



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
386 Rogers Street, Peterborough, ON K9H 1W7
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1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 30, 2025

MASSES FOR DECEMBER 2ND – DECEMBER 7TH

English Rosary: Saturday 4:10 p.m. / Sunday 9:10 a.m. / Polish Rosary: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 2 nd	8:30 a.m.	+	Alphéda Gagnon-Murphy & her parents, req. by the Estate
Wednesday, Dec. 3 rd	8:30 a.m.	+	Jose Thomas, requested by the family
Thursday, Dec. 4 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Teresa Buettner, requested by Peter, Lucy & Kate Dawson
Friday, Dec. 5 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Jack Guerin, requested by Norma & family
Saturday, Dec. 6 th FEAST DAY POTLUCK	4:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	+ ...	Luc Matteau, requested by Linda & family Celebrating the Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Sunday, Dec. 7 th	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ ...	All living & deceased members of the Moher family, requested by Shawn Moher NO MASS

+ Mass for the Deceased / – Mass for the Living

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Andrew Morrison, Bonnie Morley, Brian Eberle, Cathy Lochner, Dan Selby, Dave Worr, Donna Ellis, Evelyn Crook, Francine Leger-Gillard, Gerard & Wanda Byrne, Jason Ayotte, Jo Morrison, Joanna Carlberg, John Dawson, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Kathy Hiltz, Keith Mathieson, Lauren Carey, Linda vanTol, M.J.B., Marian Dlugosz, Marie Green, Marilyn MacKeigan, Michael Dawson, Mike Sullivan, Neave Alderson, Pat D., Paul Rigby, Paul Scott, Peter McCarthy, Renie (Zeyen) Place, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Sawyer Growden, Shelly Appleton, Tim Ayotte, Zita Lightfoot and those who have no one to pray for them. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.

NEXT WEEKEND WE CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Bishop Daniel Miehme will celebrate both the Saturday and Sunday Masses the weekend of December 6/7. Also, the Bishop will join us in the Parish Hall for a **Potluck** following the **Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Mass**. Please plan to attend and bring your favourite dish, if able. *There will be NO Polish Mass on the Sunday.*



SUPPORT OUR BOTTLE DRIVE: The Knights of Columbus will be collecting RETURNABLE liquor, wine, beer bottles and beer cans this Saturday, **November 29th** at the Rectory garage between 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (NO POP CANS PLEASE.) We appreciate your support!

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH: This weekend, **November 29/30** Father will be blessing the Advent wreath. Any family wishing their home wreath to be blessed, please bring it to Mass and place it on the altar prior to Mass.

GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT! Beat the January Blues by attending a fantastic **Roast Beef Dinner** in the Immaculate Conception parish hall on **Saturday, January 31st**. Social hour at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Limited number of tickets: Adult \$30, under 12 \$15. Call the parish office **705-742-5466** now to get your tickets for that little “extra” Christmas gift.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

The Christmas Schedule has now been [posted to our website](#).

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays 3:30 to 4:15 and Sundays 8:30 to 9:15 throughout Advent.

OFFICE CLOSURE: The parish office will be closed December 24th through January 1st.



BLESSING OF THE NATIVITY SCENE: The Knights of Columbus invite you to join them at the church on Tuesday, **December 2nd** at 6:30 p.m. for the blessing of the Nativity Scene.

ADVENT BAKE SALE: We need “Bakers and Buyers” for our annual Advent Bake Sale the weekend of **December 13th & 14th** following all Masses. (*Saturday will be in the back of the church; Sunday will be in the parish hall.*) Your baked goods can be dropped off a half-hour before Mass time. Pick up something yummy for your family festive get togethers!



ADVENT RETREAT, ST. ALPHONSUS: Prepare your heart for the coming of Christ. All are invited to the St. Alphonsus Advent Retreat, hosted by Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO)—a time of reflection, prayer, and renewal. • Friday, **December 5th**, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. • Saturday, **December 6th**, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. • Spiritual talks, quiet prayer, and opportunities to grow deeper in faith as we enter the season of Advent. Come for one session or both as your schedule allows. All are welcome!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT, ST. ALPHONSUS: Sunday, **December 7th** at 3:00 p.m. in the church, 1066 Western Avenue. You are invited to come and listen to the beautiful voices of their adult and youth choirs. Admission by free will offering to support parish needs.



JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT SERIES: The *Journey through Advent* video series, includes reflections on the readings for each Sunday in Advent. It is a joint project between the *Office national de liturgie*, the National Liturgy Office, and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis). [VIEW VIDEO SERIES](#)

SIMBANG GABI NOVENA: You are welcome to join the Filipino Catholic tradition of Simbang Gabi, a devotional nine-day series of Masses in anticipation of Christmas, to be held at the Cathedral, **December 15th to 23rd** at 6:30 p.m. See the poster on our bulletin board listing the daily celebrants. (Fr. Jozef is Day 2, December 16th and concludes with the Bishop on Day 9, December 23rd).

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST/SACRED HEART IVE SISTERS: As Christians we have the call to evangelize. Let us use Christmas decorations that talk about the real reason for Christmas, which is the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The Sisters will be selling outdoor Christmas decorations (lawn signs at \$20 each, which include a wire H-Stake). To order please call **705-977-6279**. Take advantage of these meaningful signs for your houses and as gifts for Christmas.

Bambinelli Sunday - December 13/14!

For the past several decades, the Pope has blessed the Baby Jesus figurines from Nativity Scenes that belong to families, and the families themselves, in St. Peter's Square in Rome. The blessing takes place on Gaudete Sunday, the third Sunday of Advent, and is known as **Bambinelli Sunday**. The blessing of the ‘Bambinelli’—as they are known in Rome—reminds us that the Nativity scene is a school of life where we can learn the secrets of true joy.

All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figurines from your homes to Mass the weekend of December 13 & 14 and place your baby Jesus on the altar to be blessed, as we too celebrate our own Bambinelli Sunday. After the blessing, you are encouraged to take your ‘Bambinelli’ home and place it in a gift box, wrap the box and save it for Christmas. Let this be the first gift you open on Christmas day.

As you lay Jesus in the Manger, allow this moment to be a reminder of the great blessings we receive at Christmas.



“Center yourselves on Christ, so as to overcome the logic of the world, of fake news, of frivolity, with the beauty and light of truth.” —Pope Leo XIV