



"The Lord is our righteousness."

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 2nd
4:30 pm. Special intentions of parishioners by Pastor
Sunday, December 3rd: First Sunday of Advent

9:00 am. For Madeleine Bouwhuis by Bouwhuis family
10:30 am. Repose of soul of Gasparina Soares by Soares family

Tuesday, December 5th
7:00 pm. Repose of soul of Fr. Joseph O'Donnell by Fr. Tim

Wednesday, December 6th: Saint Nicholas
at St. Thomas Aquinas High School Chapel
9:00 am. Healing of Halina Demczak by daughter, Danuta

Thursday, December 7th: Memorial, Saint Ambrose
9:00 am. Repose of soul of Msgr. Gaston Turcotte by Fr. Tim

Friday, December 8th: Solemnity, Immaculate Conception of Mary
9:00 am. Mass CANCELLED
6:45 pm. Parish Feast Day, Living Rosary followed by Mass

Saturday, December 9th
4:30 pm. Repose of soul of Felix McLaughlin by Alice McLaughlin & Jackson family

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Wednesday: St. Thomas Aquinas High School Confessions at school; RCIA, 7 pm. Hall; Youth Choir Practice, 7 pm. Church
Thursday: St. Thomas Aquinas High School Confessions at school; Introduction to Catholicism, 7 pm. Hall
Friday: 9 am. Mass & Eucharistic Adoration CANCELLED; Parish Feast Day Living Rosary & Mass, 6:45 pm.
Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent; Coffee Sundays-9 am. by Parish Library team & 10:30 am. by Children's Liturgy; CWL Christmas Stocking raffle after 10:30 Mass

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT OUR LADY'S . . .

Wed., Dec. 13th: Advent Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas H.S. 10 am. & 1:15 pm.; Youth Choir Practice, 7 pm. Church; RCIA, 7 pm. Hall
Thurs., Dec. 14th: Parish Advent Penitential Service, 7 pm.
Fri., Dec. 15th: Eucharistic Adoration, 9:30 am.-12 noon
Sun., Dec. 17th: 3rd Sunday of Advent; Coffee Sundays: 9 am. by St. Thomas Aquinas High School & 10:30 am. by CWL
Wed., Dec. 20th: Youth Choir Practice, 7 pm. Church RCIA, 7 pm. Hall
Thurs., Dec. 21st: Introduction to Catholicism, 7 pm. Hall
Fri., Dec. 22nd: Eucharistic Adoration, 9:30 am.-12 noon
Sun., Dec. 24th: 4th Sunday of Advent, 10:30 am. Mass only 5 pm. Mass, St. Thomas Aquinas H.S. (Children's Choir) 8 pm. & 10 pm. Masses, Church
Mon., Dec. 25th: Birth of the Lord, Christmas Day; 10:30 am. Mass; School Christmas Break, Mon., Dec. 25, 2006 to Fri., Jan. 5, 2007 inclusive; Office closed-Dec. 25th- Jan., 5, 2007, inclusive
Tues., Dec 26th: Mass at 9 am.
Fri., Dec. 29th: 9 am Mass & Eucharistic Adoration CANCELLED
Sat., Dec. 30th: 4:30 pm. Mass
Sun., Dec. 31st: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph; 9 & 10:30 am. Masses only
Mon., Jan. 1st, 2007: New Year's Day Masses at 9 & 10:30 am.; World Day of Prayer for Peace

ALTAR SERVERS NEXT WEEKEND'S SCHEDULE

Sat., Dec. 9th - 4:30 pm. Patrick J., & Adam G & Kristina S.
Sun., Dec. 10th -9:00 am. Daniel & Michael C., Faith L.
10:30 am. Ricky & Grace C.,
Please arrive 15 minutes prior to Mass.
Thank you for your loving service to Our Lord.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: TUESDAY NOON to Church Office:
olmm@bellnet.ca or fax 445-9839.

Church Directory is found in pamphlet rack of Foyer

PLEASE NOTE



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 & 10:30 am. hosted by the CWL.

◆ **ATTENTION LECTORS!** The new Lector's Workbook for the liturgical year C is now available in the sacristy this weekend.

◆ **SUNDAY MISSALS:** If you would like to own your own Sunday Missal, they are now available at the office for \$5.00.

◆ **REMINDER -> RUSSELL TOWNSHIP GOOD NEIGHBOURS FOOD BANK:** Needed items include kleenex, dish soap, laundry detergent, toothpaste, condiments (relish), mayonnaise, salad dressings, jam and soup.

◆ **CWL ANNUAL BAZAAR & RAFFLE** is this weekend featuring baked goods, crafts, silent auction plus a tea room and raffle. Everyone is invited downstairs after all Masses.

◆ **MISSING DVD:** Our Spiritual Library is still missing our St. Francis DVD. Also, a reminder to lenders to please return your books. Thanks.

◆ **OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL BE IN THE RUSSELL SANTA CLAUS PARADE this Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3rd at 1:30!** All children interested in participating in the parade are welcome. Wear something that makes you think of Christmas and bring your singing voice. Remember there's hot chocolate in the arena afterwards.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Join us on our Parish Feast Day
THIS Fri., Dec. 8th at 6:45 pm.
Living Rosary & Mass (7:15 pm.)
followed by a reception in the hall.





EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION continues Fridays 9:30 am to 12 noon and on the First Friday of each month 9:30 am-12 noon & 7-8 pm. *Come let us Adore Him.*

◆ **WHAT CAN YOU POSSIBLY GIVE A FAT CANADIAN PRIEST FOR CHRISTMAS? You can help feed Christ in the poor children of the "Third World":** After prayer and reflection, I have decided this Christmas to direct monetary gifts given to me to Padre Patricio Larrosa in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. He runs several schools and kindergartens for 9000 poor children (including orphans & street kids), providing 3500 breakfasts and 1000 lunches every day. (www.acoes.org) Fr. Tim



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL NEWS
Web Site: www.sta-russell.com

ACTIVITIES: *Homework Club:* Tuesdays & Thursdays, 2:45 pm.-4:30 pm., Library

Wed., Dec. 6th: Confessions, Grades 7, 8 & 12

Thurs., Dec. 7th: Confessions, Grades 9-11

Wed., Dec. 13th: Advent Mass, 10 am. & 1:15 pm.

TO THE GENEROUS PARISHIONERS OF OLMM: On behalf of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic High School, the Chaplaincy Dept. wishes to thank you for allowing us to use your Church Hall to hold our Grade 7 student retreats. The 3 retreats held were most successful in helping our students understand the importance of uncovering the risen Christ in each of them. We thank you for your kind generosity in making these retreats happen. May the spirit of the Advent season inspire each of us to bring forth God's hope, peace, joy and love in our world. Mrs. Brenda Reinkeluers, Lay Chaplain of STA

◆ **PLEASE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THE SICK among our family and friends:** Kathleen McCarthy, Tinie Forgues, Ruth Bertrand and Joyce Schoones-Hart. *(If you would like your name or someone you know who is sick added to this list please call the office)*

REMINDER: YOUR 2007 CHURCH ENVELOPES are available for pickup in the Church Foyer. If there is a change or correction in your address on the box please contact the office.

AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL: Our parish will be introducing automatic withdrawal as a convenient and efficient way to make weekly or monthly offerings. We will have a sign up campaign Jan. 14, 2007, and begin the withdrawals in February, 2007.

FOR THOSE USING POST-DATED CHEQUES, we are hoping you will switch to automatic withdrawal, so please do not submit 12 cheques for 2007 (or at least wait until Jan. 14 to make up your mind). Thanks Fr. Tim

COLLECTION REPORT: Nov. 25/Nov. 26 - \$2,437.40

(Average weekly collection needed to cover all expenses: \$3,000.00)

Thank you for your generosity.

◆ **PILGRIMAGE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL** is at the home of the Beaupré family this week. If you wish to take home Our Lady for 1 week, please sign up on the sheet located on the table in the Foyer.



CHURCH DECORATIONS & 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.** Please fill out the envelope found in the pews including your donation. **DEADLINE: SUN., DEC. 10TH**

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

The Penitential Service will take place on **Thursday, December 14th 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.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASSES



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24th

Sunday Mass, 10:30 am.

Christmas Eve Masses:

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

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25th - 10:30 am.

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31st

Sunday Masses, 9 am. & 10:30 am.

MONDAY, JANUARY 1st -9 am. (No music) & 10:30 am.
(With music)

OTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED

◆ **'COME AND SEE' FOR WOMEN:** *Are you a young woman interested in discerning a vocation to religious life?* If so, you are invited to St. Theresa Parish (Somerset & Cartier), **Fri. Dec. 8, 6:30 pm.** Info: Camille 276-1679

◆ **ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT:** *What is a Catholic Identity and How is it a Gift for Life?* Presenter: Ms. Carol Kuzmochka, coordinator adult faith development, English sector. **Sat., Dec. 9.** Cost: \$15. 9 am-3:30 pm. Diocesan Centre, 12447 Kilborn. Info: Carol 738-5025x251.

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