



*"Rejoice, O Israel!"
(GAUDETE SUNDAY)*

DECEMBER 12, 2021 "REJOICE" SUNDAY (ADVENT III)

Tues., Dec. 14th 9:00 am Weekday Mass (*St. John of the Cross*)
 6:00 pm R.C.I.A. (*in Rectory Meeting Room*)
 Wed., Dec. 15th 9:00 am Weekday Mass
 Thurs., Dec. 16th 9:00 am Weekday Mass
 Fri., Dec. 17th 9:00 am Weekday Mass
 Sat., Dec. 18th 5:00 pm Vigil Mass of the 4th Sunday of Advent
 Sun., Dec. 19th Masses of the 4th Sunday of Advent (8:30 /10:30 am)

WEDDING BANNES

Brett Fucile, & Meghan Slongo (*Dec. 18/21*)
Daniel Stilla & Alyssa Parsons (*Dec. 31/21*)
(First Publication)



BISHOP'S SCHEDULE
 December 24th
 Cathedral Masses
 8 pm & 11 pm

ABOVE AND BEYOND HIS CALLING TO SERVE THE LORD!

Whether he was called upon to minister at the altar and to preside at Liturgical celebrations as a Deacon, or, to offer technical advise as a professional electrician/mechanic and/or to provide countless hours of volunteer work to enhance and maintain our Church building, Deacon Richard Baxter was always ready to serve, with generosity and expertise. Recently, Richard has asked to retire from active ministry as part of our Cathedral Pastoral Team. Of course, he will still be with us to minister on a part/time basis. He will also continue to preside, as he has for many years, at weekly Communion Services at St. Joseph's Chapel in Shebandowan during the summer months. I take this opportunity on behalf of all of us, to sincerely thank Deacon Richard for his almost 20 years of service at St. Pat's. Likewise, on a Diocesan level I express to him our appreciation for his pivotal role in building and actively maintaining the Armstrong Church of Our Lady of the Snows. and for once managing the Catholic Action Store. Happy Retirement! *Msgr. Pat*



CHRISTMAS: 2021 MASS TIMES



CHRISTMAS EVE

- ◆ 5:00 pm: 2 Masses, 1 upstairs, in the Cathedral and 1 in the Hall;
- ◆ 8:00 pm: 1 Mass in the Cathedral;
- .. 11:00 pm: 1 Mass in the Cathedral.

CHRISTMAS DAY

- .. 10:30 am: 1 Mass, in the Cathedral.

* NO MASS AT 5:00 PM ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25TH *

Sunday Masses, Dec. 26th
 8:30 am & 10:30 am

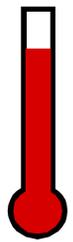
LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

December 5 th Collection	\$ 7, 218.00
Online Donations (<i>Nov. 28-Dec. 5</i>)	370.00
Monthly Renovations Collection	1, 030.00
Donations for Funerals/Sacraments.....	120.00
Donations for Flowers/Missals	245.00
Votive Candles	163.00
'Friends' of the Cathedral Donations ...	1, 540.00
Bulletin Advertising	1, 675.00
Donation (<i>in Memory of Archie Ortolan</i>)..	100.00



BISHOP'S MINISTRY CAMPAIGN

2021 Parish Goal	\$ 34, 000.
Last week's donations	300.
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Total to date	\$ 26, 565.
% of Parish Goal	78.1%



Q. What do we know about angels?

A. The word angel comes from the Greek word "aggelos" which means, "messenger". There are nu-

merous referrals to angels in both the Old and New Testaments of the Bible. is the multitude of the heavenly host (angels) who announce the birth of Christ to the shepherds. In

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The Archangels

The angels who are mentioned by name are the so-called "archangels" namely, Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael.

In the Bible

In the Book of Psalms (91:11), we are told that God will protect His people by putting them in "His angels' charge". Later, in the New Testament, Jesus tells us that the angels are spiritual beings (Mt 22:30), and that they will accompany Him at His second coming (Mt. 16:27); (Mt. 25:31); & (Mk 13:27).

The Annunciation and Christmas

In Luke's version of the Christmas story, the Archangel Gabriel announces to Mary that she has been chosen to be the Mother of Jesus. Then, after the birth of Christ, it



Matthew's version, "the angel of the Lord" announces to Joseph in a dream that Mary will conceive and bear a son. Then, later, Joseph is warned in a dream by the same "angel of the Lord" to escape into Egypt in order to save Jesus from a premature death at the hands of Herod.

In Theology

In the course of centuries, theologians have described angels as created spirits without bodies, endowed with intellect and free will, inferior to God but superior to humans. Sometimes they are categorized as archangels, cherubims, seraphims, principalities, dominations, choirs, etc. Although angels have neither bodies nor wings they have, for centuries, been traditionally depicted in this way in Christian art.



Catholic Women's League

THE FIRST DONATION!

At its December 5th General meeting, all the members voted to make a first donation of \$500. towards our new "church roof" campaign. Another \$100. was donated to support the First Communion Instruction Fund. Thank-you!

IS IT TIME TO JOIN?

Are you searching for something worthwhile that makes the best use of your time and talents? Your commitment could be as easy as maintaining an inexpensive year membership (\$25), even when you are unable to attend meetings or other events. Regardless, someone will be praying for you each day of the year!

The C.W.L. is the united voice of Catholic women across Canada providing faith-based opportunities for social interaction, personal development and community service. Make the CWL a priority in your life! Come, join us! Membership fees can be placed in a CWL envelope, available at all entrances to the Cathedral or in a plain envelope with your name, address, phone number and email address, marked CWL and placed in the collection or delivered to the Office.



Knights of Columbus



Council 1447 Meeting
Tues., Dec.14 at 7:30pm
(No Officers' meeting).