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# *St Patrick's Parish Bulletin*

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**Second Sunday of Advent  
December 9<sup>th</sup> & December 10<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus in the first century, we, too, are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by our repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives, as John did, the coming of the Lord.

*Advent*  
*A Season of Hope  
& Expectation*

*"Prepare the way of the Lord, make his path straight."  
(Matthew 3: 1-12)*

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	<b>Marriage:</b> Please contact the Pastor.
	<b>Confessions:</b> They are heard before Mass upon request. The Pastor is also available to hear you every Saturday from 14:30-15:30.

Ministers and servers	Saturday December 7 <sup>th</sup> 16:00	Sunday December 8 <sup>th</sup> 10:00	Saturday December 14 <sup>th</sup> 16:00	Sunday December 15 <sup>th</sup> 10:00
READERS	Steven Neatt	Pierre Gagnon	Aileen Rose Ruane	Maria Di Giovanni
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER		Steve Kack		Ron Charest
SERVERS	Volunteers Needed	Gagnon family	Volunteers Needed	Gagnon family
USHERS	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
OFFERTORY COLLECTION	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
COFFEE ASSISTANCE	N/A	Volunteers Needed	N/A	Volunteers Needed



The total collection for the weekend of November 30<sup>rd</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>, including the collection from St. Brigid's Home, was \$592.05. We thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	December 7 <sup>th</sup> (16:00)	Second Sunday of Advent	Michael L. Gomez Brian Thomas Holton	Anne Doré Jean Margaret Saville
Sunday	December 8 <sup>th</sup> (10:00)	Second Sunday of Advent	Maurice Enright Gertrude Edwards Grogan	Paul Enright Helen Pichard
Monday	December 9 <sup>th</sup> (11h30)	Immaculate Conception		
Tuesday	December 10 <sup>th</sup> (11h30)			
Wednesday	December 11 <sup>th</sup> (11h30)			
Thursday	December 12 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady of Guadalupe	No Mass	No Mass
Friday	December 13 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)	Saint Lucy	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Saturday	December 14 <sup>th</sup> (16:00)	Third Sunday of Advent	Gertrude Edwards Grogan	C.W.L.
Sunday	December 15 <sup>th</sup> (10:00)	Third Sunday of Advent	Richard Dansereau (4 years) Angele Mazurat	Nicole & Daniel Dansereau Andrée Lemieux

### Christmas Masses



Date	Time	Liturgy
December 24 <sup>th</sup>	16:00 Christmas pageant	Christmas Eve
December 24 <sup>th</sup>	20:00	Christmas Eve
December 25 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Christmas Day
December 31 <sup>st</sup>	16:00	Holy Mother of God
January 1 <sup>st</sup>	10:00	Holy Mother of God



We have the **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** before the Saturday Mass. Between 14:30 and 15:30, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and Father Lussier will be available to hear **Confessions** or for private consultations. **Confessions** are also heard before each Mass upon request. Our families and our Congregation are in great need of prayer; please come and join our Pastor for Adoration.



The St Patrick's Christmas Pageant is coming back this year. We are looking for a few children or teens to play the characters at the 16:00 Mass on December 24<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested please contact the Office or put your name on the registration sheet in the Foyer of the church.



On Sunday December 8th, a Dominican Priest will be here for those who would like to live the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Christmas. He will be available at 9:30 in the confessional booth.



Save the date: Dec 22 Our Christmas soup event for all parishioners and the raffle draw!!! Our CWL shop features Christmas cards and items for reasonable prices after Sunday Mass. Annual dues of \$25 are being collected by Marie White or Maureen Martineau, also by Dec. 22nd. Visit [cwl.ca](http://cwl.ca) for information about upcoming conventions, our 100th anniversary in 2020 and communiques. For prayer requests, information, or to join, please contact Marie White at 418-254-0510 or [mariewhite.qc@gmail.com](mailto:mariewhite.qc@gmail.com) ♥ □ Blessings to all.



Don't forget to get your tickets for the CWL Wine Basket Raffle Dec. 1-22. We appreciate your support. \$2 for one ticket and \$5 for three available after Mass.

### «The angel came to her and said, Rejoice, full of grace, the Lord is with you»

Today, the Gospel plays a tune made up of three notes. Three notes which, in our society, are not always that well-tuned: one note of doing, one of friendship and another one of coherence of life. Nowadays, we all have very busy lives, but, do we have a plan? Today, when we are navigating through a world of communications, are we capable of being alone in our own company for a while? Today, in the information era, are we letting it shape who we are?

A plan. Mary, a young woman «betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the family of David» (Lk 1:28). Mary has a plan. Of human proportions, evidently. Nevertheless, God comes into her life to bestow on her another project... of divine proportions. Today, He wants to come into our lives too, to give our everyday human tasks divine proportions.

A presence. «Do not fear, Mary» (Lk 1:30). We just do not go and build the first thing that comes into our head! Lest our addiction to “doing” were to become a way to hide a void. Marriage, a life of servitude, our profession, should not mean a leap in the dark. «(...) Full of grace, the Lord is with you» (Lk 1:28). Presence that accompanies and provides a new meaning. Trust in God, which —indirectly— brings us to trust others. Friendship with God that renews our friendship with others, too.

To shape ourselves. Today, when we are confronted with so many stimuli, so often conflicting, it is necessary to give unity and shape to our life. Mary, says saint Louis Mary Grignion, «is the living mould of God». «A sculptor, explains Grignion, can make a statue in two ways: By using his skill, strength, experience and good tools to produce a statue out of hard, shapeless matter; or by making a cast of it in a mould (...). The second is quick, easy, straightforward, almost effortless and inexpensive, but the mould must be perfect and true to life and the material must be easy to handle and offer no resistance». Mary is the great mould of God. Do we turn to Her by being ourselves material that easy to shape?

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