



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.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING NEW PROTOCOL The Diocese of Peterborough has requested that all its churches have a system in place for contact tracing. As you enter the church you will see sheets of paper. All you need to do is please find your name and indicate in the correct date how many are in your group. We thank you for your co-operation to make this a smooth and easy process.

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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be having a ZOOM meeting on December 15th at 7:30 pm. Please set your reminders.



ENVELOPE BOXES are now available in the church please pick yours up as soon as possible to make way for Celebration of the Birth of Christ.

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.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULES

Thursday Dec 24, Christmas Eve 4:00pm 5:30 pm & 7:00 pm
Friday Dec 25, Christmas Day 10:00 am
Thursday Dec 31, New Years Eve 5:00 pm
Friday Jan 01, New Years Day 10:00 am



OFFICE CLOSED The Parish Office will be closed for Christmas Holidays from December 18th to January 4th inclusive. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone. Have a blessed and safe holiday.

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

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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: By arrangement (min. 6 months prior)
Baptism: By arrangement with the Parish Office
Reconciliation: Sat 4:00—4:30 pm or by appointment
Home Communion: Anytime upon request
Music Ministry: Tina McCarthy & Amy Melanson
Cemetery Board: Bob Condon 705-772-6071
Diocese Website: www.peterboroughdiocese.org
St. Joseph's School: Principal: Mark Collins 705-652-3961



WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

December 13, 2020

Third Sunday of Advent

St. Joseph's Parish Mass Intentions

TO ACCOMMODATE THE CHURCH PAINTING
WEEKDAY MASSES WILL BE HELD IN THE PARISH HALL

- TUESDAY Dec 15**
8:30 am † Neil Allen (by the Allen Family)
- WEDNESDAY Dec 16**
8:30 am Intention of a Parishioner
- THURSDAY Dec 17**
8:30 am † Francis Whitaker (by John & Marie Moher)
- FRIDAY Dec 18**
8:30 am † Paul Larkin (by Patricia Larkin)
School Advent Virtual Mass
- SATURDAY Dec 19**
5:00 pm For the People of the Parish
- SUNDAY Dec 20**
10:00 am † Michael & Angel Ross (by Joe Ross)



Parish Stewardship	Last Year	This Year
Dec 6	\$ 2,187.00	\$4,341.00
Restoration Goal \$140,000	\$ 105,390 Achieved	\$34,610 Still needed

We thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

LECTORS.....	SATURDAY.....	SUNDAY.....
DEC 12 & 13	Bob Condon	Joanne Armstrong
DEC 19, 20	Larry Devlin	Bernard Leahy
DEC 24 & 25	4:00pm Darlene Sullivan 7:00pm Bob Condon	5:30 pm Tom McInnis 10:00 am Brian Moloney
DEC 26	Mary Ellen Barry	Sharon Moloney

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – Dec 13

First Reading: Isaiah 61: 1-2a 10-11
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24
Gospel: John 1: 6-8, 19-28

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – Dec 20

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a-16
Second Reading: Romans 116: 25-27
Gospel: Luke 1: 26-38

DEAR PARISHIONERS, GREETINGS FROM FR. SANY. The Diocese consulted with Peterborough Health unit regarding workers from Outside area of Peterborough doing the repair work of our Church Walls and Painting. The Parish follows all the protocols of the Government. This project costs **\$23,012.45** only. When we approached 3 local contractors to fix the wall with insulation and painting, they quoted respectively \$211,801.55, \$238,543.00 and \$310,185.00. All these prices included HST. I have all the quotes of the local contractors here in the Rectory. I strongly believe this maintenance work will make our church walls strong and beautiful.

YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH: On **December 8, 2020**, in his Apostolic Letter “*Patris Corde*” (translated as “With a Father’s Heart”), the Holy Father declared this year, December 8, 2020 through December 8, 2021, a **Year of Saint Joseph**. As this is the 150th Anniversary of the declaration of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church.

In this letter, Pope Francis directs us to make our prayer to St. Joseph:

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen*

Condition to gain plenary indulgence

The decree from the apostolic penitentiary offers a plenary indulgence to Catholics who choose to take part in the special year in one of six different ways. In normal conditions, Catholics are obliged to also make a confession, receive the Eucharist, and pray for the pope’s intentions; however, the decree recognizes that some will be unable to do so in line with pandemic social distancing measures.

“In the current context of the health emergency, the gift of the plenary indulgence is particularly extended to the elderly, the sick, those close to death and all those who for legitimate reasons find it impossible to leave their homes,” the decree states, suggesting such persons can obtain the indulgence by having an intention to fulfill the requirements “as soon as its possible.” – (Apostolic Decree)

The six ways Catholics can gain plenary indulgences during the year are:

1. Meditating for at least 30 minutes on the Our Father prayer/or at least 1-day Spiritual retreat which includes a meditation on St. Joseph;
2. Undertaking a work of spiritual or corporal mercy in the example of Joseph, who is called a “just man” in Matthew’s Gospel;
3. Reciting the holy rosary in your family or among engaged couples;
4. Entrusting your daily work to the protection of Joseph, or invoking the intercession of Joseph in trying to find employment;
5. Reciting the Litany of St. Joseph, or making another similar prayer, on behalf of persecuted Christians; and,
6. Making an act of piety in honor of Joseph on the 19th of the month or on Wednesday, the day traditionally dedicated to the saint’s memory.