

First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2022

Gospel Reading *Matthew 24:37-44*
Jesus tells his disciples that the coming of the Son of Man will catch many people unprepared and to always be ready for the day of the Lord.

Monday, November 28

9:00 a.m. Mass - Spec. int. of Lewis family
(req. by *Pauline Lewis*)
Anthony Culos
(req. by *Masotti family*)

Tuesday, November 29

9:00 a.m. Mass - for all the souls in purgatory
(req. by *Emilia Jovellanos*)

Wednesday, November 30

9:00 a.m. No Mass

Thursday, December 1

9:00 a.m. No Mass

Friday, December 2

9:00 a.m. Mass - Joseph & Dorothy Racz
(req. by *Racz family*)
Spec. int. of Jane Durotoye
(req. by *Jane Durotoye*)

Saturday, December 3

(Second Sunday of Advent)

5:00 p.m. Mass - Anna Bachetti
(req. by *Kathy Watson*)
Sylvia Perri
(req. by *Joe & Janet Tornabuono*)

Sunday, December 4

9:00 a.m. Mass - Joe & Manda Markovich
(req. by *Markovich family*)
Pam Poulin
(req. by *Poulin family*)
11:00 a.m. Mass - People of the Parish

PARISH ADORATION & BENEDICTION

First Friday of the month after 9:00am Mass to 10:30am.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP!

November 13, 2022

Sunday Collection \$2,056.00
All Souls Day \$20.00
Deo Gratias \$70.00
Building Fund \$1,700.00

November 20, 2022

Sunday Collection \$1,962.00
Flowers for Christmas \$5.00

Pre-authorized Giving (PAG) November 15th \$2,902 & November 30th \$1,900.

Second Sunday of Advent December 4, 2022

Gospel Reading

Matthew 3:1-12
John the Baptist appears in Judea preaching a message of repentance.

Monday, December 5

9:00 a.m. Mass - Bob House
(req. by *Walters family*)
Spec. int. of Paulina Walker
(req. by *Walters family*)

Tuesday, December 6

9:00 a.m. Mass - David Sauv e
(req. by *Cindy Pitt*)
Spec. int. of Fr. Chad Grennan
(req. by *Walters family*)

Wednesday, December 7

9:00 a.m. Mass - Henry Mooren
(req. by *Mooren family*)

Thursday, December 8

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 a.m. Mass - Laurence McAuley
(req. by *Maureen & Dave Crandles*)

Friday, December 9

9:00 a.m. Mass - Bob House
(req. by *Tony Mullin*)

Saturday, December 10

(Third Sunday of Advent)
5:00 p.m. Mass - Spec. int. of Dinah
(req. by *Mom & Dad*)
deceased member of Byrne & Gruber families
(req. by *Gruber family*)

Sunday, December 11

9:00 a.m. Mass - Joseph & Dorothy Racz
(req. by *Racz family*)
Brian Seniuk
(req. by *Seniuk family*)
Giovanni Della Smirra
(req. by *family*)
11:00 a.m. Mass - People of the Parish

E-transfers Available

E-transfers to St. Alexander Parish are now possible using the email address: donatestalexander@bellnet.ca

Please make sure to put what your transfer is for in the message section i.e.: Offertory, Building Fund, etc..

Children's Liturgy

This weekend our children's liturgy will be available at the 11:00 am Mass. Children will be called up after the opening prayer and sent to the small meeting room for some age appropriate prayers and activities, and return to the church to help bring up the gifts.

CWL Events

St. Alexander Catholic Women's League is happy to announce the return of their annual **Christmas Dinner** at the Pelham Street Grille on Wednesday, December 7th. A sign-up sheet with details is posted on the bulletin board. All CWL members and non-members are welcome. The deadline to sign up is November 27th.

National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples December 12th

The Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council, founded by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in 1998, proposes that the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12) be a National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples. All are invited to join their Indigenous sisters and brothers in a special way this day through prayer and acts of solidarity.



This year development and peace is continuing its campaign called People and Planet first. Development and Peace, as part of the international network Caritas International, continues to call for the creation of a human rights and environmental due diligence law. This would ensure Canadian international companies (a lot of them which are mining companies) protect human rights, land rights and the environment at every step of production and supply chain no matter what country they are operating in. Through the donations of Canadian Catholics, Development and Peace also continues to support many partners in their various efforts in several different countries of the global south. The website is full of great resources and videos (www.devpe.org). If you have any questions please feel free to contact Maureen Keogh or Betty Van Zeyl via the office.

First Communion and Confirmation Instruction

If your child is currently in grade 2 or grade 8 and is attending public school they will be able to receive their First Communion and Confirmation in the spring. Please fill out the registration form online by the end of November so we can include them in the instruction classes for these sacraments.

Communion for people who are ill or home bound is available please call the parish office for information.

Ministry Schedules

There is a sign up sheet in the sacristy if you would like to be part of our weekend Mass celebrations. We are looking for readers and Eucharist ministers to help during the Mass. Please take a moment to sign up in the sacristy.

Parish Notes

The **2023 offertory boxes** are available in the foyer. To help us update our database please check the address we have on your box and contact the parish office if a correction needs to be made.

This weekend we will return to our post covid practice of passing the **collection baskets** in the pews.

Thank you to Pelham Funeral Home for supplying our **2023 calendars**. Please be sure to pick one up in the foyer.

Fonthill Volunteer Firefighters Christmas Toy Drive

We will again be participating in the Fonthill Volunteer Firefighters Christmas Toy Drive. If you are interested in supporting this event please leave an unwrapped toy or gift for a child or teen under the Christmas tree in the foyer by Sunday, December 11th. Cat and dog food donations will also be accepted for families with pets.



Christmas Mass Schedule



Christmas Eve

Saturday, December 24th
5:00 pm and
12:00 am Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

Sunday, December 25th
9:00 am and 11:00 am

New Year's Eve

Saturday, December 31st 5:00 pm

New Year's Day

Sunday, January 1, 2023
9:00 am and 11:00 am

Trip to the Holy Land

Fr. Paul MacNeil will be leading a group to the Holy Land from April 13th - 21st 2023, you are welcome to join him. For more information, please contact Ray Karborani at Biblical Journeys Canada, he can be reached at 289 990 9841 or by email at biblicajourneyscanada@yahoo.com You can contact Fr. Paul directly at macneil65@gmail.com