



Fourth Sunday of Advent – Year C
“From you, O Bethlehem, will come the ruler of Israel”
Micah 5:2

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please see note below for changes to December dates.

This Week in our Parish

- Sat. Dec. 22 – VIGIL OF THE FOURTH SUN. OF ADVENT**
 5:00 p.m. Mass intention for the People of the Parish
- Sunday, Dec. 23- FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
 9:00 a.m. Mass intention for open hearts that, like Elizabeth, leap for joy at God's presence within us
 10:00 a.m. Christmas Pageant Rehearsal--Church
 11:00 a.m. Mass intention for all who are alone and who seek to know God's presence in their lives
- Monday, Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve**
 4:00 p.m. Christmas Children's Pageant
 4:30 p.m. Family Mass
 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve mass (half hour music at 7:00 p.m.)
 10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass (half hour music at 9:30 p.m.)
- Tuesday, Dec. 25 – Christmas--The Nativity of the Lord**
 11:00 a.m. Christmas morning Mass
- Wed. Dec. 26 – Feast of St. Stephen**
 No morning mass
- Thursday, Dec. 27 – Feast of St. John, Apostle, Evangelist**
 No morning mass
- Friday, Dec. 28 – Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs**
 No morning mass
- Sat. Dec. 29 –VIGIL FOR THE HOLY FAMILY**
 5:00 p.m. Mass intention for the People of the Parish
- Sunday, Dec. 30 – FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**
 9:00 a.m. Mass intention for all who find this a difficult time of year
 11:00 a.m. Mass intention that we strengthen the bonds with our family

****Unfortunately, due to some of the earlier deadlines for bulletin submissions for the month of December, the information of the parish's offertory collections and donations for December 16, 2018 is not available this week.****



NEW DEADLINES FOR BULLETIN SUBMISSION FOR DECEMBER

Please note the following deadline dates for bulletin submissions: December 30 bulletin's deadline is Tuesday, December 18, by 12:30 p.m.; January 6 bulletin's deadline is Monday, December 31, by 12:30 p.m. Also, please note that the parish office will be closed from **December 26-28**, inclusive. Thank you.

**IN YOUR GENEROSITY, PLEASE CONSIDER
 A DONATION OR BEQUEST
 TO ST. BASIL'S PARISH**

Parish News

REPLENISHING OUR FOOD CUPBOARD

The St. Basil's Food Cupboard is in dire need of the following items: peanut butter, canned fish (tuna, salmon, etc.) Cheese Whiz, canned meat, instant coffee, and jams. Please put your donations in the wicker basket (labelled: FOOD CUPBOARD) located in the narthex. Thanks so much for helping our needy neighbours.

TRUSTEES NEEDED FOR 9:00 a.m. MASS

We are looking for trustees for the 9 a.m. Sunday mass. Trustees are the people who set-up before mass (e.g. put out the hosts, chalices, wine, turn on the lights) and ensure the clean-up/locking of the church after mass. If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact Danielle Allard at 613-729-6387 or by email at danielle.allard@rogers.com.



EUCHRE PLAYERS!

Come join us for great games, lots of laughs and gourmet meals, every **Wednesday, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.** It's a really enjoyable afternoon and great way to socialize with other parishioners.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Mei Yuk CHEUNG-WONG, mother of Fr. Bosco Wong, Pastor of Our Lady of Fatima parish and former pastor of St. Basil's. Mrs. Cheung-Wong died in Hong Kong on December 5, 2018, in her 93rd year. The Funeral Mass will be held on December 20, 2018 in Hong Kong. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2019

“Justice and only justice you shall pursue”
(Deuteronomy 16:18-20)

Come and join us for an Ecumenical Prayer Service here at St. Basil's on Sunday, **January 20**, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

MANY THANKS TO MANY VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you to all who helped with a number of recent events in the parish; with all the preparations for the parish's Christmas Dinner this weekend; with preparing (and soon delivering) the Christmas Hampers; with the Advent Family Brunch; CWL Bake Sale; with the "pew-moving-crew" for the National Capital Concert Band, our fund raising event for the boiler; cleaning out the Resource Room. Thanks also for all who helped prepare the sacred space and our outdoor space for Advent and the Christmas season; for those who helped to clean the church; who prepared and led Advent Evening Prayer; for those who continue to journey with our young people and adults as they are preparing to be welcomed into the church; for the recent Communications about parish life.....to name just a few. In this busy season, it is important to take these moments to recognize and thank everyone for the many contributions.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Back by popular demand is our Children's Christmas Pageant from 4:00-4:30 p.m. before the Christmas Eve Family Mass. There will be roles for children and youth of all ages. We had our first practice over the November 18 weekend, from 10:00-10:30 a.m. Please e-mail stbasilsfamilyfaith@gmail.com. if your child/youth would like to participate or if you would like to help out with this endeavour. ****Please note:** There will be 1 last practice on Sunday, **December 23**. It is mandatory to have come to at least two of the three practices.

MISSION AND SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee will be on Thursday, **January 3, 2019**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

"Whatsoever you do....."

"Christmas is not just a day, an event to be observed and speedily forgotten. It is a spirit that should permeate every part of our lives."

(William Parks)

Mission and Social Justice Committee

FROM THE DIOCESE AND COMMUNITY

FULL-TIME POSITIONS AVAILABLE MIRIAM CENTRE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Salary \$15.00/hour, 32.5 hours/week. Miriam Centre, a Christian ministry, is seeking a compassionate pro-life person whose primary responsibility will be to help pregnant women and their families. **Must be fluently bilingual (oral and written)**, have good knowledge and experience in management and computer skills. Send resume to: Sr. Rita Lacelle, 030- 2742 St. Joseph Blvd., Orléans, ON K1C 1G5, or centremiriamcentre@yahoo.ca. For job posting see: <https://miriamcentre.ca/contact-us/>

RESOURCES FOR 2019 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated **18 - 25 January, 2019** on the theme "Justice and only justice you shall, pursue" (Deuteronomy 16:18-20). The theme and biblical texts for this annual Week of Prayer are jointly prepared by the Holy See's Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the Commission on Faith and Order of the World Council of Churches. The resources for Canada are produced by an ecumenical writing team coordinated by the Commission on Faith and Witness of the Canadian Council of Churches (CCC), in collaboration with the Canadian Centre for Ecumenism in Montreal and the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism in Saskatoon. Please follow the links from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops website, www.cccb.ca/site/.

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