



# Second Sunday of Advent

## Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> 2022 ~ Year A



### 📖 Sunday Readings 📖

Isaiah 11:1-10, Romans 4-9,  
Matthew 3:1-12

### Second Sunday of Advent

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3.**

4:30 p.m. +Ernest & Arnold Selmeczi, family  
+Peter Ricciardi, Flo Rahal & Maria Clifford



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4,**

8:30 a.m. +Peter Ricciardi, Doris & Jack Konst  
10:00 a.m. Cathedral Parishioners  
11:30 a.m. +Peter Ricciardi, Dagmar & Jimmy Thoms  
+Zenon Karpinski, wife Renalda  
7:30 p.m. +Deceased Basile & Melano family members,  
Teresa & Frank Basile

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 5,**

7:30 a.m. +Holy Souls in Purgatory, Marie Brophy  
12:10 p.m. +Domenico & Lucia Parrotta,  
Filomena Pascale

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6,**

12:10 p.m. +Sheila Smith, John Smith

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, St. Ambose, Bishop**

7:30 a.m. +Holy Souls in Purgatory  
12:10 p.m. +Patricia Hodge, Iris Shegda

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8,**

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:10 p.m. +Lucia Coslucci, family

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9,**

12:10 a.m. Int of Peter Vander Laar,  
Jerry & Nellie Schouten

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10,**

8:30 a.m. +Holy Souls, Chantal Rumkimbira



### Third Sunday of Advent

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10.**

4:30 p.m. +Heather Winterstein, friend  
+John Bradman Haley, Rosmarie & family

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11,**

8:30 a.m. +Bruno Panici, wife Angela  
+Angela Shegda, daughters  
10:00 a.m. Int. of Paulin Ngoja & family, Albania  
+Lorraine Baranek, Krawchuk family  
11:30 a.m. Cathedral Parishioners  
7:30 p.m. +Peter Ricciardi, Doris & Jack Konst

### SEASON OF ADVENT 2022

Advent, which comes from the Latin word for “arrival” or “coming” is a period of preparation for the birth of our Lord. The First Sunday of Advent also marks the beginning of the liturgical year, the Church’s “New Year’s Day”. We will read from Cycle A. Advent is a time of joyous anticipation, but also of penance and preparation for the great Christmas feast. The liturgical colour of the season is purple, a sign of penance.

### THE ADVENT WREATH

The Advent wreath is a beautiful Christian symbol of waiting for Christ the Light of the World. As winter sets in our days are shorter and filled with more darkness. We await the winter solstice, the beginning of days filled with more sunlight. The circular shape signifies the unending love of God. The evergreen suggests life, growth and hope. The candles remind us that Christ is the Light of the World. The purple candles remind us that Advent is a time of preparation, longing and expectation. The pink candle symbolizes joy and hope waiting for Christ’s birth. The candles have titles: the Prophets’ Candle (hope), the Bethlehem candle (faith), the Shepherds’ candle (joy) and the Angels’ candle (peace).

### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Parishioners are invited to contribute to the purchase of flowers for our Church this Christmas Season in memory of deceased family or friends. A list will be posted of all requests. They will be prayed for in our Christmas celebrations. Special envelopes are to be found in your box of offertory envelopes and at the Cathedral Entrances. Cheques should be made payable to the Cathedral.

### ADVENT CHRISTMAS CONCERT



On December 18, the Cathedral Choir and Cantors will present an Advent Christmas Concert at 3:30 p.m. in the Cathedral. A free-will offering will be taken up.

### POINSETTIA SALE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Thank you to everyone who purchased poinsettias; flowers must be picked up in the basement hall after every Mass this weekend only. Thank you for your support; together we raised \$574 for the Cathedral.

### CWL CHRISTMAS BASKET

Our heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported our gift basket raffle and bake sale, because of your generous support the fundraiser was a great success. Special thank you to all our volunteers and bakers! The winner of the gift basket is Julia Kubica, ticket # 400.

### SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Are now available by the elevators. The new envelopes begin on January 1, 2023.

## ADVENT RECONCILIATION

### Individual Confessions:

Before 12:10 Mass Weekdays 11:45 am – 12:10 pm &  
Before the 9:00 am Mass Saturday 8:30 am – 8:50 am  
Before the 4:30 pm Mass Saturday 3:45 pm – 4:15 pm  
Saturday December 17 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Confessions are available Monday to Friday from 8:00pm  
- 9 pm. at St. Denis Parish.

## MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS

### Saturday, December 24 – Christmas Eve

4:30 pm and 12:00 Midnight

### Sunday, December 25 – Christmas Day

8:30 am, 10:00 am and 11:30 am

No Evening Mass

### Midnight Mass

This year marks the 90<sup>th</sup> Broadcast of the Midnight  
Mass at the Cathedral on 610 CKTB Radio,

Carols begin at 11:30 pm,

**Presider: Most Reverend Gerard Bergie.**

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

Thank you for your continued support of Cathedral SVDP. Your generosity is amazing and the clients we serve appreciate the help you provide. Cathedral SVDP will assist eighty households within our parish boundaries at Christmas. Gift bags and gift cards for groceries and toys will be distributed to the households on December 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. For more information about this you may call Connie at 905-934-0457. Thank you for helping us to help those in need. God bless

### **1,000 HAIL MARY'S IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**

Please join us in honouring Our Lady of Guadalupe,  
**Sunday, December 11, Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
Church, 5 Oblate St. beginning 1:00 pm until approx. 4  
pm.** A special image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, donated  
by Bishop Bergie, will be on display. Please join us for all  
or part of the day to pay homage to Our Blessed Mother.

## OUT OF THE COLD 2022-2023

The Out of the Cold program began at the Cathedral on  
Tuesday, November 1, 2022. We rely on parish donations,  
prayers and volunteers to successfully run the program  
each year. Once again, we are asking for baked goods to  
serve each week. Donations of baked goods may be  
dropped off at the church office Tuesdays between 9 am  
and 3 pm. After 3 pm donations may be brought to the  
church hall. Your generous support is gratefully  
appreciated.



## ALMA REDEMPTORIS MATER

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L-ma \* Redemptó-ris Ma-ter, quæ pérv-i a cæ-li  
porta manes, Et stella ma-ris, succúrre cadénti súrge-  
re qui cu-rat pópu-lo: Tu quæ genu-ísti, na-tú-ra mi-  
ránte, tu-um sanctum Ge-ni-tó-rem: Virgo pri-us ac po-  
sté-ri-us, Gabri-é-lis ab o-re sumens illud Ave, pecca-  
tó-rum mi-se-ré- re.

## CATHEDRAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 9222 celebrates the 37th anniversary of its founding on November 27.

In 1985, the founding members of Council 9222 dedicated themselves to establishing in St. Catharines the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism — the foundation stones of the order laid by our founder, the Venerable Michael McGivney. Members of Knights of Columbus have chosen to be part of an organization that would make them better Catholics, better husbands, better fathers, and better citizens. No organization offers a Catholic man and his family so much for so little. That was true in 1985 and it is true today. To join the Knights of Columbus, Council 9222, contact that the parish office or visit [KofC.org/join](http://KofC.org/join)

**Coats for Kids:** Please drop off any Children's coats you no longer require at the boxes at the back of the church. Thank you for your generous support.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

### Sunday Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>

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| Offertory:           | \$4,282.00 |
| Candle/certificates: | \$240.00   |
| Out of the Cold:     | \$1,020.00 |
| Funeral              | \$225.00   |
| Larkin Estate:       | \$1,036.00 |
| Indigenous Fund:     | \$25.00    |

## CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Cathedral would like to have a children's choir. All those children 7 and older who are interested in joining our choir, please call the office at 905 684-3964.