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**Mass Times**

Sunday 10am  
Saturday 5pm  
Weekdays 11:30am  
(No Mass on Mondays)  
Sacrament of  
Reconciliation is half an  
hour before Mass or by  
appointment.

**Pastoral Team**

**Pastor:**  
Fr. Jim Fiori, omi  
**Pastoral Assistant:**  
Jane Staples  
**Admin. Assistant:**  
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**Pastoral Council**  
Dorothy Wood  
613-523-2829  
Meetings: 1st Thur. 7:15p  
**Finance Committee**  
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613-822-1212  
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**December 2/3**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**BEWARE, KEEP ALERT  
(MARK 13.33)**

O, Almighty God, we stand  
in awe of the gifts you  
have given us, teach us to  
turn to you.



**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat. Dec. 2 5:00p Harold Allen by Robert and Brian Allen  
Sun. Dec. 3 10:00a Intentions of all parishioners  
Tues. Dec. 5 11:30a Edith McSheffrey by her family  
Sun. Dec. 10 10:00a Intentions of all parishioners

**The Rosary is prayed at 11am before Daily Mass.**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

Liam O'Reilly, Marie MacPherson, Chris Smith and family, Ping Cai, Sara Kate Muleski, Pasquale Cotroneo, Teresa Beemans, Janice Staples, Patricia Polci, George Cull, Fr. Chris Rushton, Bud Staples, Fr. Jim Jordan, Bro. Louis Andreas, Liam Elder, Tony Lim, and Gerarda Staples.

**Welcome to our guests and new parishioners who have chosen to be with us for this celebration. As we worship and pray together may your experience among us be one of peace and joy. If you wish to register, please fill out a registration card.**

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Contact the Parish Office a minimum of 3 months before the baptism. Baptismal instructions are required.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** Contact the Parish Office to set up the initial interview. It is recommended that the first contact be a minimum of 6 months before the wedding.

**DIRECT DEPOSIT DONATIONS:** The forms are available at the back of the church if you wish to make donations to the church through direct deposit.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** The registration form is available at the back of the church or can be filled out online at <http://canadianmartyrs.org/register/>.

**FOOD CUPBOARD:** We collect non-perishable food items for the Centretown Emergency Food Centre on an on-going basis.

If you would like to **advertise** your business in our bulletin, please call 613-232-5347 or email office@canadianmartyrs.org.

Find us on Facebook : Canadian Martyrs Parish, Ottawa.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES:** For your information, the minutes are available in a binder at the back of the church and at <http://canadianmartyrs.org/pastoral-council-minutes/>

## MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Tues. Dec. 5 Finance Committee, 7pm  
Thurs. Dec. 7 Parish Council, 7pm  
Fri. Dec. 8 OMI Feast Day, 7pm  
Thurs. Dec. 14 Advent Reconciliation, 7:30pm

## COLLECTION Nov. 25/26 2017

Envelopes and Loose change: \$ 3280

## FINANCES – Jan.1 to Oct. 31/17

	Actual	Budget
Revenue	\$192,962.02	\$197,150.00
Expenses	\$172,389.47	\$201,430.00
Net	\$ 20,572.55	\$ (4,280.00)

## OUR PARISH NEWS

### OMI FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



The Oblates of the Ottawa Area invite you to a Community Celebration of the Feast of the Immaculate

Conception at Canadian Martyrs Church, Fri., Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm (Eucharist at 8 pm). A wine and cheese Reception will follow. RSVP by Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> to McE Galbreath at 613-567-6418 or ontariodistrict@ omilacombe.ca.

### CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Dec. 24 10am Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass  
Dec. 24 5pm Christmas Eve Mass  
Dec. 25 10am Christmas Day Mass

### SNOW SHOVELLING

To save the church a substantial amount of money by not having to hire a private company, we would like to create an informal schedule for snow shoveling before weekend Masses. If you are willing to volunteer to

help shovel our paths a half hour before Mass, please sign up at the back of the church. We would like to have a pool of 6-8 people for both Saturday and Sunday. Thank you!

### DONATE TO IMMACULATA'S CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

We are happy to be participating in the Immaculata Christmas hamper program for needy families in the school community. If you would like to help, they would like to include in the hampers gift cards (\$25 or \$50) for Grocery stores, Walmart, Globo or SoftMoc Shoes, bus tickets and festive items such as napkins, Christmas crackers, wrapping paper, or flameless candles. Please deliver items to church office by Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>.

### CALENDARS FOR THE CHOIR SPACE

As you may have noticed, our choir space is finally being renovated. The new stage and cabinetry will be made by the Senior Shop class at Immaculata High School. To help with costs, we are selling Catholic Missions in Canada calendars for \$20. The calendars are available at the back of the church.

### COME CARRY TREES!

We need your help on the morning of Sat. Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am to bring the Christmas trees up from the basement and to hang the garlands and lights in the church. Please let the office know if you can help. Thank you!

### CHRISTMAS CAKES

This is the last weekend that Christmas Fruit Cakes, new and improved recipe (\$18 each), made by the Monks of Val Notre-Dame

Abbey will be available for sale at the back of the church. All proceeds go to help pro-life work in Ottawa on behalf of the Campaign Life Coalition.

### DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS VESPERS

Following up on our successful joint study to mark the commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, 933 Smyth Road, Ottawa, is inviting us to join them for Advent evening prayer (Vespers) on three successive Wednesday evenings, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. This is another opportunity to join our Lutheran brothers and sisters in prayer and fellowship and to strengthen our bonds as disciples of the same Lord.

### PRO-LIFE

Monthly pilgrimage of Masses to pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Centre in Ottawa is at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica, Sussex Dr. & St. Patrick St., Sat., Dec. 9, 10:00 a.m. Sponsored by Pro-life Doctors. Info: [wandawoj@rogers.com](mailto:wandawoj@rogers.com); 613-831-2515.

### BLUE CHRISTMAS

Christmas can be a difficult time of year. This quiet service at the Church of the Ascension, 253 Echo Dr., offers a moment of peace and stillness in the midst of the season. Mon., Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

### FAMILY ADVENT EVENT

Await the birth of our King with Academia Stella Maris!  
Free Family Advent Event Sun. Dec. 10 from 3-6pm at the Good Shepherd Parish  
Pot luck dinner with chili prepared by Academia Stella Maris, adoration and activities for children.  
To register: [www.academiastellamaris.ca](http://www.academiastellamaris.ca) or 343-883-6600

### MOVIE NIGHT

On Saturday, Dec. 16 at 6:30pm, Blessed Sacrament Parish, 194 Fourth Ave, will show 'Popieluszko — Freedom is Within Us'. This is the powerful, true story of Blessed Jerzy Popieluszko, a courageous young Priest and Martyr who became the Chaplain and spiritual leader of *Solidarity*, the Polish Trade Union in the 1980s. At age 37, Fr. Popieluszko was murdered by the Communists for proclaiming the teachings of the Church. Snacks and drinks provided. Good will donation accepted.



The season of Advent, which we begin again today, restores this horizon of hope; a

hope which does not disappoint for it is  
founded on God's word.

(Pope Francis, Angelus, Dec. 2013)