

# First Sunday of Advent

*"What I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."*

December 3, 2017



## † Masses this week at St. Michael's Year B

**Monday, December 4**

12:05 pm Special Inten. Lyle & Veronica Batchellor  
-C.W.L.

**Tues. Dec. 5**

12:05 pm † Deceased Members of Guiry Family  
-Family

**Wed. Dec. 6**

9:30 am Mass at St. Mary Secondary School  
10:00 am Mass at Cobourg Retirement  
12:05 pm † Ora Van Reet -1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
-Family

**Thurs. Dec. 7 St. Ambrose**

9:15 am\*\* St. Joseph School Mass in the Church  
12:05 pm † Stefan Duda  
-Maria Duda & Family

**Fri. Dec. 8\* The Immaculate Conception of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 am † Jane Hobart -Boyle Family  
10:00 am Mass at Victoria College  
7:00 pm † Angeline Leguard  
-Leguard Family

### Saturday, December 9

5:00 pm † Don Butler  
-Louise & Family

### Sunday, December 10

9:00 am Missa Pro Populo  
11:00 am † Bronson Pezanoski  
-Jay

Next Weekend's Readings: **2nd Sunday of Advent**

1st: Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11

2nd: 2 Peter 3.8-14 Gospel: Mark 1.1-8

### Prayer Life at St. Michael's

<b>Tues. 5</b>	7:00 am Adoration/Prayer	
<b>Wed. 6</b>	7:00 am Adoration/Prayer	7:00 pm Catholic's Come Home
<b>Thurs. 7</b>	7:00 am Adoration/Prayer	3:00-7:00 pm Adoration
<b>Fri. 8</b>	7:00 am Adoration/Prayer	3:00-7:00 pm Adoration
<b>Sat. 9</b>	7:00 am Adoration/Prayer	

**All are invited to join in these Adoration and Prayer times held in St. Joseph's Chapel.**

☞ Summary of Your Generosity: Sunday offerings Nov. 26 \$3,852 and our Myanmar collection was \$2,279.10 Thank you for your support. ☞

### Intentions this weekend

5:00 pm	Special Int of Fr. Mario Avila	-Michael
9:00 am †	John Korimsek	-Family
11:00 am	Missa Pro Populo	

### Sacramental Preparation:

**CONFIRMATION** SESSION #5 dates December 11 & 12 at 7:00 pm in St. Michael's School.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION** Session #3 Dates: December 9th at 9:30 am (in St. Michael's School). December 12th at 6:00 pm (in the Church).

**\*Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>:**

**Note Mass times for this Feast Day.**



Feast of the  
Immaculate Conception  
of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary

*... in the first instance of her conception, by a singular privilege and grace granted by God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race, was preserved from all stain of original sin ...*

-- Pope Pius IX  
*Ineffabilis Deus*

\*\*Parishioners are invited to join in the blessing of the crèche before the 9:15 am school Mass, Dec. 7th. Students from St. Joseph will be participating. Weather permitting this blessing will be outside.



### Meetings & Events this Week

**Tues. 5**—12:45 pm Legion of Mary in Parish Centre



## Season of Advent begins today, December 3

We are a people who wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Advent is a joyful time of preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. Advent reminds us that hope is on the way, in the coming of our Lord and in the ways we reach out to our fellow humans each day. The key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice. Discover ways you can immediately contribute to a local, national, or international cause. Let your gratitude for the blessings in your life transform you into a messenger of the hope that Jesus promises to all.

### Flowers for Christmas

Monetary donations for flowers to help decorate our sanctuary for Christmas is greatly appreciated! Note these donations will be added to your income tax receipt. Thank you.



### Penitential Service

Sunday, December 17 at 2:00 pm

This year's Penitential service will be held in **Our Lady of Mercy Church, Port Hope**. Fr. Gerry, Fr. David, along with myself and Fr. Jim will assist with confessions.



### Calendar of Youth Activities

**Oratory: 2nd and 4th Saturdays: 10:15 am to 1:00 pm (Elementary school ages)** Next: Dec 9.

**Youth Group: 2nd and 4th Saturday's 7:00 to 9:00 pm in Parish Centre (Grade 7 and up)**

Upcoming dates: **December 9.**

**Altar servers: Every Saturday, 11am – 1pm**

### Prayers for the Sick

We pray for healing, peace and contentment for our sick, especially for: Peggy Guiry, Peter Clarey, Lucette Pelland, Steve Summers, Charles Campbell, Marie Fleming, Josephine Murphy, Doug, Sheila Russell, Todd Denault, Mary Hanley, Anne Quinlan, Mary Ellen Romano, Lynn, Wendy Piercey, Sheila Topps, Roberta Citro, Lydia Rennie, Jorgie Davis, Kurt Marsden, George & Peter, Charles Potier, Mickey McCue, Michaela Stiegler, Maria Tatarek, Marjolaine Trottier, Rob Harper, Mabel Landry, Barbara Monk, Ethan Deryaw, Jean Boudreau, Lynne Kjollesdal, Andy Throope, Carmen Troupe, Paul Lambert, Wayne McQuiod, Trevor, Anita Serson, Rebecca Waite, Adam Hallidey, Kate Adams, Joann Auger, Kandi, Annie, Diane Bartlett, Bill Jamieson, Clara Murphy, June Burke, Sandy McEwen, Meaghan Maddigan, Herc Goncalves, Greg Fleming, Brian McCarthy, Marc Bennett, Diane Pritchard, Theresa Ferguson, Jen McEwen, Laura Dickson, Rene Gallagher

Hope this concert is on your list.

This Thursday, Dec. 7, 2017 at 7:00 pm

*Keep Christ in Christmas' Concert*

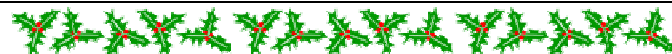
Children-\$5 Adults-\$10 Family-\$25

TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOORS! 50/50 DRAW

Be sure to visit Parish Centre after Mass today, where CWL have baked goods for sale.



You can also purchase tickets for their annual Christmas Dinner (Dec. 12) AND Missal's/Concert Tickets/Christmas Cards and Religious Calendars & Poinsettias flowers.



**St. Michael's Senior's Group:** All welcome to attend our annual Christmas Party to be held at Villa St. Joseph, 445 Monk Street, Cobourg on Sunday December 17th, 2-4:30 pm. Come along and enjoy friendship, Christmas treats, music, fun and carols as we prepare with joy for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. Bring a friend! Please RSVP to Sister Mary if you will be attending or need a ride - Tel: 905-372-2741 or e-mail: mrowell@csjcanada.org -Thank you. Looking forward to seeing many there!

### 2018 Offertory Envelopes

Your envelopes are ready to be picked up (as of Dec. 6) in the Parish Centre. Please advise the office or any changes to your address/name. Reminder that PAP-Pre Authorized Payment is a convenient and easy way to make your contributions to the Church. Contact the office.

Remembering Victims of Violence

The National Day of Remembrance & Action on Violence Against Women will take place on Wed. December 6, 2017 at Noon at 'The Gathering Place' (Victoria Park by the pavilion).

Today is the day (Dec 3)...Neil and Rob have loaded the sleigh, for the trip to Pic Mobert; and as you slept this morning they began the 12 hour trek North! A special thanks to all of the elves, (large and small) who helped to pack the boxes on Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> in the school gym. With a boost from all of your prayers, the truck full of your generous gift giving, and clothing donations it will be delivered on Monday (Dec. 4). Thank-you to all, and to all, a good Sunday! Safe journey Rob & Neil...



**SACRED HEART COLLEGE WINTER 2018 COURSE OFFERINGS (begin Jan 8) Introduction to New Testament Dr. Douglas Finbow, Tues 4:15-7:15pm**  
Register: [www.sacredheartcollege.ca](http://www.sacredheartcollege.ca) or e-mail [registar@sacredheartcollege.ca](mailto:registar@sacredheartcollege.ca) or call 705-745-5549.