

December 17, 2017

3rd Sunday of Advent

Liturgies for the week of Dec. 18 – Dec. 25

Mon.: **NO MASS**
 Tues.: 8:30am Special Intention
 Wed.: **NO MASS**
 Thurs.: 2:30pm @ Willowdale Retirement Ctre: Ed Kozlow
 Fri.: 8:30am Special Intention
 3:00pm Divine Mercy
 Sat.: 5:00pm @ Smiths Falls: Joe Murphy
 Sun.: 9:00am @ Lombardy: George Kyle
 11:00am @ Smiths Falls: For the People

December 24 – Christmas Eve:

5:00pm @ Smiths Falls
 7:00pm @ Lombardy
 10:00pm @ Smiths Falls

December 25 – Christmas Day:

10:00am @ Smiths Falls

Ministries for Dec. 23 & 24

@ St. Francis de Sales

| | Readers | Extraord. Ministers |
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| 5:00pm | K. Forbes J. Parrell | M. Forbes J. Brohman |
| 11:00am | M. E. Drapeau R. Drapeau | B. D'Alessio B. MacMillan |

@ Blessed Sacrament

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| 9:00am | J. Boyle | D. Edwards, N. Mahon & B. Mahon |
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Collection Counters: B. Peters, L. Merkley & T. Brownell

Ministries for Dec. 24 & 25

@ St. Francis de Sales

| | Readers | Extraord. Ministers |
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| Christmas Eve: | | |
| 5:00pm | K. Forbes Bridson | B. Stafford P. Murphy |
| 10:00pm | T. Shea M.E. Drapeau | C. Stanzel R. Drapeau |

Christmas Day:

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| 10:00am | Tom Brownell Bena MacMillan | J. Jenkins C. Ferrier |
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@ Blessed Sacrament

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| Christmas Eve: | | |
| 7:00pm | D. Edwards | B. Mahon, S. McCaw & B. Kyle |

Starting January 7, 2018, Sunday morning Mass at St. Francis Church will be permanently changed to 10:30am.

Upcoming Events/Meetings

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| Dec. 19 | 4 th Degree K of C mtg., 7:30pm |
| Dec. 20 | Cleaning Bee @ St. Francis, 9am |
| Dec. 20 | Christmas Pageant Practice, 6pm at St. Francis Church |
| Dec. 25 | Christmas Dinner, 11:30am |

Offertory envelopes for 2018 are available at the entrance of both churches. Due to the decline of envelope usage, we have reduced the number of envelopes ordered. **Your envelope number will have changed due to the decrease in the number of envelopes available. Do not use your 2018 envelopes until the New Year.**

PLEASE NOTE: ALL DONATIONS FOR 2017 MUST BE IN BY DECEMBER 31, 2017 TO BE REFLECTED ON YOUR 2017 INCOME TAX RECEIPT.

Donation envelopes towards the **annual purchase of poinsettias** for decorating the churches at Christmas are available in the pews. Please consider donating in memory of a loved one. Your consideration of making a donation towards this would be appreciated.

If you were unable to attend parish confessions last week, Father Rod will be available to hear **confessions on Tuesday, Dec. 19 from 10:30am-11:30am** at St. Francis Church.

Our annual **Christmas Dinner** takes place on **Sunday, Dec. 25** at Hanley Hall. Doors open at 11:30am with one sitting at 12:15pm. A meal can be delivered for shut ins and transportation will be provided for those who need it. Sign-up sheets to help with the dinner and donate food are at the entrance of both churches. **Please drop off your food donations on Sunday, December 24 from 10am-1pm at Hanley Hall (upper level).**

For all those who are enrolled in the automatic debit program for offertory envelopes...due to the office being closed over Christmas, the electronic fund transfer from your account will take place on **Friday, December 22**, instead of at the end of the month.

Adoration Chapel News:

The Adoration Chapel will **close at 6 PM on Wed. Dec. 20** & Adoration (in the Church) will **reopen on Mon. Jan. 8, 2018**.

The **St. Vincent de Paul Society** is looking for a **child's wardrobe** for someone in the community. If you can help, please contact Patrick Boyle at 283-0766 or patrickjosephboyle@gmail.com.

Christmas Decorations and Poinsettias donated in memory of.....

*E. L. Taillon
Harold and Ricky Doyle
Geno Curran
Bill and Rita Doyle
Drapeau/Moreau Family
Andre Fillion
Beverly Phillips
Brother and Father of Jungzm An
Chris Donovan
Michael Hanrahan
Lauzon and DesRosiers Family
Ed Kozlow
Cheryl McConnell
Pat Meagher and Mary McPhee
Alex and Nicole French
Joseph Murphy
Sister Marlene
Joe, Jean and Jamie Quattrocchi
Morgan and Mary McIntyre
Raymond Shwetz
Cheryl Findley
Linda Margaret Ward
Mike and Dora Goral
Gerald Covell and Jessie Keays
Allen McCaw and Amedeé Marion
Murray Shane
Daniel Vermette
Michael Mahon
Traynor and Curran Families
Bernard and Catherine Merkley*

Thank you for your donations.

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Feast of the Holy Family – Dec 31

9:00am at Blessed Sacrament
11:00am at St. Francis

New Year's Eve – Dec. 31

5:00pm at St. Francis

New Year's Day – Jan. 1

9:00am at Blessed Sacrament
11:00am at St. Francis

The **Into the Future candle** will be lit the week of December 17 in loving memory of Zannie Pankow; 25th anniversary of his death, requested by Kathy and family.

All children are invited to participate in the Christmas pageant taking place at the 5pm Christmas Eve Mass at St. Francis Church. The last practice is on Dec. 20 at St. Francis Church. Contact Marlene Hull at 613-812-0473.

Lighthouse Catholic Media CD Sale

"Keep Holy the Sabbath." Listen to Dr. Timothy Gray as he speaks about reclaiming Sunday as a day dedicated to God. This and many other **Lighthouse Catholic Media cds** are available at the entrance of both churches. **For the month of December all CD's are \$2 each!**

Please Pray for the Following:

The Sick: Wayne Conlon, and many others who are in our hearts and for all Caregivers who give them loving support.

For the Deceased: Lucille O'Neil, Ann McDonald

Please note names are published in the bulletin for 2 months. After 2 months, names are transferred to the Adoration Chapel where their intentions will continue to be remembered in prayer. If you wish to add or remove the name of a person asking for our prayers in the weekly bulletin, please inform the parish by calling 613-283-0220.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

| Offertory Collection: | Actual | Budget |
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| Nov. 26 | \$ 4059.00 | \$ 4000 |
| Year to date | \$ 184,186.05 | \$ 196,000 |
| Building Maint. Fund: | Actual | Budget |
| Nov. 26 | \$ 1628.25 | \$ 1350 |
| Year to date | \$ 75,342.89 | \$ 62,100 |