

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

3rd Sunday of Advent—**JOY!**
December 15, 2024



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CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve:

Tuesday, December 24

St. Thomas Aquinas School:
4:00pm Mass

Holy Trinity Masses:
4:00, 7:00, 9:00pm,
and Midnight.



Christmas Day:

Wednesday, December 25

9:00 & 11:00am Mass

Thursday and Friday

9:30am Mass

Saturday, December 28

5:00pm Mass

(Confessions 4 pm to 4:45 pm)

Sunday, December 29

9:00 & 11:00am;

6:00pm Mass

Monday, December 30

9:30am Mass

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God:

Tuesday, December 31

5:00pm Mass

(NO Confessions)

Wednesday, January 1

9:00 & 11:00am Mass

(NO Adoration)

Thursday, January 2

9:30am Mass

First Friday, January 3

9:30am Mass

(followed by Confessions and Adoration until 11:00am)



Gaudete Sunday is also known as **JOY** Sunday. The name comes from the Latin word "gaudete", which means "rejoice".

Today, the tone of Advent shifts from penitential reflection to joyful anticipation.

The rose candle reminds us that the joyous feast of Christmas is near, and the nearness of the feast is reason for great joy!

BE JOYFUL!



Please note that there will be **NO** Adoration on Wednesday, December 25 or January 1.

CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL MASS
Tuesday, December 17 at 7:00pm

We look forward to seeing you!



The Parish office will be closed Tuesday, December 24 at noon, and will re-open on Tuesday, January 2 at 9:00am.



FOR EMERGENCIES PLEASE CALL 587-590-0143



OL—Our Lady's; SJ—St. Joseph;
L—Library; C—Church;
Chpl.—Chapel; BR—Board Rm.

UPSTAIRS:

C—Knights of Columbus Room;
CWL—Catholic Women's League
(formerly Martin de Porres room)

KR—Kateri Room; CR—Classrooms; LZM—St. Louis
and Zelie Martin; SF—St. Faustina Youth Room; CA—
Blessed Carlos Acutis; SA—St. Anne's Kitchen; SJP—
St. John Paul II Classroom; STL—St. Therese of Lisieux;
AR—All rooms upstairs, excluding the KC Room.

MONDAY December 16 9:30am MASS
6:00pm Encounter—all main floor rooms

TUESDAY December 17 7:00pm MASS
(Confessions from 6:00-6:45pm)

10:00am Decorating—H
12:30pm Choir—S—C
1:00pm Small Christian Communities—MD
7:00pm **CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL**

WEDNESDAY December 18 9:30am MASS
(Adoration from 10:00am—9:00pm
Divine Mercy at 3:00pm)

Noon Canadian Blood Services—H
6:00pm Catechism & RCIC—KR, CA, STL, SJP
7:00pm K of C General Mtg.—KC

THURSDAY December 19 9:30am MASS

10:00am Quilters—KC
1:00pm Seniors' Potluck—K, H
7:00pm RCIA—OL

FRIDAY December 20 10:00 MASS

(St. Peter the Apostle school will be joining us—
**ADORATION and Confessions until noon following
the dismissal of the school)**

10:00am Healing Shawls—MD
1:00pm Decorating—C
6:00pm Praise & Worship—C

SATURDAY December 21 5:00pm MASS
(Confessions 3:00—4:45pm)

10:00am Decorating—C

SUNDAY December 22

9:00am, 11:00am **MASSES**
10:30am Rosary for the Unborn—OL
6:00pm **MASS**
7:00pm Youth—most rooms
7:00pm Familia—BR

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers:

Brian Pasemco 587-785-6389

Catholic Women's League:

Sister Susan Scott, President
holytrinitycwl.president@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy:

Sheila Rossi 780-962-8108

Decorating:

Brenda Briggs 780-591-4252
(Please do not text to the above number)

Eucharistic Ministers:

Colin Schroeder 780-233-2985

Natural Family Planning:

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Stephanie Leroux 780-724-2504

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Caroline Campbell 780-975-0822

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Paula Roper 780-932-9545

Grief as a Journey:

Bonnie Fyculak 780-960-0135

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Theresa Trommelen 780-970-4096

Music Coordinator:

Dori Whyte 780-238-4662

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Pastoral Care:

Harriet Fraser 780-298-9643

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Priscilla Spratt 780-968-2336

Seniors:

Darleen Broadbent 780-968-1452

Social Justice:

Joshua Merkel 780-233-7882

Safe Environment Coordinators:

Brad & Bernie Watters 780-963-1167



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

For more information please contact Sister Susan at 780-968-5543 or email her at holytrinitycwl.president@gmail.com

On behalf of your executive, a most sincere note of thanks to all the women who have helped make Holy Trinity council one of the most active in the diocese. Every action, no matter how seemingly small or insignificant is so much appreciated. God bless each of you and your families in this most sacred season of Advent.

May your Christmas celebrations bring you joy and peace as we celebrate Christ become one with us in the flesh.

Next meeting: January 29th at 1:00pm.



HOLY TRINITY SENIORS' GROUP:

Calling "All Seniors" Come Celebrate with us!

Join us for an afternoon of Fun, Food, Song and Dance on **Thursday, December 19** at 1:00pm in the church hall. Lunch will be a *Finger Food* Potluck so we ask that you please bring a dish to share. Enjoy live music by Hector & Charlie. Everyone is welcome—bring your favorite dance partner too!



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—
HOLY TRINITY COUNCIL:**

For more information contact Brad Medernach at 780-984-1728. Membership kofc.org/JoinUs



Holy Trinity's goal for **Together We Serve** is

\$44,100.00

As of the end of November, we have collected

\$34,646.65



CONFIRMATION: Grade 6 & up
 Registrations will close **January 6, 2025**.
 Please register soon to secure your spot!

Contact Jeri Wilson at httpsacraments@gmail.com
 or call 780-960-0135 ext. 112.

For more information visit www.trinitycatholic.net

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS:

Please note the following changes for booking Mass intentions that are to be prayed at Holy Trinity:

- Beginning immediately we will only book **"NEW"** Mass intentions for the coming 2 months. Once these 2 months are full, the intentions will be sent out of the Parish to clergy who are serving in other Archdiocesan capacities or to a mission priest.
- Due to the volume of requests we receive, each parishioner will be allowed to book a maximum of 3 Masses at one time.
- The suggested stipend remains at \$10.00 per Mass.
- Mass intentions are not printed in the Bulletin, but will continue to be **announced** at Mass.

This is not to discourage anyone from asking for Masses to be offered for their loved ones—it is an effort to try to be fair to everyone who is requesting Masses so that the Masses may be offered in a timely fashion.

PILGRIMAGE

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 and for more details

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:



Please note there will be no Children's Liturgy on **Sunday, December 29**—resuming **Sunday, January 5**. See you then.

5 LOAVES 2 FISH



This program allows us to assist those who find themselves in need. For more information, please contact Deacon Wesley Turton at 780-221-2265 or email him at wesley.turton@caedm.ca

A STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.
 (Philippians 4:6)

Saint Paul reminds us that God is an abundant God—He is the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. Remember, that we are created in God's image and likeness. We, too, are made to be generous with all of our gifts as well. Placing our trust in God frees us from being a slave to possessions. It allows us to gratefully and generously share ourselves and our goods with others....especially at this time of the year.

Lord, expand our hearts with love
 and **JOY!**

DONATION ENVELOPES 2025:

The **2025 Donation envelopes** can be picked up in the **hallway** by the office. **PLEASE DO NOT USE THEM UNTIL JANUARY 1, 2025.** If you no longer use your assigned boxed set—please let the parish office know. Thank you.

"It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open doors of hope."

When Christ comes at Christmas, will He find a warm heart?

Continue your preparations for this season by loving and serving others—with God's own love and concern.

During Advent, we occupy our greatest longings...



The only time our Lord asked the Apostles for anything was the night He went into agony. Not for activity did He plead, but for an Hour of companionship.

Venerable Fulton Sheen



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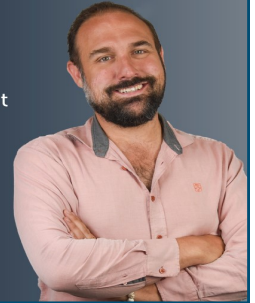
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HOURS:**

**Monday to Friday:
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*(Closed for lunch
from noon—1:00pm)*

Wednesday morning the office is
closed from 9:30—10:00am
allowing staff to attend daily Mass.

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