



# ST PATRICK OF THE ISLAND

DECEMBER 8, 2024

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### MASSES

SATURDAY DECEMBER 7, 2024  
5 pm Ann Cochrane from her son

SUNDAY DECEMBER 8, 2024  
9 am Blessed Virgin for Quenum  
Madelaine, Antonio Perullo &  
Holy Souls

11 am Maria Pontes from family  
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WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11, 2024  
3:30pm Rosary in the Chapel  
4 pm Blessed Virgin in memory of  
Dick, Doris & Holy Souls  
6 pm Rosary with Nic - outside  
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SATURDAY DECEMBER 14, 2024  
5 pm Denyse Cochrane (Living) from  
Rick

SUNDAY DECEMBER 15, 2024  
9 am Lea & Rustico Garcia from  
Family  
11 am Intention of the Parishioners  
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### MINISTERS

Sat Dec 7 5pm Heather  
Sun Dec 8 9am Anne  
11am Ricardo  
Sat Dec 14 5pm See Schedule  
Sun Dec 15 9am  
11am

### SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS FOR:

Week Dec 7: Kelsey Sarah Watt  
Week Dec 14: Crystal-Ann Collin

### COLLECTIONS

The collection for December 1<sup>st</sup> was \$1751 and the Maintenance Fund was \$500. Thank you everyone!

### FAITH EDUCATION

Celebrate Advent – do a good deed.

### JESSE TREE

The Jesse trees are up. Please feel free to take a gift tag. We are in need of gifts as well as turkeys, hams, or chickens. All gifts must be brought to the church by December 15th. Non-perishable items can go under the trees and the perishable items must go in the freezer located in the church hall. We would like to thank you for your generosity."

### ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel is open from 8am-8pm daily.

### PRAYER LIST

Karen Williston, Bryan, Mary Martin, Marilyn Bowles-Dove, Kate, Theo, Denyse Cochrane, Karen Urquhart, Adam Moss, Sharon LeClair, Josefina Rosario, Barbara Small, Cheryl & Raymond Brunelle, Gaetanne Mercier, Patty L., Caroline MacDonald, Jean MacDonald, Caiti Dore, Wally Eddington, Alec Patterson, Cynthia B., Thomas Walsh, Pearl, Lyne, Janice Enos, Pam Jordan, Audrey S., Matthew Tapp, Ronnie Laporte, Heidi Daillarge

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark these dates on your calendar!  
Dec 18 – 4pm & 7pm Reconciliation  
Dec 21 – Distribute Xmas Baskets  
Feb 15 – KofC Spaghetti Supper (Omni Ctr)

# PARISH BULLETIN

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### 2024 CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

#### RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION

Wednesday December 18: 4 pm & 7 pm

Saturday December 21: 5 pm

Sunday December 22: 9 & 11

CHRISTMAS EVE - TUESDAY DECEMBER 24: 7 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY - WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 25: 11am

Saturday December 28: 5 pm

Sunday December 29: 9 & 11 am

NEW YEAR'S EVE - TUESDAY DECEMBER 31 - 7 pm

NEW YEAR'S DAY – WEDNESDAY JANUARY 1 - 11am

### CHRISTMAS MARKET REPORT

From Tara Cheevers:

*"Final tally of the funds raised from the Christmas Market and we made \$1430.*

*A special thank you to the following:*

*-Creation Passion donated the soup*

*-Gerry/his grandson Dominic for setting up the tables and chairs on Friday night.*

*-Linda McManus, Sue Brazeau & Maria Cheevers for running the café like pros!*

*-Yakelin, for baking 300 cookies and running the bake table*

*-Cayla-Jane, Bella and Sophia, you are amazing you for giving up your Saturday to help.*

*-Ricardo and Tony, thank you for your assistance in getting the last minute details. It truly takes a village. Thank you all!"*

From the Parish to Tara Cheevers, thanks for your hard work, you are the glue that keeps the village together.

### REFLECTION

There's a parable about a rabbi asking his students how they can tell a new day has dawned upon the earth. One crafty student offered: "When there is enough light to see the difference between an apple tree and a pear tree". It was a good answer but not the right one. Another student said, "When you can look down the road and tell whether or not an animal up ahead was a fox or a dog". Again, this was a good answer but not the right answer. The rabbi looked at his students and said. "It's a new day when there is enough light that allows you to see the face of another human being, and looking upon that face, you see your brother or sister. Until that happens...it is still night".

### PRAYER FOR ADVENT

God of abundance, we thank you for the stuff we don't need, the clutter that reminds us that we make life too complicated, the irrational purchases that tell us that it is easy to lose our centre. Our strange impulses reveal something to us.

They show us that we are vulnerable to our own self-sabotage.

May we be satisfied with what we need and do our best to share the rest.

May we not use the poor as cheap garbage disposal

and may we know that only you can satisfy our deepest longings.

As Christmas approaches, may we give from our hearts to others

and give ourselves the gift of freedom, letting go of things

to make room for You for whom there was no room at the inn.

Amen.