

# ***Fourth Sunday of Advent & Christmas – the Nativity of the Lord & The Holy Family & New Years – Solemnity of Mary***

**May our Lord Bless you and your families**

**St. John the Evangelist** - Waubaushene  
**St. Mary of the Assumption** - Victoria Harbour  
**St. Louis Mission** - Mt. St. Louis

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**Office Hours:** Sundays 8 a.m. – 2 p.m./Wednesdays 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

**Sunday Masses: Saturday 5:00 p.m.** St. John's Church  
**Sunday 9:00 a.m.** St. Louis Church  
**Sunday 10:30 a.m.** St. Mary's Church

## **Weekday Masses:**

St. Mary's-Wednesday-10:00 a.m., Friday-10:00 a.m.

## **Websites**

**St. John's:** <https://stjohntheevangelistwa.archtoronto.org>

**St. Mary's:** <https://stmarysvi.archtoronto.org>

**St. Louis:** <https://stlouisvi.archtoronto.org>

Confession: before or after Mass or by appointment  
Baptism, Marriage, Sacrament of the Sick: Please call the Rectory

**Items in the bulletin by Wednesday, please**

## **MASS INTENTIONS – December 20<sup>th</sup> to January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026**

### **Fourth Sunday of Advent:**

Sat. Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> - St. John's – 5:00 pm – Kimberly Gibson requested by Muriel Belanger

Sun. Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> - St. Louis – 9:00 am – Elfriede & Josl Huter requested by Andre Huter

Sun. Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> – St. Mary's – 10:30 am – For the Parishioners

Wed. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – St. Mary's – 10:00 am - **CANCELLED**

### **Christmas – The Nativity of the Lord:**

Wed. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> - St. Mary's – 5:00 pm – **Christmas Eve** – For the Parishioners

Wed. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – St. John's – 7:00 pm. – **Christmas Eve** – For the Parishioners

Wed. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – St. Louis – 7:00 pm – **Christmas Eve** – For the Parishioners

Thurs. Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> – St. Mary's – 10:30 am – **Christmas Day** – For the Parishioners

Fri. Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> - St. Mary's – 10:00 am – **CANCELLED**

### **The Holy Family:**

Sat. Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> – St. John's – 5:00 pm – Romeo & Burna Dacua, Silvio & Livia Santi &  
Stefanie & Franca Santi requested by the Santi Family

Sun. Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> – St. Louis – 9:00 am – For the Parishioners

Sun. Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> – St. Mary's – 10:30 am – available

### **New Years – Solemnity of Mary:**

Wed. Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> – St. Mary's – 10:00 am – **CANCELLED**

Wed. Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> – St. John's – 5:00 pm – Ivan & Lois Laughlin requested by their Family

Thurs. Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> – St. Mary's – 10:30 am – **New Years Day** – For the Parishioners

Fri. Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> – St. Mary's – 10:00 am – available

Masses for the Deceased or for Special Intentions - If you would like a Mass celebrated for your loved one or friend or parish member please use your own envelope or the envelopes at the back of the church. The stipend is \$20.00 for announced masses and \$10.00 for unannounced.

If you require a Mass Card please leave a message at the office (705-538-2353).

Sanctuary Lamp Candle - If would like to donate the Sanctuary Lamp Candle for a week in honour of a loved one you may do so by making a donation of \$10.00 or more, and their name will be put in the bulletin. Just ask me after mass, or drop an envelope, provided at the back of the church, in the collection with the name of your loved one. - *Fr. John*

### **Sanctuary Candle:**

**St. John's – Frank & Brian Peck requested by Donna Peck**

St. Mary's – available

St. Louis – available

**Offertory (Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>):** St. John's- \$607.00, St. Mary's- \$1,185.00, St. Louis- \$253.00.

This includes Pre-Authorized Giving. Thank you.

**Offertory (Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>):** St. John's- \$841.80, St. Mary's- \$1,030.00, St. Louis- \$271.00.

This includes Pre-Authorized Giving. Thank you.

**Let Us Rejoice and Give Thanks this Christmas:**

A special welcome to everyone who is here to celebrate with us, especially all of our family members and students who are home for Christmas. This time of year is filled with past memories. It is a sad time for some and a joyous time for others. Our faith brings us joy through Jesus birth into our world and through the promise of his love and the promise of eternal happiness for all. May our hearts be filled with love and joy this Season. May God bless you and your families. ~ *Fr. John*

**Making Room for Jesus:**

As Christmas fast approaches and Advent is drawing to a close, let us remind ourselves of the importance of this liturgical season. Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas as well as His final coming at the end of time. However, the great saints of the church also speak of an intermediary coming, the coming of Christ to our present lives. Let us take a moment to ask ourselves, if the Lord showed up in our life today, would there be room for Him?

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All** – from Fr. Bill, Stephanie and myself. We really appreciate your generosity through your best wishes and gifts this Christmas. I especially would like to thank all of those who were most generous with their time and financial support this year in all of our churches. A special thank you goes out to St. Mary’s Women of Faith, Parishioners of St. Louis, Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul, our Altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, sacristans, ushers, children’s liturgy co-ordinators, choirs, Cemetery Boards and Finance Council. Thank you to all those who decorated our churches, and all of the rest of the volunteers, including those who look after and clean our churches. ~*Fr. John*


**Announcement:** I am happy to announce that **ShareLife** has once again given **St. Mary’s St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank a food security grant**. This year the grant is \$10,000. There is an even greater need now and we are grateful for the support from ShareLife. It is nice to see that some of our ShareLife contributions come back to our region, and we benefit from it. ~ *Fr. John*

**ShareLife Matched Giving:** When you make a donation to ShareLife **before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025** it will be matched by an anonymous donor, to a maximum of \$500,000. This is an opportunity for us to make an even greater impact when we give to ShareLife. Thank you for your ongoing support.  
**NOTE: there are ShareLife envelopes at the back of the church on the table.**

**2026 Offertory Envelopes** are available this weekend. Please DO NOT use until the new year.

**Christmas Mass Schedule**  
Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – St. Mary’s – 5:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve  
Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – St. John’s – 7:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve  
Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – St. Louis – 7:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve  
Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> – St. Mary’s – 10:30 a.m. – Christmas Day

**New Years Mass Schedule**  
Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> – St. John’s – 5:00 p.m. – New Years Eve  
Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> – St. Mary’s – 10:30 a.m. – New Years



**St. John’s –**

**Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament & Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations takes place at St. Mary’s the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.**

**St. Mary’s Women of Faith will be Praying the Rosary after Mass the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month.**

The **Saint Vincent de Paul Food Bank** serves all Tay Township residents. If in need call 705-956-0022. We are open Wednesdays & Fridays from 10-11:30 in the basement of St. Mary’s Church, Victoria Harbour to register for assistance or pick up your food items. We thank our parishioners for their continued support. Your monetary donations and donations of food items are always much appreciated.

**Pre-Authorized Giving Plan** - Many parishes in our Diocese are offering this plan as a convenience for their parishioners. We are offering it at the request of several of our parishioners. Some find it easier to support their church by having their donation automatically withdrawn from their bank account on the 20th of each month. This also ensures the ongoing support of our church when they are away. Many find this method more convenient as many of us are accustomed to paying our utilities in this manner. You will still have the option of placing your envelopes in the collection basket, especially for special collections. If you are interested in giving in this way there are brochures at the back of the church. To enroll, you must submit the form, in the brochure with your void cheque, before the 10th of the first month in order for your deduction to begin on the 20th of the same month.

**Baptisms:** A family requesting a baptism is expected to be attending Mass on a regular basis in one of our churches. Please speak to Fr. John after Mass to discuss the Sacrament.

**Pastoral References:** I am happy to provide Pastoral Reference Letters for those living in the boundaries of our churches and are applying for teaching positions within the Catholic system. It is expected that those seeking a teaching position in the Catholic system are living according to the teachings of the Catholic Church, particularly as it pertains to marriage and that they are practicing their faith by regular attendance at Sunday Mass and being involved in the life of the parish.  
~ *Fr. John*

**Cemeteries:** St. Louis-705-739-5868, St. Mary’s-705-543-1789, St. John’s-Sanderson’s-705-326-6131  
**St. Antoine Daniel Catholic Elementary School** - Victoria Harbour - 705-534-3391  
**St. Theresa's Catholic High School** – Midland - 705-526-1311