



## Dec 23, 4th Sunday of Advent Dec 25, Nativity of the Lord

### St. Joseph's Parish Mass Intentions

#### MONDAY DEC 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00pm Int. of John & Colette Moher & Kathleen Ryan (by Jerry & Shelly Ryan & family)

7:00pm ☩ Deceased Family Members of Bob & Maureen Sullivan

#### TUESDAY Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

8:30 am For the People of the Parish

#### WEDNESDAY Dec. 26 NO MASS

THURSDAY Dec. 27 Fr. Bernard Heffernan (by Gerard & Pauline Heffernan)

#### FRIDAY Dec. 28

8:30 am ☩ Tim Morrissey (by Karen Johnston & family)

#### SATURDAY Dec. 29

5:00 pm Int. of Sister Mary Catherine & the sisters of our Lady Immaculate  
(by Doug & Dorothy Perdue)

#### SUNDAY Dec. 30

10:00 am For the People of the Parish

#### Parish Stewardship

December 16

Last Year

\$1,960.00

This Year

\$3,635.00

*We thank you for your continued support of our Parish!*



### CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULES

Monday Dec 24, Christmas Eve 5:00 pm & 7:00 pm

Tuesday Dec 25, Christmas Day 10:00 am

Monday Dec 31, New Years Eve 5:00 pm

Tuesday Jan 01, New Years Day 10:00 am

**YEAR END DONATIONS** If you would like to top-up your 2018 donations for additional tax credits please be sure to make your donation before the parish books close on Dec 30, 2018



**The Parish office will close at 4:00 pm on Thursday December 20, 2018 and reopen on Thursday January 3, 2019. Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and Joyous New Year!**



Next QUILTING will be Monday January 14 and Tuesday January 15

Dec 24, 25 2018	Christmas Eve 5:00 PM	Christmas Eve 7:00 PM	Christmas Day 10:00 AM
Eucharistic Ministers	Terry Pecoskie, Dennis Armour	any available	any available
Lectors	Larry Carlow	Mike Moloney	Joanne Armstrong
Altar Servers	Catherine Carlow, Christine Van der vegt & Samantha Van der vegt	any available	any available
Hospitality	Gerald & Pauline Heffernan	any available	any available
Ushers	Murray Carlow	any available	any available
Bell Ringer	John Moher	any available	any available

### CHRISTMAS READINGS-NATIVITY OF THE LORD

First Reading : Isaiah 52: 7-10  
Psalms : Psalms 98: 1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)  
Second Reading : Hebrews 1: 1-6  
Gospel : John 1: 1-18



Dec 29,30 2018	SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 10:00 AM
Eucharistic Ministers	Bob Condon, Rosemary Towns	Annette Dunford, Jennifer DeMaeyer
Lectors	Ingrid Zbieranowski	Bernard Leahy
Altar Servers	Catherine Carlow, Christine Van der vegt & Samantha Van der vegt	Abby Ryan + any available
Hospitality	Bob & Jean Condon	Jim & Marian Coughlin
Ushers	Albert Heffernan	John Sullivan
Bell Ringer	Dennis Armour	Bernard Leahy
Counters Dec 27	Christine Barry, MaryEllen Barry Barb Vollering	

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS-Holy Family of Jesus

First Reading : 1st Samuel 1: 20-22, 24-28 or Sir 3: 2-6, 12-14  
Psalms : Psalms 84: 2-3, 5-6, 9-10  
Second Reading : First John 3: 1-2, 21-24 or Colossians 3: 12-21  
Gospel : Luke 2: 41-52





**PASTOR'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE:** Do you enjoy gifts? Most people do. This is one reason why Christmas is so popular. Our Advent Season of waiting and watching gives way to the joy and holiness of Christmas Day and all it brings: the tearing of wrapping paper, the precious time with friends and family, Christmas Mass, and an extra good meal!

Reflecting upon this past year, we have received many blessings as a parish especially 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our present Church: plenty of much-needed repairs and improvements in our buildings, and new friendships and relationships across the parish. Our Parish Sacramental Preparation process and movie for Children has given birth to spiritual growth opportunities. We can look forward to this continuing in 2019 with more events and resources, including a special Diocese & Parish Mission which will be offered next Lent and more formally detailed in early 2019. The positive movement of the Spirit in our parish will continue to encourage the best from each of us as we increase our awareness of and responsibility to share the mission of Jesus Christ. Truly, the Lord provides through the dedication, prayers, and generosity of our parishioners, and Members of the KofC and CWL. That positive Spirit is so often manifested in the many parishioners who volunteer their time, talent and treasures in parish functions and we are all so very grateful for the life-giving presence they offer to our parish community.

The heart of Christmas is the gift of Jesus Christ who saves us. He is the gift who overwhelms us with his love and peace, and guides our hearts. May I ask that you prayerfully consider your Christmas gift to St. Joseph Parish this year? I am very grateful for your assistance in support of our parish.

This Christmas, may we be overwhelmed again by the sheer enormity of God's gifts to us. May your heart be full of praise and gratitude and may 2019 be full of the Lord's graces and blessings upon you and your family. Merry Christmas! Fr. Sany

**PRAY FOR OUR SICK.....** Braden Milton, Norma Devlin, and Joan Larkin



- **Get your dues in before year end to take advantage of the discounted rate.**
- **NEW TIME IN JANUARY!!!** Executive at 7:00pm. General meeting starts at 7:30:pm.
- K of C meeting the 3<sup>RD</sup> Tuesday of every month. The next meeting of our Knights of Columbus is Tuesday January 15th in the hall.



**WEEKEND'S GIFT BEARERS**  
**FROM THE SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMS**

Jan 5 & 6 we welcome the families of  
Christine van der Vegt and Teagan O'Brien.

**PLEASE PICK UP YOUR OFFERTORY BOXES FOR 2019**

# St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

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**Bishop:** Most. Rev. Daniel Miehm

**Pastor:** Rev. Fr. Sanyatson Sessaiah

**Secretary:** Maryann Clancy

**Mass Times:** Sat 5 pm, Sun 10 am

**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 705-772-6071

**CWL:** Darlene Sullivan 705 652-6009

**Knights of Col.:** Dan Moloney 705-760-3187

**Hall Rental:** Contact the Parish Office

**Parish Office Hours:** Tues/Thurs 9am - 4pm

**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

**Peterborough Diocese**

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**Home Communion**

week of First Friday  
anytime upon request

**Music:** Tina McCarthy

705-313-0065

Amy Melanson 933-9247