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November 26, 2023



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This Week's Readings

	1st Reading	Gospel
Sun, Nov 26	Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17	Matthew 25:31-46
Mon, Nov 27	Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20	Luke 21:1-4
Tues, Nov 28	Daniel 2:31-45	Luke 21:5-11
Wed, Nov 29	Sirach 44:1, 10-15	Mark 10:17-21
Thurs, Nov 30	Romans 10:9-18	Matthew 4:18-22
Fri, Dec 1	Daniel 7:2-14	Luke 21:29-33
Sat, Dec 2	Daniel 7:15-27	Luke 21:34-36

Community's Email Addresses

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Giving to Corpus Christi Parish

There are many ways to donate to Corpus Christi Parish:

1. Weekly Offertory Envelopes
2. Cash donations
3. E-Transfers to finance@corpuschristins.ca, include your name and church.
4. PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittances)
5. Through the mail, send to Kentville Parish Office

Our parish thanks you for your financial support.

Individual Confession Times

Kentville – every Saturday 11 am – 12 noon
 Middleton – after Wednesday morning Mass until 10:00 am
 Windsor – 1st Saturday of the month ... 9 – 10 am
 Berwick – 1st Saturday of the month ... 10 – 11 am

Scripture Reflection and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Take time to reflect and discuss God's Word and pray before the Blessed Sacrament. Held on **Tuesdays**
Berwick: 10 am to 11 am - Scripture reflection, 11 am to noon - Rosary during Exposition
Middleton: 2pm to 3pm - Scripture reflection, 3pm to 4pm - Rosary during Exposition



Mass Times & Intentions

SATURDAY, NOV 25

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Francois Locas by Sylvain Locas & Family
Kentville	4:00 PM	Darryl Crossman by Pat Crossman
Digby	4:00 PM	Catherine Robicheau by Gordon and Nancy Coakley

SUNDAY, NOV 26

Windsor	8:30 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Bob & Sandra Cook by Tyler & Kendra
Berwick	9:00 AM	Bermie Fitzgerald by Lillian Fitzgerald
Kentville	10:30 AM	Bill Clahane by Juanita
Middleton	11:00 AM	Daniel Bernard by Ken Shipley
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Reid Melanson & for my sisters and brothers by Evelyn Melanson
Wolfville	12:15 PM	Linda Strickey by her Family

TUESDAY, NOV 28

Kentville	8:30 AM	Frances MacIsaac by Doris Pasley
Digby	6:30 PM	Elsie McCarthy by Kathy, Ed & Tanya

WEDNESDAY, NOV 29

Kentville	8:30 AM	Intentions of Rose Longley by St Monica's CWL
Middleton	9:00 AM	Arthur McKenzie by Tom & Peggy Foley
Weymouth	4:00 PM	Blanch & Amedie LeBlanc by Rosetta LeBlanc

THURSDAY, NOV 30

Kentville	8:30 AM	Fe Abayan by P. Villaflor
Weymouth	4:00 PM	For the Parishioners of Corpus Christi

FRIDAY, DEC 1

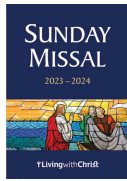
Berwick	9:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory by Helen Walsh
Digby	9:00 AM	Joan Chisholm by Pat Levings

SATURDAY, DEC 2

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Earl MacNeil by Lynn & Jon Main
Kentville	4:00 PM	Norman MacInnis by Mike & Ann MacDonald & Family
Digby	4:00 PM	Betty Cosman by Gordon & Nancy Coakley

SUNDAY, DEC 3

Windsor	8:30 AM	Intentions of Gwang Pimpasuth by Laura Joyce
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Sandra Cook by the Johnstone Family
Berwick	9:00 AM	Nora Keegan by Rita & Tony Roefs
Kentville	10:30 AM	Diana Chisholm Urquhart by her Family
Middleton	11:00 AM	For the Sick of Corpus Christi Parish by St Monica's CWL
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Edward Rice by his family
Wolfville	12:15 PM	Nancy Henry by Theresa Coffey
Digby	4:00 PM	Fred Lang by Joan Donnelly



Sunday Missals 2023-2024 \$5
Daily Reflection Booklets for Advent \$2
Now Available in the Church Entrance



A Royal Consort (Annapolis Royal) A local community choir directed by Joanne Buckmaster, accompanied by Connie Rouse, will present its annual Christmas concert, Comfort and Joy, in St. George and St. Andrew United Church, Annapolis Royal, on **Nov 25** at 7:00 pm. Tickets are available at Bainton's Tannery, from choir members, and at the door. An open reception featuring Christmas cookies will be held in the church hall following the concert.

The Marian Movement of Priests Rosary Cenacle (Kentville) has resumed on Tuesdays at **10am** (new time) at St Joseph's Church, Kentville. For more information, contact Clay Moran 902-385-8819 or Barb Montford 902-678-9212.

CRA Information Session (Annapolis Royal) On Thursday, **Nov 30** at 2p.m., St George & St Andrew United Church (the brick church by the traffic lights in Annapolis Royal) is hosting a FREE information and discussion session featuring a representative from Canada Revenue Agency. An opportunity will be provided for attendees to ask questions and share their personal stories related to a wide range of income tax related topics. For more information on this event, please call the church at (902) 532-7954, or email stgeorgeandstandrew@gmail.com or incometaxhelp@eastlink.ca

St. Joseph's CWL Bake & Craft Sale (Kentville) – Sat, Dec 2 at 10am – 4 pm in the **Multi-Purpose Room**. We will be selling baked goods, preserves and crafts (knitted mittens, etc.). Anyone who would like to bake or create anything for the sale, please drop your items off on Fri, Dec 1 between 10:00 – 1:00 at the church. Proceeds towards parish activities and outreach in the community (i.e. educational bursaries in the local schools). If you have any questions, please contact Ann Myers 902-680-8957 or ann.myers@ns.sympatico.ca. All donations greatly appreciated.



CWL Fundraiser (Kentville) - Tickets for an Advent runner will be available after weekend Masses at St. Joseph's, Kentville. These tickets will be for sale in the foyer after the 4pm Mass and in the Chapel after 10:30 Mass. The cost is \$2 for 1 ticket or \$5 for 3 tickets. Draw date will **Dec 2**. Proceeds for St. Joseph's CWL church activities. Any questions, please contact President Ann Myers (902-680-8957).

Marian Prayer Hour (Middleton): As we soon celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Dec. 8th) we are mindful of the great need for transformation of our hearts towards the true peace of Christ in our lives, our families, our country, and our world. Please join us in anticipating Advent with a Marian Prayer Hour on **Sat, Dec 2** at 11:00 am at St. Monica's Church. All are warmly welcome! Hosted by St. Monica's Catholic Women's League.

Free Will Craft & Gift Table (Middleton) at St. Monica's church hall on **Sun, Dec 3** after Mass. As we begin the Advent Season, we are mindful of those who are experiencing a pregnancy in which they need support, companionship, and hope. The free will offerings from this sale will assist the Valley Care Pregnancy Centre in providing support during and following unplanned pregnancy; parenting education; maternity and baby supplies; clothing and books for children up to two years; chastity education with youth; and healing support to women and men who are grieving after abortion. Hosted by St. Monica's Catholic Women's League, contact person Mary Crooks 902-825-6495).

Name Tag Sunday (Windsor) – St John's will be having their Name Tag Sunday next weekend on **Dec 3**. Let's learn the names of our fellow parishioners.

In the Hospital or Home Bound? If you know of someone (a family member or friend) who is in the hospital or at home and would like Holy Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick, or simply a visit, please contact the church office.

CREATE HOPE - Stand for the Land - Development and Peace

Let's heed the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor and let's act!

Pope Francis calls us to hear "the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor" (Laudato Si, 49). Yet since 2015, the communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector have been trying in vain to be heard. In their struggle for justice, defenders are attacked, criminalized and even killed. Eight defenders were unjustly imprisoned for over two years, and three have been murdered since January 2023.

"The Government of Honduras must act diligently and suspend these extractive activities, which are carried out illegally and with total disregard for the environment." --Elvin Hernandez, human rights investigator, ERIC - Radio Progreso

Act now! Sign the letter to the Honduran ambassador to Canada asking her government for protection, justice and reparation for environmental defenders and for Carlos Escaleras National Park (devp.org/act.)

Learn more at: devp.org/campaign.

Want to be involved with **Development and Peace** in your own church community/parish?

Contact Bernadine teBogt at bernadine.tebogt@gmail.com or 902-670-7264.

St John's Giving Tree (Windsor) - will make an appearance on **Dec 3** (1st Sunday of Advent). The ornaments represent gifts for families in need. If you pick an ornament, please return the present, gift wrapped, by **Sun, Dec 17**, with the ornament taped to the gift. Thank you in advance for brightening someone's Christmas.

Society of St Vincent de Paul (Wolfville/Canning) Conference - Christmas Sharing Campaign

The St Francis Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SSVP) Christmas Campaign is once again asking for financial donations which will be used to purchase store **gift cards** for the **children and families** in the Wolfville/Canning area whom we have served this past year. If you wish to donate to this campaign, please do so before **Dec 3**. As in previous years, cheques may be made out to *Corpus Christi Parish* with a note in the memo line stating: *SSVP St Francis Christmas* and dropped in any Sunday collection box or mailed directly to St Francis of Assisi Church: 118 Main St, Wolfville, NS, B4P 1B7. We also would happily add any baking supplies and seasonal treats/stocking stuffers that people may wish to drop off at St Francis during November. Questions? Call Annmarie Mentink 902-542-7366 or Margaret Burton 902-698-0492.

Holy Heroes Daily Emails - For Advent, **Corpus Christi Parish** will be sending out Holy Heroes emails daily for the children and youth. Children attending catechism at St. Joseph's Church in Kentville will automatically receive the emails. If you have children who do not attend catechism but would like them to receive the Holy Heroes daily emails during Advent, please email the Kentville liaison at kentville@corpuschristians.ca and request to be added to the list.

Humour ???

The local news station was interviewing an 80 year-old lady because she had just gotten married for the fourth time.

The interviewer asked her questions about her life, about what it felt like to be marrying again at 80, and then about her new husband's occupation. "*He's a funeral director,*" she answered. "*Interesting,*" the newsman said. He then asked her if she wouldn't mind telling him a little about her first three husbands and what they did for a living.

She paused for a few moments, needing time to reflect on all those years. After a short time, a smile came to her face and she answered proudly, explaining that she had first married a banker when she was in her 20s, then a circus ringmaster when in her 40s, and a preacher when in her 60s, and now, in her 80s, a funeral director.

The interviewer looked at her, quite astonished, and asked why she had married four men with such diverse careers.

She smiled and explained, "*I married one for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, and four to go.*"

Angel Tree for St Anthony's Church (Berwick) - Unwrapped gifts to be returned with the Angel tag no later than **Dec 10**. Wrapping Party will be held Dec 17. Contact information, please call Mary Stevenson 902-538-9265 or Paula Hasler 902-681-1601.

Ultreya will be held at St Anthony's Church, Berwick in the downstairs Hall on **Fri, Dec 1** after 9am Mass. *All are welcome!*

Christmas Hampers (Kentville)

- Registration for Christmas Hampers has begun. St. Joseph's (Kentville) is once again sponsoring 60 families. If you would like to offer a **donation**, any amount will be gratefully accepted. Surplus funds are deposited into the **Christian Concern** account which offers assistance throughout the year for food vouchers, pharmaceuticals, rent, oil, electricity, travel to medical appointments etc.

Refugee Committee Requests (Kentville)

We are expecting a family of 9 people to arrive in the future. Our application to bring them to Canada has been accepted by the Canadian government. They have a place to live but will need many things. If you have any of the following to donate, please call Ann Marsters at 902-582-3409. The items needed are: beds, dining table, chairs, fridge, stove, couch. (in reasonable condition)

Silent Night: A King's Christmas (Kentville)

The renowned Chapel Choir of the University of King's College, Halifax, under the direction of Neil Cockburn, presents a concert of Christmas choral music, mixing traditional favourites, including the much-loved Silent Night, with lesser-known gems. The programme includes carols and arrangements by Bob Chilcott, Ola Gjeilo, and John Rutter. The concert will be **Mon, Dec 11** at 7:30pm at **St Joseph's Church**.

Early Bird tickets (until Mon, Dec 4): Child/Student \$12.50; Senior \$25; Adult General \$30

Tickets online and at the door (cash or credit at the door - no debit): Student \$15; Senior \$30; Adult General \$35

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6297 – SOUP KITCHEN CHRISTMAS DINNER

Approx. **23.6 % of families in Kings County and 33.7% in Annapolis County** live in poverty. Many low-income families have scarce resources to cover even the most basic essentials. These members of our community don't even have the funds to provide a Christmas dinner for their families.

Last year the Knights of Columbus - Council 6297 provided over 200 Christmas meals for needy families in the Kingston, Greenwood, and Middleton schools. On Dec 13 of this year, we expect that we will serve over 350 meals to needy families and First Responders.

As you can imagine that number of meals requires a lot of turkey (approx. 33 x 15 lbs.). Council 6297 will have the manpower to prepare, assemble and deliver the meals but we are asking you to help us and your communities by donating a turkey if you can. In addition, we will accept cash donations or grocery store gift cards so we can purchase some turkeys. We would **need the turkeys by Dec 8** if you can help us out.

Your compassion enriches their lives in more ways than you'll ever know. We are so grateful for your support. Grand Knight Roger Lirette is the Chairperson for our Christmas Dinner campaign for those less fortunate families of Greenwood, Middleton, and surrounding areas that rely on service organizations to get them over the Christmas season with many different donations and services. Please contact Roger Lirette for questions or donations at 902-824-3467.

Corpus Christi Catholic Books & Gifts

St. Monica's (Middleton): Advent and Christmas Traditions (\$3.95). This beautifully illustrated children's book describes many of our Catholic symbols and practices, such as the Advent Wreath, the Jesse Tree, the Christmas Manger, and the Christmas Tree. Christmas Coloring Books (\$3.50) and Christmas Board Books (\$2). Advent Candles: Set of four tapers (three purple, one rose) \$12.75. Affordable religious boxed Christmas cards. Keep Christ in Christmas magnets to place on your car or in your home are durable for many years and are meaningful gifts, easy to mail. (\$5). Available at St. Monica's church hall after Sunday Mass or call Mary Crooks 902-825-6495.

St. Joseph's (Kentville): A growing variety of children & adult books & gifts to purchase ... or books to sign out. The "Library/Bookstore" is open during office hours (Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday 9am-1pm) or after Mass.

Advent Gospel Reflections contains a Scripture quotation with reflection by Bishop Robert Barron for each day of Advent, followed by questions and journaling space to guide a personally meaningful and prayerful Advent season. In addition, Bishop Barron reflects on the five Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. (\$5) Available at St. Monica's church hall in Middleton after Sunday Mass or call Mary Crooks 902-825-6495, and at St. Patrick's Church in Digby (contact Nancy Robinson 902-467-3700 or Pam 902-245-2115).

Sunday Missal for Young Catholics contains the Sunday readings for the year, starting with the First Sunday of Advent on December 3. The colourful illustrations, larger print, and definitions of unfamiliar words help children and youth to participate in Mass and learn about Scripture. Excellent gift. Available at St. Monica's church hall after Sunday Mass or call Mary Crooks 902-825-6495, and at St. Joseph's Church. (\$7)



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Advent Reconciliation Schedule

St John (Windsor)	Sat, Dec 2 9-10am	Tues, Dec 12 5-7 pm
St Joseph (Kentville)	Sat, Dec 2, 9, 16, 23 11am – 12 pm	Wed, Dec 6 5-7 pm with Fr. John & Fr. Michael
St Anthony (Berwick):	Sat, Dec 2 10-11am Fri Dec 15 after 9am Mass with Fr. John & Fr. Michael	Sat, Dec 16 10 am to Noon
St Monica (Middleton)	Sat, Dec 9 10 am to noon	Wed, Dec 6, 13, 20 after 9am Mass until 10am
St Alphonsus (Bridgetown):	after 4pm Mass Sat, Dec 9 & 16	
St Louis (Annapolis Royal):	Tues, Dec 5 10am Mass, 10:30-11:30am Adoration, 11:30am - 12:30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Reconciliation	
St Patrick (Digby):	Tues, Dec 12 4:00-6:15pm with Fr. Raymond & Fr. Michael, 6:30pm Mass	
St Joseph (Weymouth)	Wed Dec 13 4pm Mass, 4:30-5:30pm Reconciliation	

Out of the Mouths of God's Kids ...

Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, "Why is the bride dressed in white?" "Because white is the color of happiness and today is the happiest day of her life," her mother tried to explain, keeping it simple. The child thought about this for a moment, then said, "So, why's the groom wearing black?"

This notice was approved by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT IN CLASS ACTION

To all individuals who were sexually abused by a priest of the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax or Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth between April 14, 1954 and March 31, 2020 and have not previously settled or otherwise released either the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax or Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth.

The Court has approved a settlement which provides compensation to eligible class members who file a claim for sexual assault and meet the requirements of the claims process.

If you opted out of the class action, the settlement will not impact you. If you are part of the lawsuit as a Class Member, you can submit a claim for a payment of money as compensation. The amount of money that you may receive will depend on the specifics of the claim you submit. The potential amount of money to be paid to a Class Member whose claim is accepted will likely range from \$30,000 to \$350,000.

For further information, visit <https://kmlaw.ca/cases/catholic-priest-sexual-abuse-class-action/> or call 1-833-630-1785, or email catholicabuseclassaction@kmlaw.ca.

You must submit your claim for compensation before December 14, 2023. If you do not submit your claim for compensation before December 14, 2023, you will lose your right to compensation.

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