



JESUS, Son of God and Son of Mary, bless our family. Graciously inspire in us the unity, peace, and mutual love that you found in your own family in the little town of Nazareth. MARY, Mother of Jesus and Our Mother, nourish our family with your faith and your love. Keep us close to your Son, Jesus, in all our sorrows and joys. JOSEPH, Foster-father to Jesus, guardian and spouse of Mary, keep our family safe from harm. Help us in all times of discouragement or anxiety. HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH, make our family one with you. Help us to be instruments of peace. Grant that love, strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass. May we always have God at the center of our hearts

and homes until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with you. Amen.

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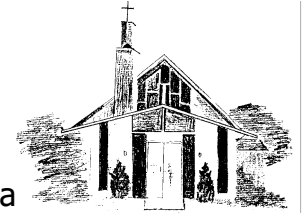
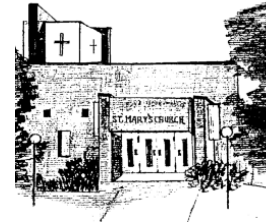
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Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph ~ 29 December 2024 Mary the Holy Mother of God ~ 1 January 2025

Sat.	28 Dec	5:00 pm	(Morrisburg) Tom Coligan (Ingrid Coligan)
Sun.	29 Dec	9:00 am	(Iroquois) Martin Bongers (Bongers Family)
Sun.	29 Dec	11:00 am	(Morrisburg) Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
Tue.	31 Dec	5:00 pm	(Morrisburg) Ted Boulerice (Rudy & June Boulerice)
Wed.	01 Jan	9:00 am	(Iroquois) Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
Wed.	01 Jan	11:00 am	(Morrisburg) Tom Coligan (Ted & Bridget Van Der Zweep)

Happy New Year!

Please note the office will be closed from December 23 till January 3rd.

There will be no Masses January 4 and 5, 2025, as we are waiting for the Archbishop to make a decision regarding an administrator for the Parish, hopefully an announcement will be received in January. Please have patience during this time and keep His Grace and all of us in your prayers.

Holy Family and Mary the Mother of God

Collection: 4th Sunday of Advent: \$1,815.00 (2023: \$1,515.00) Christmas: \$60.00
Heat Pump – St. Cecilia's: \$6,951.00 (Total: \$6,991); Christmas Flowers: \$45.00
Collection: Christmas: \$2,387.00 (2023: \$1,425.00) Regular Envelopes: \$796.00;
Heat Pump – St. Cecilia's \$1,400.00 (Total: \$8,391.00)

Meetings:

KNIGHTS - Mon 13 January, 7:00 pm St. Mary's Meeting Room

CWL - Mon 20 January, 7:00 pm St. Mary's Meeting Room

Parish Activities:

Choirs: St. Cecilia's: Margaret (652-4741)

AA Meeting: Wed., 8:00 pm, George (543-3504)



Pray for those who are sick in our families and parish especially: Al Belanger, Alice McNarin, Fernando Paulino, Darlene Mather, Lynn Louckes, Terry McManus, George Locke, Noella Kirkwood, and Louise Altimas.

Pray for the repose of the soul of Todd Casselman, Helen Lortie, Paul Goupil, John Croteau, and Mark Goupil.

50/50 Raffle Tickets: The Knights of Columbus presents its Ontario Charities raffle tickets in support of their local projects. Open only to Ontario residents over 17 the Grand Prize draw on December 31, 2024. Tickets are 10 for \$10, 40 for \$20, 125 for \$50 and 300 for \$100, or call Graham Darling at 613-214-1968 online at <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/k-of-c-ont/295>.

Collection Envelopes: The 2025 collection envelopes are ready at the back of the Church to pick up. **Please do not use until January 1st.** If you wish to start using envelopes, please pick up a box without a name and complete the form inside the box. You can call the office to arrange for pick up.

Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet for Christmas & New Years are at the back of the church.

29 December 2024 ~ January 1, 2025

Heating Issue at St. Cecilia's Church: After research from Atel Air they found that the sump pump had failed and the water enter the ductworks. The ducts lines are like a weeping tile and appear to be made out of hard carboard and covered with concrete. Enviroplus was hired to clean up the lines and inspect the ductworks. Their finding was that the water from the failed sump pump damaged the tiled so much that they collapsed. Efforts were made to unplug the lines and some debris was recovered. However, the tile had hardened and they could not unplug the balance of the ductworks. The finance committee approached a couple contractors to give us quotes and recommendations. We were given 3 options: remove part of the floor; installing electric base board heater or installing a heat pumps system. After discussion the decision was made to go with installing heat pumps.

This was completed at a cost of \$10,850 plus HST. Those parishioners who wish to donated towards this expensive repair which wasn't in our budget for this year would be appreciated and will be added to your tax receipt. Please place in the collection basket with a note to go toward the heating at St. Cecilia's. Thank you.



We are amazed at the generous support that has come for this unexpected repair, we have collected a total of \$8,391.00 towards the total bill. The Finance Committee would like to thank everyone who has donated to help with this expense!

Pro-Life Baby Shower: The Knights of Columbus and Birthright invite you to hold onto your outgrown toys and clothes (newborn to age 3-4/size 4) for our post-Christmas collection of new and gently used infant and maternity items (no furniture or car seats) January 26 weekend for local mothers in crisis pregnancy. Info 613-214-1968 Grand Knight Graham Darling.

