

St. Joseph's Parish Calendar

Dec 11, 2017 - Dec 17, 2017

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

TUESDAY Dec 12

1:00pm Funeral Mass for Karl O'Connor

WEDNESDAY Dec 13

6:30 pm Mass † Mr & Mrs Michael Ross (by Joe Ross)

THURSDAY Dec 14

8:30 am Mass † Pauline Moloney (by K of C)

FRIDAY Dec 15

8:30 am Mass † Vera Moher (by Bob & Maureen Sullivan)

SATURDAY Dec 16

5:00 pm Mass ~ For the Intentions of the People

SUNDAY Dec 17

10:00 am Mass † Frank Moher (by John & Marie Moher)



Parish Stewardship

• Dec 3

Last Year

\$2,752

This Year

\$2,581

OUR CWL IS COLLECTING FOOD FOR THE FOOD BANK once again, a box will be available at the entrance of the church until Dec 10th.



The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Womens' League e will be cleaning the church on Mon. Dec 18th at 9am for the Christmas season, everyone welcome to help.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Jesus referred John as "My messenger" who Prepared the "way". John now wanted his disciples to realize that they, too, must follow Christ in this "way". Only through the same Jesus Christ, the long-expected Savior, will the "blind" of soul "see;" the "lame" of character "walk;" the "lepers" of sin become "cleansed;" the "poor" become rich with a new Gospel. (Red figures in picture indicate the blink, the lame, the leper.)

The Epistle points to these interior and social aspects of the "Christ" way: interiorly, by prayer, to "glorify" the Fatherhood of God; socially by our actions, to "receive one another" in the Brotherhood of Man, "even as Christ has received you."

WORDS FROM POPE FRANCIS: "The more a Christian puts Jesus at the center of his heart and his life, the more clearly he radiates the presence of Christ in the world."



Parish Offices will close at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 and reopen January 2, 2018.



God of patience, show us your wisdom in time, that we may grow to expect your action on your time. Teach us to be gentle and patient with ourselves. Make us receptive to your timing in others. Help us see the long view when we are caught in the frustration of waiting. Amen.

Dec 16,17 2017	SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 10:00 AM
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Terry Pecoskie, Bob Condon	Loretto coons, Paul Sweeney
Lectors	Mary Ellen Barry	Joanne Armstrong
Altar Servers	Catherine Carlow, Christine Van der vegt & Samantha Van der vegt	Cheyenne O'Brien + any available
Hospitality	Doug & Dorothy Perdue	Jim & Marian Coughlin
Ushers	Albert Heffernan	John Sullivan
Bell Ringer	Andy Vollering	Adam Parker
Week of Dec 11-15 Altar Cleaning	Jean Heffernan, Rosemary Towns	
Counters (Dec 12)	Mary McKeiver, Pawel & Ingrid Zbieranowski	

Next Sunday's Readings Third Sunday of Advent Year B

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11

Isaiah has been sent to proclaim good news to those in need.

Psalm Lk 1

My soul shall exult my God.

1 Thes 5:16-24

Paul admonishes that Christians should rejoice.

Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Gospel John the Baptist is the forerunner of Jesus

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Saturday	December 9	Advent reconciliation from 3-4:30 pm in the church.
Thursday	December 14	School reconciliation 9:30 to 3:00 pm in the school
Thursday	December 14	6:30 pm Reconciliation for the First Holy Communion Children.
Friday	December 15	School reconciliation 9:30 to 3:00 pm in the school
Saturday	December 16	Advent reconciliation from 3-4:30 pm in the church.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULES

Sunday	Dec 24, 2017	Christmas Eve	5:00 pm and 8:00 pm
Monday	Dec 25, 2017	Christmas Day	10:00 am
Sunday	Dec 31, 2017	New Years Eve	5:00 pm
Monday	Jan 1, 2018	New Years Day	10:00 am

"ROY ORBISEN MUSICAL" PERFORMED BY IAN ROY St Anne's Knights are selling tickets for only \$10—Makes a nice gift or stocking stuffer. Mark Jan 19th at St. Anne's Parish Hall on your calendar—but pick your tickets up for Christmas! Mike Condon 705-0356, Steve Casey 741-0278 or St. Anne's office for tickets

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR NEW BOXES OF CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES FROM THE BACK OF THE CHURCH AND USE THEM BEGINNING 2018



PLEASE PRAY FOR.....

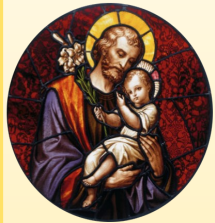
Sophie O'Brien

Please call the Parish Office if you have someone you would like added to the prayer list. If you have a friend or family member that would like communion brought to them (in hospital or at home), please call the Parish Office 705 652-3231.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR WINTER MELODIES - A Christmas Concert by Nathan Lucas and Hannah Brouwer on December 16th, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Luke's Church Downeyville. Refreshments to follow at the parish hall. Proceeds for the hall renovation. Tickets available from Mary Connell 705-793-2013 and are sold in advance of the performance.

ST. MARTIN'S PARISH ENNISMORE PRESENTS.... Our 13th Annual Christmas Concert In support of Brock Mission & Cameron House, Sun Dec 10th – 2pm. All proceeds of our freewill offering will support Brock Mission to help bring the spirit of Christmas to those most in need. Tax receipts avail – refreshments following. *Cheques should be payable to Brock Mission*

OUT OF THE COLD LUNCH: Thank you to all parishioners who donated food or their time to serve lunch. "Feeding the Hungry" was certainly a heartfelt gift to all involved.



THE SECOND ANNUAL ST. JOSEPH DINNER Tickets are available for the 2nd Annual St. Joseph Dinner in support of campus ministry. Funds raised support Catholic ministry to students at Trent University and Fleming College. The dinner will take place Saturday Feb. 3 at the Evinrude Centre Banquet Hall in Peterborough. Cocktail hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:30. Tickets are \$100 and are eligible for a \$50 charitable tax receipt. They can be purchased online at www.ptbovocations.ca/dinner, the Vocations Office (820 Frank Street) on Tuesdays or Thursdays. Contact Fr. John Perdue vocations@peterboroughdiocese.org

CHRISTMAS PREPARATION: JESUS IS COMING

Graces and Inspirations. "If today you hear his voice harden not your hearts as they did in Meriba and Massah." As a result, God will fill us with peace in His presence. "Speak, O Lord for your servant is listening. **Silence.** Step aside from the boisterous and clamorous noise that bombards your mind and soul and relish SILENCE. **Light to the World.** In our homes and the Parish we light the Advent candles as we start a new week. **Frugality and Simplicity.** May our celebration of Jesus' birthday not be suffocated by excessive buying, possessing and materialism. Jesus warns us that we cannot serve God and money at the same time. **Jesus in the Poor.** Jesus was born in poverty, but also Jesus can be discovered in our brothers and sisters but especially the poor, abandoned, marginalized and forgotten members of society. Let us pray for eyes of faith and charity to see these special ones of the Lord! **Mercy and Forgiveness.** If it is such that you are harboring some form of resentment towards some person, holding back forgiveness, and allowing the bitter herb of vindictiveness dominate your soul, now is the time to practice mercy and to forgive. **Prayer.** The Holy Seasons of Advent and Lent should be times in which we pray more and intensify our prayer life. Find time, place and good will to enter into dialogue and communication with God. We should long for a deeper prayer life. **Mass and Holy Communion.** Every time that Holy Mass is celebrated then Jesus is born in the hands of the priest and in the hearts of the faithful who receive Him in Holy Communion. Why not make a concerted effort as we prepare for Christmas to go to Mass and receive Jesus in the Bethlehem of your heart? **Clean the Cave.** Now is the time to make a good Sacramental Confession. By doing so you will be cleaning out the dirt, cobwebs, dust, debris, and trash in your heart. Then Jesus who is to be born will come with greater joy and fill you with joy.

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CWL: Darlene Sullivan 705 652-6009
Knights of Col.: Joe Sweeney 416 518-9324
Hall Rental: Contact the Parish Office
Parish Office Hours: Tues/Thurs 9am - 4pm

Marriage:
by arrangement
(min. 6 months prior)

Baptism:
by arrangement with
the Parish Office

Reconciliation:
Sat 4:00—4:30 pm
or by appointment

Cemetery Board:
Bob Condon 652-6071

Our Mission:

As a caring and trusting Christian community we, the parishioners of St Joseph's Douro strive to follow Christ through the sharing of His Word, the sharing of Jesus in the Eucharist and in serving God and humanity through prayer and action

St. Joseph's School:
Principal: Julie Selby
705 652-3961

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Home Communion:
week of First Friday or
anytime upon request

Music: Tina McCarthy
705 652-0411
Amy Melanson 933-9247