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



On the Sunday between Christmas and New Years
we always celebrate
the Feast of the Holy Family.

Mass Schedule:

St. James Chapel: Mon.-Sat. 7:45 am Cathedral: Mon.-Fri. 12:10 pm
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm (no incense) Sunday Masses: 8:00 am (no incense),
10:30 am (incense is used), 7:30 pm (incense is used)

Opportunities for Confession:

One half hour before each Mass held in the Cathedral
Additionally: Wednesdays 1 pm – 5 pm & Saturdays 4 pm – 4:50 pm

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

2019 ENVELOPES ARE READY FOR PICK UP BY THE STATUE OF ST. ANTHONY

COAT DRIVE will reopen, Thurs., Jan. 2nd, Runs MON. TO FRI. 1 PM TO 4 PM in St. Mary's Parish Centre.

Latin Mass: January 6th, 2019 at 3 pm; St. James Chapel.

Seniors Lunch: Wed. Jan. 9th, after the 12:10 pm Mass; St. Mary's Parish Centre.

Finance Committee Meeting: Jan. 16th @ 9 am.

Please pray for our Sick: Ruth Beaucage, Ruth Caron, Isaac Cassim, Jacob Cooper, Bob Clancey, Bev Dickison, Delfina Fabbro, Teresa Khidir, Janice Lumb, Maria Matias, Lynn Orellano, Danielle Quinelle and Ted Pedlar.

Thank You

It is difficult to express the depth of my gratitude to all who poured their heart and souls into what was and continues to be such a beautiful Christmas Season.

Thank you to Janice and Richard Lumb and their team of decorators mentioned below. Thank you to Nick Beadle, who coordinates the servers, and all the servers; Thank you to Ann Lyng who coordinates the Lectors and Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and all who served in that capacity. Thank you to Jeff Moellman and his wonderful cantors and choir who spent many hours in preparation for the beautiful music we enjoyed this Christmas. Thank to Ann Lyng and all her helpers, mentioned on p. 4 & 5, for the Herculean effort put into the beautiful Christmas dinner, for those who would be alone or unable to prepare their own meal, after the 10 am Christmas Morning Mass. Thank you to all who donated a Poinsettia and/or a tree. Thank you to the wonderful staff we have here at St. Mary's who do all the behind the scenes preparation for this great day. They truly pour their heart and souls into their jobs: Deacon Blaine Barclay; Suzanne Brown-Stevenson, our parish office Administrator; Ann Lyng, the Coordinator of Parish Ministries; Louise Meloche, our sacristan; Doug Snider, our janitor; and Anjelina Howell, the chef in the rectory. Thank you one and all.

Masses: Monday Dec. 31st

7:45 am Imma Garofalo
12:10 pm Luigi Nuvoloni
5:00 pm Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God

Tuesday Jan. 1st: New Year's Day

NO 7:45 am Mass
10:00 am Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God

Wednesday Jan. 2nd

7:45 am Aurora Bautista
12:10 pm Patricia McDonald, deceased members of Murray & McDonald families

Thursday Jan. 3rd

7:45 am Michael Kot, 1st anni
12:10 pm James Lyng

Friday Jan. 4th

7:45 am Imma Garofalo
12:10 pm Intentions of Leona Ruckpaul

Saturday Jan. 5th

7:45 am Imma Garofalo
12:10 pm Intentions of James Horan

Sunday Jan. 6th

8 am Intentions of Father Shawn Hughes
10:30 am For the People
7:30 pm Harerimana Fulgence

Ministries: Sat. Jan. 5th, 5 pm

Altar Servers	
Lectors	Elizabeth N. Sandi W.
EM of the Eucharist	Jacqueline O'C Adora J.

Sunday Jan. 6th, 8 am

Altar Servers	
Lectors	Sarah B. Diane D.
EM of the Eucharist	Betty R. Marcel R.

Sunday, Jan. 6th, 10:30 am

Altar Servers	
Lectors	Janice L. Leonie H.
EM of the Eucharist	Bob C. Joe C. Grace G. Dianne I. Chris L. Domenica B. Janet W.

Sunday, Jan. 6th, 7:30 pm

Altar Servers	Students
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Christmas Season Holy Mass Schedule

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

Holy Hour to celebrate the New Year at 11 pm and
pray for the needs of the parish

**The Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God: New
Year's Day: Jan. 1st** 10 am

Epiphany: Jan. 5th/6th
Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

Decorating
the Church
for Christmas



**The Christmas
Decorating Team
at St. Mary's**

would like to most heartily
thank all those who gave up their morning on
Thursday, Dec. 20th, to help with the tree decorating
in the Cathedral, chapel & vestibule. A special thank
you to Domenica Bracciodieta, who transformed the
vestibule into a beautiful Nativity scene. Many thanks
also to Marian Meagher who kept all the workers
happy with tasty refreshments.

Many hands made light work!

Our deep appreciation to the following helpers...
Deacon Blaine Barclay, Pat Brady, Faby Derrick Ciza,
Stephanie Couto, Peter Draper, Amy Doux, Dan & Zoe
Freeman, Mark Hitchcock, Anne & Greg Hogarth,
Natalie Holland, Father Shawn Hughes, Mary Van
Laren, Mark Levac, Kevin Maloney, Louise Meloche,
Father Paul Mawalla, Sharon Musgrave, Luke Oxley,
Michel Quenneville, Father Dan Ryan, Lionel Ryan,
Doug Snider, and Peter Wadek. May God Bless each
of you. Janice & Richard Lumb.



**A HUGE
THANK YOU**



THE PARISH PASTORAL CARING COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION to all who participated in our **sixth annual Christmas Day Dinner** at St. Mary's Parish Centre so that a large number of people could enjoy a Christmas dinner and celebrate Christmas in a festive atmosphere.

Special thanks to the businesses and associations who provided financial donations and/or provisions for the dinner: **Amey's Taxi, The Bread Man, Card's Bakery, Corus Entertainment, Go Italian Restaurant, Grant's No Frills, Martha's Table, Metro (Gardiners Road), Pig and Olive Inc., Starbuck's, Swiss Chalet, Tara Foods, The Grocery Basket and Union Gas.**

A very special thank you to Honora Ford for her financial support in memory of her brother, the late Reverend Father Robert Flurey and to Marla and Robin Cases, James Lawlor, Mary and Mark Hitchcock, Remi Sison and Margit and William Thompson for their most generous financial contributions.

Many, many thanks also to those contributing goods in kind and /or home baked delicacies for the dinner: Cathy and Peter Allen, Kevin and Sylvia Blaney, Dorothy Forrester and Robert Chittick, Ron Ellsworth, Maureen Gifford, Grace Goncalves, Lois Halligan, Janet Heyman, Mary and Mark Hitchcock, Anne Hogarth, Jane Kaduck, Jurate Kaminskas and Justin, James Lawlor, Erin and Mark Levac, Kevin Maloney, Teresa Marrello, Zofia and Tad Miksa, Maryanne Murphy, Donna North, Mary and Herman Overvelde, Teresa Patterson, Sheila Pinchin, Rose Potter, Bill Reason, Sally Thomas, Maria Webb and Betty Wilson.

A very special thank you to those who provided physical assistance with the preparation of the meal: **Joyceville Minimum and Medium Security Institutions and Head Chef Corey Beckstead** for preparing the turkeys, **Swiss Chalet** for preparing the dressing and cranberry sauce and **Starbucks** for supplying coffee.

Special thanks to **Alex Jansen** for the generous donation of food in memory of his late father, **Hans Jansen** and to **Carrie Holden and Bart Snider** for their generous donation of stuffed animals to distribute to children attending the dinner and a very special thank you to **Harper Ballance**, a grade 6 student at Odessa Public School, who initiated a school campaign to raise awareness of homeless in Kingston and collected 600 pairs of warm socks to distribute to those in need attending the dinner.

A very special thank you to **KEVIN J. BLANEY FLORIST** for providing six beautiful Christmas floral arrangements to adorn the dining tables and to **MARSHALL'S GARDENCARE AND LANDSCAPING** for their generous donations of Christmas trees to decorate the Parish Centre.

Many thanks to the **students in Grades 7 and 8 at St. Thomas More School and to their teacher Susan Overvelde** for handcrafting beautiful Christmas tree ornaments and for coming to the Parish Centre to decorate the Christmas trees.

An extra special thank you to DAN, MICHELLE and PAIGE KASABOSKI for providing beautiful musical entertainment so that guests could enjoy a delicious meal to the accompaniment of festive Christmas music.

Also an extra special thank you to Peter Mayhew and Adam Bergeron of CORUS ENTERTAINMENT for promoting the Christmas Dinner by providing free advertising on Fresh Radio and Big-FM Radio from December 15 to December 24.

Special thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who gave of their time and talents to make the dinner possible: Carol Amo, Doug Barbour, Deacon Blaine and Lili Barclay, Jacob Barclay, Jayla Barclay, Mary Clair and Lorne Bourdage, Andrea Brown, Anna Brown, Denise and Rodney Brown, Robert Brown, Tim Brown, Hudson Carrier, Rebecca Carrier, Sam Carrier, Marla and Robin Cases, Brenda and Greg Clarke, Denise and Paul Clarke, Lucienne and Bill Coppens, Linda Dupuis, Walter Durante, Ron Ellsworth, Aaron Gifford, Donna and Noel Guiney, Liz Guiney, Matt Guiney, Lorraine and Lorne Haley, Mary and Mark Hitchcock, Stephanie and Larry Holmes, Carol Ann Kasaboski, Dan Kasaboski, Michelle Kasaboski, Paige Kasaboski, Adrian Kennedy, John Kennedy, Raymond T. Kiley, Lori Keyes, Erin and Mark Levac, Noah Levac, Ethan Levac, Adam Levac, Fred Light, Pene Lucas, Kevin Maloney, Tess and Bob MacMillan, Zofia Miksa, Greg Miller, Sharon Musgrave, Connie and Wayne Ocolisan, John Palmer, Jenna Parkes, Bill Reason, Rev. Patsy Schmidt, Sean Silva, Deacon Lindsay Reinhelt and Kathy Veley.

Extra special thanks to Mary Hitchcock for all her help with the dinner and to **Mark Hitchcock, Kevin Maloney, Walter Durante and Fred Light** for picking up food donations and for transporting the turkeys to and from Joyceville Institution.

A very special thank you to His Grace, Archbishop Brendan O'Brien for taking time from his busy schedule to attend the dinner and to say Grace before the meal.

And finally, an extra special thank you to Father Shawn for his ongoing and enthusiastic support of our Christmas Dinners and for giving of his personal time on Christmas Day in order to be with us at the Christmas Dinner.

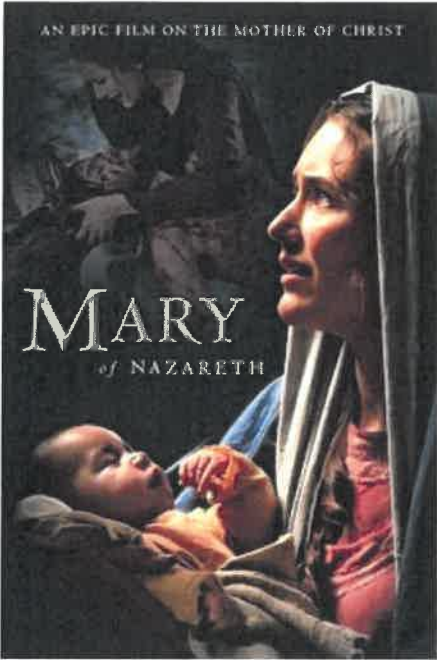
With sincere apologies to anyone we may have missed!

Many thanks to everyone who contributed their time, talents and treasures to make our Christmas Day Dinner a truly joyous celebration of the birth of our Lord for all those in need.

May God bless each and every one of you!!!

Thank You

also to those who contributed to the expense of Formed.org . We have reached our goal with one parishioner giving 50% of the total and generous donations of \$500 & \$200 and several donations of \$100. God bless you all.



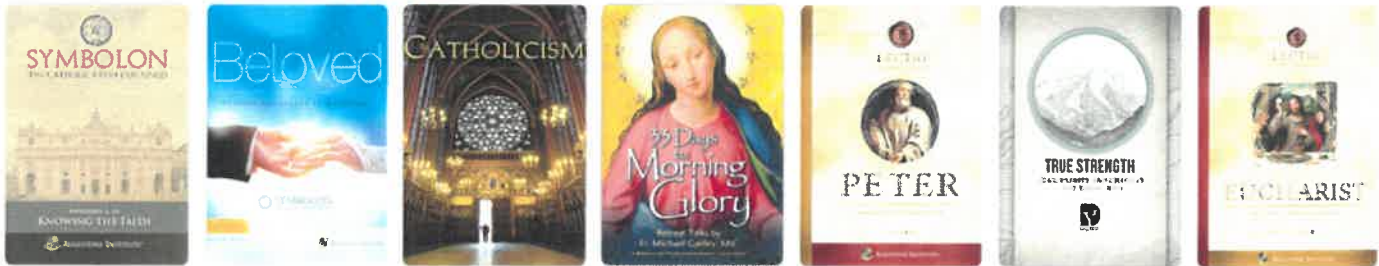
I was on Formed.org on Dec. 27th and watched a very stirring movie called *Mary of Nazareth*. It is the story of Our Saviour's life through the eyes of his dear Mother. I would highly recommend it for every single parishioner. It is a great meditation for this time of the year.

If you haven't accessed Formed yet, just follow these simple steps.

Step 1: Go to formed.org. **Step 2** Click on Register. **Step 3.** Enter St. Mary's Parish Code which is **QHVJWV**.

Step 4: Enter your email address **Step 5:** It will ask for your name address and a password you create. **Step 6:** A Verification email will be sent to your email. Click on confirm and you will have all its great content at your fingertips in the comfort of your home or wherever you are. (You only have to go through this process once and you then login with your email and password!)

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From a sermon by Saint Fulgentius of Ruspe, bishop (460 – 533 A.D.) In the Divine Office for Dec. 26th, the Feast of St. Stephen, the first Martyr.

The armament of love

Yesterday we celebrated the birth in time of our eternal King. Today we celebrate the triumphant suffering of his soldier. Yesterday our king, clothed in his robe of flesh, left his place in the virgin's womb and graciously visited the world. Today his soldier leaves the tabernacle of his body and goes triumphantly to heaven.

Our king, despite his exalted majesty, came in humility for our sake; yet he did not come empty-handed. He brought his soldiers a great gift that

not only enriched them but also made them unconquerable in battle, for it was the gift of love, which was to bring men to share in his divinity. He gave of his bounty, yet without any loss to himself. In a marvelous way he changed into wealth the poverty of his faithful followers while remaining in full possession of his own inexhaustible riches.

And so the love that brought Christ from heaven to earth raised Stephen from earth to heaven; shown first in the king, it later shone forth in his soldier. Love was Stephen's weapon by which he gained every battle, and so won the crown signified by his name. His love of God kept him from yielding to the ferocious mob; his love for his neighbor made him pray for those who were stoning him. Love inspired him to reprove those who erred, to make them amend; love led him to pray for those who stoned him, to save them from punishment. Strengthened by the power of his love, he overcame the raging cruelty of Saul and won his persecutor on earth as his companion in heaven. In his holy and tireless love he longed to gain by prayer those whom he could not convert by admonition.

Now at last, Paul rejoices with Stephen, with Stephen he delights in the glory of Christ, with Stephen he exalts, with Stephen he reigns. Stephen went first, slain by the stones thrown by Paul, but Paul followed after, helped by the prayer of Stephen. This, surely, is the true life, my brothers, a life in which Paul feels no shame because of Stephen's death, and Stephen delights in Paul's companionship, for love fills them both with joy. It was Stephen's love that prevailed over the cruelty of the mob, and it was Paul's love that covered the multitude of his sins; it was love that won for both of them the kingdom of heaven.

Love, indeed, is the source of all good things; it is an impregnable defense, and the way that leads to heaven. He who walks in love can neither go astray nor be afraid: love guides him, protects him, and brings him to his journey's end.

My brothers, Christ made love the stairway that would enable all Christians to climb to heaven. Hold fast to it, therefore, in all sincerity, give one another practical proof of it, and by your progress in it, make your ascent together.



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