

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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Holy Canadian Martyrs at 613-756-3606
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9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.*

Christmas – The Nativity of the Lord

December 25, 2022



The Decorations for Christmas are for the Glory of God and in Memory of Our Loved Ones

+ Helen Aikenhead *by Paul Aikenhead & Emilie Pigeon* + Family, Relatives, Friends, Brother Priests & Faithful Departed Parishioners *by Father John N. Burchat* + Sidney Pecarski *by Darlene Bresnahan* + Beverly Brotton *by Alphonse Brotton* + Joseph, Beatrice & Mildred Brotton *by Susan Brotton* + Karl & Robbie Coulas, August & Coulas Families & Margaret Cowan *by Gwen Coulas* + Jerome Cybulski & Phelanda Hall *by Viola Cybulski* + Dombroskie Family *by Andrew & Colleen Dombroskie* + Theodore Dombroskie *by Derek Dombroskie* + Andrew M. (Della) Dombroskie *by Shirley Dombroskie* + Evelyn, Gilbert Sr., Gilbert Jr., Brian Rumleskie & Martin & Agnes Etmanskie *by Eddie and Diane Etmanskie* + Armand & Sylvio *by Lorraine Finn* + Scott Jeffrey *by John & Ursula Jeffrey* + Edmund Kubesheskie *by Arlene Kubesheskie* + John MacLeod & Patrick & Ruth Cowan *by Terri MacLeod* + Murray & Brotton Family *by Ted & Liz Murray* + Dorothy Peplinski & Deceased Family Members *by Pat & Lynn Peplinski* + Clarence, Brian & Michael Prince; Anthony, Isadore Lorbitskie; Peter & Annie Lorbitskie & Ambrose & Martha Zilney *by Dorothy Prince* + August, Theresa & Wayne Hudder & Majella Rush *by Charlie & Debbie Rodway & Family* + Deceased Members of the Serran & Mullin Families *by Robert & Margaret Serran* + Paul & Heather Sheehy + Aloysius Smaglinski *by Maxine Smaglinski* + Edward & Bev Stoppa + Nicholas Stoppa & deceased relatives *by Jackie Stoppa* + Teresa Sullivan & Lawrence Sullivan *by Bruce & Karen Sullivan* + Claire & Andre Noel *by Dave & Christine Trudel & Family* + Alfred & Evelyn Villeneuve & Deceased Family Members *by Claire Sullivan & Family* + Deceased Villeneuve Family Members & Relatives *by Marie Villeneuve* + Deceased Relatives & Friends *by Margaret Young*

For the Intentions of: *Anne Bonnah; John & Theresa Bray; Tony & Debbie Burant; Jamie & Tammy Prince; Terry & Patsy Prince; Rosemarie Recoskie; Terry & Helen Recoskie; Patrick & Lorraine Flynn; Gerry & Diane Green; Basil Herron; John & Beth Hildebrandt; Roy & Enise Hunter; Gerard & Loretta Kuiack; Pat Kuiack; Shannon Luckovitch; Darlene & Darryl Luckovitch; Bridget Luckovitch; John & Joanne Olsen; Daniel & Patsy O'Malley; Neil & Connie O'Reilly; Leonard & Phyllis Rumleskie; Jerome & Agnes Sernoskie; Barbara Conway; Mr. & Mrs. Basil Brotton; Raymond Dombroskie*

**The Masses for the Nativity of the Lord are offered for these intentions
and for the general intentions of all parishioners.**

Octave of Christmas

December 26 – 30

(Thursday 1:45 p.m. Mass & Anointing of the Sick at the Valley Manor)
(residents only)

Friday 9:00 a.m. + Evelyn Rumleskie by *Eddie and Diane Etmanskie*

+ The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God +

New Year's & World Day of Peace

December 31; January 1, 2023

Saturday 4:00 p.m. +Barb Goulet by *Glenn Prince & Alicia Coulas*

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass for the People

Liturgical Appointments

Readings

Communion

Offertory

December 31

Susan Coulas

Neil O'Reilly

Volunteers

January 1

Ursula Jeffrey

Terry Recoskie

Volunteers

ROMAN CALENDAR:

Monday

- St. Stephen, the first martyr

Tuesday

- St. John, apostle, evangelist

Wednesday

- The Holy Innocents, martyrs

Thursday

- St. Thomas Becket, bishop, martyr

Friday

- The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Saturday

- St. Sylvester I, pope

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS: Closed between Christmas and New Year's.

WINTER FLU SEASON & PROTOCOL: Please, if you have any flu-like symptoms you and your family should remain at home. Those who wish to receive the Host on the tongue are asked to come forward towards the end of the procession for Holy Communion.

OFFERING 2022: Please make sure you have your 2022 Offerings in the office by, Sunday, December 25th so this will be included for your tax receipts, or it will be included in your 2023.

LAST WEEK'S SUNDAY OFFERINGS: Total: \$4,177.00; (Envelopes: \$2,212.00; E-Transfers: \$200.00; Loose: \$50.00; Visitors: \$200.00; Christmas Offering: \$60.00; Building Fund: \$1,135.00; Donation: \$250.00 [People at Mass: 4:00 p.m./102; 10:30 a.m./77]

2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Please pick up your new box at the church entrance. Please write your full address on the first few envelopes of the year so that tax receipts are mailed to the proper address. If your name is missing, please contact the office by phone or email.

DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLANNING: Counting People at Mass – “Starting on the First Sunday of Advent and continuing for one calendar year, all parishes in the Diocese of Pembroke will provide an accurate count of these who are attending Mass each weekend. This will be reported in the weekly parish bulletin and then collated at the end of 2023 to assist with conversations around diocesan pastoral planning and evangelization: how best to serve our parish communities, provide access to the Sacraments and build up the mission of the Church.” ~ *Bishop Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R.*

INCLEMENT WEATHER: Our parish complies with the policy of Catholic Mutual Canada Insurance regarding standard practices for snow/ice removal, salting, sanding, and the logging of all winter maintenance. However, during the winter months, when environment Canada has announced a public winter weather warning regarding snow or freezing rain for the area, everyone, especially the elderly, ought to exercise their prudence (common sense) in attempting to attend Mass or meetings and gatherings of any kind.

DEAR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS: *Christ is born! Glorify him!*

On Christmas Eve, we enter the mystery of that first Christmas, that "silent night" within which an Event occurred that both changed the universe and transforms human history. The human storyline of Christmas is familiar: the birth of a baby and wonder of all who witness the event. And yet this Event is the mystery of the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Trinity, the Eternal Son of the Father. It is an Event by which we celebrate the mystery of the Word becoming flesh and appearing within His own creation. Yes, the One whom the heavens cannot contain becomes an infant, dependent upon a human mother and father for nourishment and protection.

Today, and forever, may the glory of Jesus Christ who becomes flesh for us, be with you and your loved ones. Mary, Mother of God, and our Mother in faith, help us to gaze and ponder the face of the Infant, the Son of God, and her Son, who is born for us and for our salvation.

Your brother in the Lord,
Fr. John Burchat