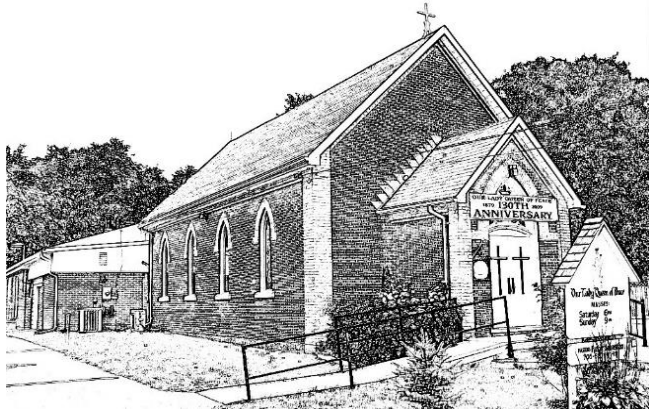


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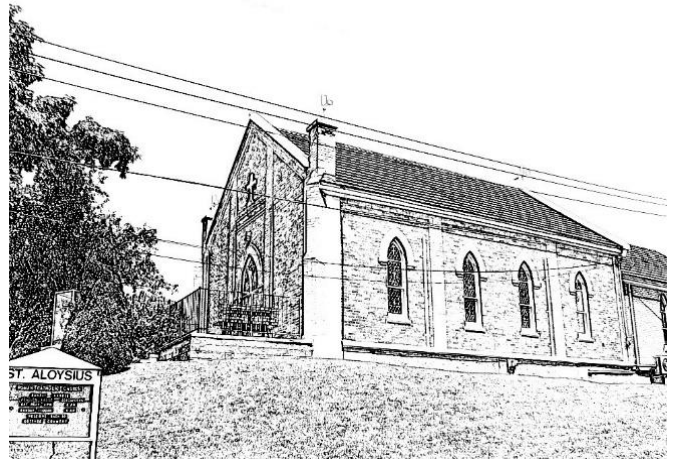


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Sat. Dec 21 st	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	FF BC	
Sun. Dec 22 nd	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	BC FF	Holy Mass † Marilyn Dell by Ed Dell & Family
Tues. Dec 24 th <i>Christmas Eve</i>	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	FF BC	Holy Mass † For the Living & Deceased Members of the Carroll & Coppins Families by Margaret & Robert Carroll
Wed. Dec 25 th <i>Christmas</i>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	BC FF	Holy Mass † For the Living & Deceased Members of the McPherson & Beaudette Families by Mike & Lucy McPherson Holy Mass † Daniel Dunn by Pam Guzzi & Family
Fri. Dec 27 th	9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	FF BC	
Sat. Dec 28 th	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	FF BC	Holy Mass † Joseph Gallagher by Pam Guzzi Holy Mass † Glenda Lorraine Pillo by the Pillo Family
Sun. Dec 29 th	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	BC FF	For the Intentions of Jose Foot by Anne & Ken Boyd
Tues. Dec 31 st <i>New Year's Eve</i>	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	FF BC	
Wed. Jan 1 st <i>New Year's Day</i>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	BC FF	

Let us remember in Our Prayers all who are Sick

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Summary of Funds Collected Dec. 9th to 15th, 2024

OLQP	Sunday Offertory (Dec 8 th)	\$ 535.00
	Sunday Offertory (Dec 15 th)	\$ 1,426.00
	Canada Helps	\$ 159.23
	E-transfer	\$
	POP	\$ 225.00
St. Aloysius	Sunday Offertory (Dec 8 th)	\$ 1,458.00
	Sunday Offertory (Dec 15 th)	\$ 756.00
	Canada Helps	\$ 0.00
	E-transfer	\$
	POP	\$ 355.00

Christmas: The Nativity of the Lord.

The humility and selflessness of Jesus that will be the centerpiece of his ministry and mission as the Messiah are first seen in his simple birth among the poor.

The true miracle of Christmas continues to take place in the Bethlehem's of our hearts. In the emptiness of our souls, God forgives us, reassures us, exalts us, elates us, loves us.

Christmas is more than a birth of a child. It is the beginning of the Christ event that will transform and re-create human history, a presence that continues to this day and for all time.

In Jesus, the extraordinary love of God has taken our "flesh" and "made his dwelling among us." In his "Word made flesh," God touches us at the very core of our beings, perfectly expressing his constant and unchanging love.

Merry Christmas to everyone!

- Fr. Luis



OLQP:

Fr. John – In the month of December, the 6:00 p.m. masses on Saturdays at OLQP will be celebrated by Fr. John. Fr. Luis would like to thank him for his help during a busy month.

Food Bank: With the arrival of Advent leading to the joyful celebration of Our Saviour's Birth, many seasonal preparations are normally made. We know that one most pleasing to our Blessed Lord is sharing what we have with others, especially those who really need our help. The local Food Bank is stretched to the limits, along with the others in Canada, so donations made are especially welcome at this time. We are trying to make sure there is Christmas Dinner and a toy for the children for all coming to us in need. Please help as part of Advent giving!

From the Desk of the Pastor...

In Mary and Elizabeth's meeting and in our own similar "visitations," the Spirit of God is present in the healing, comfort and support we can extend to one another in such moments. In the light and hope of this holy season, may we "make haste" to bring such reconciling peace and healing justice in our own "visitations" to others, in our own encounters in which the grace of God enables us to see one another in God's eyes.

God's Spirit, who inspired the prophets to preach, who enabled the nation of Israel to enter into the covenant with Yahweh, continues at work in the world in new and creative ways. Jesus Christ is the ultimate and perfect fulfillment of that covenant. The "mystery" of the Incarnation is not that God could become one of us – the inexplicable part is how God could give his love away so freely to his people, without expectation or condition. As St. Irenaeus preached: "Because of his great love for us, Jesus, the Word of God, became what we are in order to make us what he is himself." Come, Lord Jesus, come!

**Fourth Sunday of Advent: Peace**

The fourth and final Sunday of Advent in 2024 will be on Sunday, December 22nd. Advent is the season in which believers eagerly anticipate the celebration of Christ's birth. Reading, [prayer](#), and reflection are ways we can cultivate a sense of holy anticipation this Advent. The fourth Sunday of Advent we meditate on the **peace** that Jesus brings to our hearts and our world. Scripture is the place we can find the promises of God. Let us meditate on these truths and allow them to comfort our hearts this Advent season!

This week we focus our hearts on the "Lord of Peace" who came down from heaven in the form of a baby. God knows that we are in a constant battle against fear! Fear wants to cripple us, to push us to react rather than carefully respond, and fear steals our joy. God has given us the gift of peace so we can live joy-filled lives!

Over this Advent, would you pray that *God's unexplainable peace* would be evident in your heart and home. This year we have all faced so much chaos and uncertainty. God's peace is something we need to grab tightly onto *more than ever*. May God's spirit transform the days leading up to [Christmas](#) into a time to joyfully await our King!

LIVESTREAM FROM THE CATHEDRAL**Fourth Sunday in Advent, Saturday December 21**

<https://www.youtube.com/live/lviXQkUh2Uo?si=Dcji9ButG1vKJAob>

The Nativity of the Lord, Wednesday December 25

<https://www.youtube.com/live/G2W4xQkXw-I?si=e3ImmW9rxwVGCUA>

Feast of the Holy Family, Saturday December 28


https://www.youtube.com/live/r5brBSCvNVM?si=iCPhJt0UeMh_sbPz



December 2024 Prayer Intentions:
FOR PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network has released the list of prayer intentions set by Pope Francis for the year 2024. Each month, Pope Francis asks Catholics around the world to pray for a specific intention.


Let us pray that this Jubilee strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.



**PRAYER FOR MERCY
"STRENGTHEN MY FAITH"**

God,
I have known you all my life, and I have never lacked a thing. I have not seen those who trust in you be ashamed. You have shown your power and defeated evil.

I am asking for your favor so that I may keep strengthening my faith in you, Lord. May I never be ashamed because your mercies are forever with me. Amen.



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