

The First Sunday of Advent – November 29, 2020

Tuesday, December 1st	
Wednesday, December 2nd	
9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of Joan & Earl Haid (Patsy Logel & Family)
Thursday December 3rd, <i>St. Francis Xavier (Obl Mem)</i>	
6:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration
7:00 p.m.	In Thanksgiving to God for His Love & Blessings (Anon)
Friday, December 4th, <i>St. John Damascene (Opt Mem)</i>	
9:00 a.m.	+Mario Di Gravio (Kropf Family)
Saturday, December 5th	
5:00 p.m.	+Maria Grunzweig (Frances Mantler & Family)
Sun, December 6th, <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	
St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	+Jane Patricia Donaldson (St. Mary's Parish)

Please continue to keep our recently baptised and their families in your prayers- Divine Ukah & Patrick Munroe.



JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT VIDEO SERIES:

On Monday, November 23, 2020, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) announced a new online weekly video series created to help Canadian Catholic faithful to prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. Entitled *Journey Through Advent*, the series is a joint project involving the CCCB's *Office National de liturgie*, the National Liturgy Office, and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis.

The initiative was developed as a way, through the modern method of video messaging, to offer a resource that enriches faith formation during a time of joyful anticipation for the coming of the Lord and Saviour into the world. The videos serve as an introduction to the liturgical Season and present reflections on the Gospel readings for each Sunday in Advent.

The Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., Bishop of Hamilton and the Most Reverend Pierre Goudreault, Bishop of Saint-Anne-de-la-Pocatière, provide spiritual and pastoral guidance on the readings that illustrate the true meaning of Christmas. This video series is especially relevant given the COVID-19 pandemic that places limitations on in-person gatherings for faith communities. It is hoped that *Journey through Advent* will be a source of deep spiritual solace and insightful preparation for all. The videos will be available on the

The First Sunday of Advent – November 29, 2020

CCCB website each Monday in advance of the upcoming Sunday celebration beginning 23 November.

To follow the series: www.cccb.ca

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

December 24, Christmas Eve: 5:00p.m – St Mary's, Elora
7: 00 p.m.- St. Martin's, Drayton, 10:p.m- St Mary's, Elora

December 25, Christmas Day: The Nativity of the Lord
9:00 a.m.- St Martin's, Drayton, 11: a.m.- St Mary's, Elora.

Please, parishioners are invited to register for the Christmas Masses to enable us plan ahead. You can email your name(s) to stmeloffice@wightman.ca or register at the notebook at the back of the Church in the coming weeks.

**THE SISTERS OF THE CARMEL OF SAINT JOSEPH
WILL PRAY FOR YOU DURING THE
NOVENA TO INFANT JESUS,
DECEMBER 16TH TO DECEMBER 25TH, 2020
ARE YOU TROUBLED? DO YOU NEED SPIRITUAL SUPPORT?
YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE NOVENA TO INFANT JESUS.
SEND YOUR PRAYER INTENTION SLIP WITH YOUR NAME AND
ADDRESS TO:**

**CARMEL OF SAINT JOSEPH
1127 CARMEL-KOCH ROAD, R.R. #1
ST. AGATHA, ON N0B 2L0**

VOCATION SEEDS:

The season of Advent calls us to be vigilant in anticipation of the Master's return so that we live each day according to the teachings of Christ. Could God's "particular task" for you be a call to a Church vocation? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of

Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2246.: Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

WELLINGTON FOOD BANK CHRISTMAS HAMPER COLLECTION:

- Cake Mix, Pancake Mix and Muffin Mix
- Canned Nuts
- Hot Chocolate
- Coffee
- Jam

WARM WINTER GEAR COLLECTION:

The Knights of Columbus and the St. Vincent de Paul Society will once again be sponsoring a winter coat donation to those in need. To complement this, St. Mary's CWL will be collecting donations of winter hats, gloves/mittens and socks of any sizes. If you would like to contribute, please leave donations in the bin provided in the vestibule. Your ongoing generosity with this yearly drive is very much appreciated.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR ALL THE SICK:

For all the sick around the world especially those who feel alone in their struggles and those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, all healthcare professionals and frontline workers. For our sick parishioners and those who look after them: **Don Woodham, Margaret Morris, Felix Kozak, Argene Pellegrini, Tom Wunder, Kaelynn Heines, and family and friends.** May they experience healing and comfort and may Our Blessed Mother Mary, Health of the sick, pray and intercede for us, Amen!