



Precious Blood Cathedral

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Rev. Father Hamish Currie

Assistant Pastor:

Fr. Ignatius Xavier

Parish Secretary:

Lisa Wyer

Office hours: 8:30AM-12:30PM

Sunday Masses:

5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass

9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 8:30 PM

Weekday Masses:

7:55 A.M.

No Mass on Wednesdays

Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday 4:15 to 4:45 P.M.

Baptism:

Usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Please make arrangements one month in advance by contacting the Parish Office.

Marriages:

Please make marriage arrangements six months in advance by contacting the Parish office.

Papal Blessing:

Please allow at least 6 months for Papal Blessing to arrive after the request has been made.

Diocesan Order of Women:

Dorothy Yadivisiak

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Louise McGuire, 705-254-7869

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Bulletin Announcements

Email your to pbcathedral@on.aibn.com

before 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2014

Pastor's Pen

Christmas is a time when we often think about the "unsung heroes", those, who through their quiet and constant dedication, keep our lives safe and comfortable.

At Precious Blood Cathedral

we have many "unsung heroes". There are all those who volunteer and serve among us, taking time and effort to make our lives and celebrations meaningful. There are those who serve the sick and shut-in. There are those who are always ready to lend a hand when repairs need to be made, roofs need to be mended, maintenance to be done.

On your behalf, I thank all these "unsung heroes".

The history of our parish is filled with such people and for them we are extremely grateful. These are the folk, who by their generosity and service, find room in the Inn.

*May this be, for you and yours,
a Merry, Holy and Happy Christmas*

Fr. Hamish

Scripture Readings: December 22 – December 28

Monday	I Samuel 1.24-28; Luke 1.46-56
Tuesday	Malachi 3.1-4; 4.5-6; Luke 1.57-66
Wednesday	Isaiah 9.2-4, 6-7; Titus 2.11-14; Luke 2.1-16++
Thursday	Isaiah 62.11-12; Titus 3.4-7; Luke 2.15-20
Friday	Acts 6.8-10; 7.54-59; Matthew 10.17-22
Saturday & Sunday	Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14; Colossians 3.12-21; Luke 2.22-40

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 22 7:55 A.M.

† Rev. Mr. Larry Goodwin by Denis & Geri Chateau

Tuesday, December 23 7:55 A.M.

† Tom Lesnick by Knights of Columbus 11608

Wednesday, December 24

No Intentions

Thursday, December 25

No Intentions

Friday, December 26

No Mass

Saturday, December 27 5:00 P.M.

† Tony & Vincent Dulisse by Rose Dulisse & Family

† Richard Huibers by Dick & Cathy Huibers

Sunday, December 28

9:00 A.M.

† Colizza & Petrocco Families & Blanche Arcangeletti by Jennie Colizza

† Betty Adams by her daughter Shirley Caria

11:00 A.M.

Intentions of Parishioners

8:30 P.M.

Intentions of Nuala Jalak & Family by Ann Harrison

*Altar flowers this week
donated in memory of Cecile Pavoni
by Michelle Inch and Marie Carter.*

“The mystery, so long held secret, is now revealed.” Rn 16.25-26

Is Jesus revealing to you the mystery of your calling? Are you being called to priesthood? Contact your Pastor or Fr. Pat Woods at the Office of Vocations 705-674-2727 ext 250 or pwoods@diocesecentre.com and check out www.beapriest.ca

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS TO
PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE.

Sympathy

We offer our prayers and condolences to
Linda Simonini on the death of
her brother.



REMINDER

Please do not leave valuables
visible in your car and lock your vehicle.

Sunday, December 14	\$7331
Building/Journey Fund YTD	\$825,206
Nov. Pre-Authorized Donations Sunday	\$3015
Nov. Pre-Authorized Donations Journey	\$1290

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Dec 27/28	Lectors	Eucharistic Minister	Ushers
Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Janet Brown Susan Colizza	Robert Dugas Jean Scott Louise Adams	Bernard Lysiak Neil Conway John Slobodecki Paul Logan
Sunday 9:00 A.M.	Hannah Lettieri Fil Lettieri	Louise McGuire Barbara Klesh Clare Lennox	Rudy Wheatley Brian Lidstone
Sunday 11:00 A.M.	Gary Dumanski Joanne Dumanski	Gino Masotti Maria Santelli Sophie Ostrowski	Ted & Norma Wall Phil Bellerose
Sunday 8:30 P.M.	John Stadnyk Tom Walton		Gino Filice

*Therefore the
Lord himself
will give you
this sign: the
virgin shall
conceive, and
bear a son, and
shall name him
Emmanuel.
Isaiah 7*

Sick and Shut In

Please remember in
your prayers, all
the sick and shut in
especially Margaret
Nicholson,
Mae Roberts,
Bernice Corcoran,
Gerald Nolan, Ted
Kobinski

Christmas Masses	Lectors	Eucharistic Minister	Greeters
Christmas Eve 5:00pm	Maureen Montinini Terry Bos	Louise McGuire Myrtle Corelli	Kathleen Carlson
Christmas Eve 7:30pm	Susan Colizza Joanne Dumanski	Gino Masotti Sophie Ostrowski	
Christmas Eve Midnight	Rico Iacoe Marie Bruno	John Bruno Michelle Inch	
Christmas Day 9:00am	Moyra O'Pallie Donna Bos	Terry Colizza Alfredo Bruni Denise Colizza	Louise Bichler Agnes Cote
Christmas Day 11:00am	Bernie Doran Evelyn Theriault	Michael Currier Thi Quy Tran	Evelyn Theriault Myrtle Corelli
New Years Eve 5:00pm	Bob Barbeau Tyler Smith	Gino Masotti Anne Greco Sophie Ostrowski	
New Years Day 9:00am	Dawn Malone Ivan McCaig	Louise McGuire Denise Colizza Barbara Klesh	
New Years Day 11:00am	Anne Marie Dupuis Joanne Dumanski	Michael Currier Bambi Alexander Thy Quy Tran	

the Journey

2015 Lottery Tickets are now on sale at various locations. Please see note on bulletin board for location dates & times. \$20 per ticket. Tickets can always be purchased in the parish office. 49 weekly draws for \$1000 starting January 24, 2015. Any parishioner who would like to sell tickets, please see the ticket seller before & after each mass. We could use your help.

K of C 11608 invite all parishioners to their all-you-can-eat **Pasta & Meatball dinner** in support of the **Journey** on **Tuesday, January 6** from 5pm-7pm at the Grand Gardens on Dennis St. Cost is \$9.99 for adults & \$5.99 for children. Take out is also available. **The Knights are having this dinner on the first Tuesday of each month.**

There are still several opportunities to spend 2 hours selling Journey lottery tickets in Station Mall. If you have a couple of hours to share during the week of December 16-23, please call Bob Barbeau at 705-256-5454.

Journey Lottery Winner December 13	Vincenza Lauricella
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Christmas Season Mass Schedule Precious Blood Cathedral

December 24, Christmas Eve

5:00pm
7:30pm
12 Midnight

December 31, New Years Eve

5:00pm

December 25, Christmas Day

9:00am
11:00am

January 1, New Years Day

9:00am
11:00am

The office will be closed Dec. 25, & 26 & Jan. 1

The 5:00 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve is always full. In accordance with fire safety regulations, once the Church is full, the doors will be closed and Mass will begin. No one will be admitted after doors are closed. There can be no exceptions.

Thank you.

Fr. Hamish & Fr. Ignatius



2015 Offertory Envelopes

Offertory Envelopes for 2015 are ready for pick up.

They are in Ste. Anne's Room. Please remember to pick up your envelopes. If you have not been using envelopes in the past, and would like some, please contact Lisa in the parish office and a set of envelopes will be prepared for you. If you would like to contribute through our Pre-Authorized Donation Program, please see Lisa in the office to complete the necessary form.

Craft Group

We would like to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We will be meeting again in January and thank everyone for their support.

Catholic Women's League

Per Capita Fees (Membership Dues): It has been a long time since our parish membership dues have not increased and because of rising costs we are looking to increase them in the year 2016. We ask that all members who are able to attend the January meeting do so to express their views on this. A motion and a vote will be done at this meeting. A letter will be sent to all members explaining this action further.

Blood Donor Clinic: We thank all the ladies who helped this month. Anyone wishing to take part in helping once a month can contact Louise at 254-7869 and she will explain the procedure. If you can give two hours a month for such a worthy cause, the rewards will be great.

On behalf of Precious Blood Cathedral Catholic Women's League we wish you all A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS .
We thank Father Hamish and Father Ignatius for all their support in 2014.

In the Community

Weekend Retreat at Villa Loyola:

Theme: *Imagination and Spirituality: Praying Through the Visual Arts*

Dates: From Friday February 6 (7pm) to Sunday February 8 (1pm) 2015

Director: Fr. Teo Ugaban, S.J.

Cost: \$240.00 all inclusive (art supplies provided)

Registration: Call 705-522-3502 ext, 0 Monday to Friday or by email at loyola@isys.ca

Catholics Returning Home: A six-week support program helping Catholics return to the active practice of their faith. If you are a Catholic who has been away from the Church for a while, this invitation is for you. Our faith community misses you and is incomplete without you. No matter how long you have been away, and for whatever reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church. Please join us for informal sessions and an update of the Catholic faith. Caring individuals, including former non-practicing Catholics, will facilitate the sessions which are conducted in a relaxed, support-group setting.

Where: Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 114 MacDonald Ave. **When:** 7:30pm-9:00pm, Monday evenings, beginning January 12, 2015. Please call 705-942-8546 for more information.

All-U-Can-Eat-Breakfast-Brunch: Sponsored by St. Mary's Men's Club on Sunday December 21 from 10am-12:30pm in the parish hall, 293 St. George's Ave. E. \$8 adults/\$4 children under 12/No charge for children 6 years and under.



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Fourth Week of Advent

On the **Fourth Sunday of Advent**, we read **Luke's Gospel** of the Annunciation, the moment when a troubled Mary is told she has found favor with God and she will conceive and bear a son. She questions: "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" Then declaring herself the handmaiden of the Lord, she accepts: "May it be done to me according to your word."

Luke's Gospel is our guide this week. Monday we read the Mary's magnificent prayer in the continuation of the annunciation story from Sunday. Tuesday is the naming of John by Zechariah. Wednesday, during the day, has Zechariah's prayer of praise after being allowed to speak again. The scenes and canticles, or songs, that are part of the story are so well known to us that we can miss hearing them with an open heart.

Christmas Week

If we celebrate the **Vigil of Christmas** on Wednesday, the Gospel for this liturgy is the Genealogy in **Matthew's Gospel** (though any of the gospels for Christmas may be used at any of the Christmas liturgies).

The first celebration of **The Nativity of the Lord** is the **Mass at Midnight**. The first reading is from **Isaiah**: "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone." This powerful reading deserves a slow contemplation. The Gospel is from **Luke**: the journey to Bethlehem, the birth, the angels announce the birth to the shepherds. The second celebration of **The Nativity of the Lord** is the **Mass at Dawn**. The Gospel is from **Luke**: the shepherds visit the newborn child. "And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart." The third celebration of **The Nativity of the Lord** is the **Mass during the Day**. Here the Gospel is from the beginning of **John's Gospel**: "And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth."

December 26th celebrates **St. Stephen**, the first martyr. December 27th is the feast of the Beloved Disciple, **St. John**, Apostle and Evangelist.

The **Sunday that follows Christmas** is always the celebration of **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**. It is also the fourth day in the eight days of celebrating Christmas. There is a choice of wonderful readings from the **Book of Sirach** and Paul's letter to the **Colossians**. The gospel from **Luke** is the Presentation of the child Jesus in the Temple. The long version includes the beautiful prayer by Simeon upon seeing the child in the temple.

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