

WELCOME TO
ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH
DEC. 17TH, 2023— THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT —YEAR B



The third candle is **pink** and represents **JOY**. As Christmas approaches, our joy grows more and more. It takes us back to the joyful anticipation of the shepherds who journeyed to Bethlehem to see the Christ Child. This day is called “Gaudete Sunday”, meaning Rejoice or Praise.

Lord God, may we, Your people, who look forward to the birthday of Christ experience the joy of salvation and celebrate that feast with love and thanksgiving. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

December 10th

Sunday Offerings	\$ 2640.00
Sunday Loose	\$ 455.70
Christmas	\$ 10.00
Building Fund	\$ 45.00
Snow Removal	\$ 60.00
Candles	\$ 84.70
Sacramental Book	\$ 20.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 115.00
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Total:	\$ 3430.40



PADP—Weekly for the month of December 2023

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

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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Our Email: standrewsudbury@gmail.com

Office hours: Tues. and Thurs. 9am—Noon Ph: 705 - 566 - 1876.

Fr.Denis Vaiz - Parish Priest
John Noble - Deacon Emeritus
Carol Noble - D.O.S

MASS SCHEDULE WITH INTENTIONS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, 19th December - Blessed Urban 5th

Mr. & Mrs. Attilio Rovinelli by Nada & Robert Rovinelli

Wednesday, 20th December - Saint Dominic of Silos

Pauline Fortier by Ron Fortier

Thursday, 21st December - St. Peter Canisius

Monsignor Joze Trost by Ivanka Rupnik & family

Friday, 22nd December - Blessed Jacopone da Todi

Saturday, 23rd December - St. John of Kanty

Rachelle Soroko by David & Linda Gillespie

Onorio Copetti by the Copetti family

Intentions of the parishioners by Fr Denis Vaiz

Sunday, 24th December (10am) - Christmas at Greccio

Myrna & Jack Antoine by Sharon Antoine & family

Eileen Fowke by Glen Fowke



MASS READINGS FOR THIS WEEK: Dec. 18th to Dec. 24th



Monday Dec 18th	Jeremiah 23: 5-8 Matthew 1: 18-25	Psalm 72
Tuesday Dec. 19th	Judges 13: 2-7, 24-25a Luke 1: 5-25	Psalm 71
Wednesday Dec. 20th	Isaiah 7: 10-14 Luke 1: 26-38	Psalm 24
Thursday Dec. 21st	Songs 2: 8-14 or Zeph. 3: 14-18a Luke 1: 39-45	Psalm 33
Friday Dec. 22nd	1st Samuel 1: 24-28 Luke 1: 46-56	1st Sam. 2
Saturday Dec. 23rd	Malachi 3: 1-4, 23-24 Luke 1: 57-66	Psalm 25
Sunday Dec. 24th	2nd Sam. 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 Romans 16: 25-27 Luke 1: 26-38	Psalm 89

John's identity and our identity is derived from God's Son - Jesus Christ:

John the Baptist bridges the Old and New Testaments. He is the last of the Old Testament prophets who points the way to the Messiah. He is the first of the New Testament witnesses and martyrs. He is the herald who prepares the way for Jesus and who announces his mission to the people.

John saw from a distance what the Messiah would come to accomplish - our redemption from slavery to sin and our adoption as sons and daughters of God, our heavenly Father. The Lord Jesus has come to restore us to friendship with God and He has made us citizens of heaven - His everlasting kingdom of peace and justice.

John pointed others to Jesus, the true Messiah and Savior of the world. The Christian church from the earliest of times has given John many titles which signify his mission: Witness of the Lord, Trumpet of Heaven, Herald of Christ, Voice of the Word, Precursor of Truth, Friend of the Bridegroom, Crown of the Prophets, Forerunner of the Redeemer, Preparer of Salvation, Light of the Martyrs and Servant of the Word.

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. 21st: Holy Trinity School Mass @ 9:30am (at the school)

Dec. 22nd: Rosary prayed in different languages after noon Mass



Job posting—Administrator in our Parish

We are looking for a new parish office administrator.

Please send a resume to:

standrewsudbury@gmail.com



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.

On the **3rd week of this month**, we remember the sick people who are admitted in the hospitals and at home. Let us pray for them.

Almighty ever living God, healer of the sick, we turn to You in this time of illness. Relieve the worry and sorrow of the sick persons among us with Your gentle love and grant them the grace and strength to accept this burden. We place them under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to good health again. Amen.



Come Celebrate "350 years of Meaning and Action" in Quebec City!

From December 8, 2023 to December 8, 2024, the Catholic Church in Quebec City will celebrate the 350th anniversary of the founding of its Diocese! The oldest diocese north of Mexico, the cradle of faith in our country, has given birth to more than 150 dioceses over the years.

Its community has lived, celebrated and shared the faith, met social needs, founded organizations that are still vibrant, and helped give life to the culture we inherit today. The fundamental importance of this legacy will be celebrated in a program that also takes a look at the life of today's community.

The Catholic community of the Diocese of Quebec opens wide its arms to you. Cross the threshold of **America's only Holy Door**. Come and experience a pilgrimage in the footsteps of **the founding saints of the Church in Canada**. Like Compostelle le pilgrims, criss-cross the magnificent Charlevoix and Côté de Beupré regions on the **new Kapoah Trail**.

Rediscover our shared history through activities for all: visits to rarely accessible heritage sites, "Founders' Fortnight", exhibitions, concerts... All the details are available on the website: **fetes350.ca**.

350 ANS
DE SENS ET
D'ACTION



Welcome to New Choir Members

On behalf of the parishioners, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you as **our newest Choir Members**. Ministry in music will not only be very rewarding in your own personal life, but you will also discover a new appreciation for the value of working in unison with others as you focus on **glorifying God with "one voice"**.

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 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!



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Contact: drago@eastlink.ca

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
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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



Best Wishes from

The Loughheed Family & Staff

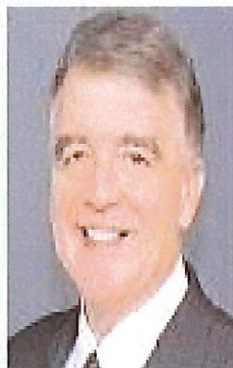
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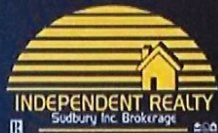
Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious
Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with
the Masses said throughout the world today,
for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners
every where, for sinners in the universal
church, those in my own home and within my
family.

Amen.



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