

Saint Dunstan's Basilica Parish

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 12, 2021

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MASS INTENTIONS - WEEK OF DECEMBER 12

Sun.: 9:00 a.m. George Hunter
Sun.: 11:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Dunstan's
Sun.: 5:00 p.m. Camila Durana
Mon.: 9:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory
Tue.: 12:05 p.m. Mary MacInnis (A)
Wed.: NO MASS
Thur.: 12:05 pm. Fr. Floyd Gallant (A)
Fri.: 9:00 a.m. Mary Chandler
Sat.: 4:00 p.m. John & Georgie Dillon (A) & DFM

PLEASE NOTE: WEEKDAY MASS IS IN GLASTONBURY HALL (CHURCH LOWER LEVEL). NOTE, AS WELL, MASS TIMES FOR MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY.

DEC 5 OFFERINGS	\$ 2,604.50
DEC 5 PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT	\$ 730.00
DEC 5 E-TRANSFERS	\$ 1,010.00
DEC 5 FUEL COLLECTION	\$ 500.00
DEC 5 OTHER COLLECTIONS	\$ 650.50

AUTOMATIC DEBIT AND E-TRANSFER are options for those who would like to contribute using those means. Please contact the Parish Office for information.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday 9 - noon, Tuesday and Wednesday 9 - 4, Thursday 9 - noon.

MASS READINGS FOR SUNDAY, DEC. 19

1st Reading: Micah 5.2 – 5a
2nd Reading: Hebrews 10.5 – 10
Gospel: Luke 1.39 – 45

PARISH NEWS

PUBLIC HEALTH PROTOCOLS: Mask-wearing is required entering and leaving the church, and while coming for and returning from Communion. Physical distancing, hand-sanitizing, and staying home if feeling unwell or are required to be in self-isolation.

MASS REGISTRATION FOR WEEKEND MASSES www.stdunstanspei.com For those who would like someone to register for you, please telephone 902-892-9387 or 902-393-8839.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION THIS WEEK: Tuesday 10:30 am – 11:45 am; Thursday 11:00– 11:45 am, 5:30 – 7 pm; Saturday 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES: Christmas Eve—4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, and midnight. Christmas Day—9am. On-line registration now available. Follow Mass registration link on our website: www.stdunstanspei.com

ADORATION CHAPEL: Please contact Jodi or Brady Grant bradyandjodi@gmail.com or (902-218-8282). You may request to have a candle burn in the Adoration Chapel. (\$7 Mon – Sun). Please contact the Parish Office. This week the candles in the Chapel burn for: Souls in Purgatory (1); Special Intention (5).

SYNODAL CHURCH: The Holy Father is inviting us to participate in the diocesan phase of the Synod. You're encouraged to gather in COVID-conscious ways to pray and engage with the themes of the Synod. Small groups are welcome to organize themselves. Call the parish office for assistance in this. You can find more information and some helpful resources at <https://dioceseofcharlottetown.com/synod-of-bishops-for-a-synodal-church/>

MONTHLY FUEL COLLECTION: Envelopes for December are with this week's bulletin. Sincere thank you to those who have contributed thus far. Any consideration you are able to give is much appreciated. Thank you for your support!

A GENTLE REMINDER: Please be aware of the collection basket available at the end of the aisle, either entering or leaving. Your financial support is needed and appreciated. Many thanks for your consideration.

2022 ENVELOPES: If you are registered for Mass, your envelopes are available with the greeters as you enter or leave the church. For those who have not been using envelopes and would like to begin to do so, extra sets are available at the back. When you begin to use them in the new year, be sure to put your name and address on them the first few times, so we have a record for receipt purposes. You may also contact the Parish Office to pick up your envelopes. (See Office Hours above.) Many thanks to all!!

ST. DUNSTAN'S CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Donations may be made "In Memory of Loved Ones" towards the cost of Christmas flowers by placing their name, your name & envelope number in the collection basket or drop into the Parish office. Please have names submitted by December 20 to be printed in the Bulletin. They will be remembered at the Christmas Masses.

"KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST" will be held again this year. The contest is open to 3 age groups: 5-7, 8-10, 11-14. There will be cash prizes in each age category. The K of C will distribute packages during Sunday morning Catechetics. Please contact Don Chevarie (902)566-4337 for info.

2022 CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA CALENDARS: Knights of Columbus Council #824 are once again pleased to offer these beautiful calendars. Knights will have them available following weekend masses for a suggested donation of \$15. All proceeds are returned to Catholic Missions to support their work with First Nations, Inuit and Metis communities

DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

TEEN ENCOUNTER: Retreat day for alumni Saturday, January 29 at St. Paul's Parish in Summerside.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FILM, ST. JOSEPH: *Our Spiritual Father* – now available online at no cost to help maintain and nurture devotions to St. Joseph. "The example of St. Joseph teaches us that we really find ourselves when we live for others." Visit www.kofc.org/stjoseph to watch the film or learn more. Know someone who could benefit from joining the Order? Visit or share kofc.org/join us for details.

KEEP OUR ISLAND POTATO FARMERS, their families and employees in your daily prayers as they deal with the decision to impose a ban on their exports to the U.S.

NEW BOOK - Historic St. Mary's: A Brief Account of Three Indian River Churches, 1814-2020 is available for the purchase price of \$20. Anyone interested may request a copy from the author, Bertha Campbell, at bertha.campbell@gmail.com or by phoning 902-439-3297.

FAMILY ADVENT WREATH PRAYER WEEK THREE

Reader 1: The third week of Advent we remember the gift of Joy we have in Christ. We remember the joy that Mary felt when the angel Gabriel told her that a special child would be born to her – a child who would save and deliver all people. Joy is the gift we all receive from the unconditional love Christ has for us.

Reader 2: God wants us all to have joy. The angel who announced to the shepherds that Jesus had been born told them: "Do not be afraid. I am bringing you good news of great joy for all people – for to you is born this day, in the City of David, a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord." As we light this candle, we remember that Christ came to bring true and everlasting joy to all people. As we light this candle, we are reminded that Christ came to save all people. (Reader lights the first two purple candles and the pink candle on the Advent Wreath.)

Family members may share—or an individual call to mind—how they have experienced joy today.

Reader 3: Let us pray – Loving God, we thank you for the loving joy you bring us. Help us prepare our hearts for the Lord's coming by helping us see that Christ came for every person we meet wherever we go. We ask this in the name of the one born in Bethlehem, Jesus our Lord. Amen