First Sunday Of Advent

November 29, 2015

"Your redemption is drawing near."

- Luke 21.25-28, 34-36

MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK MASS INTENTION

Tuesday	December 1	12 noon	Catherine Abric
Wednesday	December 2	5:00pm	Deceased Members - Holy Trinity CWL
Thursday	December 3	12 noon	Doug Murphy
Friday	December 4	12 noon	Antoinette Robotka
<u>Saturday</u>	December 5	4:00pm	For All Parishioners & Their Intentions
<u>Sunday</u>	December 6	9:00am	Audrey Murphy

Confessions -- Every Thursday - 10:30am

Last Week's Offertory Collection

Regular Envelopes	\$1,305.00	
Loose Donations	\$60.85	
Christmas Baskets	\$490.00	
Retired Priests	\$330.00	
Flowers	\$20.00	
Memorial Tree	\$20.00	
Building Fund	\$75.00	
	\$2,300.85	Last Week's Total

Renewal Contribution \$500.00

Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that He has given you. - Deuteronomy 16.17

Mass Change

There will be no noon Mass on Wednesday, December 2nd. Mass will be celebrated at 5pm.

Christmas Ministry Schedule

There will be a sign-up sheet at the back of the church until Sunday, December 13th. Please check off which Masses you plan on attending so that we can complete the Christmas Ministry Schedule.

CWL Christmas Pot Luck

The Holy Trinity CWL will be holding their annual Christmas Pot Luck Dinner on Wednesday, December 2nd. Mass will be celebrated at 5pm, dinner will follow in the Family Center. Membership fees of \$20 can be paid at this time. Members are asked to bring a gift for a child. Please do not wrap the present. Holy Trinity coffee mugs will be available for purchase at the dinner for \$10. Members will be contacted by the phone committee.



Bishop's Letters To The Faithful

Bishop Harris has written two letters that he would like all parishioners to read. The letters are available at the back of the church.

Christmas Baskets

Total donations for Christmas Baskets to date: \$3,600.00

Please place your contributions in an envelope labeled "Christmas Baskets" and place them in the collection. We encourage you to put your envelope number or name on your envelope as well in order for you to receive a tax receipt for your donation.

Renewal Meeting/Potluck

The next Renewal Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 9th. It will begin at 6pm with a potluck supper, meeting to follow. All are welcome.

Renewal Committee Church Cleaning

Our church community will be gathering after Mass on Sunday, December 6th, as we work together to clean the church in preparation for the upcoming Christmas season. All are welcome to help. If you are able to bring bucket and cloth it would be appreciated.

Renewal Committee Fundraising

The latest contribution to the parish from the many fundraising activities of the Renewal Committee is **\$500.00**. The parish thanks them for their continuing hard work.

Concert

The Saint John High School Concert Choir, directed by Trish Gallagher, will present a concert on December 6th, 2pm, at the Cathedral, Waterloo Street. The choir of 100 students will be accompanied by Danny Han and the SJHS String Ensemble. Admission is \$10.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Bishop Robert Harris cordially invites everyone to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception at a Mass to be celebrated on Tuesday, December 8th, 6:30pm at the Cathedral.

Ministry Schedule

We will soon be preparing the January - March Ministry Schedule. If you know that you will be unavailable at any point during those months, please contact the office before Sunday, December 13th.

Memorial Tree

Many have found our Memorial Tree to be a helpful way of remembering and dealing with feelings of loss during an otherwise happy time. If this is helpful for you, you are invited to print the names(s) of deceased relatives and friends on the outside of an envelope and mark it "Memorial Tree". These names will be placed on ornaments prepared and decorated by the children in our Religious Education Program and the ornaments will be placed on the Tree. While you may also use the same envelope to make a voluntary donation to our Building Fund, a donation is not required. Deadline for submission of names is Sunday, December 13th.

Christmas Flower Memorial

Again this year we are asking for your assistance as we decorate Holy Trinity for Christmas. We encourage you to make a donation towards our Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one. Simply write the name(s) of those you would like to remember on the outside of an envelope and drop it in the collection. Deadline for submission of names is Sunday, December 13th. Please also indicate that the envelope is for "Flowers", and include your envelope number. The names of all those being honored will be included in our Christmas bulletin.

Saturday Soup

Please join us every Saturday evening after the 4pm Mass in the Family Centre. Enjoy a meal of soup, rolls, dessert, tea & coffee as well as a time of fellowship. Cost: Donation.

Card Party

Holy Trinity hosts an Auction 45s Card Party every Monday beginning at 1pm in the Family Center. Light refreshments will be served. Admission is \$3.

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Sacrament Of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated by appointment. To make arrangements for a baptism please contact the office.

Sacrament Of Penance/Reconciliation

Confessions are celebrated on Thursdays at 10:30am.

Sacrament Of Marriage

To be married at Holy Trinity church, couples must first make an appointment with Father Peter to discuss their plans. At least a six month notice and taking a marriage preparation course is a requirement.

Sacrament And Ministry To The Sick

If there is a family member or relative in the hospital who would like to receive a visit from the pastor, please inform Father Peter. Also, please let Father Peter know if there is someone sick or confined to their home who would like to receive a visit, receive Holy Communion, or be anointed with the Sacrament of the Sick.