



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Year A

Diocesan Theme "Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you,

For the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

Mission Statement: "LOVE GOD. LOVE OTHERS. MAKE DISCIPLES"

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 30th

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

Sunday, December 1st

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of George Hendley by the Cogan Family

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Donald Harper by Dale and Lorraine Harper

Monday, December 9th Immaculate Conception

Mass at 7:00 pm

Tuesday, December 3rd

7:00 pm

Wednesday, December 4th St. Thomas

9:00 am

Thursday, December 5th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Al Clarke by the Chesser Family

Friday, December 6th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of George Hendley by Marian Hendley

Saturday, December 7th

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Norman DuHamel by Linda, Brian, Andre and Family

Sunday, December 8th

9:00 am For the intentions of Sydney Berard Beaupre by the Berard Beaupre Family

10:45 am For the intentions of Nicole Fontaine by Tom and Carole Egan

ADVENT – A NEW BEGINNING

Advent is a time for a new beginning: it marks the beginning of the Liturgical Year. It is a four-week period leading to Christmas, when we, as Christians are invited to reflect deeply on the meaning of the Incarnation – God reaching out to us, in a profound way, in the person of His son Jesus Christ. The Church invites us to prepare our hearts and homes so that Christ may be born again in each one of us. In a more practical and deeper way, we can use the season to brighten things up; to clear up the 'garbage' in our hearts in order to make room, enough room for the Lord. This might be a good time to look for some of our dark spots: our lack of patience, petty jealousy, selfishness, slothfulness, etc., and do something about it. Above all, the event of Christmas, beginning with Advent, "calls us to stop and ponder the great reality that God takes the initiative to reach out and share God's life with us."

FEAST OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Parishioners of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, come celebrate our parish feast day, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, on Monday, December 9th! Our celebration will begin with mass at 7:00pm, which will include prayers of consecration to Our Lady. A reception will follow in the Church Hall.

LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, AND SACRISTANS: The sign-up sheets for the Christmas masses are in the foyer. Lectors, Eucharistic Minister, Sacristans and Ushers are requested to sign up for the masses that they are available for.

The DOOR CODE will be changing on December 2nd, please call the office if you require the door code.

ALTAR SERVERS WORKSHOP: Tuesday December 3rd at 7:45pm in the church. All servers are encouraged to attend especially the new volunteers.

2014 DONATION ENVELOPES are ready to be picked up in the foyer.

PEANUT ALLERGY ALERT!

Peanut allergy is one of the most common food allergies that can cause a severe potentially fatal, allergic reaction in both children and adults. Please, we request that out of concern for fellow parishioners who may have peanut/tree nut allergies, we invite all who attend Mass to refrain from bringing food that may contain peanut/tree nut. Thank you for your understanding.

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR

November 24th, 2013 ~ \$28151.00

Thank you for your generosity & support

December 1st, 2013

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR LADY PARISH?

WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration form found in the foyer or in the office. You may bring the completed form to the office or drop it in the collection basket.

~ IN OUR PRAYERS ~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:

Stew Bankley, Elta Mullins, Annette Cyr, Linda Peppler, Nicole Fontaine, Diane Labrecque, Megan Shane, Ryan Beaudette, Matthew Holmes, Isaac Berkers, Yvette Barretto Duval, Gisele Langevin, Patrick Egan, Trish McNulty, Margret Robertson, Helene MacDonald, Ashley Egan, Ken Poirer and Justin McKenna

ADVENT CRAFTS: Join us downstairs for children's Advent crafts after the 9:00 am Mass. There will be coffee and treats served as well.

TYPHOON RELIEF FUNDRAISING for the Philippines: Come and enjoy a relaxing afternoon of music with John EM aka John Montojo (Unplugged). John will be performing original compositions as well as covers. Come support a worthy cause! All donations go directly to the Ottawa Diocese, for the Philippines. When: Sunday, Dec. 1, 2014 @2pm

EDGE YOUTH GROUP will be held in the hall Wednesday at 6:30 pm. All youth in grades 6 - 8 are welcome.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS: We would welcome the name of a family in our Parish, who should receive a basket at Christmas time in our Parish. Names should be given to the parish pastoral assistant Kristine Steele at 445-3054 before December 4th.

ADVERTISEMENT SPACE IN OUR PARISH BULLETIN is available. Ads cost \$200 year-single space ad; \$350/year-double space ad. Please contact the office for further information. We especially welcome ads from members of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish who wish to promote their businesses or practices.

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CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE at www.olmm.ca
Email: admin@olmm.ca

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Tuesday, December 3~ Adult Choir Practice church 7:30 pm, RCIA in the kitchen 6:30-9:30 pm, K of C Light up for Christ after 7 pm Mass, Altar Server Workshop 7:45 pm

Wednesday, December 4th - Edge Youth Ministry 6:30 pm Hall, Consecration to Mary 7:30 pm

Thursday, December 5th - Sacramental Prep 6:30 pm Foyer

Saturday, December 7th - OLMM Better than Broadway 9:15 am -10:00 am

Sunday, December 8th ~ 9:00 Children's Liturgy

NEXT WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Monday, December 9- 6:00 pm Consecration to the Immaculate heart of Mary, Solemnity of Immaculate Conception Mass 7:00 pm with reception to follow
Tuesday, December 10~ Adult Choir Practice church 7:30 pm, RCIA in the kitchen 6:30-9:30 pm

Wednesday, December 11th - Edge Youth Ministry 6:30 pm Hall, TAC Meeting 7:00pm

Thursday, December 12th - Mass at Russell Meadows 11:00 am, Sacramental Prep 6:30 pm Foyer

Saturday, December 14th - OLMM Better than Broadway 9:15 am -10:00 am

Sunday, December 15th ~ 9:00 Children's Liturgy

BEQUESTS AND WILLS: In your kindness, please remember Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will the following clause may be included or added to a will or added by codicil: I give devise and bequeath the sum of \$..... to Our Lady of the Miraculous Church, Russell, to be used for the benefit of the Parish and its pastoral activities.

WANTED: Donations of all colors of LED Christmas lights and green garland to decorate our Parish. For more information please call the office 613-445-3054

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