

MASS INTENTIONS FOR ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH – December 31, 2024 - January 5, 2025

Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
Dec 31	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	New Year's Eve - Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God Martina Knox Bernice Mercer Greg Dwyer	Ed & Patsy Bridgeman Ed & Betty Blackmore Brenda Rich
Jan 01	Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	New Year's Day - Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God	
SUNDAY LITURGY - The Epiphany of the Lord				
Jan 04	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Daniel & Theresa Greene Duane Kelly Chad Penton	Fergus & Sylvia Greene Dan & Bernadette Decker Dan & Bernadette Decker
Jan 05	Sunday	9:30 a.m.	St. Anne's Church, Glenwood	
Jan 05	Sunday	11:00 a.m.	MISSA PRO POPULO - For the People of the Parish	

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE - December 31, 2024 & January 1, 2025

	New Year's Eve at 5 p.m. (Tues)	New Year's Day at 11 a.m. (Wed)
Readers:	Kelly Dumais & Maureen Saunders	Patricia Noonan
Eucharistic Ministers:	Kay MacArthur, Doris Scharpegge Jeanne Dillon	Joan Kieley & Cathy Bureaux
Presenters of Gifts:	Daniel & Shirley O'Donnell	Tony & Arya Jacob & family
Altar Servers:	Dan Mahoney	Faith & Miracle & Don Sejin
Candle Bearers:	Barbara Fowler & Colleen Maloney	
Hospitality (Ushers):	Ed Blackmore & Rita Pearce	Ed Blackmore & Yvonne Mercer
Music:	Sunday AM Choir	Volunteers
Sacristan:	Kay MacArthur	
Treasury:	Team 1: Doris Scharpegge, Paul Brazil, Ed Blackmore,	

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE - January 4 & 5, 2025

	Saturday at 5 p.m.	Sunday at 11 a.m.
Readers:	Kate Gonzales	Tina Purcell
Eucharistic Ministers:	Betty Blackmore & Cheryl Dwyer	Patricia Noonan & Bill Dumais
Presenters of Gifts:	Sid & Monica Holloway	Bill & Ron Dumais
Altar Servers:	Dan Mahoney	Faith & Miracle, Don Sejin
Candle Bearers:	Monica Holloway & Renata Oman	
Hospitality (Ushers):	Daniel & Shirley O'Donnell	Vince & Carole Hibbs
Music:	Volunteers	Volunteers
Sacristan:	Kay MacArthur	
Treasury:	Team 2: Mary Griffiths, E. Blake, Margie Beaton, Mary Goulding, Shirley O'Donnell	

MEMORY TREE OF LIGHTS – During Christmas a tree will be placed in the Sanctuary of our Church and will be lit with bulbs donated in memory of our loved ones. Mass will be celebrated for those loved ones on Thursday, **January 9, 2025 at 7 p.m.** at which time the names of the deceased as well as the names of those requesting the Mass will be read out. If you would like to light a bulb in memory, please complete this form and with \$5.00 (for one name or one family e.g. **John Smith or John & Mary Smith & family or the Smith family**) place it in an envelope for collection or pass into the Parish Office. All names submitted by Tuesday, January 7, 2025.

In Memory of: _____
(Please print)

Requested by: _____
(Please print)

Names submitted to St. Anne's will be read at Mass on the 2nd Sunday in January.

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH BULLETIN



**10 Bishop Street
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December 29, 2024
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Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (Year C)

Check out our bulletin on-line at www.stjosephsparishgander.ca

Parish Priest
Father William Hearn
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Parish Pastoral Council
Chair: Vacant
Finance Committee
Chair: Dan Mahoney
St. Anne's Parish Council
Vice Chair: Irene Broderick
Catechetical Coordinator
Alice McCarthy (St. Joseph's)
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OFFICE HOURS:
9 a.m. - 12 noon
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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Reconciliation
Saturdays at 4:30 p.m.
or by appointment
Sacrament of Baptism
Baptism Preparation (2 hours)
& Baptisms by Appointment

Weekend Mass Schedule
St. Joseph's, Gander
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 11:00 a.m.
St. Anne's, Glenwood
Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses
are celebrated usually at
10 a.m. Please check the
schedule in the bulletin.

CHRISTMAS SEASON: The Christmas Season celebrates the birth of the Lord Jesus and the ways he manifested the presence of God among us. "Next to the yearly celebration (at Easter) of the paschal mystery, the Church holds most sacred the memorial of Christ's birth and early manifestations. This is the purpose of the Christmas season" (*General Norms for the Liturgical Year*, 32). In the Roman Catholic tradition, the Christmas Season begins with the first Mass of Christmas and concludes with the last Mass for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

Today's feast, instituted in 1921, is observed on the first Sunday following Christmas, unless Christmas itself falls on a Sunday, in which case the Feast of the Holy Family is celebrated on December 30. Devotion to the Holy Family flourished during the Renaissance, and leading artists of the time – Michelangelo, Raphael, El Greco, Rembrandt, Rubens, to name a few – often portrayed the Holy Family in their work.



JANUARY 1 - THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD: This feast of Mary falls exactly one week after Christmas, at the end of the octave of Christmas. The solemnity is a celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus and hence also a celebration of Mary as the Mother of God. Calling Mary "Mother of God" is the highest honour we can give Mary, and celebrating her divine maternity during the Christmas octave makes complete sense in that the celebration is connected closely to Christ's birth. In his encyclical, *Marialis Cultus*, Pope Paul VI further noted the connection to New Year's Day and Mary's role as Queen of Peace. Thus it is fitting that January 1, the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, is also observed as World Day of Peace. **This day is a Holy Day of Obligation.**



WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Today a light will shine upon us, for the Lord is born for us; and he will be called Wondrous God, Prince of Peace, Father of future ages: and his reign will be without end.

ROMAN CATHOLIC WOMEN

Next Meeting - TBD
Next Card Game -
Saturday, January 18th



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (Fr. McCormack Council)

Guided by the principles of charity, unity, and fraternity, the Knights of Columbus builds lifelong relationships with our members and families." For membership information please contact Grand Knight Pat Woodford at pat.giend@nl.rogers.com



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Mary Lee, Stephanie Broderick, Mary Harrison, Joey Manuel, Carey Leigh Sheppard, David Brown, Margie Keating, Maureen O'Rielly, Jackie Beresford, Jamie Cokes, Lloyd Kirkham, Johanna Hogan, Fran Gilbert, Denise Crant, Betty LeBlanc, Loretta Dwyer, Beth McGrath, Lawrence Clowe, Wayne Coady, Mary Pickett, Marie Lawton, Jeana Bowen, Cathy Hogan, Ed Tricco, Nellie Guillemade, JoAnne Lyver, Judy Lush, Linden Collins, Rowena Zwicker, Toni Marie Rolfe, Zeta Purchase, Renata Oman, Anne Marie Collins, Michael Parsons, Alice Richards, Kathy Patterson-King, Mary Walsh and Jeremiah Campbell. **If a family member or friend is a patient at the hospital or ill at home, and would like a visit from Father Hearn, please call the Parish Office.**

Collection Totals - Thank you to all our parishioners for your continued generosity!

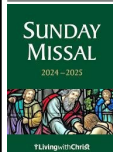
	St. Joseph's Dec 22	St. Joseph's Dec 25	St. Anne's Dec 22	St. Anne's Dec 25
Sunday Offering	\$2,279.00	\$ 430.00	\$395.00	\$335.00
Loose	84.75	502.90	5.00	129.05
Maintenance	30.00	50.00	5.00	5.00
Christmas Flowers	20.00			
Heat/Fuel for Faith	130.00	20.00		
Christmas Offering	125.00	2,152.00	50.00	280.00
Cemetery Assessment	5.00			
Holy Childhood Assoc.	78.92	92.30		
Advent Offering	10.00	14.50		
Peter's Pence		5.00		
Candles			9.10	11.75
E-Transfers	530.00			
Direct Deposit	\$546.25			
Total Deposit	\$3,838.92	\$3,266.70	\$464.10	\$760.80



Throw open the doors of your heart.

Everyone knows how to do it. Everyone knows whether their door is closed or half-closed. I wish you a great Jubilee.

#Jubilee2025."
Pope Francis @ Pontifex



The 2024-25 Living with Christ Sunday Missal is available at the Parish Office for \$5.00 each. **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** - the parish offers **DIRECT DEPOSIT** for contributions and accepts **E-TRANSFERS**. **Envelopes for 2025 have been placed in the Church.**

JANUARY 1 - WORLD DAY OF PEACE: The World Day of Peace was established in 1968 by Pope Paul VI who asked that "every year, this commemoration be repeated as a hope and as a promise, at the beginning of the calendar which measures and outlines the path of human life in time, that Peace with its just and beneficent equilibrium may dominate the development of events to come". Today we celebrate the 58th World Day of Peace. This is a special day set aside to pray for peace in the world, for goodwill among nations, and for light and guidance for civil and world leaders. It is a time for each of us to reflect on our individual responsibility to work and pray for peace. As we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, it is also an appropriate time to ask Mary, Queen of Peace, to intercede on behalf of the world for world peace. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's World Day of Peace is "Forgive us our trespasses; grant us your peace".

JANUARY 2 - MEMORIAL OF SAINT BASIL THE GREAT AND SAINT GREGORY NAZIANZEN, BISHOPS, DOCTORS: Basil (329-379) and Gregory (329-390) were born in Asia Minor (modern-day Turkey). Both studied in Athens, which was then the great university city of the Greek-speaking world. Both were ordained priests and later became bishops, then archbishops. Basil was Archbishop of Caesarea, and Gregory was Archbishop of Constantinople. They preached bravely against the Arian heresy which denied that Jesus is God. Basil and Gregory Nazianzen, along with Gregory of Nyssa, make up the trio of Cappadocian Doctors of the Church.

JANUARY 3 - MEMORIAL OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS: The name of Jesus has been honoured since New Testament times. Saint Paul, in his letter to the people of Philippi, writes that ". . . at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (*Philippians 2.10-11*). The veneration of the Holy Name was extended to the entire Roman Catholic Church on December 20, 1721, during the pontificate of Pope Innocent XIII.

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS ARE EXTENDED TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:



Kevin MAHONEY of Moncton who died on December 21, 2024. He is the brother of Dan (Myrtle) Mahoney of our parish.

Boyd WAY of Gander who died on Monday, December 23, 2024.

He is the husband of Celie who is the sister of Jeanne (Des) Dillon of our parish.

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Congratulations and Best Wishes from the parishioners of St. Joseph's Parish to **Cecilia Maloney** who will be celebrating her 94th birthday on Tuesday, December 31st.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, GLENWOOD Liturgical & Ministries' Schedule for January 5, 2025



Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
Jan 5	Sun	9:30 a.m.	Mary, Gerry & Valerie Dwyer John, Genevieve, James Leo Hanlon Pete & Mary Hanlon	Loretta Dwyer Loretta Dwyer Loretta Dwyer

Ministries:
Readers:
Gifts:
Hospitality:

Epiphany of the Lord
Christine Kinden & Lonz Bryan
Bridget Miles & Barbara Harding
Irene Broderick