



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

386 Rogers Street, Peterborough, ON K9H 1W7

705-742-5466

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASSES FOR DECEMBER 14TH – DECEMBER 19TH

Tuesday, December 14 th	8:30 a.m.	+ Rosito A. Lintapan and Francisco & Judith V. Yamit and – in Thanksgiving for Blessings received, requested by Christine Joy Lintapan
Wednesday, December 15 th	8:30 a.m.	+ Barbara Coughlin, requested by the Estate
Thursday, December 16 th	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	+ Joe Moloney, requested by Anne Fitzgerald + Randy Blake, requested by the family
Friday, December 17 th	8:30 a.m.	+ Joe Moloney, requested by Mike Sullivan
Saturday, December 18 th	4:30 p.m.	+ Michael McAllister, requested by Marie Morrissey
Sunday, December 19 th	9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	+ Charlene Urbach, requested by her family – <i>For the people of Immaculate Conception Parish</i>

+ Repose of the soul

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Aleesha, Neave Alderson, Audrey, Tim Ayotte, Fr. Bart Burke, Gwendolyn Craigen, Joan Cross, Donna Ellis, Teresa Garvey, Sawyer Growden, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Bill Heasely, Janice Kelly, Bradley L., Cathy Lochner, Marian, Keith Mathieson, Peter McCarthy, Margaret Shine, Erin Sullivan, Linda VanTol, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Sally Weglarz and those who have no one to pray for them. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.**

WELCOME, WELCOME: Congratulations to **Emilia Maria Romanowski**, to be welcomed into the people of God this weekend through **baptism**.

CHRISTMAS OFFICE CLOSURE: The parish office will be closed from Tuesday, December 28th through Thursday, December 30th. We will reopen Tuesday, January 4th.

2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Now at the back of the church for pick-up.

FROM RITUAL TO RELATIONSHIP MISSION AT IMMACULATE: Immaculate Conception parish is proud to offer an Advent mission by Sr. Helena Burns. The mission is called "*From Ritual to Relationship*". The final session will be taking place in the church following the Thursday 7:00 p.m. Mass on **December 16th**. If you cannot make it, feel free to email jacobsullivan@sacredheartcollege.ca on how to watch from home. For more information on the theme or format, please [click here](#).



BAMBINELLI SUNDAY: This weekend (**December 11th & 12th**) is Baminelli Sunday, which is a beautiful tradition that was started by St. John Paul II. Baminelli is Italian, the plural of bambinello which means "little baby (boy)". Families traditionally spend their Advent season making small sacrifices of doing good deeds for the Child Jesus, represented by adding a piece of straw to His manger for each good deed performed. When Christmas day arrives, the Baby Jesus is placed in the empty creche made comfortable by these acts of charity. **This weekend, please plan to celebrate Baminelli Sunday by bringing your baby Jesus figures to be blessed.**

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION: St. John the Baptist Church, 300 Wilson Street, invites you to the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on **Sunday, December 12th**. Includes Holy Mass at 10:30 a.m., a small Guadalupe Apparition Narration prepared by the kids of our oratory group and mariachi players who will sing to Our Lady. We hope you can join us.



PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

The excitement of Christmas begins to build even before Halloween. Children are targeted with ads and commercials to ask Santa for the latest toys, electronic devices or games. As parents we love to see the anticipation, but our task really is a greater one—it is to keep the reason for Christmas at the forefront of our children’s minds. Are they as excited about the coming of Christ and its meaning for all people? Do they have a sense that long after every gift they desire from Santa is gone, the truths, love, care, compassion, guidance and stability from God will live on to help each of us to live and, ultimately, receive the gift of eternity? The true gift of Christmas should never be the last one we think of, or get excited about, since it is indeed the most valuable. Advent is the perfect time to bring all of this to light daily!

ONE ROOF NEEDING SUPPORT: The Immaculate Conception / St. Anne’s team has continued to provide meals to the *One Roof Community Centre* patrons despite the pandemic limitations. With that in mind, they once again are asking for your support, for donations of **hats, scarves, mitts, socks and hygiene products** to be distributed throughout the Christmas season. Baskets will be in the Church. Porch drop-offs can be done at 529 Rogers Street or call Sue Smith **705 -743-5973**. Your generosity is most appreciated. Donations will be accepted until **December 16th**. Our parish will be providing the meal on **December 18th** at One Roof.

SACRED HEART ANNUAL MEMORIAL WISH TREE:

You are invited to the candlelight Memorial Mass on **Saturday, December 18th**, at 5:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church with Bishop Daniel Miehm. If you would like a Memorial light placed on the Wish Tree in memory of your loved ones, please contact Ed Genge at **705-292-6665** or genge@sympatico.ca. This event aids in fundraising for parish renovation projects.

JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT: Please tune in for the [5-week video series](#) Indigenous Peoples and the Church: Walking Together Toward Healing and Reconciliation, Early Missionaries and the Encounter of Worldviews, released by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IN SOLIDARITY WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

Saturday, December 11, 2021 at 10 am
Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains, Peterborough

Shape of the Morning
10:00 a.m. beginning



Gathering Prayer
Homily
Prayer of the Community
Personal Prayer Time
Reflections

LUNCH AT THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL FOLLOWING.

We are grateful to Thomas Olszewski of Grandfather’s Kitchen who will be catering the lunch.

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Advent Reconciliation & Christmas & New Year’s Mass Schedule

Reconciliation Opportunities:	The Nativity of the Lord	Friday, Dec. 24 th	(No 8:30 a.m. Mass) 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
		Saturday, Dec. 25 th	9:30 a.m. English 11:30 a.m. Polish
† St. Martin’s Ennismore, Dec. 14 th in the eve.	Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	Sunday, Dec. 26 th	9:30 a.m. English 11:30 a.m. Polish
† St. Joseph’s Douro, Dec. 19 th 3:00 p.m.		Friday, Dec. 31 st	(No 8:30 a.m. Mass) 4:30 p.m.
† St. Alphonsus, Dec. 22 nd 9:00 a.m. to noon & 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God	Saturday, Jan. 1 st	9:30 a.m. English 11:30 a.m. Polish
		Epiphany of the Lord	Saturday, Jan. 1 st Sunday, Jan. 2 nd

“If we ask Jesus to come close to us, we will train ourselves to be watchful.” — Pope Francis