



**Fourth Sunday of Advent Year A to
CHRISTMAS
December 19 to January 2, 2011**

Pastor: Father Joe Vayalil
Deacon: Bob Birch
Sacristan: Richard Sutton
Secretary: Josephene Kealey

Welcome to everyone, parishioners,
newcomers and visitors to St. Peter's Parish.
We encourage the *active* participation of all in
the prayer and song of our community
worship.

OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

To promote the love and compassion that
Jesus Christ showed to all people, of every
creed, with a special emphasis on the needs of
the poor and the underprivileged.

MASS SCHEDULE: September to June

Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. --- fulfills Sunday Obligation

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Last Sunday of every month: Mass at 10:30 a.m. only

Weekdays: Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. (unless otherwise noted
within bulletin)

Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays at 8:30 a.m.

No Mass on a Tuesday after a long weekend holiday.

LEGION OF MARY PRAYER MEETING:

TUESDAYS at 7:00 p.m.

CENACLE PRAYER:

THURSDAYS from 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

ADORATION:

FIRST FRIDAYS from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS: 20 minutes before weekend Masses.

No appointment necessary.

BAPTISMS: Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.

MARRIAGES: Kindly give us at least 6 months notice.

A Marriage Preparation Course is required after the
Pastor's approval.

For more information, kindly call our office at 613-733-1553.

**ST. PETER'S PARISH
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5:00 p.m. Mass – George Assing
9:30 a.m. Mass – Jay Hunt
11:30 a.m. Mass – Richard Sutton (temp.)

Ministry of Communion Coordinators

Fr. Joe Vayalil & Richard Sutton

CHURCH SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 18

5:00 p.m. Mass

In Thanksgiving for the graces received in 2010 and lots of blessings for 2011.

-Natalia Jeffreys

Sunday, December 19

9:30 a.m. Mass

Prayers&Blessings for Mary Murphy Kulyk

-Martin&Joanne Elsaesser

11:00 a.m. Mass

Intentions of the Parishioners

-Pastor

Monday, December 20

No Mass

Tuesday, December 21

8:30 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, December 22

8:30 a.m. Mass

Thursday, December 23

No Mass

Confessions at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 23

8:30 a.m. Mass

CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS INTENTIONS

Friday, December 24

For All Deceased Members of the Baxter&Gaven Families

-Family&Friends

Thursday, December 30

Prayers for Josephene Kealey

-Michael Kealey

Saturday, December 25

Intentions of the People

-Pastor

Prayers for Sr. Ludmilla Grabetz

-Kealeys&Kathy Grabetz

Friday, December 31

For the Parishioners' Intentions

-Pastor

For World Peace

Sunday, December 26

Blessings on the

54th Wedding Anniversary of Emma&Alex Tobin

-Family

Saturday, January 1

For the Parishioners' Intentions

-Pastor

For World Peace

ST. PETER'S CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE



Christmas Eve Mass

Friday, December 24 at 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Day Mass

Saturday, December 25 at 10:30 a.m.

Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday, December 26 at 10:30 a.m.

New Year's Eve Mass- Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Friday, December 31 at 5:00 p.m.

New Year's Day Mass-Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Saturday, January 1, 2011 at 10:30 a.m.

Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, January 2, 2011 at 10:30 a.m.

There will be NO 8:30 a.m. Mass on

December 23, 24 & 31

The Parish office will be closed December 24 to January 3.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REFLECTIONS

1. ADVENT REFLECTION: All parishioners are invited to a Sacrament of Reconciliation Service for Advent this coming Thursday, December 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. A visiting priest from St. Clements Parish along with Fr. Joe will be here to hear your confession.

2. ARCHBISHOP PRENDERGAST'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE: To watch a video of the Archbishop's message, visit online <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AeJFOJmLf7I>. To read the message (.pdf), visit online <http://www.ecclesia-ottawa.org/archidiocese>

3. PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING IN REGARDS TO WEEKDAY MORNING MASSES DURING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON:

December 23 and 24:

No 8:30 a.m. morning Mass

December 28, 29 and 30:

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

January 4, 5, 6 and 7:

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

4. SUNDAY 2011 ENVELOPES: Ready for pick up on the table at the back of the Church.

5. SAINT BROTHER ANDRÉ – DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF THANKSGIVING:

Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, S.J., invites the Church of Ottawa to come together for a Mass of Thanksgiving at Notre-Dame Cathedral on Thursday, January 6, 7:30 p.m., the first feast day of Saint Brother André. All are invited and encouraged to attend. Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Council members are especially encouraged to attend

6. SNOW REMOVAL FOR ST. PETER'S: Fr. Joe is looking for someone to ensure that the sidewalk from the parking lot to the door of the church, as well as the stairs, the ramp and part of the side walk along the road are shoveled before each weekend mass. A stipend will be paid. All snow removal materials will be provided (shovel, scraper, salt, including access to a snow blower). Training will also be provided. A firm commitment is needed. If anyone is interested, talk to Richard or Fr. Joe.

6. CHRISTMAS FRUIT CAKES FOR SALE: James Wilson will be selling Christmas fruits cakes in the gym after all masses this Advent, until all his cakes are sold.

Collections
December 12th
\$2012.00

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Veneto Richord, Isabel Coutu, Lynn McLeod, Bishop David Monroe, Willijn Bertrand, Lorraine Da Pra, Rev. Fr. Pedro Arana, Teresita Alvarado, Bishop Ernest Leger, Rachelle Caroll, Lise Martin, Anna Karolewicz, Louise Jarvis, Fr. Bob Bedard.
Please send an e-mail to our office if you know of someone who is sick and needs to be prayed for: stpeters@inbox.com

IMPOTANT REMINDER

- **NEW MASS TIME BEGINNING 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT:** Sunday Masses will be 9:30 a.m. and **11:00 a.m.** This change does not apply to Mass times for the last Sunday of the month, which continue to be at 10:30 a.m. The first weekend affected by this change will be Sunday, December 5. This schedule will persist after Advent, indefinitely.

SUNDAY REFLECTION

4th Sunday of Advent

We are accustomed to call the words of the angel Gabriel to Mary 'the annunciation'. This Sunday's gospel reading perhaps ought to be called 'the annunciation to Joseph'. Joseph is in fact the principal actor in the account of the birth of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Like Mary, he too had to listen for the message of God. Like Mary, he too was invited to play his part in the working out of God's mysterious plan that the Son of God should become man. This gospel reading, just like the annunciation to Mary in the Gospel of Luke, gives us the basis for our belief in the virginal conception of Jesus. Here we find an expression of this mystery in the words of the angel to Joseph: 'she has conceived what is in her by the Holy Spirit'. The Son of God is born among us in an utterly extraordinary way. The role of Mary as 'virgin mother' is quite unique, and Joseph has to go against his initial inclinations and make the decision to 'take his wife to his home'. In this reading we encounter the first of many verses which Matthew will quote from the Old Testament, declaring that they are 'fulfilled'. The text read at this Mass from the prophet Isaiah speaks of God's constant solidarity with the people. The fulfilment of this same text, which is announced by Matthew in the gospel reading, points to something even greater, the extraordinary intervention of God to bring the Son of God into the world.

Am I like Joseph willing to go against deeply felt ideas in order to do the will of God?

Why would God desire that the Saviour should be born by virginal conception?

Let us pray here at St. Peter's that we may welcome God's new ways as we prepare for Christmas.

Let us pray for the people of Palestine and Israel that they may have peace.

CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):

When we are with family and friends at Christmas, we are at our best. Christ's call is to give to all of us, again and again, the opportunity to share in His unconditional love. To let down our defenses and to marvel at all the small growth moments that touch our souls, is to keep us vulnerable and receptive to God's presence. Above all, Christ invites us to be child-like in our faith and to trust in a creator, who always knows where we are and what we need. A creator, who knows the difference between a fish and a snake, a scorpion and an egg, when it comes to sustenance and nurture. Christmas Day keeps hope alive in our sometimes jaded and weary hearts, by reminding us of the infant Jesus, as we sit quietly, allowing peace and simplicity to seep into our souls. The nativity is God's blessing personified our connection to the mystery of the stable. Our prayer, on this Christmas Day, should be that we experience Christ's birth with an open heart and contemplative vision. Christmas is memorable in that it challenges us to display our spirit of peace on earth and goodwill to all humankind

Mary, Mother of God: "When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.'" The presence of God in life is far more common than we think. The problem is, unlike the shepherds, we fail to pursue the Word God sends to us through the people and events of life, through the impulses of conscience and heart.



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Our parish serves the needs of the community in many
different ways. We offer preparation for sacraments,
children's liturgy, social activities, assistance to those in
difficulty, and comfort to the sick and those who mourn a
loss. If we can be of service to you, do not hesitate to call
on us.

BEQUESTS AND WILLS:

In your kindness,
please remember St. Peter's Parish
in your bequests and wills. If anyone
wishes to make such a bequest in their
Will, the following clause may be included
or added to a will or added by codicil:

*"I give devise and bequeath the sum
of \$..... to St. Peter's Parish,
Ottawa, to be used for the benefit of
the Parish and its pastoral works."*

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.