Join us in the Sacristy for a faith video presentation and refreshments.

Dec. 18, 1:30pm to 3 pm Pray as you can, not as your can't

Jan 9th 7:00 p.m. They key to prayer, Why you need Lectio Divina

May our Faith Journey bring us greater peace and joy!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our next general council meeting is scheduled for **December 14th** after the 7:00pm Mass in the Knights Hall. Wear your Christmas Tie!

Interested new members are welcome to attend.

Our 'Keep Christ in Christmas' buttons are available this weekend. Donations are accepted!

ROSARY MAKERS

Rosary makers will be meeting again **January 8th from 1 to 3:30pm** in the Knights Hall. New volunteers always welcome. We have all the supplies you need.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL



Thank you for your support of the Christmas Angel program. Your generosity made this year a success.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Your 2024 membership of \$40 is now due. Please put it in an envelope with personal info plus email address. There is a CWL envelope in your box of church envelopes. questions or concerns, please call Gloria 705-324-2290

GIFT CARDS

Sales this week: \$7,575 Profit this week: \$402
Sales to date: \$4,613,550 Profit to date: \$242,507

Gift card sales will end December 22 at noon for Christmas. Purchases can be made again starting January 8th. Thank you.

Every time you buy a gift card, you are donating 5% to our Property Maintenance fund. Gift cards will be available at the Rectory Office, by request. Please call ahead of time to place your order. Only cash and cheque payments are accepted. Gift cards are available from the following stores and denominations:

Canadian Tire:	\$25, \$50, \$100
Giant Tiger:	\$25, \$50
Food Basics:	\$25, \$50, \$100
Home Hardware:	\$25, \$50, \$100
Lamantia:	\$20
Tim Hortons:	\$10, \$25, \$50
President's Choice:	\$25, \$50, \$100, \$250
Swiss Chalet/Kelsey's:	\$25, \$50, \$100

DONATIONS TO YOUR PARISH

Offertory	\$4,024
Preauthorized offering	\$2,387
Total	\$6,411

Thank you parishioners who are using [Pre-authorized offering System](#) and [Canadahelps.org](#). If you haven't yet been added to the Pre-authorized Offering System or would like to use donation envelopes, please email office@stmaryslindsay.ca or phone 705-324-4828, thank you.

Envelope holder #302 and #307 please contact the parish office or add your name and address to your offertory envelope. Thank you.

Prepare the Way of the Lord!

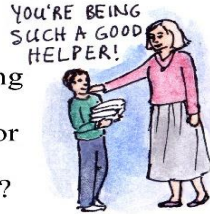


The readings in today's Mass remind us that we are preparing for the coming of Jesus. The first reading says, "A voice cries out in the desert, 'Prepare the way of the Lord!'" Saint Paul,

in the second reading, tells us to conduct ourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for the day of the Lord.

In the Gospel reading we hear about Saint John the Baptist preparing the people for the coming of Christ.

What can we do to prepare for the coming of Jesus, which we remember especially at Christmas?



First, we should try to be holy like Saint Paul says. We should pray and do good. Then, we should make sure that we have repented of all our

sins, like Saint John the Baptist taught the people. Finally, we should tell people about Jesus! The first reading tells us, "Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God!"



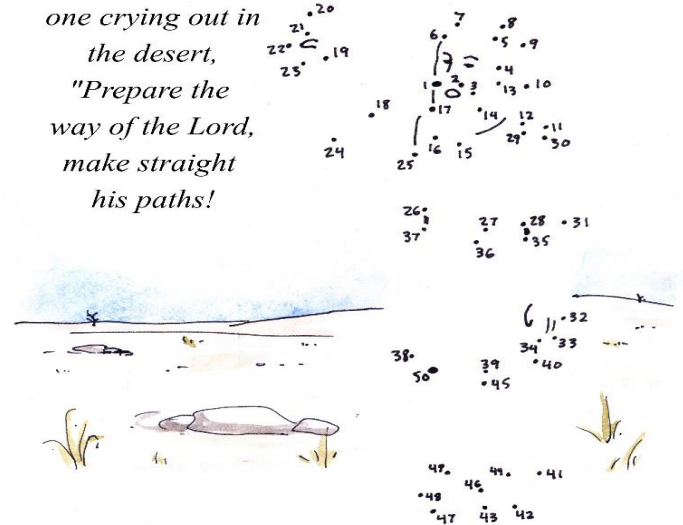
Answers to Isaiah 40 Word Find: The Messiah is coming!
Answer to front page: Saint John the Baptist.

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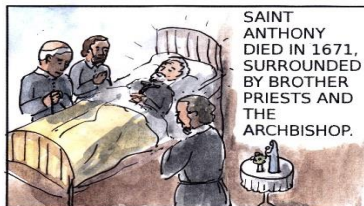
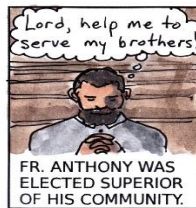
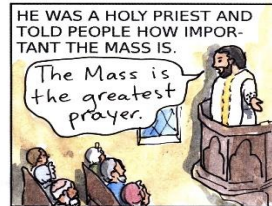
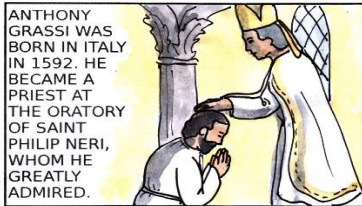
Second Sunday of Advent
December 10th, 2023

*I am the voice of
one crying out in
the desert,
"Prepare the
way of the Lord,
make straight
his paths!"*



*What did God send before Jesus to prepare the people for His coming?
Connect the dots to find out!*

Blessed Anthony Grassi December 13



BLESSED ANTHONY HAD A GREAT DEVOTION TO OUR LADY AND OFTEN VISITED HER SHRINE AT LORETO. DOES YOUR CHURCH HAVE A STATUE OF OUR LADY THAT YOU CAN PAY A LITTLE VISIT TO? PRAY OFTEN TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER- SHE WILL ALWAYS HELP US GROW CLOSER TO HER SON JESUS.

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ISAIAH 40 WORD-FIND

A Z I O N B O S O M T H
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Find the words in CAPITALS in today's first reading in the puzzle. Then use the letters that are left over to fill in the blanks at the end!

Get you up to a HIGH MOUNTAIN, O ZION, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with STRENGTH, O JERUSALEM, herald of good TIDINGS, lift it up, fear NOT; SAY to the cities of JUDAH, "BEHOLD your God!" Behold, the LORD GOD comes with MIGHT, and his arm RULES for him; behold, his REWARD is with him, and his RECOMPENSE BEFORE him. He will FEED his FLOCK like a SHEPHERD, he will GATHER the LAMBS in his ARMS, he will CARRY them in his BOSOM, and GENTLY LEAD those that are with YOUNG.



Advent Schedule

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December 2nd, 9th, 16th ~ Decorate the Church

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December 5th ~ Faith Development

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Schedules

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday to Friday 7:30 a.m.
Wednesday, Thursday 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.
1st Friday of the Month 7:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Adoration:

Times may vary due to weddings or funerals
Monday 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday to Friday 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon.
1st Friday of the month 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Confessions:

By appointment or,
Wednesday 5:45 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
Saturday 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
1st Friday of the month 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.,
6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Parish Schools

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St. Dominic 705-878-3660
St. John Paul II 705-324-7445

Highschool

St. Thomas Aquinas 705-878-4117

Sacraments

New Parishioners: Welcome to our Parish! Please introduce yourself to our priests and the ushers. A registration form is in the church for you to complete and return to the usher or parish office.

Marriage: Engaged couples can contact the parish office to arrange their first meeting with the priest. This meeting should occur 6 months to one year before the proposed marriage date.

Baptism: Please contact the parish office for details. Baptisms are offered at the end of the month. A pre-baptism online meeting is required.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): Classes start the beginning of October. Please call the parish office to register.

Catechism Classes (October to May):

1st Reconciliation, 1st Communion: After the 11 a.m. Mass
Confirmation: Tuesdays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick: If you have a family member or know someone near death please call the rectory and request the sacrament of the sick.

Homebound Ministry: If you know someone who is unable to attend church please call the parish office and we can arrange a visit.

Funerals: Please call the parish office to discuss funeral Mass arrangements. The office works closely with funeral homes to meet your planning needs.