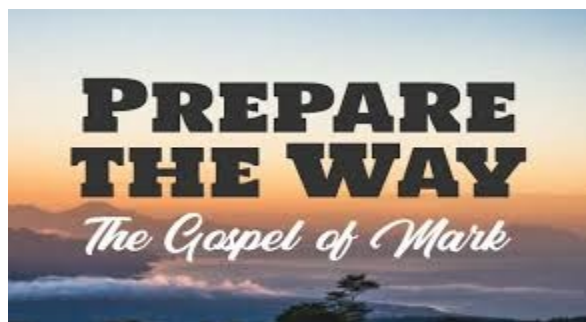


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**DEC. 10TH, 2023—SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT —YEAR B**



The second purple candle represents PEACE and is referred to as the “Bethlehem Candle”. We are reminded of Mary and Joseph’s journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Jesus is coming and so is His Kingdom of Peace. Pope Francis states, “ May we be in this world a ray of that light which shone forth from Bethlehem, bringing joy and peace to the hearts of all.”

Heavenly Father, Lord of All, come and fill this world with your peace. May there be an end to hatred and division among Your people. Cease all the fighting and war in this world. Heal the bitterness and hurt in my own heart. In this season of Advent, prepare my heart for the coming of Jesus, our Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
Fill my heart with Your peace which passes all understanding. Amen.

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**December 3rd**

Sunday Offerings	\$ 2015.00
Sunday Loose	\$ 312.50
Christmas	\$ 20.00
Building Fund	\$ 165.00
Canadian Missions	\$ 60.00
Candles	\$ 69.65
Christmas Flowers	\$ 195.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 465.00
Knight of Columbus Donation	\$ 4000.00
Snow	\$ 350.00
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Total:	\$ 7652.15



**PADP—Weekly for the month of December 2023**

Sunday Offerings	\$ 483.00
Building fund	\$ 167.00
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Total	\$ 650.00

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**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Tuesday to Friday at 12 Noon  
**WEEKEND MASSES:** Saturday at 4:30pm and Sunday at 10:00am  
**CONFESSION:** Saturday at 3:30pm and Sunday at 9:00am  
**HOLY ROSARY:** Every Thursday after 12 Noon Mass

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John Noble - Deacon Emeritus  
Carol Noble - D.O.S

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## MASS SCHEDULE WITH INTENTIONS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK

**Tuesday, 12th December** - [Our Lady of Guadalupe](#)

**Fedele Creatura** by Maria and Vittorio Petrin

**Wednesday, 13th December** - [Saint Lucy](#)

**Irene Bosse** by Jacqueline Bosse and family

**Thursday, 14th December** - [St. John of the Cross](#)

**Sylvia Drago** by Joe Drago

**Friday, 15th December** - [Blessed Mary Francis Schervier](#)

**Lou Cappelletti** by Angie and Tony Cappelletti

**Saturday, 16th December** - [Blessed Honoratus Kozminski](#)

**Anita Verrilli** by Vittorio and Maria Petrin

**Intentions of the parishioners** by Fr Denis Vaiz

**Sunday, 17th December** - [Saint Hildegard of Bingen](#)

**Sylvia Drago** by Lisa, Evan, Alexa and Zoe Drago

**Anita Verrilli** by Antonia Copetti



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### MASS READINGS FOR THIS WEEK: Dec. 11th to Dec. 17th



Monday Dec 11th	Isaiah 35: 1-10   Luke 5: 17-26	Psalm 85
Tuesday Dec. 12th	Zech.2: 14-17   Luke 1: 26-38 or Luke 1:39-47	Psalm 13
Wednesday Dec. 13th	Isaiah 40: 25-31   Matthew 11: 28-30	Psalm 103
Thursday Dec. 14th	Isaiah 41: 13-20   Matthew 11: 11-15	Psalm 145
Friday Dec. 15th	Isaiah 48: 17-19   Matthew 11:16-19	Psalm 1
Saturday Dec. 16th	Sirach 48: 1-4, 9-11   Matthew 17: 9a, 10-13	Psalm 80
Sunday Dec. 17th	Isaiah 61: 1-2a, 10-11   1st Thess. 5:16-24   John 1: 6-8, 19-28	Psalm Luke 1

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### **Called to hear and obey the Word of God:**

John broke the prophetic silence of the previous centuries when he began to speak the word of God to the people of Israel. His message was like the message of the Old Testament prophets who chided the people of God for their unfaithfulness and who tried to awaken true repentance in them. Among a people unconcerned with the things of God, it was his work to awaken their interest, unsettle them from their complacency and arouse in them enough good will to recognize and receive Christ when He came.

Jesus tells us that John the Baptist was more than a prophet. John was the voice of the Consoler who was coming. He completed the cycle of prophets begun by Elijah. What the prophets had carefully searched for, and angels longed to see, now came to completion as John made the way ready for the coming of the Messiah, God's Anointed Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. With John the Baptist, the Holy Spirit begins the restoration to humanity of the "divine likeness", prefiguring what would be achieved with and in the Lord Jesus.

**Fr Denis Vaiz**

Dear Parishioners, 2024 envelopes are ready for pick up in the lobby. Please note that some of your old envelope numbers may have changed. **Do not use the new envelopes until January 1, 2024.** Complete the information on the front of your new envelope for the first two weeks of the New Year.

**2023 envelopes must be handed in prior to Jan.1st** to ensure they are added to your 2023 income tax receipt.



**New parishioners of St. Andrew the Apostle** may find a parish registration form on the lobby table. Please take one home, complete the information required and place your completed form in the collection. Thank you!

### Upcoming events of this week

**Dec. 12th:** Ladies Christmas Social following noon Mass  
**Dec. 14th:** Small Christian community & Rosary after Mass  
**Dec. 15th:** Mass 9am St Charles College / Craft work by ladies  
**Dec. 17th:** Hospitality Sun. (K of C)



### Ladies of the Parish

Our **Christmas party** will be held on **Tuesday, December 12th** following the noon Mass and Advent service. Please bring an appetizer or dessert. See you there!

### Job posting—Administrator in our Parish

We are looking for  
a new parish office administrator.  
Please send a resume to:  
[standrewsudbury@gmail.com](mailto:standrewsudbury@gmail.com)



If you are planning to attend the 4:30pm Christmas mass at St. Andrew the Apostle Church, your child can participate in the pageant and choir practice held **Sun. Dec. 10 @ 1:00 pm** at the church. Families are encouraged.

If you would like to remember a loved one through a donation to our Christmas flower fund, please take an envelope from the basket at the back of the church; complete the information on the front and put your loved one's name on the back. Parishioners who have **regular envelopes** have the Christmas flower fund envelope in their box.



This **2nd weekend**, we celebrate the **wedding anniversaries** of those who married in the month of December. Let us congratulate and pray for them.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for this day as we celebrate wedding anniversaries. . We thank you for journeying with them. Thank you for making them strong and keeping them close. May God continue to bless their house with so much happiness. Amen.



## THANK YOU TO OUR BINGO VOLUNTEERS !

As a member of the **Charitable Gaming Association of Sudbury**, which is a group of more than 90 charities / not-for-profits participating in charitable gaming fundraising at **Delta Bingo and Gaming, St. Andrew the Apostle Parish** has received over **\$9,500** this year for parish projects. If you enjoy bingo or gaming, consider supporting Delta Gaming, whose profits are shared with so many local charities. We are always in need of more volunteers to work the bingos; if you have 2 hours to help once every couple of months, please call **Frank Javor at (705)566-8368**.



**The Knights of Columbus #6074** has generously donated **\$4000** to our parish. We are so appreciative of your kindness and your generosity has made a significant impact on our church community. May God's abundant love and blessings be poured out upon your council and members.

Fr. Denis Vaiz

## Donations to the Pregnancy Support Centre and Infant Food Bank

The Small Christian Community Group will be collecting this Advent season donations to the Pregnancy Support Centre and Infant Food Bank. Boxes are located in the lobby at the back of the church. Donations will be gratefully accepted until Dec. 24th.

### Suggested needs:

stage 1 formula (0-12 months), Gerber cereal, diaper cream, baby shampoo, lotion, 0-12 month sleepers / outfits, toys, receiving blankets, face cloths. You can also donate at : [pccifb.ca](http://pccifb.ca) or mail a cheque to **Pregnancy Care Centre and Infant Food Bank 1032 Lasalle Sudbury P3A 1X9**

(a tax receipt will be issued for a donation of \$20 or more)

Thank you for your continued generosity!



## **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER: Dec. 12th**

In Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples (**Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe**), all are invited to join their Indigenous brothers and sisters in a special way on this day through acts of solidarity and prayer.

**Father, give us a deep sense of our place in this web of Creation. Give us the wisdom of mind and generosity of heart to seek Your will in the world today. Inspire us to respond to the call to live in solidarity with impoverished countries of the world, so that all children of God might live in dignity and peace. Amen!**

## **Christmas Mass Schedule**

### Christmas Eve

December 24th, Sunday at 4:30pm  
(Mass with Children's pageant)

December 24th, Sunday at 8:00pm  
(Christmas Solemnity Mass)

### Christmas Day

December 25th, Monday at 10:00am  
(Christmas Solemnity Mass)  
(No weekday masses this week)



# Christmas Season Mass Schedule-2023-24

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## Feast of the Holy Family

December 30th, Saturday at 4:30pm

December 31st, Sunday at 10:00am



## Mary the Mother of God (New Year)

December 31st, Sunday at 4:30pm

January 1st, Monday at 10:00am

## The Epiphany of the Lord

January 6th, Saturday at 4:30pm

January 7th, Sunday at 10:00am





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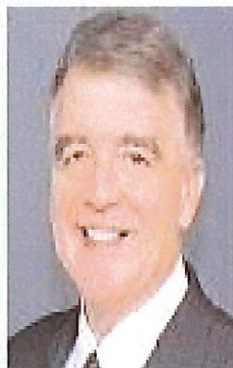
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## **Prayer of St. Gertrude**

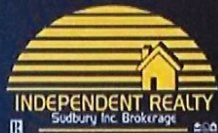
Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious  
Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with  
the Masses said throughout the world today,  
for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners  
every where, for sinners in the universal  
church, those in my own home and within my  
family.

Amen.



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