

SCRIPTURES FOR SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2016

(Liturgical Year A)

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 11.1 – 10

With righteousness he shall judge the poor.

Second Reading: Romans 15.4 – 9

Christ has saved all people.

Gospel: Matthew 3.1 – 12

Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.

This Week

Saturday, November 26 1st Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

Sunday, November 27 1st Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. Mass for Don Taylor req. by Doreen Taylor

9:00 a.m. Mass for Bernard White req. by Joan & Family

10:00 a.m. Advent Brunch

11:00 a.m. Mass for Thomas Clarkson req. by Marie Wilhelm

7:00 p.m. Lessons & Carols with Reception

Monday, November 28

9:00 a.m. Mass for a special intention

7:00 p.m. OCSB Children's Choir

8:00 p.m. AA – Westboro Step

Tuesday November 29

10:30 a.m. Mass at Medex

7:00 p.m. Bytown Voices

7:00 p.m. Mission & Social Justice Committee

Wednesday November 30 Mass at Notre Dame High School

9:00 a.m. Mass at Notre Dame High School

Thursday, December 01

9:00 a.m. Mass for a special intention

7:00 p.m. Youth Group

Friday, December 02

9:00 a.m. Mass for a special intention

8:00 p.m. AA – By the Book

Saturday, December 03 2nd Sunday of Advent5:00 p.m. Mass for Dan Janigan on the 16th anniversary of his death req. by Anna Janigan

5:00 p.m. Mass for Annie Perry req. by Anna Janigan

Sunday, December 04 2nd Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

11:00 a.m. Mass for Mel Thompson req. by Brenda & John Worswick

3:00 p.m. Bytown Voices Concert



Parish News

PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATIONS (PADs)

Are you away for extended periods of time, weekends, or traveling? Have you considered signing up for the automatic payment program? It is a simple way to continue to support the parish while you are away on holidays. As we are well aware, costs continue to rise and maintenance is an ongoing issue. To take advantage of our Pre-Authorized Donation (PADs) program and ensure uninterrupted regular donations, please complete a pre-authorized request form, found on the table at the back of the church. Attach a copy of a blank cheque marked "VOID" and indicate the amount you wish to be deducted from your account on a monthly basis and return it to the parish office. do you wish to change the amount you are donating via PAD? Follow the same procedure with new amount filled in. For more information, call the parish office at 729-5149 ext. 200

ADVENT WREATH

Anyone who is interested in helping to light the advent candle before all the weekend masses during advent, please add your name in the book on the table at the back of the Church under the mass time that you are interested in. If there is no one listed to help at any of the masses, the ushers will ask a family to help. Thanks for making advent a special time with your assistance.

CWL

St. Basil's Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada is holding a membership drive during the month of November. ALL women of the Parish are invited to join us. Meetings are held on the second Saturday of January, March and May (2017) at 11:00 am in the room under the sacristy. A potluck lunch will be held in June 2017. You may support us with your annual fee of \$25 even if you feel you are not able to attend the meetings. Please use the cut-off on the bulletin insert of November 5/6 to remit your fees.

'KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS'

After all Masses throughout the month of November, The Knights of Columbus will be selling beautiful spiritual Christmas Cards at great prices. Please support this initiative and 'Keep Christ in Christmas'.

TODAY'S QUOTE

"...The time of Advent that we begin again today returns us to the horizon of hope, a hope that does not disappoint because it is founded on the Word of God. A hope that does not disappoint, simply because the Lord never disappoints! He is faithful!

Pope Francis – brainyquote.com

WE WAIT IN HOPE AS MARY DID...

Join the choir this **Sunday 27 November at 7:00 p.m.** for **We Wait in Hope as Mary Did**- a service of song, scripture and reflection for the beginning of Advent. Come and find spiritual inspiration for your observance of Advent. There will be wine and fruitcake following the service.

CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE!

St. Basil's CWL will be holding their annual Christmas Bake Sale after all Masses on the weekend of **3/4 Dec 2016**. All donations for this sale will be gratefully received on Saturday, 3 Dec 2016, between 2 and 4 pm in the narthex of the Church. Please plan to support the charitable work of the CWL by contributing, and purchasing, at this annual sale. Thank you in advance for all donations.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**CHRISTMAS IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!** 

Again with the kind generosity of St Basil's parishioners the parish will be sponsoring a Christmas hamper/gift program. The key dates to remember are:

- 1) **November 26th/27th:** Christmas tree with gift name tags will be set up in the church entrance
- 2). **December 10th/11th:** Deadline weekend to return wrapped Christmas gift donations
- 3). **December 13th:** Preparation of the Christmas parcels in the church hall for delivery.
- 4). **December 17th/18th:** Parcels picked up for delivery to recipients by parishioners.

As has been the practice for several years, name tags with age/gender information will be on a Christmas tree at the church entrance. Please take a tag or two and purchase a gift for the child. Return the wrapped gift **WITH** the gift tag attached by the deadline date above. Volunteers on December 13th between 9:30 and 11:30 am in church hall, to assist with getting the Food & Christmas gift packages ready for delivery are welcome. Have a question? Want to volunteer? Please contact Michael and Michelle Gleeson at 613-729-5299 or mandmgleeson@rogers.com

MISSALS

The new Missals for 2016/17 are available for purchase in the Narthex. Please put your **\$5.00** for each missal in the wooden box on the table. There are also a limited number Children's Missals available at a cost of \$5.00 each as well.

ADORATION

We resumed our First Friday Devotions under a new format. We begin with Mass at 9 a.m. Immediately following Mass we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. All parishioners are invited to join us this **Friday December 2nd** for this very important part of our Catholic Spirituality.

FOR YOUR INFO....

The new priest Fr Ross Finlan will begin at St Basil's on Saturday December 31st and will remain here until the summer when new appointments are made. Fr Dan will be leaving approximately December 30th. Contact information for Fr Dan will be available from the Parish office **after that date**.

YOUTH GROUP NEEDS YOUR HELP

Dear parishioners our Youth Group is meeting on **Thursday December 1st** and we would like to have a baking night. We are looking for donations of flour, sugar, butter, eggs and vanilla to have a successful night. *All youths from grades 6 to 10 are welcome to come and join the fun.* For delivery of supplies please email jennifergolanowski@yahoo.ca.

"Whatsoever you do..."

With the continued Greening of St. Basil's, we thank the Knights of Columbus for upgrading the kitchen with green bins, etc.

MISSION & SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

*From the Diocese***PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS**

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ DECEMBER 4TH ~ For all those chosen by Christ to "prepare the way of the Lord" in their hearts and in the hearts of His people as priests, deacons, brothers and sisters

EUTHANASIA/ASSISTED SUICIDE – DID YOU KNOW?

Now that Canada has legalized assisted suicide/euthanasia, did you know that doctors in Ontario are forced to provide direct referrals for patients seeking to end their lives? Doctors who object to helping to kill their patients see a direct referral as being an accomplice to assisted suicide. No foreign jurisdiction in the world that has legalized euthanasia/assisted suicide has forced health care workers or facilities to act against their conscience. 8 other provinces in Canada have adopted protocols to protect doctors and institutions. Visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more and to write directly to the Ontario government.

*From the Community***RAISE THE ROOF**

St. John the Apostle Church is having a lasagna family dinner on **Sunday, December 4th** at 5:00 pm in support of its "Raise the Roof" fundraising campaign. The dinner will be held in the church's Main Hall (2340 Baseline Road) with live musical entertainment, door prizes, a silent auction, a 50/50 draw, and a whole lot of fun! Tickets are \$20 for adults (12 years and older); \$10 for children (6-11 years); and free for children 5 years or younger. Please call the Church Office (613-829-1760) to get your tickets today!

COALITION FOR HEALTHCARE AND CONSCIENCE

In Canada, everyone has the right to their faith and conscience. With physician-assisted suicide now legal in Canada, many healthcare practitioners and facilities are in a compromised position. Those who cannot support assisted suicide or euthanasia because of their conscience, faith, or commitment to the Hippocratic Oath could be forced to compromise their convictions. They shouldn't have to. This coalition stands opposed to assisted suicide. Now that the federal government has passed a law that will legalize assisted suicide, help is needed to ensure Canadian's faith and conscience rights are protected.

www.canadiansforconscience.ca.