

Second Sunday of Advent

December 8th, 2024 ~ Liturgical Year C

Mass Intentions

December 9th to December 15th, 2024

**Monday.....The Immaculate Conception of
The Blessed Virgin MaryDec 9th**

8:00 am † Zbigniew Bessman

Tuesday.....Dec 10th

8:00 am † Stella Statti (by Maria Mauro)

† Olga & Mike Soccio (by Donna Scappaticci)

Wednesday.....Dec 11th

8:00 am † Francesco, Filomena & Tonino Minicucci
(by Maria Bussi)

† Vincente Feliciano (by Romeo Feliciano)

10:00 am Mass with School community

† Gilda Raso (by Mary Michlak)

12:30 pm Mass with School Community

† Angelina Corrado (by Ricciuto Family)

Thursday.....Our Lady of The Guadalupe.....Dec 12th

8:00 am † Guido & Luisa Minicucci (by Chris & Julia)

♥ In Honour of Alfie Lamb & Edel Quinn

(by Legion of Mary)

7:00 pm ♥♥♥ In Honour of Our Lady of The Guadalupe ♥♥♥

Friday.....St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr.....Dec 13th

8:00 am ♥ In Honour of Santa Lucia (by Maria Mauro)

† Donato Perrella (by Annunziata Perrella)

Saturday St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor. Dec 14th

8:00 am ♥ In Honour of Frank Duff (by Legion of Mary)

♥ In Honour of Santa Lucia (by Anna Arillotta & family)

5:00 pm † Mary Rose Kenny (by John & Rita O'Brien)

† John Sergnese (by Maria)

† Giovanni, Carmella & Tonino DelGobbo
(by Rosa Bussi)

† Don Robbins (by Family)

† Jimmy & Rita Ricciuto

(by Angelo, Angiolina Gabriel & family)

† Giovanni & Tonino Bussi (Maria Bussi)

† Carmel O'Brien (by Family)

Sunday.....Third Sunday of Advent.....Dec 15th

8:00 am ♥ † For The People of Holy Rosary Parish

9:30 am † Giovanni & Vincenza Gabriele

(by Angelo, Angiolina Gabriel & family)

† Jimmy (Vincenzo) & Rita Ricciuto

(by Phyllis & Michael)

11:00 am † Viola Mooney (by The Knights of Columbus)

† Joan Kenny (by The Kenny Family)



SANCTUARY LAMP: This week's Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of *Rosa Meffe*. The Sanctuary lamp is lit to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

Emmaus Young Adult Ministry

(Tuesdays, 7-9pm, St. Denis Church)

This Tuesday, December 10th, 2024, the young adults of the diocese invite you to **join us for prayer, formation, and fellowship at St. Denis Church, 230 Lake Street, St. Catharines.** For more information, contact Fr. Daniel at corso.danielanthony@gmail.com or follow us on Instagram@emmaus.ya

Dear Family in Christ,

Peace be with you, and a blessed Second Sunday of Advent to you and your families. This Sunday, the Church turns our attention to the Peace of Christ- a peace many of us might find difficult to come by this time of year.

St. Augustine offers a profound reflection on peace. When things are so arranged that justice is done to each and each can work toward the good according to capability, the harmony that arises can properly be called 'Peace': *"The peace of the celestial city is the perfectly ordered and harmonious enjoyment of God, and of one another in God. The peace of all things is the tranquility of order. Order is the distribution which allots things equal and unequal, each to its own place"* ("City of God," Bk. 19 Ch. 13). What does this peace look like for us today?

Today, many of us make the mistake of believing that peace is 'just around the corner'- once I get through x or y, once I get the promotion, get married, retire, move houses, start school, finish exams, etc., *then* I will finally have peace. If you've been alive for long enough, you have probably found that this is not often the case. There is almost always another corner to turn, another milestone to wait(or work) for, and the kind of peace we seek is just as far away as when we began.

Perhaps the peace we seek is not so much the *absence* of danger, difficulties, anxieties, problems, or distress, but the *presence* of God amidst all of that. It is found not so much in overcoming the obstacles of life, but in facing them *with God*- in the Faith and Hope that reminds me who I am, to whom I belong, and most importantly, who He is, and seeing whatever circumstances I find myself in light of that. It's amazing what we can face, what we can endure and overcome when we know, believe, and live according to the truth that *'Greater is He who is in me, than he who is in the world.'* (1 John 4:4)

On this Second Sunday of Advent, listen for every time we mention, pray for, and wish one another 'Peace' during the Mass. May peace not merely be a word we say, but a gift we receive and share.

"Peace, I leave you- My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." (John 14:27)

Peace,



Father Corso.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of December **FOR PILGRIMS OF HOPE:**

Let us pray that the coming Church Jubilee Year 2025 strengthens us in our faith; helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

This week Bulletin is dedicated to all of our supporters (Parish Courtesy)

“Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.” 1 Thessalonians 5:11

**II DOMENICA DI AVVENTO / C
8° DICEMBRE 2024**

*Il Signore che raddrizza nei nostri cuori i suoi sentieri,
spiana le alture della superbia e ci prepara a
celebrare con fede ardente la sua venuta.*

CONTEMPLATIVE ROSARY- EVERYONE IS INVITED!

Monday, December 9th, 2024 at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church, let's begin the Advent season with a joyful expectation, by reciting the Joyful Mysteries in Sacred Scriptures and songs, *With Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Music Ministry and Niagara Men's Schola.*



**The Catholic Women's League
Annual Christmas Dinner and Social.**

Date: **Tuesday, December 10, 2024**

Time: Doors open at 5:00p.m.

Location: **Club Belvedere**; Dinner is served at 5:30p.m.

Menu: Turkey and all the trimmings - Price: \$25.00 a person.

**Please consider bringing a Gift card for the
St. Vincent de Paul Children's Christmas Program.**

Please put your envelope in the collection plate by **Sunday,
December 8** to ensure your reservation.

Poinsettia Delivery Date

December 14 & 15 after Mass

contact Kim Kuchar at 905-732-6601 or
cwlholyroary@outlook.com

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, CHILDREN
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

The SDVP Christmas Program helps families in our community who are in need and those registered within the Community Care. In addition to providing food hampers & food vouchers to the families registered within our program, a \$25 gift card is also given to each of their children. This Year, we count 169 children in the Christmas Program and our goal is to ensure that every child within this program receives a gift card. Please help us to achieve this important goal, serving 169 children, by donating \$25 gift card, which can be placed in the Sunday offertory basket or dropped off at the Church office and or mail slot. Thank you for kind support and generosity.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS AND DECOR:

Those wishing to make a memorial donation for Christmas decor are asked to write the name of their loved one on the “**Flowers for Christmas envelope**” which is their offertory envelope box. They may also use a plain envelope and submit it with the Sunday Offertory or in the Office mail slot. All the names submitted will be written in the Remembrance Book of Life.



FRANCISCAN GROUP MEETING:

**Friday, December 13, 2024 at 7 pm Caritas Room
at Holy Rosary Church.** If you are interested in the life of St. Francis of Assisi and would like to experience what Secular Franciscans do at their meetings, join us for a meeting! **If you would like to attend, please call Debbie at 905-734-3053 or email at deborahessier57@gmail.com**

PARISH EVANGELIZATION MISSION

Please start praying especially for those Catholics who do not practice their faith so that they participate in our mission.

Guest Speaker ⇨ **Fr. Stephen Bruzese**

Date	Time
Saturday, Dec. 14 th	5:00pm Mass
Sunday, December 15 th	8:00am, 9:30am & 11:00am Masses
Monday, December 16 th	7:00pm - Mass
Tuesday, December 17 th	7:00pm - Reconciliation Service

God bless you.

SUNDAY SOCIAL

Sunday, December 15th, 2024

All Parishioners are invited to a Sunday Social on Sunday, December 15th in the Parish Hall following all Masses to enjoy some refreshments and a time of fellowship. **Please note that our “Welcome Sundays” takes place the third Sunday of each month.**

PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED to pray for our Candidates preparing for the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Each week you, or your family, are encouraged to choose a candidate or candidates, from one of the Photo Albums located below our statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. By praying for that candidate you can make a difference in their lives and accompany them on their faith journey.

SUNG MASS WITH LATIN

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE GUADALUPE

Thursday, December 12th, 2024 at 7 pm

at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church, Thorold, ON.

Fr. Dan Corso and the Niagara Men's Schola are doing a Sung Mass with Latin. All are welcome!

***NEW* HOLY ROSARY YOUTH GROUP**

Thurs. Dec. 19th

6:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Young people in grades 6-12 are invited to join our youth group for fun, faith formation, and fellowship. For more information, to sign up, or to get involved, please contact Father Daniel.

The popular monthly **beef-on-a-bun** is held on the **second Thursday of each month.** The format is takeout only. Beef on a bun, coleslaw and roasted potatoes for only \$12. See you on **Thursday December 12th!**



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Children's Choir Rehearsals time

Saturday, December 14th/ Saturday, December 21st, 2024

9:00 am in the Church

CHRISTMAS PLAY

All youth of the parish are invited to participate in our **Christmas Play on Friday, December 13th at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.**

**Practice times for Christmas Play are on:
Monday, Dec. 9th & Wednesday, Dec. 11th from 6 – 7pm
Sign-up at the main entrance of the Church.**