

St. John Brébeuf Parish & St. Peter's Mission

SUNDAY DECEMBER 4, 2022

Second Sunday of Advent



DATE	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTION	CELEBRANT
Saturday December 3	5:00 p.m.	ERIN	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish	Fr. Chris Tracey
Sunday December 4 2 nd Sunday of Advent	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ERIN OUSTIC	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish	
Saturday December 10	5:00 p.m.	ERIN	For Unborn Babies Everywhere (Kuebler Family)	
Sunday December 11 3 rd Sunday of Advent	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ERIN OUSTIC	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish	Msgr. Ted Slaman
Saturday December 17	5:00 p.m.	ERIN	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish	
Sunday December 18 4 th Sunday of Advent	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ERIN OUSTIC	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish	Fr. Chris Tracey

COME HOME for Christmas				
December 24	1-2 p.m.	ERIN	Sacrament of Reconciliation	Fr. Ed Hinspeger
	5:00 p.m.	ERIN	Children's Christmas Mass	
	7:00 p.m.	OUSTIC	St. Peter's Mission, Oustic	
	10:00 p.m.	ERIN	Midnight Mass (note the time)	
December 25 The Nativity of Our Lord	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ERIN OUSTIC	Christmas Day Mass Christmas Day Mass	Msgr. Ted Slaman
December 31	5:00 p.m.	ERIN	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish	
January 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ERIN OUSTIC	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish	

We know that at Christmas our hearts will be full – we want our pews to be full also! Throughout Advent, Parishes across the Diocese are being encouraged to invite all the faithful to Come Home for Christmas. We all know people who have fallen away from regular Mass attendance, and Christmas provides a privileged occasion to welcome them home. All parishioners are encouraged to join in this effort to extend a warm invitation to return - for more information, visit <http://hamiltondiocese.com>.

EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY

Auxiliary Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for “Evenings with His Excellency.” An opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Parish in Ancaster. It is also available on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith. All are welcome.



December 2022

Dear Parishioners:

As we enter the season of Advent, we prepare our hearts to welcome the Lord at Christmas. In the weeks ahead, many of us will similarly prepare our homes to welcome loved ones over the holidays. Our special holiday touches and traditions provide a warm welcome to the family and friends who will grace our homes throughout this season. After two years where this was mostly not possible, this year's celebrations will undoubtedly take on a special significance.

Just as our homes have missed the presence of loved ones these past two years, our parish community has truly missed the presence of the whole community gathered together in worship. When all the members of our parish family are not gathered with us around the Lord's table, our community is incomplete.

Please accept our warm and heartfelt invitation to join us for Mass this Christmas. If you have been away from the parish community, whether for a short time or a long time, we warmly welcome you home with open arms. If you attend Mass regularly, we thank you for your presence and we ask that you please extend this invitation to family, friends, and neighbours.

We truly hope that you will join with your parish community this Christmas - that together we may celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ and share in the joy that Christmas gives to each generation. As your parish community, please know of our deep desire to have you join us for the celebration of Mass and know that we are praying that every member of our community may accept our invitation to Come Home for Christmas!

Yours, in Christ,
Rev. Fr. Gordian



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“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin in order to help our world of today to truly “prepare the way of the Lord”? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988 or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

MOUNT MARY IMMACULATE RETREAT CENTRE – 437 Wilson St. E., Ancaster, ON

There will be an Open House and Christmas Market on December 10th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Guests are welcome to tour the grounds and buildings, enjoy some seasonal refreshments and do some Christmas shopping. Admission is free, and all are welcome! For more info, visit: www.mountmary.ca

JUSTICE, PEACE, AND THE INTEGRITY OF CREATION

As we await the coming of the Prince of Peace we can look to our Tradition for guidance on peace: “There is no true peace without fairness, truth, justice, and solidarity.” *John Paul II.* Peace requires that we be in right relationship with God and with each other. Peace is the fruit of Love and the consequence of Justice. It is the sign of *caritas* in action.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY DECEMBER 11, 2022 – Third Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 35.1-6a, 10); Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 146; Second Reading: James 5.7-10; Gospel Acclamation: Luke 4.18; Gospel: Matthew 11.2-11.



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A Catholic parish was established in 1873 for the Townships of Erin and Eramosa. IN 1959, Bishop Ryan asked the Jesuits to establish a mission in Erin. Masses were said at the Legion Hall until the Church was opened in 1965, with Jesuit Father Frederick Elliott serving as the pastor until 1981. Since then, the parish has had the following pastors: Father Edward Grace OSA, 1981-1986; Father Charles Lagan SFM, 1986 to 1990; Father Gus Arthurs CSSp, 1990-2001; Father Joe Kelly CSSp, 2001-2015; Father Ralph Diodati, 2015-2017; Father Don Sanvido, 2017-2021; and our current pastor, Father Gordian Okpuruka.

PARISH CONTACTS, GROUPS & LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

BOOKKEEPER	Ron Atkinson	(519) 278-0125	stjohnnerin@hamiltondiocese.com
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PARISH SCHOOL	Principal	(519) 833-9994	School Address:
ST. JOHN BRÉBEUF C.E.S.	Kate Seftel		30 Millwood Road, Erin, ON N0B 1T0

St. John Brébeuf Parish, Erin & St. Peter's Mission, Oustic



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OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday – Friday
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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**Parish Office Assistant & Hours**  
**Sandra Priselac**  
**(519) 278-0125**  
Tuesday & Thursday  
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
Please contact the Parish Office.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**  
Please contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday 4:15-4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

**PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK**  
Available upon request.  
Please contact the Parish Office.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
Each Thursday at 6:00-7:00 p.m.

| WEEKEND MASSES |            | WEEKDAY MASSES – St. John Brébeuf Parish |                       |
|----------------|------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Saturday       | 5:00 p.m.  | St. John Brébeuf Parish                  | Tuesday – 7:00 p.m.   |
| Sunday         | 9:00 a.m.  |                                          | Thursday – 7:00 p.m.  |
|                | 11:00 a.m. | St. Peter's Mission, Oustic              | Wednesday – 9:15 a.m. |
|                |            |                                          | Friday – 9:15 a.m.    |

*We gladly welcome new parishioners and invite them to pick up a registration form and register!*