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Parish Information

Mass Times

Weekday

Tues/Wed/Fri. 8:30AM / Thurs. 12noon (Rosary Recited before these masses)

Weekend

Sat. 5:00PM / Sun. 10:00AM

Office Hours

Tues. & Thurs. 9:00AM to 4:00PM

Parish & Community Groups

C.W.L. / Annette Dunford K. of C. / Ray Johnston

Music Ministry / Tina McCarthy & Amy Melanson

Cemetery Board / Bob Condon 705-772-6071

Hall Rental / Contact Parish Office

St. Joseph's School / 705-652-3961, Principal, Wayne Clarke

Reception of Sacraments

Marriage / arrange min. 6 months prior Baptism / call parish office Reconciliation / Sat. 4PM-4:30PM Home Communion upon request.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. (Isaiah 9:1)



pray that each of our parishioners, guests, benefactors, and friends will experience the power of Christ's light and love this Christmas Season and share it generously throughout the new year.

Staff wish you all a Blessed and Merry Christmas

Fr. Randy Foster (pastor)

Maryann Clancy & Trish Stanley (Office Admin.)

"I rejoiced when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122.1

We welcome all visitors and parishioners who have come to worship here today on this the Fourth Sunday of Advent. To our visitors, you may come as a stranger to us, yet you are known to Our Lord, Jesus Christ. In His name, we pray you will find peace, hospitality, and friendship with us. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, we are glad you're here and hope that you come back again. The doors of our parish and our hearts are open to you. Please be in touch. If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with us. You may call 705-652-3231 or stop by the parish office to register. If you are a visitor, we thank you for



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WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

Second Sunday of Advent Dec. 22-28,2024

Mass Intentions for this Week

Tuesday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve

5p.m. For the Parishioners **7p.m.** For the Parishioners

Wednesday Dec. 25 Christmas Day

10a.m. For the Parishioners

Thursday Dec. 26, 9 a.m.

Deceased Clergy, Bishop, Religious of our Parish/

Diocese

Friday, Dec. 27, 9a.m.

+ Bill & Mary Towns by Mike & Rosemary Towns

Saturday Vigil Dec. 28 5pm

+John Allen by Gail & Family Sunday, Dec. 29 10 a.m.

+Jack Holland by Bernard Sullivan +Carl & Eileen Maloney, Jessica Fitzgerald by Bob & Maureen Sullivan



Parish Office: Maryann is off on sick leave please continue to pray for her. (Fr. Randy).

Patrica Stanley (sectary from St. Anne) will be in few times a month to help with some of the parish administrations.

Please feel free to leave a phone message, so I can return your call.

Christmas Schedule for Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Christmas Eve: 5pm

Lector: Sharon Molonev

Eucharistic Minister: Dcn Paul Dunford

Christmas Eve: 7p.m.

Lector: volunteer Tom McInnis Eucharistic Minister: Ray Johnston **Christmas Day**

Lector: volunteer - let Father know asp

Eucharistic Minister: volunteer —let Father know asp

Pope Francis Decembers Intentions

For pilgrims of hope:

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian Hope.

Liturgical Ministry

Sat. 5:00pm mass Sun. 10:00am mass

Lector

Dec. 21/22 **Kelly Towns** Jennifer Demaeyer Dec. 28/29 **Larry Carlow Joanne Armstrong**

Eucharistic Minister

Dec. 21,22 **Bob Condon Joanne Armstrong** Dec. 28/29 **Ray Johnston Brian Condon**

Ushers

Dec. 21.22 Jim Holland **Barry Condon** Dec. 28/29 **Gerald Heffernan** Mike Moloney

Cleaners

Week of Dec. 23 Joyce Manser and Jill Scott Week of Dec. 30 Marian Coughlin & Marian Leahy

Counters

Dec. 24 no counters

Dec. 31 Marian Coughlin, Mike Towns, Jim Holland

Parish Meetings & Community Events

Dec. 29 Opening of the Holy Year with Bishop Miehm 10:30 am at St. Peter –in-Chains Cathedral

Christmas Liturgies

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve 5p.m. 7p.m.

Dec. 25 Christmas Day 10 am.

Dec. 31 New Years 5p.m.

Jan. 1 New Years Day 10am. Feast of Mother of God

Reminder that this is a Holy Day of Obligation for us

Canadians.



Thursday's pray for Vocations

Pope Francis, Bishop Miehm, Fr. Randy Foster, Deacon Paul Dunford

The **BLESSED MOTHER** Candle burns this week Sp. Int. of Maryanne Clancy by Mike & Rosemary Towns



The **ST. JOSEPH** Candle burns this week for: +Mom & Dad by Fr. Randy & family



Come to the Manager —- Peace

Father, give us your grace to love those around us. We pray for all those families who are going through difficult times to find peace and balance among its members. The Peace that only You can give us, reign in each of the needy households and in our hearts. We ask this through your Son Jesus Christ. Amen



Parish Stewardship Collection—past week Your generously gave \$3,522.00. Your love for your

parish community is in keeping with your forefathers and foremothers hard work and service that continues to build this parish. Today, you help to keep it alive and thriving through your time, talents and donations. God Bless and Thank you Fr. Randy



Praying for and with our Loved Ones

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently died and those who remain in the silence of our hearts. We also keep in prayer those in Nursing Homes, Retirements Residence or are shut-in/hospitalized. In

special way, let us pray for the health and well being of:

Joe Ross, Jonathan Noyce, Maryann Clancy, Marie Moher, Paul Yasyszczuk, Kevin Sullivan.

(Persons on the above list will be listed for 3months, if further prayers are needed, or to add/remove someone from the list, please contact the office or Fr. Randy.)



A note from Fr. Damian family

"Because it is not possible to contact Fr. Damian's friends individually, please know that all your memories of Fr. Damian along with all your prayers and Masses for him have been so comforting to us over these past months. We know that Fr. Damian would have been honoured to be remember in this way by his Canadian family. Mass will be offered in thanksgiving for all of you in Knock. Blessings for a very Happy Christmas and New Years to you all. Hazel and Ursula Smullen (Fr. Damian sisters)



On behalf of the Parish CWL & K of C. To you and your family all the best for 2025 and Blessed Christmas season.





SAY THIS PRAYER QUIETY IN YOUR **HEART**

Dear God, I cone before you at this moment. Please Enlighten what is dark in

me, Strengthen what is weak in me, Mend what is broken in me, Heal what is sick in me, And revive whatever peace and love that died

in me,.

This prayer is for me, my family, my friends, my enemies and even those who hate me. Amen

Christmas in Heaven

Tis Christmas in Heaven what a beautiful sight! It's My first one here; everything is all right!

The crib is adorned with the brilliance of the star; Wiseman have come from near and far.

I've met all our dear ones who preceded us here; the reunion was lovely, an event full of cheer.

And tonight we'll all gather, in reverence we'll kneel, for the babe in the cradle, up in Heaven is REAL!

I think of my family, that I left behind and I pray that your Christmas is as blessed as mine.



Please shed no more tears, for my soul is at rest. Just love one another, live life to its best.

Yes, it's Christmas in Heaven, so I've heard them say, Yet Christmas in Heaven happens every day Peace Fr. Randy