

**Mass Intentions from December 3-9, 2022**

Sat. Dec 3/4:30 p.m. Nick Baird - Teresa Baird

Sun. Dec 4/10:00 a.m. Nick Baird - Teresa Baird  
 Ricardo T. Liganor Sr. - Wah Keung & Lilian  
 Joseph Paul Edathil - Divya Paul  
 Eileen Shanahan - Shanahan & Scott families  
 Ida & Kelvin Pereira, Noel & Heather D'Souza & Servulus Henriques- Kahawita family  
 Deceased members of Vincenzo, Rosa, Emidio Paliotti families - Rosolino Paliotti

**Memorial – St. Ambrose**

Wed. Dec 7/10:00 a.m. Agata & Luciono Gentile & Bruno Roti - Elisabetta Nardi

**Solemnity –The Immaculate Conception Of The Blessed Virgin Mary**

Thu. Dec 8/10:00 a.m. Giving Thanks to The Virgin Mar - Elisabetta Nardi

Fri. Dec 9/10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families - Teresa Baird

*Happy 2nd week of Advent!*



**“I baptise you in water for repentance...  
 He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.”**

**First Reading** (Isaiah 11:1-10) Even when everything around seems full of upheaval and threat, the Lord’s justice and love for his people promises hope, and a future of peace and knowledge of his friendship.

**Second Reading** (Romans 15:4-9) Christ has saved all people.

**Gospel** (Matthew 3:1-12) The coming of Jesus is a moment of promise but a moment, too, of a difficult message for those like the Pharisees. The promise of God’s love in Jesus calls for repentance, a change of life built on an honest humility about who we really are.

**Reflection:**

Our Advent journey continues.

We see two different images of the Coming Reign of GOD. Both are true; both can speak to us. Isaiah speaks of a time when the Chosen One of GOD will come and issue in a time of peace and mutually cooperation. The Responsorial Psalm declares a time when peace and justice flourish. Paul urges the Romans to manifest the unity to which GOD is calling them, in and through Jesus. The Gospel presents John the Baptist’s ministry of preparing people for the Coming of the One Who is mightier than he. In our daily life we are surrounded by news that can make hopefulness seem a foolish response to the complexities of injustice and human sinfulness. But the Advent hopefulness that we celebrate today is not only a virtue built on GOD’s sure promises, but also a hope that calls to action – to the hard work of repentance, of changing the direction of the ways we live  
**May you continue to prepare yourself for the Coming of the Lord Jesus.**



*Please join us next Sunday December 11<sup>th</sup>, after the 10 a.m. mass in the hall for our Annual Faith First Christmas Pageant, Pot Luck Lunch & Raffle. Raffle tickets are still available for purchase \$10. each or 3 for \$20. Please see Teresa Baird.*

*Show off you culinary skills for our potluck luncheon.*

*Please advice Teresa Baird what type of dish/dessert you wish to bring for the luncheon in the spirit of the season. Thank you for always being there for your parish.*

**The Côte St Luc library is organizing an afternoon of Tombola - Italian Bingo. The event will be held in Italian, English and French. It will take place on Wednesday December 14th at 1:30. Please call Antonella Lalli at the library to register 514-485-6900,4109, [alalli@cotesaintluc.org](mailto:alalli@cotesaintluc.org).**

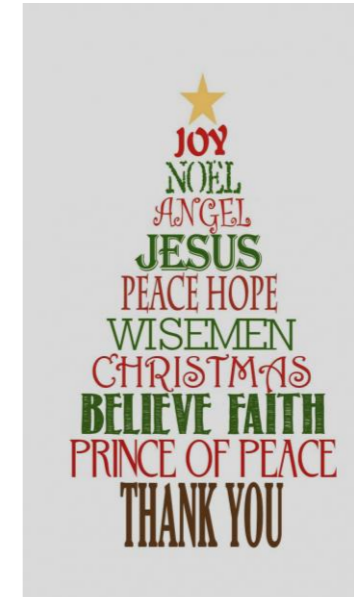


**The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week Giving Thanks to St. Francis & St. Peregrine.**

**By – Paulina & Rosolino Salvati.**



**’TIS THE Season OF Giving**



**OUR ANNUAL GIVING TREE’S!  
 Be it Your Wish...**

**to put a smile on A CHILD’S FACE this Christmas.**

**You may donate any or all of the following... toys, scarves, mittens, gloves & hats which will be delivered to a needy in our parish.**

**Place your gifts on and under the Christmas tree.**

**What a great way for St. Richard’s Parishioners to Reach out, to Share and Care for those less fortunate all year round...**

**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 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 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](http://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!**