

# 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent December 3, 2017

**Isaiah 63.16b-17; 64.1, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 1.3-9; Mark 13.33-37**

## Daily Readings for the week of December 4-10:

**Monday:** *Isaiah 2.1-5; Matthew 8.5-11, 13*

**Tuesday:** *Isaiah 11.1-10; Luke 10.21-24*

**Wednesday: St. Nicholas:** *Isaiah 25.6-10a; Matthew 15.29-37*

**Thursday: St. Ambrose:** *Isaiah 26.1-6; Matthew 7.21, 24-27*

**Friday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary:**

*Genesis 3.9-15, 20; Ephesians 1.3-6, 11-12; Luke 1.26-38*

**Saturday:** *Isaiah 30.19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9.35-10.1, 5a, 6--8*

**Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent:** *Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11; 2 Peter 3.8-14; Mark 1.1-8*



**New Parishioners:** Welcome to our St. Patrick's Parish faith community! Please take a moment to introduce yourself to our pastor and fill out a registration form found on the main bulletin board.

**2017-2018 Sunday Missals:** New Sunday Missals are available for purchase. The cost is \$5.00. The new Children's Missal will also be available for a cost of \$10.00.

**Tuesday Faith Formation:** Please join us this coming Tuesday evening for our next session on the Creed, when we will be reflecting on the section "the Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church". We meet in the foyer of the church and start at 7 pm.

## **Upcoming Events & Meetings:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation session #5 will be held on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 pm.
- CarolFest 2017 will be held on Sunday, December 3 at 7:00 pm at the Church.
- Family Christmas Concert hosted by the Children's Choir will be on Sunday, December 10 at 3:00 pm.
- Advent Reconciliation Service will be Wednesday, December 20 at 7:00 pm.

**2018 Collection Envelopes:** Envelopes for 2018 will be available to pick up in the foyer starting December 9<sup>th</sup>. Please take time to update you address.

**A Family Christmas Concert:** St. Patrick Children's Choir Fundraising Concert will be held on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. The Children's Choir will be performing along with guests: Susan Epp, Melissa Chung, Elizabeth Ewing, Karen Hamre, Anita Kuzma, Kelsey Robson and Bernice Westergreen. Tickets are available after mass from choir member's parents, and at the Parish Office. The money raised will go towards music books and vestments.

## **Ask yourself, what can I do this Advent season to prepare my heart for the coming of the Lord?**

Here are some ideas to consider:

- Advent devotional prayer books
- An Advent Angelus
- Daily Lectio Divina
- Liturgy of the Hours
- Daily Rosary (Joyful Mysteries)
- Advent Wreath Prayers
- An Advent Calendar
- Meditate on the O Antiphons



Whatever you feel called to do during this Advent season, can I make one suggestion? Pick a single time and place when you will practice this Advent devotion each day. Make it the same time and place and you are more likely not to skip it.

*by Jared Dees, The Religion Teacher*

### **Stewardship Reflection**

*"Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time will come." (Mark 13:33)*

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. Our lives are so busy, many of us are planning our time - our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here.

Start and begin thanking God for each and every day.

Take time in silence, every day, and listen to what God is saying to you.

Offeritory collection for November 26-----	\$ 3,082.60
Other revenue-----	\$ 3,170.75
<b>Total Income -----</b>	<b>\$ 6,253.35</b>
Cost to operate our Parish per week-----	\$ 6,000.00
<b>Surplus/(Shortfall) for the week-----</b>	<b>\$ 253.35</b>



## Ideas for Advent Reflection and Preparation

- Embrace the Advent season as a sacred space from the ease of your e-mail inbox. *Sacred Advent* is a daily e-mail prayer break during a busy season. Each day invites you to a step-by-step progression of praying with a Scripture reading and related points of reflection. The messages also include suggestions for further exploration of Advent themes through additional online articles and prayers. Based on the writings of *Sacred Space*—the trusted online prayer site by the Irish Jesuits—*Sacred Advent* will make this Advent a season filled with sacred moments.

Sign up to receive the daily messages from the First Sunday of Advent, December 3, 2017, through the Christmas season. The messages will come from the Year in Our Church from Loyola Press.

[https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/advent/sacred-advent-retreat?utm\\_source=YOCC&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=sacadv&utm\\_campaign=advent2017#.WhR3jK33SJU.email](https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/advent/sacred-advent-retreat?utm_source=YOCC&utm_medium=email&utm_content=sacadv&utm_campaign=advent2017#.WhR3jK33SJU.email)

- Advent Calendar for Adults:** This Advent, join Loyola Press for a special online Advent experience. Following a traditional Advent calendar format, the experience invites you to slow down this season and discover the quiet moments of Advent hope.



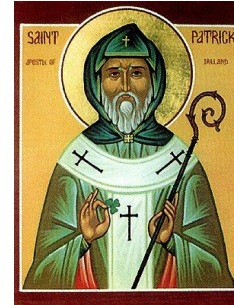
Authors and bloggers Vinita Hampton Wright, Joe Paprocki, Becky Eldredge, James Martin, SJ, and others share resources to nurture your spirituality at this busy time of year.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/advent/calendars/advent-calendar-for-adults?p=1>

- Advent is a season of vigilance. It's a time of peaceful waiting for the coming Messiah. However, for many of us, the weeks leading up to Christmas can be anything but that. We're stressed, distracted, and pulled in so many directions. **Bishop Robert Barron, founder of *Word on Fire*, invites you to join him this Advent season in a daily journey through the Gospels at [adventreflections.com](http://adventreflections.com).** You'll receive a short reflection each morning on that day's Gospel.

*“Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;  
we are the clay, and you are our potter;  
we are all the work of your hand.”*

Isaiah 64.8



# St. Patrick Co-Cathedral Church

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**Parish Office Hours:** Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

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**Weekend Masses:** Saturday 5:00 p.m. **Daily Mass:** Tuesday - Friday 5:30 pm  
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Tuesdays from 12:00 – 4:00 pm  
Please use the side door.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Priest available ½ hour before each Mass or by appointment

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### Pastoral Team

#### Pastor

Fr. Marek Pisarek, OMI (444-8700)  
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#### Pastoral Assistant

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### St. Patrick's Vinnies

920-4961

Tues-Sat 10:00 am – 5:30 pm

### RCIA

Andre Corriveau

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446-1934 (leave a message)

### Development & Peace

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### Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the Parish Priest to set up an initial interview for Marriage at least one year in advance and prior to setting a wedding date. Marriage preparation is required.

**Sacrament of Baptism** Contact the parish office to pick up a Baptism Preparation Package (also on the bulletin board in the church). The next preparation session is Wed., January 17, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

### 1st Eucharist/Reconciliation- Sessions will resume on January

**CWL Prayer Line:** Prayer requests can be emailed to Barb McDonald at [barbmcd@theedge.ca](mailto:barbmcd@theedge.ca). The rosary is prayed every Monday evening for these requests.