

Advent ~ Week One

The first week of Advent we remember the gift of hope we have in Christ. The prophets of Israel all spoke of the coming of Christ, of how a savior would be born, a king in the line of David. They spoke of how he would rule the world wisely and bless all nations.



Let us pray – Loving God, we thank you for the hope you give us. Help us prepare our hearts for the Lord’s coming by being open to seeing the light of Christ in others. 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 month 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 by appointment.

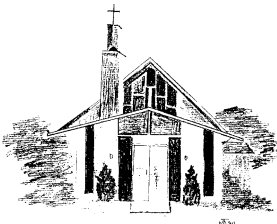
**Anointing of the Sick:** The Sacrament of Anointing is given on request, especially before going to the hospital, or at the hospital or at home.

**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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First Sunday of Advent ~ November 30, 2025

Sun.	30 Nov	9:00 am	(Morrisburg) George Locke (Shirley Locke)
Tue.	02 Dec	9:00 am	(Morrisburg) Cathy Calderone (Zambon Family)
Wed.	03 Dec	9:00 am	(Morrisburg) Catherine Lortie (Claude Lortie)
Sun.	07 Dec	9:00 am	(Morrisburg) John Grondin (Richer Family)



**Advent Confessions**  
Tuesday December 16  
5:00 pm  
St. Mary's Church


# First Sunday of Advent

**Collection:** Christ the King: \$1,075 (2024: \$1,975): Roof: \$50 (Total: \$1,915);  
Repairs and Maintenance: \$50.00; Priests Retirement: \$50.00  
St. Mary's Cem: \$255.00

**Sacramental Preparation:** Meetings will be held after the 9 am Mass  
**First Communion:** December 7; January 4; February 1; March 1; April 5  
**Confirmation:** Nov 30; Dec 28; Jan 25; Feb 22; March 29; April 26

**Parish Activities:**  
**Choirs:** **St. Mary's:** Jim Boissonneault (613-543-3435) new members welcome!  
**AA Meeting:** Wednesday, 8:00 pm,  
**Coffee Social:** **November 9<sup>th</sup>** Marg Zambon (613-652-4741)

**Pray for those who are sick in our families and parish** especially: Jim Boissonneault, Tony Byvelds, Margaret Lortie, Timona Wekesa (Father Oliver's father), Nancy Pomerleau, Bridget Van Der Zweep, John Ricci, Robert Miller, Alice McNarin, Noella Kirkwood, and Louise Altimas.

 **Pray for the repose of the soul of** Jim Kelly, Juliet Gremli, Catherine Lortie, Tina Serviss, Beat Schraner, Peter Gremli, Gale Haggerty, Lynn Loucks, Maude Ashley, George Locke, Diny Van Moorsel, and Terry McManus.

**Christmas Schedule**  
**Christmas Eve** December 24<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm ~ **Christmas Day** December 25<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am



**Bible/Faith Study**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 6:00 pm**  
In the Rectory meeting room

**Free Will Offering for Missals and Word Among Us** if you are able, please consider helping with the cost of these items, the box is located at the back of the church. Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

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**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 displayed near the altar and prayed for during the Christmas Season.

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 8, at 10:30 am in St. Mary's Cathedral, 279 Johnson Street, Kingston. Confession available at 9:30 am. This will also be the start of the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations across the Diocese.

**Roof Replacement Total Collected \$1,915.00:** Wolfenburg has started! The cost will be \$120,000 plus HST. There are special envelopes in the church for donations towards the roof replacement.



**Prolife Christmas Fruit Cake sale:** On the weekends of **Nov 30 & Dec 7**, there will be delicious Christmas Cakes and treats for sale at the back of the Church. All proceeds go toward local pro-life work. Christmas cakes (600 g \$25); gift boxes sweets \$40 and savoury \$45; Coffee \$20; Jams \$12; Religious advent calendars – large \$10, small \$5 and Religious Christmas cards \$10/pkg of 10. (Cash or cheque) see bulletin board for the flyer.

**Journey into Knighthood:** Any Catholic man 19 or older can become a full Council Member of the Knights of Columbus at our public welcoming ceremony on Monday December 8 at 6:00 pm in St. Mary's Church, followed at 7 pm by our Christmas banquet for all Knights and Ladies (Turkey dinner \$29; free to clergy and Council widows!) at the MacIntosh Inn. Register by Dec 1 with Grand Knight Graham Darling (613-214-1968).