

**Precious Blood Cathedral** 

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# **Christmas** The Nativity Of The Lord

**December 25, 2022** 

# **Pastor:** Father Hamish Currie

Parochial Vicar (Associate Pastor): **Father Jeff Shannon** 

> **Parish Office:** Monday-Friday

8:30 AM to 12:30 PM Office Admin Jennifer

**Sunday Masses:** Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm Sunday: 9am and 11am

> Weekday Masses: Morning Mass:

Tues to Fri at 9am

**Sacrament of Penance:** Saturday: 4:15pm-4:45pm

**Baptism:** Usually on the **3rd Sunday** of the month. Please make arrangements one month in advance by contacting the Parish office.

Marriage:

Please make marriage arrangements 6 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.

> **Knights of Columbus:** Ernie Console

> > **CWL President:** Louise Bichler 705-945-8259

Liturgical Music / Choir : Bruce Douville bruce.douville@gmail.com

#### **Bulletin Announcements:**

Email yours to pbcathedral@on.aibn.com Before 11:00 AM Wednesday

> **Prayer Line:** Corona McNally 705-575-6975



When considering Christmas and end of year donations please remember Precious Blood Cathedral. We have not recovered from the financial effects of Covid. We do our best to keep cost to a minimum, but we have a few months of high heating bills ahead of us.

Your generosity and continued support are greatly appreciated.

Thanks
Fr. Hamish for
The Finance Committee

Fr Alex would like to let everyone know that there is
I Ipm Mass at St Jerome on Christmas Eve
in the Malayalam language for international students
and families

Sunday Collections
December 17th & 18th Weekend
\$3919.00

Thank you for your continued

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Eucharistic Ministers				
NEW YEARS EVE, Saturday Dec 31				
5:00 PM	Linda Simonini			
NEW YEARS DAY, Sunday Jan 1				
9:00 AM	Bill Denneny			
11:00 AM	Michael Currier			

Lectors				
NEW YEAR	NEW YEARS EVE, Saturday Dec 31			
5:00 PM	Terry Bos			
NEW YEA	NEW YEARS DAY, Sunday Jan 1			
9:00 AM	Donna Bos			
11:00 AM	Joanne Dumanski			

	Christmas 2022						
	Parking Lot Entrance	Queen Street	Main Aisle Front	Main Aisle Rear	Alternate\ Backup		
NEW YEARS EVE, Saturday Dec 31							
5:00 PM	Linda Clement						
NEW YEARS DAY, Sunday Jan 1							
9:00 AM	Sandra Suurna	Terry-Lou Legros		Ivan McCaig			
11:00 AM	Rosanne Breton	Tony Pino	Bambi Alexander	Richard Breton			

# **MONDAY BOXING DAY DECEMBER 26, 2022**

**NO MASS & OFFICE CLOSED** 

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 27, 2022** 

**NO MASS & OFFICE CLOSED** 

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 28,2022** 

MASS @ 9AM / OFFICE OPEN 8:30-12:30

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 29, 2022** 

**MASS @ 9AM OFFICE OPEN 8:30-12:30** 

FRIDAY DECEMBER 30, 2022

**MASS @ 9AM OFFICE OPEN 8:30-12:30** 

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 31.2022** 

MASS @ 5PM

**SUNDAY JANUARY 1, 2023** 

MASS @ 9AM & IIAM

**MONDAY JANUARY 2, 2023** 

**NO MASS & OFFICE CLOSED** 

JANUARY 3, 2023
REGULAR HOURS FOR OFFICE AND MASS RESUMES

# **Christmas Flower Donation**



# Jeannie Devon & Keith Devon by Meryn Devon

# Rosario Esposito & Carmel Chiarello by Domenic Esposito & Family

Vickie Italiano by Sam & Sue Colizza



#### Thank you

A special thank you to all who donated baking for Bishop Dowd`s visit and reconciliation. It was much appreciated.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

There are still some members who have still not remitted their dues., Cut off date to receive your magazine and not lose any years of service is December 31st. Please remit if you are able.

#### **MERRY CHRISTMAS**

We wish Father Hamish, Father Jeff, all parishioners and CWL members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We are grateful for your support.



# Saturday December 24, 2022 5pm

- † **4pm** Carmine & Ermelinda Melchionna by Maria & Anthony Bruno † Guiseppe & Ida Bruno by Maria & Anthony Bruno
  - † 5:30pm Antonio Rizzo by Rose & Family
    - **† 7pm** Beatrice Ledger Grandbois by Regis & Jeannine Dugas
  - † 10pm Sophia & Walter Ostrowski by Family

# Sunday December 25, 2022 @ 10am

- † Alfonse Nanni by Marion Nanni
- † Jerry Theriault by Evelyn Theriault

# Wednesday December 28, 2022 @ 9am

† Gaspare Mazzuca by Pina Mazzuca

# Thursday December 29, 2022 @ 9am

† Iris Vendetti by Nadine & John Condon

# Friday December 30, 2022 @ 9am

† Malfalda Vecchio by Tony Vecchio

#### First Week of Christmas

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Christmas falls on a Sunday this year. There are <u>four Christmas liturgies</u> to reflect on and celebrate. Whether we are alone or with a community full of joy, this is a special day to get close to the manger and to renew our sense of gratitude, not only that our Savior has come, but how he has come - to be with us in such lowliness.

This week is full of rich celebrations, with lots of reason to help us stay reflective this week.

The 26th is the **Feast of Saint Stephen**, first martyr.

The 27th is the Feast of Saint John, Apostle and evangelist.

The 28th is the **Feast of the Holy Innocents**, remembering the infant martyrs of Herod's jealous rage.

The 29th is **Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas**. We have the story of the Purification in the temple and the powerful words of Simeon about Jesus and about Mary.

The 30th is **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**. When a Sunday does not occur between December 25 and January 1, this feast is celebrated on December 30. Even though it is not on a Sunday this year.

The 31st is the **Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas**. The Gospel is the beginning of **John's Gospel**.

Sunday, January 1st this year, New Year's Day, is the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. In addition, it is a celebration of the World Day of Prayer for Peace.

#### **GLUTEN FREE HOSTS**

We now have gluten free hosts for those with gluten allergy/intolerance. Please inform the adult server in the sacristy, prior to Mass, that you require a gluten free host. At communion, approach the priest, who will have it in a special container.

#### **Daily Prayer This Week**

This can be a wonderful week to stay in the Christmas spirit. This past weekend may have been quite full for many of us. Others of us may be alone, except from the faith community we will join on Christmas, perhaps daily this week. We are entering into the Christmas season, with its special graces.

Whether this week is full or slow, it is a treasure filled opportunity for reflection. Using the same means we've been using, we can let the richness of this weeks' readings and feasts fill the background of each day. Even on Christmas day we can wake up, surrendering anxiety by letting the anxiety of these days take us to the scene of our Lord's birth. We can imagine the anxiety that filled the experience of Mary and Joseph. We can keep in our consciousness their trust in God. The Christmas music on the radio or at our church services and liturgies can bring the faith of these hymns and songs into our hearts. And, once it is there, these songs of faith will remain in the background all day long. When we are tempted to worry or complain, to be hurt or angry, to be frustrated or exhausted, the hymns will draw our hearts to rejoicing and gratitude.

Thinking about Stephen the Martyr or John, the apostle of love. or the martyrdom of the innocents, with a little desire and focus, can guide our hearts to reflect on the meaning of Christmas - the gift of self-giving love. We can ask ourselves, what generosity can come from from the gratitude I have in my heart after celebrating the gift of redemption? Who in my world needs more love? What happens in me when I think about the people in the world who need my support? Who is being martyred today? Who is witnessing our world's rejection?

All of us can imagine Jesus, Mary and Joseph going home. We can imagine their daily life. We can ask for the grace to live in God's presence, just as they must have done, and for the grace to be sensitive to each other and care for each other as they must have. We can ask that we might imitate their busy lives, trusting and dependant on God. Looking on their hidden life together, we can grow in a desire to be more humble, in a peace with greater simplicity, in a courage to let God take care of us. Whether we experience the poverty of that holy stable or the ordinary simplicity of daily routine, we can enjoy this week as a special opportunity to be drawn to a greater closeness with Jesus. On New Year's day we can ask Mary to place us with her son.

SUNDAY MISSAL 2022/2023 \$8.00 CASH AVAILABLE IN OFFICE 8:30-12:30 OR ST ANNE'S ROOM PLACE MONEY IN ENVELOPE IN COLLECTION OR LEAVE IN ENVELOPE IN



# **The Journey Continues!!**

This years draw will be 50/50

### **Draw Date**

Saturday December 31, 2022 at start of 5PM Mass Tickets are \$5 each, with 2,000 tickets printed.

On behalf of the Journey Lottery committee, we thank-you in advance for all of your help!!

# Weekday Scripture Readings: December 26th-31st

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Acts 6.8-10;7.54-59	Mathew 10.17-22
Tuesday	1 John 1.1-4	John 20.2-8
Wednesday	1 John 1.5-2.2	Matthew 2.13-18
Thursday	1 John 2.3-11	Luke 2.22-35
Friday	Sirach 3.2-6, 12.14	Matthew 2.13-15, 19-23
Saturday	1 John 2.18-21	John 1.1-18

# **Coffee Sundays**

The first Sunday of each month—join us after the 9am and I I am mass for coffee in the Gathering Place. Next Coffee Hour: January 8, 2023



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### **Prayer Line**

Anyone wishing to have prayers for a special Intention, or someone who is ill, having surgery, for the deceased, or any other intention **Shawl** 

### **Ministry**

If you know of someone who is in hospital or at home or at the Hospice that is in need of comfort from a shawl.

Contact Corona at 705-575-6975.









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KEN YASINSKI

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