



"You will give birth to a Son and you will name Him, Jesus."

December 20, 2020 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sun., Dec. 20 th	12:00 pm	Baptism Celebration
Mon., Dec. 21 st		No mass on Monday
Tues., Dec. 22 nd	9:00 am	Advent Weekday Mass
	6:00 pm	NO R.C.I.A. until January
Wed. Dec. 23 rd	9:00 am	Advent Weekday Mass
Thurs., Dec. 24 th		NO MASS AT 9:00 am on December 24 th
	5:00 pm	FIRST 2 MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS EVE
	8:00 pm	CHRISTMAS EVE MASS
	11:00 pm	CHRISTMAS EVE MASS
Fri., Dec. 25 th	10:30 am	2 MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

May this year's Christmas be for all of you a beacon of hopeful light and a prayer for new beginnings in 2021!
Your Parish Pastoral Team




Bishop Colli's Schedule
Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
(as per our Online "Mass Celebrants' Schedule")

CHRISTMAS 2020 - OUR CATHEDRAL'S MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

- ◆ 5:00 pm (2 Masses will be celebrated at the same time, (upstairs, in the Cathedral, and downstairs, in the Auditorium);
 - ◆ 8:00 pm (1 Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral).
- A second Mass (*if needed*) may also be celebrated downstairs at 8 pm;
- ◆ 11:00 pm (1 Mass will be celebrated upstairs in the Cathedral ONLY)

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES:

- ◆ 10:30 am - (2 Masses will be celebrated , 1 upstairs and 1 downstairs).

PLEASE REMEMBER: IF THEY WISH, CATHOLICS MAY CHOOSE TO ATTEND MASS ON ANY DAY DURING THE 8 DAYS AFTER DECEMBER 25 (OCTAVE) AND STILL FULFILL THEIR CHRISTMAS MASS OBLIGATION.



LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION AND DONATIONS

Last Sunday's Collection (<i>December 13</i>)	\$ 6, 203.93
Online Donations (<i>week of Dec. 6-13</i>).....	520.00
Christmas Flowers Donations.....	140.00
Votive Candles	133.00
St. Anthony's Poor Fund	79.70
Missal Sales	35.00
Thanks to all for your generous giving!	

BISHOP'S MINISTRY CAMPAIGN

2020 Parish Goal	\$ 34, 000.00
Donations this week ..	\$ 1, 015.00
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Total to date	\$ 21, 470.00
% of Parish Goal	63.1 %
ONLY 10 DAYS TO DEADLINE!	



Q. Why is the popular song, "Good King Wencelsaus" considered a Christmas carol? Its lyrics do not even mention Christ's Birth.

A. This Christmas carol, just like the very popular, "The Little Drummer Boy" were not written to give us yet two more accounts of the Christmas story. Instead, they are meant to teach us how the Christian message of the newborn King should be lived out by His faithful followers. Both teach us about thanking and sharing. The Good King As I said above, although this popular English carol



makes no specific mention of Christmas, it does subtly associate the benevolent actions of the King with that special day of the year. The first verse begins by telling us that Wenceslaus looked out, "on the Feast of Stephen, when the snow lay round about, deep and crisp and even." All Christians know that the Feast of St. Stephen is the day after Christmas. Moreover, all of us who inhabit northern countries, also know that snow is associated with December, the month in which Christmas occurs.



The Ministry of the Messiah This king did not only believe in the importance of the Lord's birth but he also continued Jesus' ministry in

his daily life. This saintly Christian monarch who was the actual ruler of Bohemia (modern day Czech Republic) in 930 A.D.) is still remembered throughout the world today for his many virtues and especially for his charity towards the poor. The final verse tells us why we should follow the king's example. After all, it is in giving that we receive! "Therefore Christian men be sure, wealth or rank possessing, ye who

now will bless the poor, shall yourselves find blessing".

The Talented 'Drummer Boy' Although Luke's Gospel records that shepherds brought sheep to the manger, no mention is made of a

child playing a drum for the infant Jesus, since drums were not instruments used by the Jews. Once again, it is the message that is crucial in this 1958 carol. The story is of as child who has nothing but his God given gifts to give to Jesus.

"I have no gift to bring that's fit to give the King" (3rd); "I played my best for Him" (5th). "Then He smiled at me" (6th). The message is clear; it doesn't matter what talents we have. The way we use them for others does!



Catholic Women's League

JANUARY IS C.W.L. MEMBERSHIP MONTH

Our 2021 Catholic Women's League Membership Dues are: \$25. Envelopes for this annual fee can be found in your Church envelope packet or at all entrances to the Cathedral. Place the envelopes into one of the Collection boxes or mail or bring it to the Parish Office.

~~~ New members are always welcome! ~~~

C.W.L. brochures can be found at all Church entrances or on our Website:

[www.stpatrickscathedral.ca](http://www.stpatrickscathedral.ca) ("C.W.L./K.C./Men's Group")

**CHURCH CALENDARS**



Our beautiful new Church Art calendars for 2021 have now arrived and are available from our Parish Office. The cost is \$5.

**REQUESTS FOR MASS INTENTIONS**

Our parishioners who wish to have daily Masses celebrated in 2021 for their loved ones who have died or for the intentions of the living, should notify Janie Slobodnik at the Parish Office (622-5389) during the month of December. This is especially important for those who wish to request several Masses or for Masses to be celebrated on specific dates in 2021.