



**WE PRAY FOR ALL THE  
SICK PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH...**

If you have someone you would like added to the prayer list and/or they would like communion brought to them (in hospital or at home), **please call the Parish Office 705 652-3231 OR talk with Fr. Sany.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** As was announced at mass several weeks ago, in order to reduce the church heating costs two windows are having a double layer of storm window protection put on them this fall. The remaining windows will be done in the spring. As part of our maintenance program, we are going to repair cracks in the plaster and paint all of the walls in the church before Christmas. At this time we will not be using the \$374,000.00 we have in term deposits for the restoration work. The cleaning of the murals, the artwork and the stencils can be done in a later phase of the work.

**PASTORS MESSAGE:** Dear parishioners of St. Joseph's in Douro. Greetings from Fr. Sany. I wish and hope that you are all doing well without any health issues during this pandemic period. Thank you very much for your co-operation to follow the protocols of the government, health unit, parish and diocese. Also I am very grateful for your financial support for our parish during this time. You all know that the participation of the Sunday mass is only at 50% in our parish, due to COVID-19. It has heavily affected our parish and made us cancel our major fundraiser the DOURO DOINGS. Normally this brings at least \$30,000.00 in profit. This year also our collection is down \$14,000.00. So altogether our year to date revenue is down \$44,000.00. Our expenses remain the same as other years. So it hurts our parish financially a little bit. We were not able to reduce the expenses on our parish overhead.

So I am encouraging parishioners, those who are able to support a little more financially, it would be appreciated. People, those who are giving through Sunday offertory may consider Pre-authorized Offertory Payment. Also, the people, those who are not able to participate in our Sunday liturgy due to COVID-19 may also consider this Pre-authorized Offertory Payment. This will make our weekly offertory more stable and help to maintain our church, parish hall and rectory.

The links for Pre-authorized Offertory Payment are available on our parish website or we have forms in the entrance of the church on the side table.

I hope that you could all help to keep the parish to pay heating costs and snow plowing during this winter season. I assure you, that you are all in my prayers. *Fr. Sany*

# St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

**300 COUNTY RD. 8, DOURO-DUMMER ON K0L 2H0**

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**EMAIL: OFFICE@STJOSEPHSDOURO.CA WEBSITE: STJOSEPHSDOURO.COM**

**Bishop:** Most. Rev. Daniel Miehm

**Mass Times:** Sat 5 pm, Sun 10 am

**Office Hours:** Tues & Thurs 9am - 4pm

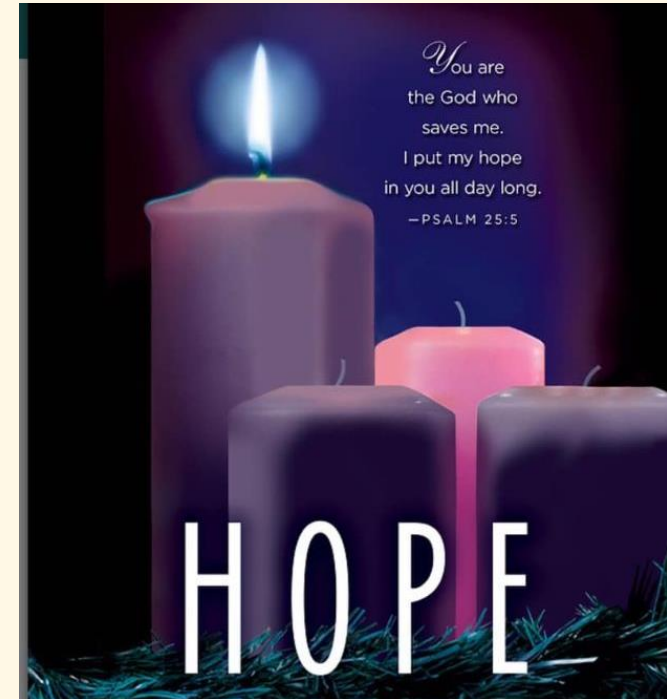
**Hall Rental:** Contact the Parish Office

**Pastor:** Rev. Fr. Sanyatson Sessaiah

**Administrative Assistant:** Maryann Clancy

**CWL:** Mary McKeiver

**Knights of Col.:** Dan Moloney



**Marriage:**

**Baptism:**

**Reconciliation:**

**Home Communion:**

**Music Ministry:**

**Cemetery Board:**

**Diocese Website:**

**St. Joseph's School:**

**By arrangement (min. 6 months prior)**

**By arrangement with the Parish Office**

**Sat 4:00—4:30 pm or by appointment**

**Anytime upon request**

**Tina McCarthy & Amy Melanson**

**Bob Condon 705-772-6071**

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**Principal: Mark Collins 705-652-3961**



# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent

## St. Joseph's Parish Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY Dec 1**

8:30 am † Patricia Withers (by the Estate)

**WEDNESDAY Dec 2**

8:30 am † Fr. Bernard Heffernan (by the Estate)

**THURSDAY Dec 3**

8:30 am † Theresa O'Grady (by Pauline & Gerald Heffernan)

**FRIDAY Dec 4**

8:30 am † Joe Sullivan (by Carl & Mary McKeiver)

**SATURDAY Dec 5**

5:00 pm For the People of the Parish

**SUNDAY Dec 6**

10:00 am † Theresa O'Grady (by the Family)

## Parish Stewardship

Nov 22

Last Year

\$ 3,503.00

This Year

\$3,151.00

Restoration Goal \$140,000

\$ 104,389 Achieved

\$35,611 Still needed

*We thank you for your continued support of our Parish!*

## LECTORS.....

NOV 28 & 29

DEC 5 & 6

DEC 12 & 13

## SATURDAY.....

Kelley Towns

Larry Carlow

Bob Condon

## SUNDAY.....

Margie Morrissey

Mike Moloney

Joanne Armstrong

## READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – Nov 29

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16B-17, 19B, 64:2-7

Second Reading: Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel: Mark 13: 33-37

## READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – Dec 6

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8



**COVID CARE-SANITIZING PEWS AFTER MASS:** All parishioners are invited to assist in sanitizing the pews after each mass. There are enough supplies for six volunteers to clean the pews.

**CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES** To accommodate social distancing protocols Fr. Sany will



**Register for Mass**

be saying three masses on Christmas Eve. **The 4:00 pm mass is now FULL.** There is still space available at the **5:30pm and 7:00pm masses on Christmas Eve, and 10:00am on Christmas Day.** You will be required to register for the mass that you choose to go to. Registration sheets will be at the back of the church. Each mass will be capped at 125 people so please register soon to avoid disappointment.

**SUNDAY MISSALS** Since we are unable to have missals in the pews this year, they are offered for sale at the back of the church for \$5.00 each. Please only touch the missal that you take. Please readers, make sure to have your own personal missals.

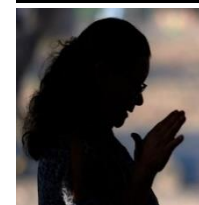


**THANK YOU** – I wish to Thank all community members for your kind words and cards following my achievement of the CWL National Life Membership. I could not be in better company especially our very own CWL member, the late Bunny Leahy. I do hope I make her proud with my endorses as we were of hers. Wendy Tedford

**FOOD BANK DONATIONS:** Once again our CWL is collecting food for the Lakefield Food Bank. A box will be at the entrance of the church until Dec. 13 for your donations.

**SOCKS FOR SHUT-INS:** Due to COVID-19, we are unable to deliver socks to shut-ins this year. The CWL will be mailing Christmas cards to them. We would ask that members of the CWL take a few moments to phone a shut-in from the parish, as they are finding it difficult at this time with visits being restricted.

**THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER** The Plenary Indulgence applicable



to the deceased by those who visit a cemetery has been extended beyond the normal dates to any day in November. The indulgence is obtained by “devoutly visiting a church”, along with the recitation of the Our Father and the Creed. **The homebound:** For anyone who cannot leave their home for various reasons, including anti-Covid restrictions, they too can obtain the Plenary Indulgence by “uniting themselves spiritually to other members of the faithful”.