

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday & Wednesday - Friday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

PASTOR

Rev. Patrick M. Dobec, P.P.

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS

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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

In the Crying Room at entrance

Weekdays – Before all Masses or by appointment

in the Sacristy

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

20 December 2020

Let us pray . . .

For those who have died and left this transitory life . . . especially the repose souls of Teresa Sernoskie sister-in-law of Jerome Sernoskie, Cecil Sullivan, Gordon Pratt father of Rose Shulist and all the Pandemic Victims. Requiescant in Pace!

It can be a hard word to say – especially in times of fear and anxiety like the present: Yes. Ok, God. We're in. Compassion for the struggling and stumbling? Yes. Support for the grieving? Yes. Healing for the broken? Yes. Regardless of the cost, putting aside our own doubts and anxiety? Yes. God calls every one of us to bring to birth his life and love, his compassion and healing into our small corners of the world. By God's grace, we are able to say yes – a yes that is total and committed; a yes that is clear and determined; a yes that is given fully aware of the obstacles but sees reasons for hope; a yes that is selfless and giving. Despite her understandable confusion and fear, Mary's yes is offered in complete faith and trust in the God of all that is good. And because of her yes, the Christ event, the new Genesis, the second creation is put into motion. In her yes to God, Mary our mother becomes a model and inspiration in our own yes to God.

CELEBRATION OF MASS

Monday	12:00 noon 12:00 p.m.	The Angelus Lucianne and Frank Sauro by Rick and Judy Sauro
Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Special Intentions for Denise Crawford
Wednesday	12:00 noon 12:10 p.m.	The Angelus Evelyn Rumleskie by Eddie and Diane Etmanskie and Family

CHRISTMAS SEASON

Christmas Eve	4:00 p.m.	Dowdall Murray by Norine Helferty
	6:00 p.m.	Margaret Cowan and Sonya Hamilton by Mike & Diane McArthur
Christmas 9:30 a.m.		Basil Billings by Evelyn Cybulski and Albert Cybulski

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

27 December 2020

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Intentions for Melissa Dombroskie Joseph Walsh by Helen & Terry Recoskie
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for all the People)

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS

	December 24th		December 25th
	4:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	9:30 a.m.
Readers	Karen Yakabuski	Brooke-Lyn Lundy Sean Conway	Joanne Olsen Ursula Jeffrey
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Martin Yakabuski	Darlene Luckovitch	Terry Recoskie
	December 26th		December 27th
Readers	Martin Yakabuski		Brooke-Lyn Lundy
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Neil O'Reilly		Martin Yakabuski

May Jesus Christ bring Love and Peace
to you at Christmas and Bless you
throughout the New Year.

You will have a very Special Remembrance in the
Celebration of Mass on Christmas Day.

Reverend Patrick M. Dobec, P.P.

A BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO ALL from the staff of St. Lawrence O'Toole – Diane, Randy and Maureen

CHRISTMAS – The Christmas Season celebrates the birth of the Lord Jesus and the ways he manifested the presence of God among us. For the Church, only the Easter celebration of the Lord's death and rising is more important than the Christmas Season.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION – This is a very difficult time for many people struggling to survive. For those who are able we encourage you to remember our parish at Christmas to help augment the loss of over \$10,000.00 dollars of revenue from the extra parish events that have all been cancelled. Thank you for your consideration.

With the Apostolic Letter "Patris Corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of Saint Joseph" from December 8th, 2020 to December 8th, 2021.

The Apostolic Penitentiary issues a decree granting plenary indulgences for the year of St. Joseph proclaimed by Pope Francis on Tuesday, December 8th. www.vaticannews.

Sacrament of Penance (Confession) – Fr. Wilfred Lenius and Fr. Patrick Dobec are available.

Masks are required.

Saturday, December 19th from 3:15 – 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 20th after the 9:30 a.m. mass

Registered Households 183
Last Sunday's Offering \$2282.00

62 Household Envelopes: \$1684.00
Christmas Flowers: \$40.00

Visitor: \$40.00 **Loose: \$47.00**
Christmas Offering: \$200.00

Memorial Fund: \$25.00
Building Fund: \$246.00

We do well to ask ourselves . . . "What mark did I leave on the life of society?" (Perhaps your Will). Give today to build a better future for generations to come.

Vaccine Reflections: <https://cathnews.com/cathnews/39643-news-of-ethical-covid-vaccine-welcomed>

Parents . . . looking for ways to reach out and minister to youth during the pandemic? LIFETEEN has new resources for youth grade 6-8 and 9-12 that are all online and virtual to help keep teens engaged in their faith and connected to the Church. Contact Yvette Bourque at 613-732-7322 ext: 208 or yvettebourque@pembrokedioocese.com for more information. Yvette would be happy to discuss the options that are available.

THE ANGELUS is a traditional Catholic prayer that commemorates the Annunciation (Luke 1:26-38), the decisive moment when God knocked at Mary's heart and, having received her "yes," began to take flesh in her and from her. The collect prayer of 4th Sunday of Advent is also the same prayer that is recited at the end of the Angelus. Advent prepares us for the feast of Christmas by inviting us to fix our gaze upon the ineffable mystery that Mary carried for nine months in her virginal womb: the mystery of God who becomes man. This is the first hinge of Redemption. The second is Jesus' death and resurrection, and these two inseparable hinges manifest a single divine plan: to save humanity and its history, assuming it to the very end by completely taking on all the evil that oppresses it. – Pope Benedict XVI

It is traditionally prayed at dawn, noon and twilight when the church bells peal.

V. The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary . . .

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

R. Be it done unto me according to Thy word. Hail Mary . . .

V. And the Word was made Flesh:

R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary . . .

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

PARISH REGISTRATION - (Households who have not registered or a change of address, phone or email)

Name: _____

Other Members of Household: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Envelopes: Do you need envelopes yes no (Drop this into the collection basket or office, thank you)