SECOND 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, December 7th

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

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

Tuesday, December 10th

7:00 pm

Wednesday, December 11th St. Thomas 9:00 am For the intentions of Lucie Mahe Hogue and Family by Staff and Students of STA

Thursday, December 12th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Moe Allard by STA staff and Students

Friday, December 13th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Gerry Clement by the Mother Teresa Catholic School Staff and Students

Saturday, December 13^h

4:30 pm For the repose of the Phyllis Belleville by Ken and Marcella Woods

Sunday, December 8th

9:00 am For the intentions of theParishioners by the Pastor10:45 am For the repose of the soul of JackTyo by Pauline and Family

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

December 1st, 2013 ~ \$3419.00 Thank you for your generosity & support

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."



2013 CHRISTMAS MASSES

Penitential Service

Wednesday, December 18th ~ 7:00 pm Christmas Eve

> Tuesday, December 24th ~ 5:00 pm [St. Thomas Aquinas High School] Tuesday, December 24th ~7:00 pm Tuesday, December 24th ~9:00 pm

Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25th ~ 10:00 am

New Year's Eve

Tuesday, December 31st ~ 4:30 pm

New Year's Day

Wednesday, January 1st ~ 10:00 am

December 8th, 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

FRUIT CAKES Sale of the fruit cakes will be next weekend 14/15 and the weekend after that 21/22 if there are any left.

ADVENT POTLUCK AND CAROLS

Sunday December 15th at 4:30 Carols to follow at 6pm Come enjoy good food and fellowship. Dish sign up in the Church Hall.

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

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 Saturday, December 21st-Men's Prayer Group 8:30 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.

ADVERTISE IN OUR DIRECTORY for a one-time cost of \$75.00. The directory stays out for five years. Please call the office for information 613-445-3054

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

THIS 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, Sacramental Prep 6:30 pm hall, TAC Meeting 7:30pm

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

NEXT WEEK AT OUR LADY'S

Tuesday, December 17~ Adult Choir Practice church 7:30 pm, RCIA in the kitchen 6:30-9:30 pm, Men of the Eucharist Prayer Mtg. hall 7:40 pm Wednesday, December 18- Edge Youth Ministry 6:00 pm Christmas caroling, Penance Service 7:00 pm Church

Sunday, December 22~ 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