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Weekday Masses
See announced Parish Masses for times.

Devotions:
Wednesdays 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 p.m.: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions
First Friday Exposition after the morning Mass until 3:00 p.m.

Confessions:
Daily before Masses and by appointment at Rectory.

Baptisms:
First Sunday of the month.
Please make arrangements two months in advance.

Marriages:
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Parish Council and Parish Organizations:

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Bulletin Announcements:
Before 11:00 a.m. on Mondays

Moving?
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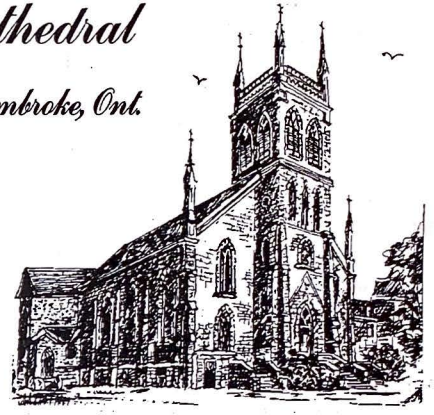
The Second Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 8th, 2019
THE PARISH BULLETIN

St. Columbkille's Cathedral

Pembroke, Ont.



Second Sunday of Advent – December 8th, 2019

In your prayers please remember those who are ill and those who care for them, the lonely, the disabled and those who have died.

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK: Theme: The Era of Justice and Peace. The reading from Isaiah is drawn from that section of the book, known as the book of Immanuel wherein the future messianic king is depicted as well as the era of peace which he inaugurates. As he concludes his letter to the Romans, Paul stresses the importance of hope, drawn from the teaching of the scriptures, to be loved in a community spirit of harmony and charity. In Matthew`s gospel, the beginning of John the Baptist`s ministry presents the prophet as an ascetical forerunner whose call for conversion of life sets the stage for the One who is to come.

A beautiful Advent practice each year, is the celebration of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation,** to demonstrate our desire to welcome the Lord at Christmas with purified hearts. ***Today, Sunday, December 8th, we will have confessions from 1 to 2 p.m.*** During this time, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for private prayer, and there will be several visiting priests available for confession. Please avail yourselves to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for the Feast of Christmas.

Advent Prayer Booklets – You will find on the tables at the entrance prayer/meditation booklets for Advent which I encourage you to use during this holy season as families and individuals as you prayerfully enter into this special time of preparation for the great feast of Christmas.

We ask you to keep the young people in your prayers who will receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation, next Sunday, November 15th at our 10:30 a.m. mass.**

A WORD FROM DEACON ADRIEN: How does One Respect the Holiness of the Name of God? One shows respect for the Holy Name of God by blessing it, praising it, and glorifying it. It is forbidden therefore, to call on the Name of God to justify a crime. It is also wrong to use the Holy Name of God in any improper way as in blasphemy (which by its nature is a grave sin), curses and unfaithfulness to promises

Your offering for Sunday, December 1st, 2019 was $3,975.00
Thank you for your generosity and support. In your kindness, please remember St. Columbkille's Cathedral Parish in your bequests and wills.
HAVE A BLESSED AND HOLY WEEK!

Your 2019 Sunday Offering Envelopes are available at the back of the Cathedral. If you would like envelopes and cannot find a box with your name on it, please contact the parish secretary at 735-8513 and one will be prepared for you. Thank you to all who contribute regularly throughout the year, no matter the amount. Your contributions are sincerely appreciated.

Christmas Eve Family Mass: there will be a meeting in Cathedral Parish Hall, immediately following 10:30 a.m. mass on Sunday, December 15th for all parents of children who wish to perform in the Family mass on Christmas Eve. Once we see how many participants we have, we will be able to allocate roles. There will be a practice on the morning of December 24th at 10 a.m. in the Cathedral. Any questions, contact Lance Patriquin at 613-633-1108.

LITURGIAL CELEBRATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

LECTORS AND COMMENTATORS – December 14th & 15th

7:15 p.m.	Catherine Laflamme (L)	Fred Sinclair (C)
10:30 a.m.	Bev Duhamel (L)	Randy Bissonnette (C)
5:15 p.m.	Tim Girard (L)	John Leyden (C)

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – December 14th & 15th

7:15 p.m.	EMHC = Dianne Sinclair
10:30 a.m.	EMHC = Becky Chaput, Dolly Pick
5:15 p.m.	EMHC = Maria Doherty

CONFIRMATION/SUNDAY SOCIAL – December 15th
CWL

ANNOUNCED PARISH MASSES – December 9th to December 15th

Monday	7:45 a.m.	Margaret Bertrand – Member of St. Vincent de Paul George Backmeier – Cathedral CWL
Tuesday	7:45 a.m.	Special Intentions – Denise Sheridan & Family Margaret McGivern – Julie McGivern & Family
Wednesday	7:15 p.m.	Thomas Brannen – Maurice & Catherine Laflamme Rita Gaffney – Husband Cy
Thursday	7:45 a.m.	Maurice & Marie Corriveau – Family Special Intentions of Becky Chaput – Rudi & Doris Goring
Saturday	7:15 p.m.	Special Intentions of Cathedral Parishioners – Fr. Jim
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	Special Intentions of Cathedral Parishioners – Fr. Jim
	5:15 p.m.	For the Sick

ADVENT MISSION – "Putting Together the Puzzle of Faith" at St. Lawrence O'Toole Parish, Barry's Bay from **Saturday, December 7th to Wednesday, December 11th** (Second week of Advent). Preacher – Bishop Thomas Dowd, Auxiliary Bishop of Montreal. Schedule is as follows:
Saturday, December 7th: 4:30 p.m. – Vigil Mass, **Sunday, December 8th:** 9:30 a.m. – Sunday, Mass, 7:00 p.m. – "Who Is God?" **Monday, December 9th:** 10:00 a.m. – Mass, 7:00 p.m. – "If God is good, why is there evil in the world?" **Tuesday, December 10th:** 10:00 a.m. – Mass, 7:00 p.m. – "If God is good, but there is evil in the world, what has God done about it?" **Wednesday, December 11th:** 10:00 a.m. – Mass, 7:00 p.m. – "If God is good but evil exists, and God is doing something about it, how do we get on board?"
Please contact St. Lawrence O'Toole Parish at 613 756-2037 or stlawrenceotoole@hotmail.com for more information.

Cathedral CWL Novelty & Bake Sale, **Sunday, December 8th after 10:30 a.m.** mass in Cathedral Parish Hall. Everyone welcome to browse and purchase items.

Bishop N.Z. Lorrain Council 1531 of the Knights of Columbus will hold its Christmas Dinner for members on **Tuesday, December 10th.** Social begins at 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Ellis Avenue, Pembroke. There will be a gift exchange with gifts not to exceed $10. Donations to the food banks are encouraged. Tickets are $20 and are available at the door or at Town and Country in downtown Pembroke. Memberships for the upcoming year will also be available

2019 CWL Annual Christmas Dinner takes place on **Thursday, December 12th** in the Cathedral Parish Hall. Social: 5 p.m. Dinner: 5:30 p.m. Cost is $10.00 for CWL members, $15.00 for non-members. Menu: Turkey Dinner with all trimmings, catered by Schmidt's Catering. All members are warmly invited to join for a lovely festive dinner and get together. Bring a guest if you wish, you do not have to be a CWL member to attend. RSVP to Becky Chaput, 613-732-8711, Barbara Clouthier, 613-732-9873 and Rose Docherty, 613-635-7667

Ava Maria Concert: The Helferty Family presents Ave Maria, a fundraiser concert of sacred music at St. Michael's Church in Douglas on **Friday, December 13, 2019 at 7 p.m.** Donations will assist Christine Helferty in entering religious life. Free will offering.

Cathedral CWL will be preparing plates for the Sick and Shut In CWL Members of Holy Name and Cathedral on **Saturday, December 14th at 8:30 a.m.** Volunteers and donations of cookies and chocolates are warmly welcomed☺ Donations can be brought to Cathedral Parish Hall on Friday, December 13th, 2019.

Knights of Columbus – Council 1531 – is collecting Dues for the 2020 Fraternal year. Dues remain the same as 2019. Please send a cheque addressed to "Knights of Columbus-Council 1531" in care of the Financial Secretary, 170 Ellis Avenue, Pembroke, Ontario K8A 2H9. If you have any questions regarding your dues you can email dreynolds@nrtco.net or call 613-321-2917. Dues can also be paid at the Knights of Columbus Christmas party on December 10th, 2019.

2019 Penitential Services in Advent

RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at the following times during the season of Advent:

Sunday, December 8th	1:00 – 2:00 p.m. St. Columbkille Cathedral Parish
Thursday, December 12th	2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes Parish 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Adoration and Reconciliation
Sunday, December 15th	2:00 p.m. Holy Name of Jesus Parish
Thursday, December 19th	5:45 – 6:45 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes Church
Sunday, December 22nd	1:00 - 2:00 p.m. St. Columbkille Cathedral Parish

Preparation for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will begin with a meeting for parents and candidates on Sunday, January 19, 2020 in the parish hall. Classes will be conducted over a 12 week period, on Sunday mornings before Mass. Registration forms can be picked up at the Parish Office. Children baptized in other parishes are required to attach a copy of their baptismal certificate to their registration forms. Please contact Lance at 613-633-1108 if you require any further information or clarification."