



Parish Bulletin

Welcome to

St. Monica's Parish

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| Wardens: | Christen Audet | Patrick Laurin |
| | John Dike | Nadine Hurst |
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| Pastoral Council: | Chair: Sharon Di Fruscia | Vice-Chair: Maria Lanni |
| | | Secretary: Anne Robertson |

Members: Graham Anber, Christina Jacobs, Vanessa Lue Shue, Linda Pefanis, Paul Perrault

St. Monica Parish Community Food Pantry: Food Distribution Director: Marcelle Lord
Telephone: 514-550-0125

DONATE TO ST. MONICA'S PARISH ON-LINE AT: WWW.STMONICA.CA

Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Friday - Closed

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1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

(or: by appointment)

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| Parish Secretary: | Gina Yee | Ext. 221 |
| Caretaker: | Francisco Sierra | Ext. 221 |

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| Holy Eucharist: | Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: | 8:00 AM |
| | Saturday: | 4:00 PM |
| | Sunday: | 8:30 & 11:00 AM |
| Sacrament of Reconciliation: | Saturday: 3:15-3:45 PM , and on request | |
| Baptism: | Celebrated monthly – Please call soon after birth. | |
| Sacraments to the Sick & Shut-ins: | Please advise the parish immediately of need. | |
| Marriages: | Please contact parish office for further information. | |



Christmas 2019 and New Year 2020

Christmas Meditation

Mary's Boy Child

Long time ago in Bethlehem, so the Holy Bible say,
Mary's boy child, Jesus Christ, was born on Christmas Day.

Hark, now hear the angels sing, a new King born today
And we will live for evermore because of Christmas Day.

While shepherds watch their flock by night,
They saw a bright new shining star, they heard a choir sing
The music came from afar.

Hark, now hear the angels sing, A new King born today
And we will live for evermore because of Christmas Day.
Joseph and his wife, Mary, came to Bethlehem that night,
They found no place to bear her child, not a single room was in sight.

Hark now hear the angels sing, a new King born today
And we will live for evermore because of Christmas Day.

By and by, they find a little nook, in a stable all forlorn,
And in a manger cold and dark, Mary's little boy was born.

Jester Hairston, 1956

sung by Harry Belafonte:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mkg4AIQylkA>

Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

Advent is such a special and busy time for all. We would like to give you our Christmas and New Year's schedule so you can plan ahead.

Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24, Mass at 7 pm & 9 pm

Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25, Mass at 10:30 am

No Mass Thursday, December 26

Regular 8:00 am Mass will resume on **Friday, December 27**



New Year's Eve, Tuesday, December 31, Mass at 4:00 pm

New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1, 2020, Mass at 10:30 am

No Mass on Thursday, January 2, 2020

The regular 8:00 am Mass will resume on **Friday, January 3, 2020**

Envelopes 2020

The Sunday collection boxes for 2020 are now available at the church entrance.
A list containing names and corresponding box numbers is provided for your reference.

MASS INTENTIONS DECEMBER 21 - JANUARY 5, 2020**Saturday, December 21: Saint Peter Canisius**

4:00 **IN LOVING MEMORY:** Leonard & Terry Winslade,
Peter Duffy, Lucille Wong, and Angelo Caucci & Emdia Sparapani

Sunday, December 22: Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:30 Ralito B. Meriales by Drex Meriales & Raquel Galvan
Lorenzo Galvan by Drex Meriales & Raquel Galvan
Vincenzo Forte by Nadia Arcuri

11:00 Anna & Italo Mariani and
Italo Falcone by Luisa & Angelo Falcone
Maria Lonardo Aiello by Husband Carmelo
Ermerinda Darterio by Paliotti Family

Monday, December 23: Saint John of Kanty

8:00 Franco & Flavia Spurio by Family
Giulia Angelini by Luisa & Angelo Falcone

Tuesday, December 24: The Nativity of the Lord

7:00 pm & 9:00 pm - For All Parishioners Intentions

Wednesday, December 25: The Nativity of the Lord

10:30 am - For All Parishioners Intentions

Thursday, December 26: Saint Stephen - Octave of Christmas
(No Mass)**Friday, December 27: Feast of Saint John**

8:00 Charles & Lillian Tuck by Charles, David & Pat
Lionello Paoli by Pietrina Turini
Mario Matta by Olga Santini Matta

Saturday, December 28: Feast of the Holy Innocents

4:00 Caterina & Ascenzio Francescangeli by Maria
Antonio Bei by Gabriella Bei & Family
Maddalena & Vincenzo Saluzzi dedicated by your Children
Julie Prillo by Rolland Prillo

Sunday, December 29: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:30 **IN LOVING MEMORY:** Vincenzo Forte,
Arthur & Cecile Frenette, George Javornik,
Juraj & Terezia Javornik

11:00 Amelia Brocca by her Daughter
Giuseppina Fiori by her Children
Iole Falciani by Luciana & Franca Folciani & Family

Monday, December 30: Sixth day within the Octave of the Nativity

8:00 For All Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday, December 31: Saint Sylvester I: Seventh day within the

4:00 For All Parishioners Intentions **Octave of the Nativity**

Wednesday, January 1, 2020: Mary, the Holy Mother of God
The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord and World Day of Peace

10:30 am - For Parishioners Intentions

Thursday, January 2: Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen
(No Mass)**Friday, January 3: The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

8:00 For All Parishioners Intentions

Saturday, January 4: Sunday Mass

4:00 Antonia & Gabriele Poliziani by Rosa Emard
Thérèse Donahue Helen Donahue
Giacomo La Posta Gemma & Mary LaPosta

Sunday, January 5: Epiphany of the Lord

8:30 Teresina & Frank Supino by Dominic & Anna
Viviana Montebello by Food Bank

11:00 **IN LOVING MEMORY:** Dominic Buccarelli,
Adamo Francescangeli, and the Cullen Family

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Tues. Dec. 24th - 7 pm & 9 pm
Wed. Dec. 25th - 10:30 am only
No Mass on Dec. 26th

*New Year's Mass Schedule:*

Tues. Dec. 31st - 4:00 pm
Wed. Jan. 1st, 2020 - 10:30 am only
No Mass on Jan. 2nd

ST-MONICA CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2019

Dear Parishioners and Friends, a Christmas appeal letter was sent early December. Once again, we are very grateful for your support. Without your generosity many of our needs could not be met. Please accept our thanks for the love you show to our Parish as we pray and continue our mission together.

TAX RECEIPTS 2019

Please note that all donations received later than December 29, 2019 will be credited in the year 2020.

2020 DONATION ENVELOPE BOXES

Sunday envelopes are available at the back of the church.

FAITH FIRST & LITTLE GIFTS

Our Faith First & Little Gifts programs are now on Christmas vacation. Both programs will resume on the weekend of January 11 - 12.

COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP

Coffee & Fellowship is also on Christmas break and will resume on the weekend of January 11 - 12.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR OFFICE HOURS

The parish office will be closed from Tuesday, December 24 and will reopen at 9:00am Monday January 6, 2020.

MARY: A BIBLICAL WALK WITH THE BLESSED MOTHER

Our Bible Study resumes on Sunday, January 12.

**Gratitude from your Office Administrator, Gina Yee**

Thank you all for your warmest welcome since my arrival in June 2019. I wish you all a good Christmas and look forward to seeing you again in the New Year!

Collection for the weekend of December 21 - 22, 2019

\$2,560.50

Thank you for your generosity!