

Second Sunday of Advent  
December 9, 2018

Baruch 5.1-9  
Philippians 1.3-6, 8-11  
Luke 3.1-6



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**Liturgical Schedule**

**Monday 9:00am** + Hazel & Alex Murphy  
**Tuesday 9:00am** + Serge Marc Gagnon  
**Wednesday 9:00am** + Cancelled  
**Thursday 7:00pm** + Deceased CWL Members  
**Friday 9:00am** + Fran & Syl Bernard  
**9:30am – 12:00pm** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
**Saturday 9:00am** + Cancelled  
**4:30pm** Messe Français  
**7:00pm** Anniversary Mass.... Gail Betton, Edward Kilbride, Una DesRoches, Theresa Gallant,  
**Sunday 9:00am & 10:30am**

(A cross (+) next to a name indicates prayers for a deceased person.)

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Mass changes for Christmas**  
Mon, Dec 24 - 9:00am Cancelled

**Christmas Eve Masses**  
Mon, Dec 24 - 7:00pm  
Mon Dec 24 - 10:00pm  
Tue Dec 25 - 10:00am

**Mary, Mother of God Masses**  
Monday, Dec 31 - 4:30pm  
Tuesday, Jan 1 - 10:30am

**Last Week's Offerings**

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| Sunday Offering | 6,248.95          | Automatic Debits | 1,255.00 |
| Children's      | 23.15             | Building Fund    | 130.00   |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>\$7,657.10</b> |                  |          |

Cost to operate St. Paul's Parish each week: **\$7,440**  
*Sincere appreciation for your continued generosity!*

**St. Paul's Prayer Group ...** Tuesdays in Parish Main Hall, 7:30pm preceded by Rosary at 7:00pm. All are welcome!  
**Prayer Line ...** to have prayers said for family/friends experiencing health problems, call 436-5039 or 436-6135.  
**St. Peregrine Mass (Patron Saint of cancer & other serious illnesses) ...** every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, 7pm followed by a blessing with the St. Peregrine oil.  
**Catholic Women's League ...** First Monday of the month at 7:00pm in the main hall. [www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca)  
**Provincial C.W.L....** [www.cwlpei.ca](http://www.cwlpei.ca)  
**Knights of Columbus...** Meetings 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7pm. The K of C lead the Rosary on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at 6:35pm & offer it for the peace of the world

**Christmas Poinsettias...** Every Christmas the Parish decorates the sanctuary with poinsettias. If you would like to offer a poinsettia in memory of a deceased family member, please bring a donation (suggested \$15) to Nicole in the Parish Office.

**2019 Sunday Envelop Packets...** Are ready and available for pick up in the Parish Centre hallway. A sincere appreciation goes out to all the volunteers; Dawn DesRoches, Dianne Doucette, Irene Matthews, and Claudette Gallant for their help. Thank You for a job well done!!

**Notice of Daily Mass Changes...** 9:00am morning masses on Wednesdays and Saturdays will be cancelled for the time being.

**Hospitality Ministers Sign Up Sheet....** Any Hospitality Ministers wanting to sign up for Christmas and New Year's masses? The sign-up sheet is in the Church entrance on the right-hand wall.

**Advent Reconciliation Service ...** Tues, Dec 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm During our service we will expose the Blessed Sacrament, and our NET ministries team will lead music, there will be an examination of conscience, an extended time of silent prayer, & multiple priests available for individual confessions.

**Prayers for the Sick/Suffering ...** *Raymond Arsenault, Judy Lewis, Ann (Ronan) Boyle, Margaret Cole, Jack Carruthers, Maxine Payneter, Maurice Gallant, Mary Keith, Ernie Doucette, Lorretta Goguen, Albina Arsenault, Bree Dechambeau, Harold Langille, Kim Arsenault, Frances Hamill, Joshua Gallant, Joan Newell, Liam Robert Leclerc, Eric Cormier, Donat Arsenault, Gary Gallant, Jeannette Arsenault, Sharon MacNeill, Donald MacDonald, Susan Lynn MacLean, Robert Arsenault, Sr. Della Gaudet, Colette Cormier, Mary Linn Bridges, John & Mary Veerabathina, Della Arsenault, Adam Bourque, Brenda Rogers, Lemma Rose, Wayne Spin,* that Jesus may bring them healing.

**Religious Education News...** Our last regular class before the Christmas Break will be on Dec 16<sup>th</sup>. Classes will resume on January 6<sup>th</sup>. **Grade 7 Students will have a group Mass at the 10:30am Mass on January 6<sup>th</sup>.** Students are asked to sit in the reserved seating area at the front of the church.

**Grade 1 & 4 Group Mass...** will take place next Sunday, Dec 16<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30am Mass. Grade 1 Students are asked to sit together on the left in the reserved seating area at the front of the Church with their teacher, while Grade 4 students are asked to sit on the right.

**At Home Catechism Support...** A meeting for all those parents who are teaching their children Catechism at home will take place on Monday, Jan 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the boardroom of the Parish Center.

**Wee Ones Word...** All children aged 3-7 are invited to come downstairs to the Main Hall before the 10:30am Mass begins to take part in our Children's Liturgy of the Word. Parents please come down to sign your children in! The children will return to Mass during the Offertory Hymn, so make sure they know where to find you. If you are interested in volunteering in this ministry, please contact Jessica at [education@stpaulsparish.ca](mailto:education@stpaulsparish.ca). **December 16<sup>th</sup> will be our last Wee Ones Word until the New Year. W.O.W will resume on January 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**Today's W.O.W. Message:** God forgives us! It is never too late to change for the better. John the Baptist tells us all to stop doing wrong, and ask God for forgiveness. Let's make sure we all take time to do that this week as we prepare to welcome God into our hearts on Christmas Day.

**Youth Assisting Seniors (YAS) Craft Day...** Next Sunday, Dec 16<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-3:00pm all youth and their families are invited to Wedgewood Manor to make crafts and visit with seniors. Snacks will be provided. Please RSVP if attending, [education@stpaulsparish.ca](mailto:education@stpaulsparish.ca)

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul...** Suggested items this week: personal hygiene items, Christmas food treats, hearty soups, cereal, instant coffee, black tea & canned milk. Thank you!

Reverse Advent is a great fun Christmas idea to do with your family to help St. Paul's foodbank. We can even arrange for families/children to pack the groceries on our foodbank shelves that they've collected - if interested please call 902-439-1543.

It's not too late to adopt a family for Christmas....call Sue, co-chair of the Kin Family Appeal at 902-303-0135.

Sincere thank you for all the generosity with food and monetary donations this holiday season. All donations are truly appreciated!

**St. Paul's Youth Group ...** Wednesdays, 7:00– 9:00pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> level of Parish Centre. All youth, Grades 6 & up are welcome to attend. Come and see.

**Religious Store...** The 2018 Sunday Missals are available for sale \$5.00. There are Christmas Cards available from the Right to Life Association and suitable books for young children as a Right to Life fundraiser at \$15 each. Advent wreaths and candles are now available. The Religious Store will now be open after both Sunday morning Masses

**Knights of Columbus...** The monthly meeting for December will be cancelled.

**St. Vincent de Paul...** A number of Nativity Scenes etc. are available in various sizes. Proceeds go to St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank. Call Clem Gallant at 436-5489.



**Advent Day Retreat...** A retreat day (10:00-3:30pm) Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at the Marguerite Bourgeois Centre. Gather in a prayerful & reflective atmosphere to remember the deep humility & love of Christ exposed in the incarnation. Donations accepted to support the Centre. A light lunch included (cost \$5.00). Please register on or before Nov 30<sup>th</sup>. Contact: Sr. Joan Marie Chaisson CND at 902 436-9239 or [mbcentre@hotmail.com](mailto:mbcentre@hotmail.com)

**The Priest's Benevolent Funs...** The Priest's Benevolent Fund would like to express a sincere thank you to all those who make contributions to the Priest's Benevolent Fund pledge campaign. If you require a tax receipt for 2018 contributions, cheques must be dated by Dec 31, 2018.

**Christmas Concert...** At Trinity United Church, Summerside on Sun, Dec 9 at 7:00pm. You're invited to join in a memorable evening, with renditions of Away in a Manger & Silent Night. Thank you! Carol Rybinski [www.summersidechoir.ca](http://www.summersidechoir.ca)

**Best Advent Ever!...** Are you ready for the best Advent ever? Preparing for Christmas is about more than baking, decorating & cleaning. Take time this Advent to prepare your heart to encounter Jesus. A few minutes a day make a difference. Sign up at [BestAdventEver.com/Christmas18](http://BestAdventEver.com/Christmas18)

**Kinkora Christmas Ceilidh...** Come join in for an afternoon of great local entertainment. Sun, Dec 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm at Kinkora Place. Admission: \$10.00. Lunch included.

*Let the church always be a place of  
Mercy and Hope, where everyone is  
Welcomed, Loved, and Forgiven. Pope Francis*