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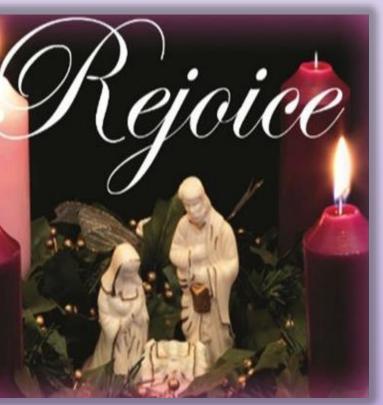
Bishop: Most. Rev. Daniel Miehm Mass Times: Sat 5 pm, Sun 10 am Office Hours: Tues & Thurs 9am - 4pm Hall Rental: Contact the Parish Office

3RD Sunday

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** www.peterboroughdiocese.org Principal: Mark Collins 705-652-3961

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Randy Foster Administrative Assistant: Maryann Clancy **CWL:** Mary McKeiver Knights of Col.: Dan Moloney





WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH Third Sunday of ADVENT Dec. 11, 12 2021

St. Joseph's Parish Mass Intentions <u>Please Follow Covid Protocols For All Masses</u>

TUESDAY	Dec	14	8:30 am	뷰 Leona Moher (by Marg & Mike Heffernan)
WEDNESDA	/ Dec	15	8:30 am	ቶ Larry Leahy (by Michelle Sullivan)
				ቶ Mary McGriskin (by Bernard Sullivan & Family)
FRIDAY	Dec	17	8:30 am	H Michael & Angela Ross (by Joe Ross)
SATURDAY	Dec	18	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
SUNDAY	Dec	19	10:00 am	뷰 Larry Leahy (by Marian & Neil Leahy)

Parish Stewardship Last Year This Year \$4,341 \$2,592

We thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

LECTORS		SAT – 5:00 PM	SUN -10:00 AM	
Dec 11, 12		Gerard Sullivan	Joanne Armstrong	
Dec 18, 19		Kelly Towns	Jennifer Demaeyer	
EUCHARIS	Г			
Dec 11, 12		Bob Condon	Annette Dunford	
Dec 18, 19		Wendy Tedford	Debbie Riel	
USHERS				
Dec 11, 12		Albert Heffernan	John Sullivan	
Dec 18, 19		Barry Condon	Ray Carlow	
CLEANERS				
Dec 13		Dorothy Perdue	Bernice Heffernan	
Dec 20		Joyce Manser	Jill Scott	
COUNTERS				
Dec 14	Pa	aul & Marg Yasyszczuk		
Dec 21 M		ike Towns, Christine Barry		

ONLINE MASS is available on the Diocesan website for anyone who is unable to attend Sunday Mass.

CURRENT CANDLES ARE LIGHTED

FOR-- THE BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR LEONA MOHER BY ANDY & BARB VOLLERING



OUR ST. JOSEPH CANDLE IS LIGHTED THIS WEEK IN FOR-NO INTENTION

2022 ENVELOPES ARE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. PLEASE PICK UP YOUR BOX AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

If you do not find a box with your name on it, please pick up a blank box and be sure to fill in your name and contact information for the first few times.

WE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH...Please pray for Eileen Sthraeder...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. Randy**

LAST WEEKEND FOR \$ DONATIONS FOR



<u>CHRISTMAS FLOWERS</u> Please return all envelopes by **this weekend** so that names of your departed loved ones can be placed in next weeks bulletin.

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THE CWL WILL BE COLLECTING FOOD for the



LL BE COLLECTING FOOD for the Lakefield Food Bank during December. Please leave any donations at the back of the church until Dec 19 and we will deliver them to Lakefield.

TAX DEDUCTIONS As the year nears to an end, please evaluate your 2021 donations to our church. With the

unpredictable year we have had many have not been able to make it to mass as regularly as in other years. Your tax deductible donations to St.



Joseph's church can be used to decrease your 2021 taxable income. All donations must be received by Dec 31st, 2021

PLEASE HELP... The Parish is in need of someone to clear the sidewalks and steps of snow this winter. We have a snowblower that can be used.

MESSAGES FROM Fr. RANDY

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the LORD and a day of vindication by our God. Isaiah 61

THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

"And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them." Luke 2:20 (pause for reflection) DEAR JESUS, HELP US FOCUS ON YOU DURING THIS BUSY SEASON. MAY WE STAY AWARE OF THE JOY YOU BRING INTO OUR LIVES. WE WANT TO FIND YOU IN THE EVERYDAY MOMENTS AND COME WITH HEARTS OF GRATITUDE TO YOUR MANGER ON CHRISTMAS. AMEN

CHRISTMAS MASSES SCHEDULE



December 24th (Christmas Eve) 5p.m. 7p.m. 9p.m. December 25th (Christmas Day) 10 a.m. No 5p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday evening December 26th 10 a.m. **SOLEMNITY OF THE MOTHER OF GOD**

-day of Obligation

December 31 (New Year's Eve) mass at 5p.m. January 1st. New Year's Day mass at 10 a.m.

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 1st Saturday Night Vigil Mass 5p.m. January 2nd Sunday mass 10 a.m.

Masses for Christmas can be booked by

going to the link in the emailed bulletin or on the website.

UPDATE-5 pm mass is now booked full

Preparing for Christmas after the loss of a Loved One

Such a loss! Such a keen and tearing pain. Even when I am in a crowded room, there is a loneliness I never knew existed. Comforting God, I have turned to you so many times for solace, and I come again. While the world is bright and sparkling, my heart feels leaden and has an emptiness that cannot be filled. Lord, how can I enter into this season of joy? In my head I celebrate your birth into this world, but in my everyday life, I am filled with a grief that runs so very deep. You blessed me with a loving relationship and now it is gone from my life. How can I be faithful to that love and the memory of that love and my sorrow in this season of "Rejoice!"?? Tears are so close to the surface all the time and helpful friends who want to "keep me busy" don't seem to really understand that I need to embrace my grief. I am afraid of letting go of the sadness and losing the deep love connection I had. Instead of entering into the Rejoice of Christmas, I long for the sorrow of Lent. I beg you Lord, show me how the two are connected. I ponder the name Emmanuel and know that it means "God with us." With us. With me in this world, in this sorrow. If I look beyond my pain, I know that you, too, suffered so much in this world. I never understood so clearly before that Emmanuel is what your nativity is really about. You are in my world, in my pain. Thank you, Lord, for the loved one you blessed my life with. Grant me now in my grief, a peace. Give me a comfort that might not make the tears go away, but that lets me feel your presence as you take up a place deep in my heart, with me.

Prayer while lighting your Advent candle: a family

prayer for every day of Advent!

O God, as light comes from this candle, may the blessing of Jesus Christ come to us, warming our hearts, and brightening our way. May Christ our Saviour bring life into the darkness of this world, and to all of us, as we wait for his coming.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION On

Sunday December 19 @ 3p.m. there will be Advent Reconciliation Celebration preparing for the Christmas Season. I have invited several priests to come to help with confessions. (Fr. Garry Leahy, Fr. Peter Seabrook, Fr. Bill Maloney)

Other Reconciliation Services

St. Peter's Dec. 4th all day

St. Anne's Dec. 7th 6:30 p.m.

- St. Martin's Dec. 14th in the evening (Ennismore)
- St. Alphonsus Dec. 22 9a.m.- noon 1p.m. 7p.m.