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## **STAFF**

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## **The Nativity of the Lord**

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon. Dec. 26 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Sp. Int. -Charles Omere
Tues. Dec. 27 <sup>th</sup>	9am	+ Bernadette Riddick
Wed. Dec. 28 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Neil Cachia
Thurs. Dec. 29 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Cecile & Hubert Thauvette
Fri. Dec. 30 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Linda O'Reily
Sat. Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup>	9am	+ Mario Leone

**CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS**

December 23<sup>rd</sup> : 9 am to 12 pm  
 December 26<sup>th</sup> : Closed  
 December 27<sup>th</sup> : Closed  
 December 30<sup>th</sup> : 9 am to 12 pm  
 January 2<sup>nd</sup> : Closed



**Offering Envelopes**

**ENVELOPES FOR 2023**

Envelopes for 2023 are now available. Please **DO NOT USE THEM UNTIL JANUARY 2023.**

Remember to **fill in your FULL NAME and ADDRESS** on the first few envelopes as that is exactly how your tax receipt will be issued. The rest of 2022 could be filled out by using the blue envelopes by the door. Thank you for your generous support.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEEDS YOUR HELP!**



If you attended the Aurora Santa Under the Stars parade, there's no doubt you saw our float of the Santa Maria. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!!** We are looking for a place to store the float (i.e. a barn, etc.) during the year until the parade in November. If anyone has any contacts or leads, please contact John Lyn, Grand Knight at john@kofcaurora.ca



**THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul (SSVP) would like to express our thanks for the ongoing support from our parishioners. Your donations have allowed us to continue providing assistance to struggling individuals and families in our community throughout this past year. Your donations are also helping to support our SSVP Christmas Assistance program, which is run in partnership with Welcoming Arms. Through this program, we hope to bring a bit of joy to the many in our community who struggle throughout the year and especially at Christmas.

SSVP donation envelopes are available at the back of the church, and donations can be placed in the SSVP Donation Box. Information on how you can donate via credit card or Interac e-Transfer is available on the [parish website](#)

We thank you for your continued support and prayers.



**MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASSES**

We have received permission to commence, in January 2023, to have multiple intention ANNOUNCED Masses as follows: Saturdays at 9:00am and first Friday of the month up to 7 intentions per mass. Saturday vigil Mass - one announced intention, as well as Sunday Masses at the 8:15 am, 10:am and 7pm. The 12noon Mass is designated as pro populo (for the people). The purpose is to accommodate the many requests we receive for announced Masses. It's a wonderful opportunity to remember someone who has departed as well as for the living, such as an anniversary or even a birthday. It's always good to pray for the living while (at the same time) never forgetting those who have gone ahead.

### CHRISTMAS EVE PRAYER

Loving Father,  
Help us remember the birth of Jesus,  
that we may share in the song of the angels,  
the gladness of the shepherds,  
and worship of the wise men.  
Close the door of hate  
and open the door of love all over the world.  
Let kindness come with every gift  
and good desires with every greeting.  
Deliver us from evil by the blessing  
which Christ brings,  
and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.  
May the Christmas morning  
make us happy to be thy children,  
and Christmas evening bring us to our beds  
with grateful thoughts,  
forgiving and forgiven,  
for Jesus' sake.  
Amen.



### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Wishing you all a blessed Christmas and  
safe new year!  
Fr. John, Fr. Arthur, All Staff & Volunteers

### ♪ 'TIS THE SEASON ♪

Dan Smith, our Sunday cantor & guitarist, has  
18 Advent Christmas songs available on Spotify,  
YouTube and other formats. You can find them  
by visiting the [parish website](#) and clicking on The  
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[dansmithmusic.hearnow.com/dan-smith-advent-christmas](https://dansmithmusic.hearnow.com/dan-smith-advent-christmas)  
or [dansmithmusic.ca](https://dansmithmusic.ca)

### Christmas Dinner Prayer

*Dear Heavenly Father,  
Love brought Jesus to the earth,  
and love brings us to this Christmas table.  
Today as we share this holiday feast, may  
our Christmas dinner be filled with kindness.  
And may the memories of today warm our hearts  
for years to come. Amen.*



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2022

### CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

**Saturday December 24<sup>th</sup>**

9am Mass (Regular Daily)

### CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

**Saturday December 24<sup>th</sup>:**

4:00 pm (Church opens at 3 pm)

Children's Mass, encouraging all children ages

5 - 8 for a special Christmas Blessing

6:00 pm - Family Mass

8:00 pm and 10:00 pm

(No midnight mass)

### CHRISTMAS DAY

**Sunday December 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:15 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm

(No 7:00 pm mass)

### FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

**Monday December 26<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 am

### LIVE STREAM

Christmas Eve at 8:00 pm

Christmas Day at 8:15 am

**Tuesday December 27<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00 am

**Wednesday Dec 28<sup>th</sup> to Friday Dec 30<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 am

**Saturday December 31<sup>st</sup>**

9:00 am (Regular Daily)

### THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY

**Saturday December 31<sup>st</sup>** at 5:00 pm

**Sunday January 1<sup>st</sup>**


8:15 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm

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