

First Sunday of Advent – November 28, 2021


Saturday, Nov. 27	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh’s	Josie Romano
Sunday, Nov. 28 (1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent)	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund’s St. Carthagh’s	Members of the Parish Ralph & Marie Coad
Monday, Nov. 29	9:00 am	St. Carthagh’s	Catherine & William Vance
Tuesday, Nov. 30	9:00 am	St. Carthagh’s	Theresa Brown
Wednesday, Dec. 1	9:00 am 7:00 pm	St. Carthagh’s St. Edmund’s	Shawn McCullough Baptism of Liam & Kirby
Thursday, Dec. 2	9:00 am	St. Carthagh’s	No Intention
Friday, Dec. 3	9:00 am	St. Carthagh’s	Doug McCullough
Saturday, Dec. 4	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh’s	Luciana (Lucy) Champagne
Sunday, Dec. 5 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent)	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund’s St. Carthagh’s	Members of the Parish Therese Rashotte

**Please Remember in Your Prayers:** All those who are sick, including: F. Boomhour, Neive Alderson, Norene Ruffilli, Amanda Lake, Ginger Kehoe, Margaret Dupuis-Ives, Terry Horrigan, Catherine Liggon, Debbie LaCroix, Presley Noble, Rob Montgomery, Margaret-Rose Wood, Jack Tweedy, Michelle Fobert, Ben Paul, Dianne DeMarsh, Carrie Young, Jeanette Prevost, Dale McTaggart, David Gohl, Susan Horrigan, Barb Greene, Roy Lamb, Doug Lessard, Carl Kehoe, Barry Tebo, Philip Rashotte, Carolyn Saunders, and Allan LaCroix.

Please let us know at the office if you would like to add to or remove a name from the list of the sick.

Offertory Collections:

St. Carthagh’s	Nov. 20 & 21	Regular Sunday Building & Reserve	\$893 \$10
St. Edmund’s	Nov. 21	Regular Sunday Building & Reserve	\$855 \$160



St. Carthagh’s Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the repose of **Josie Romano**.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERING TO OUR CHURCHES

	LECTOR	HOLY COMMUNION	USHERS
St. Carthagh’s			
Saturday, Dec. 4	Tara Harrison	Carol Genereaux	Greg Donohue Arthur Allore
Sunday, Dec. 5	Shirley Kehoe	Joan McTaggart	George Scott Dan Dafoe
St. Edmund’s	LECTOR	ORGANIST	USHERS
Sunday, Dec. 5	Cecilia Maines	Beth Powers	Bill & Marian Nash Marian Dolan Pat Rush

**Salvation Army Christmas Hampers.** Due to the pandemic, we cannot leave a list at the entrance of the church as in previous years. This year, monetary donations are welcome, as PC gift cards will be provided to the families in lieu of food donations. To facilitate this, please place your monetary donation in an envelope clearly marked for the *Salvation Army Christmas Hamper Program*, and place it in the regular collection boxes at the back of the church. For toy or clothing gifts, please make arrangements with *Marian Dolan at 885-1894* or *Marian Nash at 478-5411* for St. Edmund’s Church, or contact *Lori Crellin at 478-3986 (after 5 pm)* for St. Carthagh’s Church.

**The churches will soon be decorated for Christmas.** Regarding St. Carthagh’s Church, anyone wishing to donate money for flowers, please put your money in the regular collection boxes, in an enveloped clearly marked “**FLOWERS.**” Please indicate if you would like the flowers to be “*In Memory Of*” a loved one. If you would like to donate your own flowers in memory of a loved one, please leave a message at the Parish Office, and your information will be given to Shirley Kehoe.

Season of Advent

This weekend, we begin a new Liturgical Year 2021/2022, with the celebration of the First Sunday of Advent, Cycle “C.” “Advent has a twofold nature : It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ’s first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages” (ORDO 2021/2022 p. 73). The holy season of Advent is consequently marked by a spirit of joyful expectation, of anticipation, of preparation, of longing. There is yearning for deliverance from the evils of the world, first expressed by the people of Israel as they cried out from their bitter oppression. Today, it is intended for us Christians as a period of spiritual preparation to make ourselves ready for the coming or birth of the Lord, Jesus Christ. We are called upon to be attentive to prayer, repentance, a spirit of sharing and anticipation of joy and hope. The Advent wreath expresses these spiritual aspirations.

“This Advent, we in Catholic parishes across Canada will be accompanying in prayer the delegation of Indigenous Peoples to Rome, where they will speak to Pope Francis of some truths that are difficult to hear, including how we in the Church have been the source of some deep pain and wounds. This Advent we are being invited to listen, to come to know, and in the words of our penitential rite, to acknowledge what we as church - and as society - have done and what we have failed to do in the history of relationship with Indigenous Peoples.” (Homily of Most Rev Donald Bolen, Archbishop of Regina). In this light and in line with the Gospel’s call to stay awake, we as Church and society have not been fully awake to Indigenous Peoples, their experiences, gifts, wisdom, suffering, etc. In the spirit of Advent and in the spirit of the Truth and Reconciliation process, we need to pray for a renewed mind, a spirit of greater openness and a spirt of reconciliation.

“Lord God, Creator of all that is, teach us to walk in your paths, to walk together even as you walk with us. Walk with the Indigenous delegation to Rome, and with all of us upon their return, that we might be true artisans of healing, justice and reconciliation. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Each week, beginning on Sunday, November 21**, the Solemnity of Christ the King, and for the four Sundays of Advent, the **Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCC)** is releasing a video recording reflecting on the Gospel Reading for each Sunday. This year’s reflections are inspired by the journey of truth, healing & reconciliation, and the Indigenous Delegation traveling to Rome to meet with Pope Francis from December 17 to 20, 2021.

Please tune in each week for the 5-week series, *Indigenous Peoples and the Church: Walking Together Toward Healing and Reconciliation*. The link (English) is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LqxZ--2df-A&t=1s>

**Archbishop Mulhall has made the following Clergy appointments**, effective **January 10, 2022:**

- RETIREMENT:** **Rev. Brian Price** retires as Pastor of St. Francis Xavier Parish, Brockville.
- PASTOR:** **Rev. Andrew Shim** is appointed Pastor of St Francis Xavier, Brockville.  
**Rev. Raymond de Souza** is appointed Pastor of Holy Cross, Kemptville.  
**Rev. Julius Nwagbara, SMMM** is appointed Pastor of Holy Rosary, Belleville.
- CHAPLAIN:** **Rev. Jan Kusy**k is appointed Chaplain of Newman House, Kingston.

**Registration for Christmas Masses:** The Christmas Eve Masses at both parishes, and the New Year Eve Mass at St. Edmund’s are heavily attended. As our churches are allowed limited capacity, and for these Masses to be safe and in keeping with all regulations, those who want to attend must register at the Parish Office (613-478-2000). If there is no one to take your call, leave your information on the answering machine (*name, address, phone number, the Mass you plan to attend, and the names, addresses, etc. of those planning to attend with you*). Without this information, we cannot register you. We will call you back to confirm your registration. Please register as soon as possible. If you are not registered, you will unfortunately not be able to attend that Mass! First come, first served.

Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule



Fri., Dec. 24	St. Carthagh’s (Must register)	5:00 pm
	St. Edmund’s (Must register)	7:30 pm
Sat., Dec. 25	St. Carthagh’s	10:00 am
Sun., Dec. 26	St. Edmund’s	9:00 am
	St. Carthagh’s	11:00 am
Fri., Dec. 31	St. Edmund’s (Must register)	5:00 pm
Sat. Jan. 1	St. Carthagh’s	10:00 am
Sun., Jan. 2	St. Edmund’s	9:00 am
	St. Carthagh’s	11:00 am

