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The Most Reverend Brendan M. O'Brien, Archbishop of Kingston

“I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord, as the prophet Isaiah said.’”

John 1:23

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Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9 to 5 pm, Closed 12 noon to 1 pm

Mass Schedule:

St. James Chapel: Mon.-Sat. 7:45 am Cathedral: Mon.-Fri. 12:10 pm

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm Sunday Masses: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 7:30 pm

Opportunities for Confession “The Light is On!”

One half hour before each Mass held in the Cathedral

Wednesdays 1 pm – 5pm

Saturdays 4 pm – 4:50 pm

Also, confessions will be heard this Thursday, Dec. 21: 5 pm to 7 pm

Masses:

Monday Dec. 18th

7:45 am Elizabeth Ghetskowa
(Geckova)

12:10 pm Verna Hughes

Tuesday Dec. 19th

7:45 am Robert Moellman

12:10 pm St. Mary's CWL

Wednesday Dec. 20th

7:45 am All souls in purgatory

12:10 pm Emilio Ruffolo, 4th ann

Thursday Dec. 21st

7:45 am All Souls in Purgatory

12:10 pm Dorle Kromer

Friday Dec. 22nd

7:45 am Catherine Biswick, 1st ann

12:10 pm Mary & James Lyng

Saturday Dec. 23rd

7:45 am Aurora & Jesus Bautista

5 pm Nort & Gwen Collins

Sunday Dec. 24th

8 am For all parishioners

10:30 am For all parishioners

**5 pm, 7:30 pm and midnight, see
schedule page**

Please pray for our Sick:

Anog Beltram, Jack Coleman,
Carmen Davies, Kay Edwards,
Patrick Gambin, Lidwien Gräfe,
Lois Hopkinson, Ethel Kane,
Matthew McDonald, Gabriel
Sikema and Jim Wakelin.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

COMING EVENTS

GAUDETE SUNDAY: REJOICE SUNDAY

This week's events:

Tues. Dec. 19th, Mom & Tots, 10 am, at the Parish Centre

Thurs. Dec. 21st, Decorating the Cathedral, beginning at 8:30 am

Thurs. Dec. 21st, The Confessional Light is on, 5 pm to 7 pm

Thurs. Dec. 21st, 7 pm, Mass in St. James Chapel for those who have been bereaved this year.

Fri. Dec. 22nd, 10 am, Decorating the Parish Centre for Christmas Day Dinner

Thurs. Dec. 28th, Pro Life Mass, 7pm, in the Cathedral, see advertisement

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!!!!

WE NEED HELP WITH THE CHRISTMAS DECORATION OF THE INTERIOR OF THE CATHEDRAL!!!

Anyone willing and able to assist with the putting up of the Christmas trees, assembling the Christmas Manger Scene or assisting in any other way, are encouraged to help decorate the

cathedral on **This Thursday, Dec. 21st** beginning at 8:30 am. Please contact Janice Lumb if you can help: 613-389-1305. **Many hands do make light work!!!!**

Decorating
the Church
for Christmas



**PLEASE BRING
AN ITEM FOR THE
FOOD
BANK
TO THE
CHRISTMAS MASS
YOU ATTEND**

St. Francis Xavier Relic Visit A famous relic of St. Francis Xavier—his right forearm and hand, with which it is thought he baptized over 100,000 people—is coming to Canada. This is an extraordinary opportunity; the relic rarely leaves Rome. Everyone is welcome to come venerate this great saint. There will be events in 14 cities across Canada, including at St. Mary's Cathedral, Kingston on Wednesday, January 10th. Go to cco.ca/relic for details. See poster further in.

The Beautiful Rose Vestments and Altar Cloth you see for this Sunday are a result of a couple from our parish saying that a cathedral should have a rose set of vestments for Gaudete Sunday in Advent and Laetare Sunday in Lent and a second parishioner who saw the rose vestments we wore for the opening of the Holy Door of Mercy on Gaudete Sunday, 2015, and upon learning they had been borrowed saying they would like to contribute to assisting in the cathedral obtaining our own set. Both wished to remain anonymous. I would like to thank them for their incredible generosity to the cathedral.



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Christmas Season Holy Mass Schedule

4th Sunday of Advent: Dec. 23rd/24th
Sat. at 5 pm, Sun. at 8 am & 10:30 am

Christmas Eve: Dec. 24th
5 pm and 7:30 pm

Christmas Day: Dec. 25th
12:00 am midnight, 8 am and 10:30 am

Followed by our Christmas Dinner at 12 noon,
For those who will be alone or cannot prepare one
of their own.

Feast of the Holy Family: Dec. 30th/31st
Sat. at 5 pm, Sun. at 8 am & 10:30 am

New Year's Eve: Dec. 31st
Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God at 5 pm

Holy Hour to Ring in the New Year at 11 pm

New Year's Day: Jan. 1st
8 am and 10:30 am

Epiphany: Jan. 6th/7th Regular Sunday
Mass Schedule

JOB POSTING:

RECEPTIONIST AT THE CHANCERY

The Archdiocese is seeking a full-time receptionist for the
offices of the Pastoral Centre in Kingston.

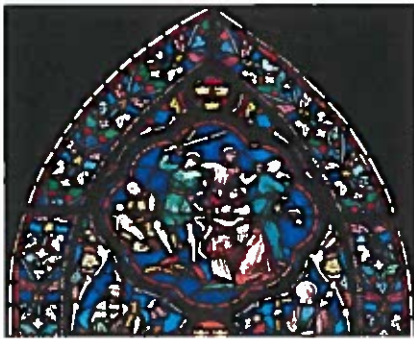
Please see the website for details

www.romancatholic.kingston.on.ca.

Apartment Needed: There is an elderly woman who has asked
us to help her find housing. She would like to rent a first floor
apartment. She was hoping someone in the parish would have an
apartment or point her in the right direction. If you could help out or
have some ideas please speak to Father Shawn.



Mass for the Bereaved: Dec. 21, 2017 7:00 pm in St. James Chapel. As is our custom here at St. Mary's there will be a Mass in which we will pray for all those who have died this past year. As this is the first Christmas without your loved one family members are encouraged to come to pray together. In our grief, especially when it is recent, we must turn to God, Our Rock, Our Comforter, for support. Anyone who is feeling the loss of a loved one at this time of year, regardless of how long they have been deceased, are encouraged to attend.



There will be **Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral at 7:00 pm on the Feast of the Holy Innocents** Thursday, December 28, 2017. On this particular day of the Christmas Season, when we remember the Holy Innocents - the babies who were killed by Herod seeking the Christ Child - we will gather to pray for our "innocents", the thousands of victims of abortion. Please join us. For further information contact Campaign Life Coalition at [613-389-4472](tel:613-389-4472) or [613-382-1084](tel:613-382-1084).

Cursillo Weekend for Men to be held in Kingston - Pope Francis encourages us to encounter Jesus. The Cursillo Weekend offers a short and profound opportunity to encounter Jesus. A Men's Cursillo weekend is scheduled for Thursday evening, March 8th to Sunday, March 11th at Providence Spirituality Centre, Kingston. For more information contact Lionel Ryan at [613.634.9588](tel:613.634.9588) / RyanLionel07@gmail.com or Friar Ed Debono at [613.546.6900](tel:613.546.6900) x 204 / eddebono@aol.com.

Christmas Decorations in Memory of Your Loved Ones: If you would like to make a contribution towards the Christmas Decorations (Trees and Flowers) in memory of a deceased member of your family, or for a living member's intentions, your family member will be prayed for at the 5 pm and 7:30 pm Masses offered on Christmas Eve. Please feel free to use one of the envelopes at the entrances to the cathedral or to fill out the form below and deposit it into the collection basket or drop it off to the parish office.

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CHRISTMAS FLOWERS OFFERING

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Env. No.: _____ Amount: \$ _____

For the repose of the soul of: _____

OR for the intentions of _____





Last Chance! The Light is On!

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is an essential part of our Advent preparation for Christmas. In light of that, in addition to our regular times, there will be a priest in the confessional from 5 pm to 7 pm, this Thursday, Dec. 21st.

Also There will be a priest in the confessional at our
Other Regular Times for Confession:

One half hour before each daily Mass held in the Cathedral (11:30-12)

Wednesdays 1 pm – 5pm

Saturdays 4 pm – 4:50 pm

Also there are some Advent Penitential Services around the City this week:

This Monday, Dec. 18, at 7 pm at Blessed Sacrament, Amherstview

This Wednesday, Dec. 20 at 7pm - 8:30 pm at St. Paul the Apostle, 1111 Taylor Kidd Blvd.

So many opportunities to receive the Lord's Compassionate Merciful Love!!!

INCREASE TO PALLIATIVE CARE BILL INTRODUCED IN THE ONTARIO LEGISLATURE:

Sam Oosterhoff, MPP has just introduced his first bill which will increase access to palliative care in Ontario and help take care of those facing end-of-life situations with dignity.

Please write your MPP today to support palliative care! **Takes seconds** on the form provided at www.ontariopalliativecare.ca under Take Action. Let's flood their inboxes with emails from all of us! Please visit the site and send a quick and easy email to your MPP to support Bill 182, the Compassionate Care Act: First debate and vote on Bill 182 will be on Dec. 14th.

“Palliative care improves the quality of life throughout the treatment of a serious illness by providing practical, emotional and spiritual support. Hospice care places a high value on dignity, respect, and the wishes of the person who is ill, as well as the needs of the person's loved ones.”

Angel Tree Christmas Outreach to Family Members of Prisoners

As a Christian charity, Prison Fellowship Canada spreads the love of Christ into the homes of families who have loved-ones in prison, by providing Christmas gifts to the children of inmates on behalf of their imprisoned parent. By God's grace, we have experienced unprecedented growth in the number of registered children in the Kingston area, and are in acute need to recruit some new Sponsors to help us fill the gap.

Angel Tree Christmas Sponsors will receive copies of inmate applications with their gift requests clearly indicated for each child. Sponsors are requested to purchase these gift items to a maximum of \$30 per child, wrap them, attach a Christmas Card with a pre-approved greeting from the incarcerated parent, and deliver the gifts to the families being serviced. It is a wonderful way to connect this marginalized community with a local, caring Church and enable our Sponsors to honour God by fulfilling the Great Commission by being the hands and feet of Jesus in these acts of service.

For Sponsorship please go to

https://prisonfellowship.formstack.com/forms/angel_tree_christmas_2017_sponsor_signup.

For more information on Prison Fellowship Canada, please check out our website at www.priospfellowship.ca.



Christmas Dinner

CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER: The Parish Pastoral Caring Team is preparing for the annual Christmas Day Dinner for those who are alone or who are unable to prepare a Christmas Day dinner for themselves. Once again this year we are reaching out to serve the needs of more people within our local community. Our annual Christmas Day Dinner will be held at St. Mary's Parish Centre immediately following the 10:30 am Christmas Day Mass when a complete turkey dinner will be served from 12:00 pm noon until 2:00 pm.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the set up and decorating the Parish Centre and with advanced food preparation on December 22, December 23 and until noon on Christmas Eve. If you have some free time on those days, please consider volunteering a couple of hours to assist in the advance

preparations for the dinners.

Donations of home baked food items would be greatly appreciated. This is a great opportunity for discipleship by giving of oneself in imitation of God's great gift of Himself, which we celebrate on Christmas Day. We ask that you prayerfully consider volunteering at the dinners as we strive to serve the less fortunate in our community during this joyous time of the year. Individual volunteers as well as entire families, who have volunteered at our previous Christmas Day dinners, have stated that it was one of the best Christmases they ever experienced thus reaffirming that those who give of themselves to others receive many graces in return. Come and experience for yourself the joy of giving! If you are interested in volunteering or are willing to contribute baked goods, please contact Ann Lyng at 613-546-5521 Ext 5 or alyng@cogeco.ca

DON'T KNOW WHAT TO GET THAT PERSON THAT HAS EVERYTHING!

SPONSOR A FAMILY ON THEIR BEHALF THIS CHRISTMAS.

GO TO CHALICE.CA AND SEE ALL THE VARIOUS OPPORTUNITIESS TO ASSIST THOSE WHO HAVE LESS THAN WE DO.

FEEDING CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD

OVER 90% OF FUNDING ACTUALLY GETS TO THOSE BEING SPONSORED

Chalice sponsorship focuses on nurturing the special relationship between a sponsor and their sponsored friend. Chalice recognizes that when given the support and encouragement caregivers will make good decisions that benefit their family. They will set their children up for success by making sure they go to school, eat nutritious meals, and receive proper medical care. We also know that the best people to decide what a community needs to thrive are those who live there.

Chalice uses a family funding model to dispense sponsorship funds. Each parent or guardian opens a bank account and receives training in basic financial literacy to help them manage their child's sponsorship funds. It is mandatory for parents to join a family group which helps members manage their funds. Each family group is made up of 20 parents or guardians who gather each month to submit a budget for what they need and at the next meeting, receipts are submitted to ensure the money was spent where it was intended. The members of our family groups are accountable to one another and support each other on their common social issues and problems.

The goal of family funding is to encourage self-reliance while generating greater participation of parents in their

children's education. Parents learn to be leaders in their community and advocate for the needs of their children. Group members also contribute a small amount to group savings, which is distributed as a loan for education or income generation projects.

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Check out the gift catalogue: chalice.ca/images/pdf/christmascatalogue2017web.pdf



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**CHRISTMAS
DAY
DINNER**

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this Christmas or who are
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themselves

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