



St. Joseph's Parish
An inclusive community

A Parish of the Oblates of
Mary Immaculate
since 1856

St. Joe's Weekend Bulletin

December 20, 2015 — 4th Sunday of Advent

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Office Entrance

151 Laurier Ave. E.

Church & Hall

174 Wilbrod St.

Office Hours

Mon-Fri: 8am-7:30pm

Sat: 11am-5pm

Weekend Mass

Saturday 5pm

Sunday 9:30am & 11:30am

7pm University Mass

(Sept 13, 2015—April, 2016)

Weekday Mass

Wed/Thur/Fri at 12noon

Starts Sept 9, 2015

Reconciliation

after noon Mass during the
school year or by appt.

Adoration

1st Fri. after the noon Mass
at in the Church.

Parking

—In our lot (no need to pay
meters while attending
weekend Mass + 30 minutes
after Mass. Ministry activi-
ties will receive passes from
your leader. If you are park-
ing for non parish related
activities, please pay the
meter located at the south-
ern corner of the lot to-
wards Laurier.

—Or park in U of O Lot B

only on Sundays from 9am-
2pm (enter off Cumberland
between Wilbrod & Stew-
art). Get pass at Welcome
Desk to display in car.

Questions? Contact Bran-
don at x251.

Jan. 3 Bulletin Deadlines

Due to the Christmas
break, the deadline
for the Jan. 3 bulletin
is noon on Monday,
Dec. 21. Thanks for
your cooperation.

Treasures spilling over,
secrets pouring out
in sheer delight.
The women hug
and
the baby
leaps for joy.
Holy Spirit,
fill us too
with yourself.
Teach us to love
and let us cry out in joy,
since our Lord has come to be
within us
and within all humankind.
Let our spirits
jump for joy.



Anne Osdieck

Young Adult Brunch

Today, Sunday, December 20th is our an-
nual Christmas Brunch after the 11:30 am
Mass. All young adults in their late teens
(post HS), twenties and thirties are wel-
come. Please bring something to share or
\$5. Enter behind altar area and head up-
stairs.

Carols of Christmas

Today, Sunday, at 3 pm, will be a con-
cert of traditional and contemporary
Christmas music, performed by St. Jo-
seph's Music Ministry.

Admission: freewill monetary donation
(tax receipts available on request) and/or
a non-perishable food item. All proceeds
will be donated to St. Joe's Supper Table/
Food Bank, as well as refugee support
initiatives.

Welcome!

Are you new to St. Joe's
or a visitor? Please intro-
duce yourselves at the
Welcome Desk at the
back of the Church, or
contact Maria Virjee,
613-234-6000,
mvsali@magma.ca

Registration

Forms can be found at
the Welcome Desk

Envelopes

Are provided upon regis-
tration. Please mark your
name clearly on front of
each envelope.

Online Giving

Can't be bothered with
envelopes? Sign up for
auto-debit at Welcome
Desk or through "Canada
Helps" on our website
under "About/donations"

United Way

United Way
#131771990RR0006

Bequests

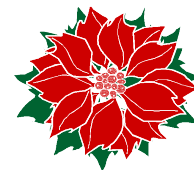
Please consider including St.
Joe's in your will.

Thank you!!

Poinsettia Donations

Give a Christmas flower in honour of, or in memory of, a loved one!

You are invited to bring poinsettias and other Christmas flowers to help
decorate the church for Christmas. Many donate in honour of someone
special, or in memory of someone who has died. The list of names of those
being honoured or remembered is found on page 4 and
will be updated for our Holiday bulletin as well. Please
drop off flowers (or monetary donations) at the Wel-
come Desk or at the Front Office. Be sure to include:
"In honour of..." or "In memory of..."



Christmas Mass Volunteers Needed

Can you volunteer as a greeter, usher or cleaner-upper at the Mass you will be
attending? Sign-ups are at the Welcome Desk.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

Eucharistic Ministers interested in being involved in the Christmas and New
Year's Day Masses are asked to sign up in the sacristy following weekend
Masses. Questions? Tom: tom.okrainec@sympatico.ca or 819-243-2222.



Parish Office Closed Over Holidays

The Parish Office will be closed beginning Dec. 25 and will reopen on Monday, Jan. 4.
This will not affect holiday or regularly scheduled Masses.

Advent Reconciliation Service

Monday, Dec. 21 at
noon (Mass) and 7:30
pm (Liturgy of the
Word). There will be
priests available for
individual confession
at both services.

Our Financial Stewardship...COLLECTION for Dec 13: \$ 6,761

The work of our parish is supported through the generosity of our parish community. This includes the spiritual life of our faith community, care for those who come to our doors and efforts to promote social justice in our city, country and world. To maintain a balanced operating budget for our church and all our ministries, including the Women's Centre and St. Joe's Supper Table, requires an average minimum collection of \$6,200 per week based on a full year. Donations fluctuate seasonally. We are grateful for every gift.

***Please be sure to write the amount of your donation on your envelope. It really helps. Envelopes are available in most pews for visitors who wish to use them.

Weekly

Events

Sundays

—Masses at 9:30am & 11:30am + 7pm University Mass (Sept-April).

—Children's Liturgy at 9:30 am Mass three

Sundays a month. Children are dismissed with leaders during Mass to meet in age groups (JK-1, Gr 2-3 and Gr 4-6) and share on the Word of God at their own level. All children are welcome.

Erin.anderson@rogers.com

Mondays

—weekly 9:30am Christian Meditation 613-730-0108.

Wednesdays

—English Conversation and Practice for Newcomers to Ottawa

7- 8:30 pm (Sept - June)

Saint Paul University, 233 Main St., Laframboise Hall, Rm L142. 613-744-2429 or michaelrichard2008@hotmail.com

Fridays

—weekly 7:30pm Christian Meditation 613-236-0155

—Catholic LGBT

(Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Persons), 2nd Fri/month Sjcggroup@gmail.com)

Saturdays

—Vigil Mass at 5pm

News from around the Table...The Supper Table

from Mary Murphy, Supper Table Manager, mmurphy@st-josephs.ca 613-233-4095 x 240
Our new website: www.stjsuppertable.ca

This Weekend

This weekend, you can make a donation for some home-baked cookies from our baking club. Proceeds go toward supplies for our baking crew.

Baking Crew & Christmas Cookies

They have been baking Christmas cookies for the last month. We now have four baking crews: one university group on Thursdays at 8 am, one group from the Mission on Thursday afternoons, and two groups of people with developmental disabilities. The baking group helps make homemade desserts for our meals by supplying baked goods.

Each baking crew brings its own joy to the kitchen, and laughter can always be heard as they joke, mix and fold in their ingredients.

Last weekend, we had a cookie accident and lost two dozen cookies. But one of the team members patted me on the back and put it all in perspective,

Canadian Aid to Refugees Expected to Top \$1B

An article by Michael Swan in the Dec. 3 *Catholic Register* offers a good overview of Canadian aid, particularly through DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE, to the Syrian refugee situation in the Middle East. It also introduces readers to David Leduc, new CEO of DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE, who has aid experience in the Middle East.

Another \$100 million in federal government aid to Syrian refugees fleeing their nation's civil war brings Canada's spending on the refugee crisis so far to nearly \$1 billion. But a dollar-for-dollar matching fund open until Dec. 31 with approved charities is certain to push Canada's aid to the region well past that mark.

The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace is among the organizations eligible for matching funds. Its programs and partner organizations in the region deliver such basic ne-

telling me "It's only cookies" and giving me a hug. I was reminded that they are just cookies, because the person who hugged me was facing a very challenging time. "They are just cookies..."

Please enjoy some of the team's baking after Mass as a Thank You, and Merry Christmas from the Supper Table Ministry.

Donated Turkey

One of the turkeys that people have donated went to a person who prepares a turkey dinner for one of the rooming houses in her neighbourhood. She and her boyfriend do this because she had noticed that the people who live in that rooming house are alone and often don't have a warm, cooked meal.

Meatloaf in the new year

Our next meatloaf weekend will be Jan. 23-24.

Merry Christmas!

On this fourth Sunday of Advent, may joy surprise you! Merry Christmas from the gang at the Supper Table — guests, volunteers and staff.

cessities as food and warm clothing but also are involved in education, trauma counselling and community organizing. Development and Peace has so far raised \$1.1 million to be matched by the government. Between January 2013 and Sept. 12 this year, when Ottawa announced its Syria Emergency Relief Fund, Development and Peace had raised another \$3 million outside the matching fund program.

Aid to the vast majority of Syria's 4.2 million refugees in Turkey, Iraq, Lebanon, Jordan and Egypt, as well as the country's 6.5 million internally displaced people, is the right thing to do, said Development and Peace executive director David Leduc.

"Absolutely it's important and I would say in some ways more important (than resettling refugees in Canada)," Leduc told The Catholic Register.

To continue reading, go to:

<http://catholicregister.org/item/21391-canadian-aid-to-refugees-expected-to-top-1-billion>

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Women's Centre Director

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Ministry Highlight This Week: Counters Ministry

The Counting Team is made up of a group of wonderful, diligent and dedicated people. Two members of the team work together about one Sunday a month to count the monies the church has brought in during a given week. We start counting right after the 9:30 am Mass and generally finish around 1 pm. During this time, we count the donations from each Mass, as well as any money collected during the week from such sources as hall rentals, baptismal meetings and donations.

We collect the donations from the safe, count and double-count the donations, ensure the deposit balances, and fill in the deposit sheet. Money is then placed in a deposit bag and put in the safe. One of our members devised a spreadsheet we use to keep track of the dona-

tions from each Mass and which also allows us to check to see if we are balanced. Everyone has contributed in many ways to this mission, from bags for the coin cases, to purchasing needed items, to creating timetables, to bringing muffins from home to have with our coffee. Every once in a while, someone has an idea that contributes to the efficiency of what we do. Our members are a diversified group, from retired managers and teachers, to lawyers to foreign service workers, young and older, new and not so new.

We enjoy the each other's company, sharing our lives, experiences and stories. Over coffee and whatever the fridge holds of interest, we happily spend three hours of each Sunday together.

Questions?

Contact Jull Lamont at
jill.lamont26@yahoo.ca



Need info on:

- Baptism
- First Communion
- Confirmation
- Adult Initiation
- Marriage Prep
- Weddings

Visit website then contact Michelle Miller x 35 or mmiller@st-josephs.ca

--Funerals

Sharon Gravelle
segravelle@bell.net

--Memorial Masses

contact the Front Desk

--Pastoral Care or Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office or Fr. Richard Beaudette

--Our Bulletin

—Is also posted on our website each week.

—Email submissions online at the website under "publications/bulletin/submission" by Wed noon.

—To receive this Bulletin via email each week, contact: frontdesk@st-josephs.ca

St. Joe's Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve: Thursday, Dec. 24

- 5 pm - Christmas Eve Mass and Children's Pageant
- 8 pm - Organ/Choral Prelude and Carol-sing
- 9 pm - Christmas Eve Mass
- 11 pm - Choral Prelude
- 12 am - Midnight Candlelight Mass

Christmas Day: Friday Dec. 25

- 6:45 am - Organ Prelude
- 7 am - Christmas Day Mass at Dawn
- 10 am - Organ Prelude and Carol-sing
- 11 am - Christmas Day Mass

Feast of the Holy Family

- Saturday, Dec. 26 - 5 pm Mass
- Sunday, Dec. 27 - 9:30 am and 11:30 am Mass

New Year's Eve: Thursday, Dec. 31

- 5 pm - Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God (World Day of Peace)

New Year's Day: Friday, Jan. 1, 2016

- 11 am - Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God (World Day of Peace)

Epiphany of the Lord

- Saturday, Jan. 2 - 5 pm Mass
- Sunday, Jan. 3 - 9:30 am and 11:30 am Mass

*The last University Mass of 2015 took place last weekend. It will resume on Jan. 10th
*There will be no Weekday Masses between Dec. 22nd and Jan. 5th.



Library News

Books available on SPIRITUALITY include: Chittister, Joan, *Fire in the Ashes: a Spirituality for Women and Men* (BX2435.C482 1995); Rolheiser, Ronald, *Running with God: Spiritual Fitness for all Seasons* (BX4501.R64); Williams, Monty, *Stepping into Mystery: Four Approaches to a Spiritual Life* (BV4509.5.W55).



LGBT & Straight Alliance Book Club

Please join us in reading *Oddly Normal*, by John Schwartz. We will meet for discussion in the Oblate Lounge in the parish on Thursday, Jan. 28, at 7 pm. The book is available in the Ottawa Public Library.

Variety Night Video

A link to a short version and longer version of the Variety Night held for Fr. Andy on Oct 17th are now available for viewing on the parish website.

<http://st-josephs.ca/2015-st-joes-variety-night-videos/>

Poinsettias for the Church
were donated...

In Honour of...

Micheline Aubé
by Nicole Aubé

James Robinson

In Memory of...

Grant Garneau, Evelyn Garneau & Carol Lozinski
by Mary Beth & Peter Garneau

Pat Dolan
by Aileen, John, Ken, Paul,
and David

Anne & Michael Lambert
by Aileen Dolan

Paul-Emile Caissy
by Marc Caissy

Patricia Brady
by Colleen & Brian Kerr

Archbishop Peter Sutton, OMI
by Eleanor Rabnett

Genevieve Wilson
by Marsha Wilson

Clair Lamont
Marina & Jim Lamont

Paulette Kavanaugh
by Gerald Kavanaugh

Peter Hoysted
by Lois Hoysted

Garry Byrne
by Bev Byrne & Terry Byrne

*Harriet O'Meara
& Joe O'Meara*
by Kaye O'Meara & Pat Royds

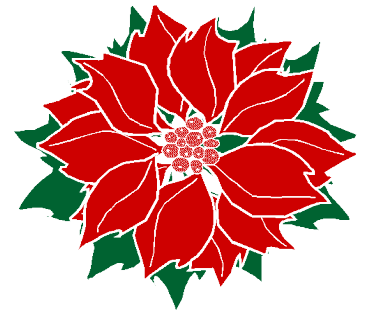
*Deceased Members of the
Cochrane & Hodgson Families*
by Ann Cochrane

*Deceased Members of the
Fagan & Murdoch Families,
Jane Williams, and Peter Daly*
by Tom Fagan

*Joanne Daly,
Lionel Lalonde, and
Barbara Wilson Nolan*
by Natalie Cyr

*Deceased Members of the
Ouellette & White Families*
by George & Julienne White

*Deceased Members of the
Wynands Family*
by Earl Wynands



RAISE THE ROOF CAMPAIGN— USE THE ENVELOPES AT THE WELCOME DESK!



One route to reach our Raise the Roof target is for parishioners to contribute a bit extra for each of the next two years. We know that not all of us can contribute all of the time. We can get to our target if 15 families give \$2,000 per year for two years and 100 families give \$250 per year for two years. (This is a little less than \$5 a week.) Can you help? Give what you can, small or big. Your contribution keeps us warm and dry — and able to keep sharing and growing.



Parking Monitors Needed

In order to free up space in the parish parking lot during Sunday Masses and better understand who is parking in it, a new initiative will begin in January. Volunteers will be needed to direct vehicles before and in between Sunday Masses to ensure that our parishioners are not left scrambling. Training is available. If you would like to become involved, please sign up at the Welcome Desk.

For more information, please contact Brandon at brushton@st-josephs.ca or 613-233-4095, x 251.



Pray for the sick: Maureen Monnette, Simone Maingot, Rolf Schindler, Joel Bachman, Barbara Brady, Richard Maloney, Bill Warchow, Susan Hanigan, Kevin Kelly, Gayle Morris, Paulina Mendoza, Sherri Caves, J.R. Stokes, The Fox Family, Victor & Cecilia D Souza, Michael Moses, Halim Abboud, Marie Abboud, Andrea Redway, Joe Ann Monaghan, Guy Rodur, Andrew Robertson, Mary Bingham, Jullian Paquin, Family of Caleb Gunning, Pat Barr, Margaret Dawson, Emmanuel Iwuoha, Cathleen Keenan, Phil Swift, Ron & Wilma Guest, Richard Maloney, Karen Cahill, John Graham, Jim Teahen, Jean-Claude Filion, Danielle Cossette, Cecilia Ryan, Ariel Alvarado, Helen Ayoub, Lloyd Dressler, and Pierre Duliadauilmar. **Pray for those who have died:** John Edward Argyle, Sarah Grace Richter, Alain Pouliquen, Mathilde Neuheimer, Theresa McSweeney, Dermott Kingston, Pheobe Doull-Hoffman, Eloise McGillicuddy, Terry Zubot, Jean-Claude Savoie, Anita Coderre, Tita Fernandes, Mark Dicesare, Evelyn Garneau, Barney Mulligan OMI, Doug Small, Uncle Mike, Ted Coffin, Aileen Granger, Barbara Wilson-Nolan, Violet Pelot, Sheilaeagh MacDonald, and Mary Timmins. **To add a name,** please inform the Front Office or write it in the binder at the Welcome Desk.