

1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Schedule – Nov 27 – Dec 3

Saturday 27 November

5:15 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday 28 November First Sunday of Advent

9:00 am Paula Maria Folkel ~ Kate & Brian McCarney

11:00 am Mary Ellen Grigor, Emma & Family ~ Lucie & Renato Brun del Re

Monday 29 November Feast of St Andrew

8:30-8:50 am Intercessory Prayer for the Sick & Suffering

Tuesday 30 November

4:30 pm Paul McShane ~ Barbara Hendry

Wednesday 1 December

9:00 am Billy Smith ~ Buchanan Family

Thursday 2 December

12:00 pm Betty Cosgrove ~ Elaine Cavalier & Family

Friday 3 December St. Francis Xavier ~ First Friday

8:30-8:50 am Intercessory Prayer for the Sick & Suffering

9:00 am Paul Kelly ~ Ruth Jackson

9:30 am Eucharistic Holy Hour and Benediction

Saturday 4 December First Saturday ~ St. Ambrose

9:00 am Roy Kirkham ~ Judy & Jim Walsh

5:15 pm *Knights of Columbus Deceased Member's Mass*

Jean MacLellan ~ Susan MacLellan

Sunday 5 December Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 am Greg Diotte ~ Delbert & Margaret Morrow

11:00 am For the People of the Parish

Mass Requests: stjohnerthmass@gmail.com or Parish Office.

MEETINGS – Two Weeks at a Glance

Most St John Meetings are held in the St John Narthex.

Sat. Dec 11 4:30 pm ~ Take Out Only ~ Community Dinner at
St. James Anglican Church

Mon. Dec 13 7:00 pm ~ CWL Meeting, St John Narthex (No
January Meeting)

Sunday Offering: Nov. 14: \$6,209 ~ Thank you for your contributions.

DONATING TO ST JOHNS

We gratefully accept donations by Cash or cheque, Mail in, Drop In, offertory plate, our PAD (pre-authorized debit) or e transfers (stjohnperthdonations@gmail.com). Check out our St John website for details. Please add your envelope number, church and how to apply your donation.

PRAYERS

In your prayers, please remember the sick including Tom Kerr. **In your prayers, please remember the deceased,** including Ethel Day of the parish.

In need of prayer?

Contact: Parish Office

Connect with our strong prayer warriors, Father Charles, Father Brian, or one of our Parish Prayer teams through the Parish Office (for St John's Pastoral Care, CWL, or KOC Prayer group). Jesus, I trust in You.

SACRAMENTS & MASSES

Baptismal Congratulations!

We welcomed Lilian Jane Tait & Charles James Tait into the Church through Baptism. We congratulate their parents and commend them for their commitment to the Catholic faith.

Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion & Confirmation – Registration

Parish Office: 613-259-2155

Register online: stjohnerthontario.com/Sacraments

Registration opens for children and youth interested in receiving the sacraments of First Reconciliation & First Communion (grade 2) and or Confirmation (grade 6). Contact the Parish Office for more information.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary – All Welcome

St. Mary's Cathedral, Kingston (279 Johnson Street)

Wed., Dec. 8, 12:10 pm

Cost: Donation – monetary, food, toiletries

Register: ministries@stmaryscathedral.ca or 613-546-5521x5

Leave name, contact number, number of people attending. Calls will not be returned.

FAITH FORMATION RESOURCES

FORMED.org Our Free Catholic Resource!

Visit FORMED.org, login and access this parish-sponsored "Catholic Netflix" and its numerous resources for every age. View latest FORMED topics on **our website**.

Check Out our Facebook page: stjohnerth

PARISH FEATURE & FOCUS

Advent prepares us for the coming of the Child, the coming of the Saviour, the coming of Emmanuel, God with us, and God comes, born as a baby.

In this coming, God comes in weakness, God comes in the quiet of the night, God comes like a helpless child, in need of men and women to take care of him, to watch over him, to feed him, to do all these unbelievable things when you think that the Blessed Mother and Joseph are raising a child who is God Himself. And so, this coming is well worth all the effort we put in to celebrate.

This Coming reminds us that Jesus is with us. The Lord will be with us on the journey, down through the years, no matter how long it takes, will be at our side, and will never abandon us.

And, of course, this is the real joy of Advent: the knowing of, and the loving of, this Messiah who comes to be with us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donation Deadline for (2021 Tax Receipts) is December 29, 2021.

GET INVOLVED

Be a Lay Minister! Your Help is Needed

Online Sign up: Stjohnperthontario.com or

Contact: Parish Office (613) 267-1043

- Sacristans, Ushers, Readers, Volunteer Screening
- Community Dinner cook & Volunteers

Lay ministers play an important role in our church community. Please consider volunteering.

Lawn & Garden Volunteer Needed for Elderly

Contact: Parish Office (613) 267-1043

Christmas & New Year's Online Sign Up

(or contact Parish Office) for Christmas & New Year's Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Lectors, Ushers/Greeters, Sacristans, Gift Bearers and Altar Servers.

PARISH GROUPS & MINISTRIES

St John's CWL Christmas 2 Family Fundraising

Please leave your clearly marked "CWL Family" monetary donation envelopes in the Narthex collection baskets.

UPCOMING EVENTS

First Aid Training - Open to Everyone!

St John's Narthex

Sat., Dec 11, 2021, 9a-12:30pm

Register: contact parish office

Prerequisite: able to give instructions to others, and or be physically fit to assist on the floor.

Come & Learn First Aid or be recertified! As part of our St John parish community, we encourage all parishioners and volunteers to learn how to do First Aid.

LOOKING AHEAD

Advent Preparation & Celebrations

Sign Up, Food Cash & Gift Card Drive & Resources

Sign Up: **Christmas & New Year's Helper Sign Up**

Sign up online or contact the parish office

Food Drive: **Advent Act of Kindness – Food Cash or Gift**

(until Dec. 19) Card Drive Bring to Narthex Box (prepaid giftcards)

Resources: **Advent & Christmas (in Narthex & Side Exit)**

Word Among Us, Madonna House's "Restoration," Missals \$5.00

Christmas & New Year's Masses

(NO SIGN UP- FIRST COME; FIRST SEAT)

Dec. 19 **3:00 pm ~ St. John's Parish Advent Confessions**

Dec. 24 **Christmas Eve Masses, Nativity of the Lord**

5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm & 12:00 am

Dec. 25 **9:00 am & 11:00 am ~ Christmas Day Mass**

Dec. 26 **Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**

9:00 am & 11:00 am ~ Regular Sunday Mass

Dec. 31 & **Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

Jan. 1 *Fri, Dec. 31, 5:00 pm; Sat, Jan. 1, 9:00 & 11:00 am*

Jan. 2 **Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord**

9:00 am & 11:00 am ~ Regular Sunday Mass



"May the God of Hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

Romans 15:13