



# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

*For the week of Sunday 1 December 2024*

PLEASE TAKE THIS HOME

*The Advent Wreath has been given to the Glory of God  
and in loving memory of Marlene McCaskill*

*The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the repose of the soul of Robert Conway (priest).*

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

**FATHER HANNAM** *requests that all cases of sorrow or suffering be reported to him.*

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR** following the 11 o'clock service! We meet in the Parish Hall, down the front stairs and to the right.

**THE RORATE MASSES:** As the sun rises on three Saturdays in Advents, we will offer Votive Masses of Our Lady at S. Bart's. Illuminated by candlelight, and accompanied by Gregorian chant and medieval polyphony, this mass offers us an hour of devotion, contemplation and beauty, as we prepare for the coming of the Light that is our Saviour, our Emmanuel. The tradition of the Rorate Mass stretches back to at least the eighth century (and possibly earlier), and its name is taken from the first words of the Introit: Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness (*Rorate caeli, desuper, et nubes pluant justum*). December 7, 14, and 21 at 7:30 a.m.

**THE BREAKFAST PROGRAMME** is open each Thursday. Doors open at 5:30 a.m. until 8:00 a.m., and hot food is served beginning at 6:00 a.m. *The Breakfast Programme will be closed for the holiday on Thursday, 26 December, 2024, but will be open as usual on Thursday, 2 January, 2025.*



# ADVENT

AT S. BART'S

## **RORATE MASSES OF OUR LADY**

**7:30 a.m. on Saturdays in Advent (December 7, 14, 21)**

*Greet the dawn in contemplation by candlelight.*

*Featuring Gregorian chant & Medieval polyphony (Latin & Middle English).*

## **SUNDAYS IN ADVENT**

**December 1, 8, 15, 22**

*9:00 a.m. Low Mass | 11:00 a.m. Sung Mass*

*The Litany in Procession will be sung on Advent Sunday (December 1).*

## **FEAST OF S. NICHOLAS**

**Friday, 6 December at 6:30 p.m.**

*Featuring Gregorian chant & Medieval songs in honour of S. Nicholas.*

## **FEAST OF S. LUCY**

**Friday, 13 December at 6:30 p.m.**

*Featuring Phos Hilaron (Medieval French tune)  
& the traditional Neapolitan/Swedish song Sancta Lucia.*

**THE S. BART'S FOOD BANK** is open Mondays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. *The Food Bank will be open as usual on Monday, 23 December, 2024, Monday, 30 December, 2024, and Thursday, 2 January, 2025. However, it will be closed for the holiday on Thursday, 26 December, 2024.*

## ✠ PARISH GIVINGS ✠

2024 Actual to 31 October: \$127,322  
2024 Budget to 31 October: \$137,500  
(2023 Actual to 31 October: \$108,174)

*To date for 2024, we have a shortfall of \$10,178.  
Please keep in mind that the financial health of our parish  
relies not only on generous giving, but on regular giving.*

## ✠ INTERCESSIONS ✠

### ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:

- **TODAY: Sunday, 1 December:** *Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan*
- **Monday, 2 December:** *The Diocese of Kitale – The Anglican Church of Kenya*
- **Tuesday, 3 December:** *The Diocese of Kiteto – The Anglican Church of Tanzania*
- **Wednesday, 4 December:** *The Diocese of Kitgum – The Church of the Province of Uganda*
- **Thursday, 5 December:** *The Diocese of Kitui – The Anglican Church of Kenya*

- **Friday, 6 December:** *The Diocese of Kivu – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda*
- **Saturday, 7 December:** *The Diocese of North Kivu – Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo*

**INDIGENOUS CHURCH:** For +Chris, National Indigenous Archbishop: for our shared Indigenous ministries and leadership. Particularly, for retiring Indigenous Clergy and Bishops: for rest and rebuilding of life and relationships; for Reconciliation, that it be a shared verb and not just a noun; for open ears and hearts, and for the willingness to humble ourselves enough truly to hear the lament of the other voice before us, and to acknowledge that pain and brokenness can be deeper than ever delved or perceived; and +Adam, Bishop of Missinippi: for a fair and equitable financial remuneration for the Bishop of Missinippi and his clergy, and for financial resources to support the ministry of the Church in Northern Saskatchewan.

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:**

- **TODAY: Sunday, 1 December:** *S. James Cathedral*
- **Monday, 2 December:** *Project Ploughshares – the peace institute of the Canadian Council of Churches*
- **Tuesday, 3 December:** *All Saints, Peterborough*
- **Wednesday, 4 December:** *Christ Church, Campbellford*
- **Thursday, 5 December:** *Parish of Belmont*
- **Friday, 6 December:** *Faith Works shelters for women and children at risk*
- **Saturday, 7 December:** *S. George-the-Martyr, Apsley*

**THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED: WED:** Alison, Amanda, Andy, Angela, Antonio, George Barkhouse, Ronald Bentley, Beth; | **FRI:** The Carlén Family, Kimberley Curtis, Demetra, Robert Hegele, Scott Hunter, Isabel, James; | **SAT:** Jenni, Catherine LaFond, Laura, Marlyn, Patrick, Patricia Ritacca, Tina, Todd

**DAILY INTERCESSIONS:** Clifton Aaron, Alan, Andrea, Andrea, Marjorie Austin, Sr Barbara SLSM, Trevon Beckford, Ben, Judy Brake, Bruce, Carl, Ralph Carter, Sr Christine SLG, Christopher, David Conatser, David,

Keastner Dawkins, Douglas, Grace, Debbie Hartley, Sydney Hegele, Lorna Heron, Lisa Hufana, Jakob, Janice Billett, John, Katherine, Pat Kennedy, Paul Kent, Audrey Kern, Samantha Lanz, Larry, Margaret McQuillan, Michael, Nickson; Peter; Rebecca; Heekyung Song, John & Donna Starkey, Stephen, Stuart, Tegan, Katherine Walmsley, Mark Weymouth, Jun Wu

**DEPARTED:** Susan Smethurst, Paul Epstein

## ✠ DEVOTIONAL VIGNETTE ✠

**O** MY GOD, Word of the Father, Word made flesh for love of us, You assumed a mortal body in order to suffer and be immolated for us. I wish to prepare for Your coming with the burning desires of the prophets and the just who in the Old Testament sighed after You, the one Saviour and Redeemer. *“O Lord, send Him whom You are going to send... As You have promised, come and deliver us!”* I want to keep Advent in my soul, that is, a continual longing and waiting for this great Mystery wherein You, O Word, became flesh to show me the abyss of Your redeeming, sanctifying mercy.

O sweetest Jesus, You come to me with Your infinite love and the abundance of Your grace; You desire to engulf my soul in torrents of mercy and charity in order to draw it to You. Come, O Lord, come! I, too, wish to run to You with love, but alas! my love is so limited, weak, and imperfect! Make it strong and generous; enable me to overcome myself, so that I can give myself entirely to You. Yes, my love can become strong because “its foundation is the intimate certainty that it will be repaid by the love of God. O Lord, I cannot doubt Your tenderness, because You have given me proofs of it in so many ways, with the sole purpose of convincing me of it. Therefore, trusting in Your love, my weak love will become strong with Your strength. What a consolation it will be, O Lord, at the moment of death to think that we shall be judged by Him

whom we have loved above all things! Then we can enter Your presence with confidence, despite the weight of our offenses!” (S. Teresa of Jesus).

O Lord, give me love like this! I desire it ardently, not only to escape Your stern eye at Judgment, but especially in order to repay You in some degree for Your infinite charity.

O Lord, do not, I beseech You, permit that this exceeding great love which led You to become incarnate for my salvation, be given in vain! My poor soul needs You so much! It sighs for You as for a compassionate physician, who alone can heal its wounds, draw it out of its languor and tepidity, and infuse into it new vigour, new enthusiasm, new life. Come, Lord, come! I am ready to welcome Your work with a docile, humble heart, ready to let myself be healed, purified, and strengthened by You. Yes, with Your help, I will make any sacrifice, renounce everything that might hinder Your redeeming work in me. Show Your power, O Lord, and come! Come, delay no longer!

- An excerpt from Father Gabriel of S. Mary Magdalene, O.C.D.,  
*Divine Intimacy: Meditations on the Interior Life for every Day of the Liturgical Year*

## ✠ POETRY CORNER ✠

### ADVENT AGAIN

*by Caryl Porter*

Advent again,  
and the very stones are silent.

In the east, no star;  
only shadows  
and the threat of darkness.

We have run out of light,  
and we wait in fear.

Still,

from the cosmic distance,  
tentacles of brilliance probe,  
seek us out, look for a dwelling place  
among us.

# ✠ THROUGH THE WEEK ✠

Please check the website and subscribe to our enews list  
to stay informed of scheduling changes.

<b>Sunday, 1 December</b>	<i>ADVENT SUNDAY</i>	
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> Low Mass	<b>11:00 a.m.</b> Litany & Sung Mass
<b>Monday, 2 December</b>	<i>Advent Feria</i>	
	<b>10:00 a.m.</b> Food Bank (until 11:30 a.m.)	
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b> Low Mass (Rite of Trent) †	
<b>Tuesday, 3 December</b>	<i>S. Francis Xavier, Confessor (com. Feria)</i>	
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b> Low Mass (Rite of Trent) †	
<b>Wednesday, 4 December</b>	<i>S. Clement of Alexandria, Bishop, Confessor &amp; Doctor of the Church (com. Feria)</i>	
	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Low Mass	<b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Prayer
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b> Low Mass (Rite of Trent) †	
<b>Thursday, 5 December</b>	<i>Advent Feria</i>	
	<b>6:00 a.m.</b> Breakfast Ministry (Doors open at 5:30 a.m., till 8:00 a.m.)	
	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Low Mass	<b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Prayer
	<b>10:00 a.m.</b> Food Bank (until 11:30 a.m.)	
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b> Low Mass (Rite of Trent) †	
<b>Friday, 6 December</b>	<i>S. Nicholas, Bishop &amp; Confessor (com. Feria)</i>	
	<b>8:30 a.m.</b> Morning Prayer	
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b> Low Mass (Rite of Trent) †	
	<b>6:30 p.m.</b> Sung Mass	
<b>Saturday, 7 December</b>	<i>Advent Feria</i>	
	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Rorate Mass	
<b>Sunday, 8 December</b>	<i>THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT</i>	
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> Low Mass	<b>11:00 a.m.</b> Sung Mass

† indicates Eucharistic celebrations of the Anglocatholic Church,  
a worldwide church within the Old Catholic succession.