



The second week of Advent we remember the gift of Peace we have in Christ. Peace is a gift that we must be prepared for and must work for. God gives us the gift of peace when we turn to him working together in faith.

Let us pray – Loving God, we thank you for the gift of peace you give us through Jesus. Help us prepare our hearts for the Lord’s coming by working for Christ’s peace to take root in our family. We ask this in the name of the one born in Bethlehem, Jesus our Lord.
All: Amen.

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Liturgy and Sacraments:

Baptism & Instruction in the Catholic Faith: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays as needed. Parent preparation is required.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Those wishing to join the Catholic Church please call the office (613-543-2544). Classes starting soon!

Marriage: 9–12 months notice is needed for the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony. Each couple is required to participate in a Marriage Preparation course.

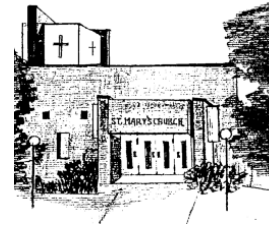
Reconciliation: Confessions heard from 4:00-4:45 pm on Sat or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: The Sacrament of Anointing is given on request, especially before going to the hospital, or at the hospital or at home.

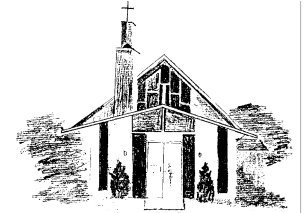
Sick List: Please call the office if anyone needs prayers, a visit or is seriously ill.

If you are unable to attend Mass for an extended period of time, please contact St. Mary’s. Arrangements can be made for reception of the Holy Eucharist in the home.

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 Mrs. Nancy Richer, Parish Secretary

Second Sunday of Advent ~ 8 December 2024

- Sat. 07 Dec 5:00 pm (Morrisburg) Leo de Vette (Sandra Sinnett)
- Sun. 08 Dec 9:00 am (Iroquois) Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
- Sun. 08 Dec 11:00 am (Morrisburg) Pat McCourt (Marianne & Peter Coligan)
- Sat. 14 Dec 5:00 pm (Morrisburg) Int of Brian Jack (Fred & Sandy Diegel)
- Sun. 15 Dec 9:00 am (Iroquois) Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
- Sun. 15 Dec 11:00 am (Morrisburg) Lucy Albert (The Family)

Please note that St. Mary’s Church will be open on **Wednesdays** from 9 till noon for parishioners to come spend some time in prayer.



Parish Christmas Confessions

Saturday December 21st 3:00 – 4:30 pm
 Tuesday December 24th 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Second Sunday of Advent

Collection: 1st Sunday of Advent: \$4,406.00 (2023: \$927.00);
Christmas: \$5.00; Repairs & Maintenance: \$305.00; St. Mary's Cem: \$50.00
St. Anne's Cem: \$150.00; Priests Retirement: \$650.00, Christmas Flowers: \$135.00

Meetings:

Knights - Mon 9 Dec, 5 pm 1-2-3 Degree, St. Cecilia Church; 6 pm Knights and Ladies dinner, free to Knights widows, Yefsi Restaurant, Iroquois, register with Grand Knight before Dec 6th, (613-214-1968).

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>.

Christmas Mass Schedule:

Christmas Eve, December 24 th	5:00 pm	St. Mary's Church
Christmas Eve, December 24 th	8:00 pm	St. Cecilia's
Christmas Day, December 25 th	10:00 am	St. Mary's Church

New Year Masses:

Tuesday December 31 st	5:00 pm	St. Mary's Church
Wednesday January 1 st	9:00 am	St. Cecilia's Church
Wednesday January 1 st	11:00 am	St. Mary's Church

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Knights ProLife Christmas fruit cake sale: On the weekend of Dec 7 & 8, there will be delicious Christmas Cakes and Treats for sale at the back of the Churches. These treats are made using the original recipes of the Monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey in Quebec. All proceeds go toward local pro-life work. Christmas cakes (600g \$25); gift boxes sweet \$30 and savory \$40; jams and caramel spreads \$10; religious advent calendars (large \$10; small \$5) and religious Christmas cards \$10/pkg of 10 (cash or cheque).

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

The **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**, also called **Immaculate Conception Day**, celebrates the sinless lifespan and Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is one of the most important Marian feasts in the liturgical calendar of the Roman Catholic Church celebrated worldwide. You are invited to join us in celebrating the Solemnity of the Patron Saint of the Archdiocese of Kingston on Monday December 9, at 10:30 am in St. Mary's Cathedral, 279 Johnson Street, Kingston. Confession available at 9:30 am.

Advent Reflections with Archbishop Mulhall: Wednesdays, beginning Dec 11; 7:00 pm, St. Mary's Cathedral (279 Johnson Street, Kingston). Archbishop Mulhall will be giving Advent Reflections beginning the second week of December at St. Mary's Cathedral. We hope you will join us.

Christmas Flowers: Envelopes are available at the back of the Church for your donation to purchase flowers to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas. Included with the envelope will be a card for you to write your intentions. These intentions will be prayed for during the Christmas season. Cost of the decorations at both churches last year was \$272.43, we received \$160 so a cost to the parish of \$112.43. 

Christmas Exchange Food Drive: We are not putting out a box this year, but those who wish to help out can drop off a financial donation in the collection basket and we will get it to the organizers (make cheque to South Dundas Christmas Exchange). Also, there are angel trees in Morrisburg and Iroquois.