December 25th, 2017
~ Christmas - The Nativity of the Lord ~

Mass Intentions...

December 25th - December 31st

Monday ~ Christmas - The Nativity of the Lord
11:00am ***(Fr. Ron)*** *~ Special Intention Beatrice deVries*
Tuesday ~ *No Morning Mass*
Wednesday ~ *No Morning Mass*
Thursday ~ The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
8:30am ***(Fr. Ron)*** *~ Jane & Charles Walker*
Friday ~ Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity
9:15am ~ Mr. & Mrs. David Evans
Saturday ~ The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
5:00pm ***(Fr. Ron)*** *~ Lou Perna*
Sunday
There is no 9:00am MORNING MASS
11:00am ~ SVDP Parishioners Living & Deceased

New Year's Celebrations

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Sunday, December 31st (Holy Day of Obligation)
5:00pm **(Fr. Ron)** ~ Angela Allen

AND / OR

Monday, January 1st (Holy Day of Obligation)
11:00am only ~ SVDP Parishioners Living & Deceased

January 2nd - January 7th

Tuesday ~ St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen
8:30am ~ May Ellison
Wednesday
8:30am ~ John & Mary Nur
Thursday
8:30am ***(Fr. Ron)*** *~ Special Intention Norma Boyer*
Friday
9:15am ~ Mr. & Mrs. Philip Maher & family
Saturday - Epiphany of the Lord
5:00pm ~ SVDP Parishioners Living & Deceased
Sunday
9:00am ***(Fr. Ron)*** *~ Mary Morgetano*
11:00am ~ Ed Kocsis

January 8th - January 14th

Monday ~ Baptism of the Lord
8:30am ~ Donald Thompson
Tuesday
8:30am ~ Special Intention Frank Robertson
Wednesday
8:30am ~ Special Intention Dana Robertson
Thursday
8:30am ***(Fr. Ron)*** *~ John & Mary Nur*
Friday ~ St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, Virgin
9:15am ~ Valerio Cosentino
Saturday - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00pm ~ Mike D'Addario
Sunday
9:00am~ Elizabeth Rocca
11:00am ***(Fr. Ron)*** *~ SVDP Parishioners Living & Deceased*

From the Pastor's Desk.....

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your continued prayers, support and expression of friendship throughout the year.
To all parishioners who were involved with our Christmas Liturgical celebrations; from the decorations, to the music, to the altar servers and the various ministries, **Thank You!**
Let us continue to pray to the Prince of Peace, for peace in our hearts, our relationships, our homes, and our world.
May the God of infinite goodness and love continue to bless us.
Enjoy this special and holy time of year!

Affectionately,

Parish Office - Holiday Hours

Please note the parish office will be closed
December 25th - January 1st.
(Office will reopen Thursday, January 4th)

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
Blessings and Peace to all.

Electronic Fund Transfer

Some parishioners have asked about making their offertory donation through EFT. The office is currently looking into the option of having this service available in place of weekly offertory envelopes. ***If this is something you would be interested in, please send an email to the parish office at st.vincentdepaul@bellnet.ca***

Once we have everything set up with the bank, the office will contact you with information on how to proceed. ***This service is an option and will not affect those parishioners who chose to continue to use offertory envelopes.*** *Thank You.*

2018 Offertory Envelopes

Offertory envelopes are ready to be picked up at the back of the Church. They are in numerical order. Tax receipts for income tax purposes are issued annually (**in February**) for all donations received through offertory envelopes. If you would like offertory envelopes please contact the parish office during regular office hours or send an email to st.vincentdepaul@bellnet.ca

A Christmas Thought to Ponder...

This Christmas, will I recognize God's presence in my world? Will I look beyond my own comfortable, cozy space and find God dwelling among the many who are lost, lonely, ill, neglected, forgotten? Will their presence in the world make any difference in how I celebrate the Holy One's coming to dwell in my midst? Will I see the love of God shining through the windowed hearts of Earth's people? Will I hear the truth told long ago of this Beloved's kindness toward all? Will I hold these people in my heart this Christmas? Will I let them touch my prayer and my celebration?

A Christmas Grace Before Meal

Loving Father, we thank you for bringing us together for this meal on this Feast of Christmas: may we continue to live in your friendship and in harmony with one another. Bless this food, a sign of your loving care for us, and bless us in our daily lives. Bless your Church throughout the world, and all those who seek to do your will this Christmas season. Father of mercy, all praise be to you through Jesus Christ our Saviour in the unity of the Holy Spirit, on God, forever and ever. ***Amen***

CWL NEWS.....

The CWL would like to wish all parishioners a very Merry Christmas and a heartfelt thank you for your generous support towards our 2017 projects.

The Prayer Network

The Prayer Network is a group of 30 of God's faithful, ready and able to pray for your intentions. Please call Anna Sartor at 905-468-7702 with your intentions.

Children's Liturgy

A reminder that our Children's Liturgy will resume on **Sunday, January 14th at the 9:00am Eucharist**.

Offertory Collection Summary

December 17th weekend	$7,426.00
Parish Gift donation	$5,000.00
Parish Hall Upkeep	$ 721.00
Christmas (to date)	$ 410.00

Thank you for your gift of treasure!

St. Vincent de Paul Parish extends a warm welcome to any visitors who may be joining us this weekend!

If you are new to the parish and would like to register, or if you have recently moved and need to update your address, please complete this form and place it in the offertory basket or email the parish office at st.vincentdepaul@bellnet.ca

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____

Offertory Envelopes: Yes or No (please circle)

We look forward to you joining our Parish Family!