

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 16th

4:30 pm. Donna & Earl by a parishioner

Sunday, December 17th: Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 am. Catherine & Morris Hendriks by Hendriks family
10:30 am. Special intentions of parishioners by Pastor

Tuesday, December 19th

7:00 pm. Repose of soul of Marie Coté by Fr. Tim & Pastoral Care Team

Wednesday, December 20th: at St. Thomas Aquinas H.S. Chapel

9:00 am. Intentions of Wolfert family by Luke James & family

Thursday, December 21st: Saint Peter Canisius

9:00 am. Repose of soul of John Hudder by Edward & Eleanor Trader

Friday, December 22nd

9:00 am. William & Wayne Pittman by Addie & Della

Saturday, December 23rd

4:30 pm. Special intentions of parishioners by Pastor

Sunday, December 24th: Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:30 am. Repose of souls of Basil & Patricia Mulholland by James family

Christmas Eve Masses

5:00 pm. Repose of soul of Noella Bennett by family

8:00 pm. Gable Berard Beaupré by family

10:00 pm. Intentions of Jo & Gary Barnes by James family

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

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

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT OUR LADY'S . . .

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

Tues., Jan. 2nd: Mass at 7 pm.

Wed., Jan. 3rd: Mass CANCELLED at St. Thomas H.S. Chapel

Thurs., Jan. 4th: Mass at 9 am.

Fri., Jan. 5th: Mass at 9 am.; First Friday Adoration & Reconciliation, 9:30 am. - 12 noon & 7 - 8 pm. Reconciliation

Sun., Jan. 7th: Epiphany; Children's Homily, all Masses; Presentation of Children baptized, 10:30 Mass; KOC Pancake Breakfast after 9 & 10:30 am Masses; KOC Free Throw Competition, 1 pm. MTCS

Mon., Jan 8th: Students return to school

Tues., Jan. 9th: Baptismal Preparation Meeting, 7:30 pm. Hall

ALTAR SERVERS

NEXT WEEKEND'S SCHEDULE

Sat., Dec. 23rd - 4:30 pm. Adam & Kristina

Sun., Dec. 24th - 9:00 am. NO MASS

10:30 am. Ricky & Grace

Christmas Eve: 5 pm. Adam, Mitchell & Hayden

8 pm. Matthew & Cameron

10 pm. Eric, Michael & Daniel

Mon., Dec. 25th - 10:30 am. Richard, Kimberley & Luke

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to Mass.

Thank you for your loving service to Our Lord.

CHRISTMAS BULLETIN DEADLINE: TUES., DEC. 19TH 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 am. hosted by St. Thomas Aquinas High School

10:30 am. hosted by the CWL

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



RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) continues this Wed., Dec. 20th at 7:00 pm. Topics: Family Life, Marriage & Holy Orders. Everyone is welcome.

OFFICE CLOSURE FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The Parish Office will close at noon on Fri., Dec. 22nd, open Thurs., Jan. 4th & Fri., Jan. 5th 9 am. - 12 noon and will reopen on Tues. Jan. 9th, 2007.

A Joyous Christmas & God's Blessings in the New Year!

YOUTH CORNER . . .



CALLING ALL YOUTH, 13-25! The producers of Potpourri 2007 are looking for people with talent (Whatever your talent might be!) Singers, actors, dancers, stage technicians and set designers are needed.

Come to our first cast meeting *THIS Sun., Dec. 17th* at 12 pm. in the Parish Hall. Info: Jessica Cogan, 443-1169 or Meghann Baker, 745-6371

CHECK IT OUT!

OUR PARISH WEBSITE: www.olmm.ca



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.*

◆ **PILGRIMAGE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL** is at the home of the Orsoli 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. Many graces will surely follow.

"Under Mary's protection we shall have nothing to fear."
- words of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys



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

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

Tues., Dec. 19th: Advent Play, 7 pm.

Thurs., Dec. 21st: Dress Down Day

Fri., Dec. 22nd: Raven Spirit Wear Day; Last day of school!

◆ **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)*

◆ **CWL RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS:** Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual Bazaar. It was a great success even in the middle of an ice storm. It shows what a great CWL we have in our parish.

The winners of the two raffles are: Christmas stockings 1st- Megan Sunstrum; 2nd-Winnie Kerfoot; 3rd-Claude Gareau
Tablecloth: Pat Redsell; \$50 Foodland: Elizabeth Hache; \$25 Home Hardware: Marse Lloyd

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

YOUR OFFERING for December 9/10 was **\$2,439.90**
(Average weekly collection needed to cover all expenses: \$3,000.00)

Thank you for your generosity & support.

◆ **AFRICAN AIDS ANGELS** will be available for purchase at our parish before and after all Masses *this weekend Dec. 16/17*. These beautiful angels which sell for \$5, are crafted by a group at Holy Cross Parish, Ottawa. Each angel has an African name and the entire \$5 goes to organizations in sub-Saharan Africa that support those affected by HIV/AIDS especially children. Estimates show that by 2010 there will be 1.5 million orphans in South Africa alone.

◆ **RUSSELL GOOD NEIGHBOUR'S FOOD BANK:** Almost everyday someone goes hungry. Please bring what you can to Church and place in the bushel baskets in Foyer. Thank you for helping others!

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)

◆ **COME SING WITH US!** The **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR** has 2 more practices this **Wed., Dec. 20th** and **Fri. Dec. 22nd** at **6:30 pm.** in the Church to prepare for the 5 pm. Family Christmas Eve Mass held at St. Thomas Aquinas High School. Info: Tara Shannon 314-6063.

◆ **CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM OTTAWA ARCHBISHOP MARCEL GERVAIS** is posted on the bulletin board.

OTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED

◆ **STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?** Retrouvaille is a program for married couples who feel frustrated, bored, disillusioned, or angry in their marriage. It is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. Confidential info or to register for Jan. 19-21: 613-845-9978; RetrouvailleOttawa@rogers.com

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