

## HOLY MASS

**First Sunday of Advent December 1<sup>st</sup> 2013**  
Keep Awake, therefore.  
**READINGS:** Isaiah 2.1-5 Romans 13.11-14  
**Psalm 122 Gospel:** Matthew 24.37-44

**Offered For:** Margaret Mary White-Edwards 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary  
 Requested by the family

**Servers:** Albert Justin and Nidia  
**Readers:** Harold Caldwell

**Deceased names will be read during Communion**

**Offered For:** **Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00am**  
 Louie Smoke Jr. and Mark Smoke  
 Requested by Ruth Smoke

**Servers:** Kaniiontonkwas, Konwonatison & Amanda  
**Readers:** Janine and Amanda Rourke

**Offered For:** **Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7:00pm**  
 Memphis Rain Carle 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary  
 Requested by the Family

**Offered For:** **Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> – 12:00pm**  
 Alberta Linda Jacobs  
 Requested by Charlie and the boys

**Offered For:** **Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> - 12:00pm**  
 Stanley & Elizabeth Francis Memorial Mass  
 Requested by the Family

**Offered For:** **Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> - 12:00pm**  
 John F. Oakes – Memorial Mass  
 Requested by the Family

**Offered For:** **Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup> – 4pm**  
 Elizabeth “Betty” Papineau  
 Requested by the grandchildren

**Servers:** Jenny, Thomas and Albert  
**Readers:** Elizabeth Sunday

**Offered for:** **Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup> 10:00am**  
**Simon King memorial birthday Mass**

**Servers:** Konawanatison, Kaniiontonkwas & Amanda  
**Reader:** Janine and Amanda Rourke

**New Baptisms**  
 Please welcome **Travis Roy Adams** and **Nataliya Kasandra Mitchell**

**NOTE** - For all Altar Servers or Readers please find your own replacements if you're unable to attend your scheduled Mass.

## PARISH MEETINGS

<b>Finance Council</b>	December 7 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00am The Pastor's Residence
<b>Parish Council</b>	December 30 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00am Kateri Hall
<b>St. Regis Mission Kateri Circle</b>	First Monday Every Month At Kateri Hall at 6:30 pm
<b>Akwasne Kateri Prayer Circle</b>	First Friday every month. 5:00 pm Meeting (Potluck)
<b>Faith Formation Ministry</b>	Wednesday – Dec. 4 <sup>th</sup> – 6PM
<b>Communications Ministry</b>	Wednesday – Dec.11 <sup>th</sup> – 5 pm
<b>Youth Ministry</b>	Wednesday – Dec.11 <sup>th</sup> – 6 PM
<b>Liturgical Ministry</b>	Wednesday - Dec. 18 <sup>th</sup> –5 PM
<b>Family Life Ministry</b>	Wednesday – Dec.18 <sup>th</sup> – 6 PM

### FINANCE COUNCIL

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS: \$676.70CDN \$620.16 US**

The Finance Council grateful of the result of the Trivia Night. They raised money for the Church and rectory. \$2204.00CDN \$1882.00US.

TYPHOON VICTIMS RELIEF FUND

The Parish and Financial Councils appreciate your generosity. The second collection raised the amount of \$786.49CDN \$828.00US  
 Thank you very much for your help.

### SANCTUARY LAMP

#### HONORING YOUR LOVED ONE

Our memorial candles burn 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as a constant prayer vigil for your loved one. Therefore, you are invited to light a Memorial Candle to honor loved ones who are deceased. Also for the sick, troubled families or persons, for healing and recognition, new births, birthdays or achievements. Please stop in at the Pastor's residence to reserve one of these memorial candles.

Candle offerings: 1 day votive - \$1.00  
 3 day candle \$5.00  
 5 day candle \$8.00  
 7 day candle \$10.00

Happy Birthday & Get Well Soon **Carrie Francis-Square** by Bill Francis family

**Sanctuary Candle in Memoriam**

In memory of Art Bova by daughter Lori Bova.  
 In memory of David Tarbell by Steven Tarbell  
 In memory of Noel Morahan by Bill Francis family

To all the Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Readers and Volunteers, your valued contribution is much appreciated.

A Big thank you to all our Volunteer Church Cleaners.  
 Last Week: Team #5 The Millie Cook  
 Next week: Team #2 Elizabeth Sunday's  
**More teams are welcome and appreciated!**

**BAPTISM SEMINAR.** You MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED. Please call or visit the Pastor's Residence to obtain an application. Please do not wait to bring your application in on your scheduled seminar date. To insure your registration, please submit completed application form and birth certificate of person to be baptized one month before the scheduled seminar. Thank you for your cooperation.

### The Lord's Prayer

Ta kwa ien ha, ne, ka ron hia ke, te si te ron, a ie sa sen na ien, a ie sa wen ni ios ta ke, a ie sa wen na ra kwa ke, non wen tsia ke, tsi ni iot, ne, ka ron hia ke, kie sa wen na rak wa. Ta kwa nont, ne, ken wen te, ia kion he kon, nia te wen ni se re ke, sa sa ni konr hen, ni on kwa ri wa ne ren, tsi ni iot, ni, i, tsi on kwa ni konr hens. O the non, ion ki ni konh rak sa ton, non kwe; to sa, a ion kwa sen ni, ne ka ri wa ne ren, ak we kon, e ren, sa wit, nio tak sens. NE NE KA NA KE RAH TSHE RA, NE NE KA SATS TENH SE RA, KA IA TA NE HRA KWAH TSHE RA, SA WEN'K NON:WA NOK TSI NEN:WE – E THO E THO NA IA WEN.

## THIS SUNDAY'S REFLECTION

**KEEP AWAKE, THEREFORE:** During Advent, we prepare for Christmas. Christmas is our encounter with God — or, more precisely, the coming of the Lord into the world so that we might encounter him—and Advent is the time during which we get ready for this encounter. But what is the “coming of the Lord”? In today's first reading and the Psalm, the way to encounter God is to go to a particular place—specifically the Temple in Jerusalem. Here, we may be instructed in living according to the ways of God. In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of the Day of Judgment: A future, though not-too-distant, coming of the Lord. Jesus warns us to be ready for that day, but does not tell us how to prepare. In the second reading, Saint Paul gives us some idea of how we might get ready: by living honorably; by putting on the Lord Jesus Christ. This can only mean that we live not only according to what Jesus lives; without sin; prayerfully prophetically; and in giving ourselves lovingly to others, even our enemies, without limit.

In doing so, we will find that the “coming of the Lord” is a reality not only outside us, but also within each of us. Indeed, the Lord comes to each of us, into the very fabric of our being, again today in our celebration of the Eucharist. *Rev. Armand Mercier OFM Edmonton, AB*

### PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK & ELDERLY

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ADVENT (from the Latin root, **adventus**, coming) begins a new liturgical year in the church. This is a season of waiting and expectation of the feast of Christmas. We strive to intensify our love and longing for the coming of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Each home can have its own family Advent Wreath, made of evergreen leaves in a circle holding four candles, representing the four weeks of this liturgical season. The members of the family pray together each evening, as one candle is lit. For the first week, we may pray as follows:

Leader: Jesus said, “I am the Light of the World. Those who follow Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life”.

Response: Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly.

Leader: Let us pray  
 Father, You awaken in us the desire for the coming of Your Son Jesus. May He kindle in us the light of His love, and bring the kingdom of peace and justice You promise for the whole earth. Amen

Response: Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly.

### PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK AND THE ELDERLY

Almighty and loving God, Physician who brings eternal healing to those who believe, hear us as we ask Your compassionate help for Your servants who are sick. Give them back good health and enable them to return thanks to You in the assembly of the faithful. We pray especially for all who are in our nursing homes and hospitals—for Gordon Caldwell, Wally Jacobs, Ted Mitchell, Theresa Mitchell, Sandra Terrance, Rita Arbour, Josephine Peters, Tommy Terrance, Baby Cassidy Oakes and Carrie Francis -Square

### PRAYERS FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray that our recently deceased—Margaret Ransom, Alexander Bero, Muriel Gray, and James “McGraw” Buckshot—may they now enjoy eternal rest in Heaven.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Everyone is invited for a party to welcome our new pastor Fr. Anthony Osuji. This party will serve as Fr. Jerome's farewell for our Beloved “Father Jerome Pastores”. This will take place at the Fire Station on route 37 after the 4:00 Mass

Thank You Father Jerome, for showing us the Way of Jesus; helping our community build love and trust with each other, enlightened us with your beautiful Filipino culture, especially the food sharing. Since your arrival you have shown us nothing but love, patience, peace, gentleness and understanding. We are saddened by the news that you're being sent somewhere else. We were truly blessed with your presence here. May your next Parish be a blessing for all.

You'll notice a large box at the entry of the church we will be collecting dry goods, for the next four weeks. If you have an extra can of vegetables, box of cereal, spaghetti, macaroni product or soup, etc... please give one. You don't have to buy, just donate any canned or dry goods you have at home. We will share the joy of Christmas with the poor.

Confirmation class on Sunday Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> will be in the church after Mass in the Sacristy. The “film In her Footsteps” video will be shown. Everyone is invited to stay and watch. Monday Dec.2<sup>nd</sup> Lectors (Readers) meeting 6pm K.H. Saturday Dec.7<sup>th</sup> Altar Servers meeting at the St.Regis Mission 10:00am  
 Christmas Concert on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm at the St.Regis Mission by the Akwasne Mohawk Choir/Ecumenical Choir. All are welcome to come and listen.

### Children's Liturgy Program - Schedule

Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 – team #5 Angie & Elizabeth Sunday  
 Dec.8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 -- team #6 Bonnie Hart and helper  
 Children's Liturgy during Sunday Holy Mass is held in the Sacristy. All children are invited to participate. Thank you to all the teachers for your dedication. If you are interested in volunteering to teach, please call the Kateri Hall at 518-358-2931. **December 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Confirmation registration.**