



Please pray for our brothers and sisters who are ill. For our parishioners, their families and caregivers, including: Marilyn Hawkins, Theresa Rock, Ann and Lorraine Leduc, Andrea DeMeo, Neil McCarthy, Sheila Gasnick, Emily Miller, Andrea Redway, Lorraine Leduc, Patrick and Alice Cornwall, Jim and Clare Dashney, Garry MacDonald, Audrey Bazinet, Elaine Lynch, Gus and Molly Fraser, Andrew Thibault and Robert Hill.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>**

9:30AM – For Lewis Miller  
Requested by Ellen Dickson

11:30AM – For the Intentions of Our Parish

**Dec 9<sup>th</sup>**

9:30AM – For Kenneth Kennedy  
Requested by Alma Kennedy

11:30AM – For the Intentions of Our Parish



**FINANCIAL REPORT  
November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

23/40 Envelope Donations \$	865.00
35 Pre-Authorized Debit \$	1121.25
Loose Collection - \$	114.00
Vigil Lights	36.00
Rental Income \$	475.00
Salary Reimbursement \$	665.00
<b>Total - \$</b>	<b>3276.25</b>
<b>Weekly Operational Costs \$</b>	<b>3000.00</b>
<b>Variance \$</b>	<b>+276.25</b>

**HOSPITALITY AND HOLIDAY BAKE SALE TODAY!**

Our monthly hospitality and our annual holiday bake sale will take place today after both Masses. Please join us in Mary Beattie Hall for refreshments and fellowship. As well, it is a great opportunity to purchase some treats for the holidays.

**ADVENT FAMILY RECONCILIATION SERVICE:**

In order to welcome the Lord with purified hearts at Christmas, we are preparing a parish Penitential Service. Using the Liturgy of the Hours (Evening Prayer) we will sing psalms, hear scripture and be led in an examination of conscience. Then there will be an opportunity for individual confession with Father Pierre or one of our Jesuit neighbours. Please join us Wednesday, December 19 at 7 p.m.



**BE AN ANGEL THIS ADVENT:**

Every year our Parish Angel Tree Project is an opportunity to be an Angel to those less fortunate in our city. This year we are supporting our Sunday Supper program. The Fall Fundraiser went well but the program is still in need of funding to cover food costs to the end of this year's 24 week schedule. Our Angel Tree project this year will focus on providing meals for our guests.

On the table in front of the Angel Tree you will find a choice of paper dinner plates. Please select a plate and take it home as a reminder of your commitment. If you choose a \$15 plate you will provide 5 meals for our guests. Choosing a \$30 plate will provide 10 meals. Envelopes are provided on the table for your donation. All donations will be included in the total for your charitable tax receipt for 2018.

**SUCCESSFUL PARISH LIFE EVENTS:**

Many thanks to everyone who helped out with the Novemberfest. A great time was had by all and over \$1100 was raised. Thank you also to everyone who volunteered and contributed to the fire hall sale. We raised \$240 and had a great opportunity to meet and talk to our neighbors in the community.

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR:**

On the bulletin board in the church entrance, you'll notice a calendar for our new liturgical year. Begin at the 9 o'clock position and move clockwise. Each spoke in this calendar wheel represents a week. Weeks begin on the Lord's Day, Sunday (the outer rim of the wheel), and end on Saturday (the inner hub). Each period of liturgical time in the year is a different colour. Notice the liturgical times: Advent, Christmas Time, Lent, Easter Time. Between Lent and Easter Time you will find the Sacred Paschal Triduum, the Three Days that are the centre of the liturgical year. Now notice the two spans of Ordinary Time. Except during Christmas Time and on Pentecost, each Sunday has a large number on it. The name of the Sunday is usually a combination of its number and the liturgical time (for example, the Fourth Sunday of Lent or the Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary time). – adapted from the back of the Year of Grace 2019

**SEASON OF ADVENT:**

Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages. Advent is a season of joyful expectation (CCCB Liturgical Calendar 2019). With the First Sunday of Advent, the Church begins a new cycle of scriptural readings. We will journey with The Gospel of Luke through most of our Sunday Eucharistic celebrations in this liturgical year.

**GOSPEL OF LUKE:**

Gospel means "good news". All the books of the Gospel tell of the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus (the Paschal Mystery). But the Gospel of Luke, the longest, gives us stories recorded nowhere else including two favourite parables: The Good Samaritan and The Prodigal Son. Perhaps that's why it's sometimes called the Gospel of Mercy.

"The Advent mystery is a mystery of emptiness, of poverty, of limitation. It must be so. Otherwise it could not be a mystery of hope." – Thomas Merton

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



**SUNDAY SUPPER REPORT:** Team three hosted a relaxed and quiet night for 95 guests. They served snacks, followed by meatloaf and dessert.

**CHURCH ENVELOPES:** The 2019 envelopes will be available for pick up for the first three Sundays in December. We are also making Pre-Authorized sign up forms and adjustment forms available at this time.

**TAX RECEIPT PREPARATION:** If your address has changed in 2018 please contact the office with the updated information before the end of December. Preparation of tax receipts begins early in January.

