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**ARCHBISHOP PRENDERGAST'S SCHEDULE FOR
THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD**

During the Christmas period, the Most Rev. Terrence Prendergast, SJ, Archbishop of Ottawa, will preside or participate in the following liturgies and events:

Tuesday, December 24, 7 p.m. – Bilingual Christmas Eve Mass, Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica (385 Sussex Drive, Ottawa).

Tuesday, December 24, 11:30 p.m. – Christmas carols followed by a bilingual Midnight Mass, Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica (385 Sussex Drive, Ottawa).

Wednesday, December 25, 10 a.m. – Mass in French with the Sisters of Charity at the Mother House, followed by a visit to the sisters in the infirmary. Ottawa's first bishop, Bishop Eugène-Bruno Guigues, began this tradition in our local Church in the mid-19th century and the Archbishop continues this Christmas Day celebration.

Saturday, December 28 to Wednesday, January 1 – Catholic Christian Outreach's Rise Up Conference for university students (Delta Hotel, 101 Lyon Street North, Ottawa). More information or to register: <http://cco.ca/riseup/>.

Tuesday, December 31 (New Year's Eve), 4:30 p.m. – Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God; Saint Patrick's Basilica (220 Kent Street, Ottawa).

Sunday, January 5, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. – Archbishop's Reception for the Epiphany at his Residence and the Cathedral Hall (143 St. Patrick Street and 385 Sussex Drive, Ottawa). The Archbishop will receive members of the faithful and the general public to exchange greetings for the New Year. Children are invited to dress up as angels, shepherds, and magi.

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