

Mass Intentions from November 26 – December 2, 2022

Sat. Nov 26/4:30 p.m.	André Ladouceur	- Beverly Redmond
Sun. Nov 27/10:00 a.m.	Nick Baird	-Teresa Baird
	Mary Jane Borja	- Guia Gélinas
	Fernand Martineau	- Sylvain Martineau
	Salvatore Bertucci	- Cecile Bertucci
	Antonio & Carolina Muzzo	- Anna Muzzo
	Eileen Shanahan	- Shanahan & Scott families
	Paulina Bellini, Luigi Salvati & family	- Paulina & Rosolino Salvati
Feast - St. Andrew (Apostle)		
Wed. Nov 30/10:00 a.m.	Francesco Nardi & Francesco Andreacchi	- Elisabetta Nardi
Thu. Dec 1/10:00 a.m.	Raymond, Ivy & Fabian Edward	- Edward Family
Fri. Dec 2/10:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families	- Teresa Baird

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Year (A)

Happy 1st week of Advent!



“You do not know the day when your master is coming.”

First Reading (Isaiah 2:1-5)

Isaiah has a vision in which all peoples will stream to the Temple of the Lord, and he will establish a kingdom where there will be no more war.

Second Reading (Romans 13:11-14)

Paul urges the Romans to give up the ways of the night and to live sober lives in the light of the day.

Gospel (Matthew 24:37- 44) Keep awake, you must be ready.

Reflection:

Advent, which we begin today, comes from the Latin adventus meaning “coming.” The “Coming” of our GOD will have different results. The First Reading envisions the new world order that will be established when the LORD “comes.” The Responsorial Psalm describes the joy of those “coming” into the house of the LORD. St. Paul reminds his readers that they must be prepared for the time is at hand when the darkness will be turned into light as the Lord Jesus “comes” again. In the Gospel, Jesus foretells that the time of the “coming” of the Son of Man will catch some people off guard and some will be left behind while others will move on to be with the Lord Jesus and His Abba-Father. At Advent we are called to reflect upon the things in our lives that make us less human. Such reflection can be painful when it brings to mind those things that we have done – or that have been done to us – which have damaged our humanity. In order to find peace and healing it is important to see that there is one who cares for us and loves us no matter what we have done or what has been done to us. God the Father sent his Son into the world to care for and love damaged human beings. All we are asked to do is to accept his help and cooperate with his transforming love.

May you have the strength and energy to live adventurously during the new year.



St. Richard's Annual Christmas Raffle, Christmas Pageant & Pot Luck Luncheon will be held on Sunday, December 11th after the 10:00 am mass.

Our Parish Raffle is a Fundraiser and we need your help more than ever to sell and buy tickets or make a donation. Fabulous prizes to be won!

Tickets are \$10. each or 3 for \$20. Please see Teresa Baird.

Show off you culinary skills for our potluck luncheon.

Please advice Teresa Baird what dish/dessert you wish to bring in the spirit of the season.

Thank you for always being there for your parish.

PARISH CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING...

The Christmas tree in front of our church will be blessed and lighted this Sunday November 27, at 6:00 pm. There will be singing of hymns. ALL ARE WELCOME.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week Giving Thanks to the Lord and For Special Intentions.

By – Kahawita Family.

New Sunday Missals 2022-2023

New Sunday missals are available for purchase for \$5.00 each.



'TIS THE Season OF Giving



OUR WARMTH AND GIFT GIVING TREES are at the back of the church. You are invited to donate a child's toy.

Also, we will be collecting scarves, mittens, gloves and hats which will be given to our needy parishioners. These items may be placed under the specially marked Christmas Trees. What a great way for St. Richard's Parishioners Reaching Out to Share and Care for those less fortunate. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE



make a difference this holiday season

Christmas is the spirit of giving without a thought of getting!

Last year through your generosity St. Richards Parish was able to gift 20 families of our parish Christmas Baskets/Food Gift Cards. With your help, this Christmas Season we wish to do the same for the needy families of our parish.

During this special season, we hope you will be generous as you have always been for the needy. We would appreciate (within your means) to bring non perishable food items and to make your donation by the 4th Sunday of Advent, December 18th, to enable us handing out the gift's before Christmas.

You may use your envelope or E-transfer for your Christmas gift for the needy. Go to www.strichards.ca click on the Donate button.

We thank you for your ongoing generosity during these unusual difficult times which will make many families happy!