



**First Sunday of Advent**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**November 30 -December 8, 2024**

*May the almighty and merciful God*

*...sanctify you by the radiance*

*of Christ's Advent and enrich you with His blessings.*

**Saturday, November 30**

**4:00 – 4:30 pm Confessions**

5:00 p.m. For the People

**Sunday, December 1**

9:00 a.m. For Sara Saraiva Melo

11:00 a.m. For Pheno Bui Van Binh, Daminh Bui Van

Sout and Catarina Nyuyer Thi Nhiem

**Monday, December 2**

10 :00 a.m. For Nathan Freeburn

**Tuesday, December 3- St Francis Xavier**

8:30 a.m. For the Souls in Purgatory

**9:00 – 9:20 a.m. Confessions**

5:15 p.m. For Gerald, Genevieve & Paul Whalen

**Wednesday, December 4- St John Damascene**

10:00 a.m. For John Noonan

**Thursday, December 5**

8:30 a.m. For Morris Powers

**4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Confessions**

5:15 p.m. For Collette Boudreau

**Friday, December 6- St Nicholas**

10:00 a.m. For Jack Pitt

7:00 p.m. Adoration

**Saturday, December 7**

**4:00 – 4:30 p.m. Confessions**

5:00 p.m. For Rachel Hart

**Sunday, December 8**

9:00 a.m. For the People

11:00 a.m. For Don & Mary Waller

*Join livestreamed Mass Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on our website*

*St Paul the Apostle.com*

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL**

Please remember in your prayers the following: Silvia Peter Mawalla, Aiden Bedard, Linda Viola, Michelle Matney, Samara Lively, GF Miller, Lynn Bales, Tony Waller, Matilda Sarzotti, Fr. Mac Burke, Linda MacKechnie, Mateo Miguel, Claudette Winchester, Cesar (Tet) Aguirre, Sean Sayle, Debra Milette, Elwood Hodgins

*If there are members of your family or friends who are ill or recently died, and for whom you wish prayers, please contact the parish office at 613-389-8222.*

**2025 MISSALS**

Missals for the coming year start the First Week of Advent on December 1. New Missals will be available in the gathering space at \$5.00 each. Get yours early before they sell out!

**2025 WORKBOOK FOR LECTORS \$20.00 EACH**

Workbook for lectors limited number of copies available \$20.00 each in the sacristy.

**Gospel Reflection**

One might say that Advent comes at an inopportune time, the busiest time of the year, when we get pulled into the Christmas rush. But it is precisely at this busiest time that we need the Advent message. It is a reminder that as disciples of Jesus we cannot be concerned only about our material and short-term needs. These can only satisfy our physical needs for a short time. We must also be attuned to our spiritual life and the things that can give life to the spirit. Thus, while Advent talks about the two comings of Christ (past and future), it also reminds us of a third. Christ's daily coming to us in this moment. And we, as the Body of Christ, have the duty to make him present to others by our caring and sharing. In this new Advent season, Christ is ready to give us a fresh vision and the grace we need to lose ourselves and find God. Christ wants to work in and through us for the greater honour and glory of his Father. That is why he expects great things from us, which are in fact possible by the grace of God at work in our lives.

*Eternal Father, grant that we may recognize the coming of your Son in the worship we offer, in the Scriptures we read, in the needy we meet, and in those who show us kindness and forgiveness, Through Christ our Lord.*



**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES**

<b>Tuesday, December 24:</b>	<b>Christmas Eve</b> 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm
<b>Wednesday, December 25:</b>	<b>The Nativity of Our Lord</b> Christmas Day 10:00 am

**NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES**

<b>Tuesday, December 31:</b>	<b>New Year's Eve</b> 5:00 pm
<b>Wednesday, January 1:</b>	<b>Mary, Holy Mother of God</b> New Year's Day 10:00 am

**PREAUTHORIZED DEBIT FOR CHURCH COLLECTION**

If you would like to participate in the pre-authorized debit for the 1st or 15th of the month, please pick up the Bank Authorization Form found in the Gathering Area (Atrium); complete and return to the Parish Office (with a void cheque). For more information, contact the Parish Office

**MASS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE  
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED**

**VIRGIN MARY Monday, December 9**

**@ 10:30 am, St Mary's Cathedral, Kingston**

You are invited to join us in celebrating the Solemnity of the Patron of the Archdiocese of Kingston. Archbishop Michael Mulhall will be presiding over the Mass.

Confessions are available at 9:30 am.

**NATIVITY EXHIBITION, DECEMBER 12-13**

A variety of nativities depicting the birth of Christ, chosen from the Vella Collection, will be on display in the Mary Campeau Memorial Hall on December 12 and 13, from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm daily (concurrent with visit of school children). **In addition, selected nativities from the Vella Collection will be on sale** in the hall following all Masses on December 14 and 15 (\$25 max each; cash, cheque or e-transfer accepted; proceeds to the St George Preca Scholarship Fund at Holy Cross CSS for students entering the trades). For further information, or to volunteer to assist with the supervision of the exhibition, call Shaun 613.634.4229.

**CWL BAKE SALE – December 14/15 after all Masses**

Calling all Parish Bakers! When you are doing your Christmas Baking, please do a little extra to donate your favorite squares, cookies, pies, tarts, fudge etc. (Christmas themed) to support our fundraising efforts.

To sign up to bake please contact Nancy Hayes [nhayes22@cogeco.ca](mailto:nhayes22@cogeco.ca) or sign up on poster board in the gathering space. **Please list all ingredients for those with food allergies.** All baking donations are to be dropped off at noon on Saturday December 14 in the Mary Campeau Hall.



**JUBILEE 2025:** In the Catholic Church, every 25 years is a Holy Jubilee. It is a significant religious event. It is a year of forgiveness, of reconciliation between adversaries, of conversion, and consequently of solidarity, hope, justice, commitment to serve God with joy and in peace with our brothers and sisters. A Jubilee year is above all the year of Christ, who brings life and grace to humanity.



**Veronica's Veil Overnight Shelter for Men**

Veronica's Veil Overnight Shelter for Men **will open for its third season on January 2, 2025 and go until the end of April.** Shifts run 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., 12:30 a.m. to 4:30 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., seven nights a week. Training will be provided. Volunteers work as a team on each shift, so you are never working alone. To sign up for a shift on either a weekly or a substitute basis or for more information, please contact Ann Lyng at [veronicasveil@stmaryscathedral.ca](mailto:veronicasveil@stmaryscathedral.ca)

**Trinitas Advent/Christmas Concert Sunday, December 8, 3:00pm** CFB Kingston Spiritual Fitness Centre (33 Lundy's Lane, Kingston) Featuring the Trinitas Youth Singers and instrumental music for the season. A perfect length for families with children. Refreshments to follow. Invite your friends and family now to share this annual holiday tradition!

Share our Facebook event:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/THZN3ABjksMgdumM>

**Food Sharing Project Volunteers Needed**

There is a huge need for volunteers at several of the schools in Kingston. Food Sharing Project is seeking volunteers to:

- Help prepare, cook, and serve school meals
- Support local lunch and breakfast programs
- Engage with students and staff to create a welcoming environment

Please email [volunteer@foodsharingproject.org](mailto:volunteer@foodsharingproject.org) to sign up, or call (613)530-3514.

**St John Fisher Dinner – CCO Kingston Fundraising Event POSTPONED UNTIL Thursday, February 13; 6:00-9:30 pm** Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall (588 Division St, Kingston) <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/st-john-fisher-dinner-tickets-1035238314667>.

**Christmas Concert** Join us for an afternoon of Christmas music, featuring Chris Murphy, Jon McLurg, and Noah St. Amand (of Turpin's Trail) in the church on Thursday, December 12, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. A free-will offering would be greatly appreciated with the proceeds donated to the Social Planning Council of Kingston.



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**Christmas Special | Laugh and Grow Bible for Kids**

Hosted by the Hopeful World, this beautiful retelling of the story of Jesus' birth will help kids understand the true meaning of Christmas. Viewers both young and old will be filled with hope as they recall God's promise fulfilled through our Savior's arrival.

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