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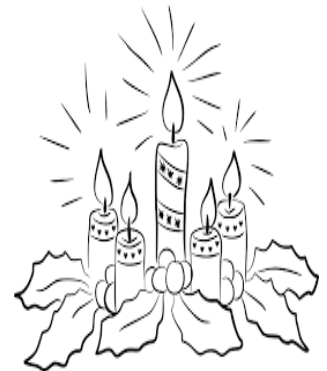
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**DECEMBER 10TH:
SECOND SUNDAY
OF ADVENT
YEAR B**



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Office Hours: Wednesday 8:30AM—4:30PM

Holy Mass Schedule:
The Day of the Lord begins Saturday: Vigil 4:00PM
Sunday: 9:00AM
Weekdays: 8:00AM or as announced

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
Saturday: 3:00-3:45PM
Sunday: 8:00-8:45AM
By appointment

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:
Please contact the parish priest during serious illness or before surgery.

Sacrament of Baptism:
By appointment. “Parents are obliged to see that their infants are baptized within the first few weeks of life.” (C.867.1)

Sacrament of Marriage:
Please contact the parish priest as soon as possible. Pre-marriage classes are mandatory.

Eucharistic Adoration:
First Friday of the Month: 8:30—9:30
First Saturday of the Month: 8:30—9:30

Catholic Women's League:
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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 10, 2023 – Year B

Mass Schedule & Intentions: Dec 9th-17th

Saturday 8:00 AM 4:00PM	Dec. 9th— †Delia Mattiazzo by Mary Nan Vigil of the Second Sunday of Advent †Fr. Ermino Cossaro by Carmen Buri
Sunday 9:00 AM	Dec.10th—Second Sunday of Advent Missa pro populo
Monday	Dec. 11th— St. John Damascus I, pope No Scheduled Mass
Tuesday 8:00AM	Dec. 12th— Our Lady of Guadalupe God's blessing for Jessica Huayna by A.R.
Wednesday 8:00AM	Dec. 13th— Saint Lucy, virgin, martyr †Francesco Smarrella by wife, Linda
Thursday 8:00AM	Dec. 14th— Saint John of the Cross, priest ††Delia Mattiazzo by Mary Nan
Friday 8:00AM	Dec. 15th— advent ferial †Marino, Palmina & Yvette Polverari by Joe
Saturday 8:00 AM 4:00PM	Dec. 16th— †Delia Mattiazzo by Caterina Buri Vigil of the Third Sunday of Advent †Giuseppe Decicco by Agata Decicco & family
Sunday 9:00 AM	Dec.17th—Third Sunday of Advent Missa pro populo

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The Offertory envelopes for 2024 are available for pickup at the front door of the Church. They have been sorted alphabetically for your convenience. If you are a parishioner without envelopes and would like to receive them or need to update your information, please contact the office. Please refrain from using the envelopes until 2024, as some numbers have changed. Remember to clearly print your name and address on the 2024 envelopes when using them.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Special Christmas flower envelopes are now accessible in your weekly offering boxes. If you wish to make a donation in memory of someone, kindly write their name on the back of these envelopes. For those who don't have envelopes, please reach out to Agnes at the office or speak to Father Daniele after the masses. We deeply appreciate your generous contributions. Thank you for your kindness and support.



COATS FOR KIDS

The Knights of Columbus is once again collecting new and gently used winter coats for needy children and adolescents in our community. If you wish to donate, please place your coat (s) in the box at the rear of the church

during the month of November. Monetary donations are also welcome. Please make cheques payable to the Knights of Columbus. For more info or monetary donations please contact: Josef VanRuyven - 289 969 9369

2024 MISSALS

The 2023-2024 missals are available for purchase. Cost is \$5.



From Saturday, December 16th to December 24th, we will be celebrating the Christmas Novena. The celebration will take place following the daily masses, specifically after the 8:00 am mass on weekdays and after the 9:00 am mass on Sundays. It will provide a meaningful way for us to prepare for the celebration of the Incarnation of the Son of God. The theme for the novena will be "He Dwelt Among Us."



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 24—4:00PM
The Nativity of the Lord
Monday, December 25—12:00AM—Midnight
December 25 -Christmas Day Mass: 9:00AM

Please remember that the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas), is a Holy Day of Obligation.

THE VINEYARD

The Diocesan Magazine "The Vineyard is available at the Diocesan website: <http://saintcd.com/diocesan-directory/the-vineyard>

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

On Saturday, December 23rd, Fr. Daniele will be available from 8:30AM to 12:00PM for the Sacrament of penance (Confession).

JOIN US IN ELEVATING THE LITURGICAL EXPERIENCE!

Embark on a journey where the beauty and holiness of our liturgical and mass celebrations are brought to life through your active participation. We are on the lookout for passionate individuals to join us as **lectors, ushers, altar servers, and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist.** Are you ready to become a vital part of our dedicated liturgical team?

BE A STRONG LITURGICAL VOLUNTEER!

If you're enthusiastic about contributing to the spiritual richness of our community, seize this opportunity to make a meaningful impact. Take a step towards becoming a valued liturgical volunteer by filling out the form available at the church exit. Your commitment will enhance the worship experience for all, creating a sacred atmosphere that resonates with beauty and holiness. Join us in creating memorable moments of reverence and celebration. We look forward to welcoming you to our vibrant liturgical team!

CONFIRMATION ENROLLMENT

The Rite of Enrollment is a ceremony in which the Candidates make their official commitment to enter into preparations for the sacrament of Confirmation. Prior to the Rite of Enrollment candidates are asked to seriously and prayerfully think about what will be required of them during this time of preparation. **This ceremony will take place each Mass on December 16/17.**



Sunday, December 31 — 4:00PM Vigil Mass of The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Monday, January 1, 2024 — 9:00AM The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Please remember that January 1st (New year), is a Holy Day of Obligation.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE December 12

December 12, (Our Lady of Guadalupe), is the National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples. We are asked to join our Indigenous sisters and brothers in a special way this day through prayer and acts of solidarity.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Heart of my Mother, Our Lady of Guadalupe, I unite to thy purity, thy sanctity, thy zeal and thy love, all my thoughts, words, acts, and sufferings this day, that there may be nothing in me that does not become through thee, a pleasure to Jesus, a gain to souls, and an act of reparation for the offenses against thy Heart.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S
LEAGUE NEWS

GIFT BOXES: Please remember our gift boxes. At this time we are in need of **socks, mitts, hats, scarves, some toys, none perishable food items and gift cards** for groceries. Items will be collecting until December 17.

Pro-Life Christmas cards are for sale at the Religious items counter. 10 cards for \$11.00.

CHRISTMAS GIFT BASKETS: Anyone wishing to contribute to the cost of these baskets, please see Mary Nan.

DRIVERS NEEDED: The CWL is looking for drivers to help deliver poinsettias to our parish shut-ins in their homes, senior residents or nursing home. Please call Mary at 905-834-9520.

CWL MEMBERSHIP: The \$35 CWL membership is now due. Envelopes are in the Sunday offertory boxes.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON: Our Christmas luncheon will be held on Wednesday, December 13 at the Belmont restaurant at 1:00PM.

ADVENT VIDEOS FROM OUR BISHOP!
go to <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-advent/>

O come, O come Emmanuel!

SUNDAY OFFERING

Dec 2/3, 2023: \$ 1,393.00
Parish Repairs: \$ 385.00
Flowers: \$ 505.00

Thank you for sharing your gifts with the Lord and the faith community of St. Therese. May God bless you for your faithful stewardship.

E-TRANSFERS Thank you to everyone for their contributions to St. Therese Church either by offertory envelopes or E-transfer. We would like to remind everyone to use celineincarmel@gmail.com for any e-transfer. We cannot accept any e-transfers at thereseli-sieux@cogeco.net Thank you for your attention to this matter.

TAX RECEIPTS

Please ensure all donations that require a tax receipt for 2023 are in before **December 31, 2023.** Any donations given after this date will be included on your 2024 receipt.