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December 8, 2024
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekdays	Masses celebrated Monday to Friday (except Wednesday) at 9 a.m., followed by the Rosary.
Weekends	Masses celebrated on Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.
Reconciliation	Saturday from 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. <i>By appointment by calling the Parish Office at 514-695-7100.</i>
First Friday Adoration	Every first Friday of the month after morning Mass

Welcome to our Parish

Welcome to Saint Edmund of Canterbury Parish in beautiful Beaconsfield, located by the waters of historic Saint Lawrence River. We are a vibrant faith community centred on bringing Jesus into the world through love and charity. Our faith is meant to be shared with the world.

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday, December 7 and Sunday, December 8, 2024

2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5:00 p.m. Thresia Mathai by the Pattara family
9:00 a.m. Giuseppe Scerbo by his daughter
11:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

Mon. Dec. 9 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 a.m. Elisabeth Polap by family
Tues. Dec. 10 Ferial
9:00 a.m. Edmond Taschereau by Maureen Glover
Thur. Dec. 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe
9:00 a.m. Patron of the Americas
For the Good Health of Maria Salceda
by the Rosary Group
Fri. Dec. 13 St. Lucy
9:00 a.m. Claire Michaud by Don & Minda Salter

Saturday, December 14 and Sunday, December 15, 2024

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5:00 p.m. For the People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. Pauline Brook by her family
11:00 a.m. Peter Ennio Crespi by the Ronci family

Mon. Dec. 16 Ferial
9:00 a.m. Grandparents of Adelmo Pedicelli by Adelmo
Tues. Dec. 17 Ferial
9:00 a.m. Claire Massue Boulva by Vivian Hudson
Thur. Dec. 19 Ferial
9:00 a.m. Ann Fahey by the Murphy family
Fri. Dec. 20 Ferial
9:00 a.m. Jim Ardon by his wife Terrie

Saturday, December 21 and Sunday, December 22, 2024

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5:00 p.m. Leon & Jozefa Roszkowski
by daughter, son-in-law & Martines family
9:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
11:00 a.m. Vince & Rita O'Hagan by Claire & Joe



LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Those in need of our prayers: David Brewer, Debbie Clahane, Connie Iacovelli, Hélène Parent, Marianne Pérignon, Griselda Rella Cortés.

SUNDAY READINGS: December 8, 2024

First Reading:	Baruch 5.1-9 God will show your splendour.
Responsorial Psalm:	Psalm 126 R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.
Second Reading:	Philippians 1.3-6, 8-11 In the day of Christ, may you be pure and blameless.
Gospel:	Luke 3.1-6 All flesh shall see the salvation of God.

*The endurance of darkness is the preparation
for great light. — St. John of the Cross*

SUNDAY READINGS: December 15, 2024

First Reading:	Zephaniah 3.14-18a The Lord will rejoice over you with gladness.
Responsorial Psalm:	Psalm 12 R. Shout aloud and sing for joy: great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.
Second Reading:	Philippians 4.4-7 The Lord is close at hand.
Gospel:	Luke 3.10-18 The crowds asked, "What should we do?"

JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT 2024 – VIDEO SERIES

As we prepare for the Nativity of Our Lord, it is hoped that this year's [Journey through Advent](#) videos, presented by the CCCB, will be a source of spiritual comfort, peace, and meaningful preparation for all who watch them. The videos will be uploaded one at a time on a weekly basis throughout Advent and will be available each Monday in advance of the upcoming Sunday Eucharistic Celebration. This year's reflections will be led by the Most Reverend Frank Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto, and the Most Reverend René Guay, Bishop of Chicoutimi.

SCHEDULE FOR ADVENT RECONCILIATION

Friday, December 20 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

MEETING OF THE PARISHIONERS FOR ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS

When: Sunday, December 8, 2024

Venue: Church

Time: 10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

This year we will elect two wardens for three years of service. All parish members living within the civil territory and having reached the age of majority are qualified to vote or stand for election. "Your participation in this exercise of community discernment is a sign of love."

WHAT IS A WARDEN?

Compliance with civil law is a complicated matter compounded by the fact that the legal status may differ from state to state. In Quebec, individual parishes are civil corporations with their board of directors (*Wardens*) and corporate duties (*Section 13, B, An Act Respecting Fabrique*). A *Churchwarden* is a director of a civil corporation that has the Roman Catholic religion as its sole objective. "*Religion*" in Civil Law means "*The public worship of God*." The equivalent of Churchwardens in Canon Law is the *Finance Council (Canon 537 of 1983 Code of Canon Law)*. The *Finance Council* functions, in short, is to assist pastors in adhering to the standards of administration practiced by excellent institutions throughout society - (Sound Administration of Temporal goods). Therefore, the Churchwarden is an administrator of the material goods and property intended for the religious benefit of the Parishioners. First and foremost, the Churchwarden must first have a sense of "Church," possess a basic knowledge of administration, and practical common sense. Let us pray together for good Churchwarden candidates.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 - CELEBRATION OF FATHER JESSIE'S 25th ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Please join us as we celebrate Father Jessie's Silver Jubilee, the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on Sunday, December 15. The celebration will begin with the Celebration of Mass at 11 a.m. by Father Jessie on the theme of "Come and See" (John 1.46). This will be followed by a reception in the Parish Hall at noon. Let us express our love, gratitude and admiration for Father Jessie as he celebrates this significant milestone in his life as a Catholic priest. We invite the talented bakers of our parish to contribute to our dessert table. Desserts can be brought to the Parish Hall the morning of December 15. All are welcome!

TOY DRIVE FOR CHILDREN OF ST. WILLIBRORD PARISH

A Toy Drive for the children of St. Willibrord Parish in Verdun will take place from November 26 to December 15, at **Jouets Ever After**, located inside **Marché de l'Ouest**. St. Willibrord's Parish has many children, ranging in age from 1 month to 16 years old, whose families are in need, coming to St. Willibrord's Food Bank and Soup Kitchen, and living far below the poverty line in Verdun. Touch their hearts and make the Christmas Miracle come to life for these small ones. *"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."* Mark 9:37.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League, St. Edmund's Parish Council welcomes all women of the parish to join us on Monday, December 16 at noon for a Celebratory Mass, followed by a pot-luck luncheon and a short meeting in the Parish Hall.

ST. EDMUND'S CHRISTMAS FOOD COLLECTION 2024 - THANKS!

THANK YOU to the amazing parishioners of Saint Edmund's for sharing our Christmas blessings with people in need through our annual Christmas Food Collection! Special thanks to our youth, families and parishioners who helped sort, pack and deliver over 120 boxes of food and gifts to St. Willibrord Parish (Verdun), St. Francis of Assisi Parish (Park Extension), Hadley House (formerly known as Nazareth Community) and Resilience Montreal. At this time of increased food insecurity caused by the high cost of groceries, these communities expressed deep gratitude that echoed St. Willibrord's sentiment: "We received all those glorious boxes of food this past Sunday -- it was wonderful to witness them all pouring into the hall. We cannot thank St. Edmund's enough for supporting us in this beautiful work of providing for those among us in need!"



Offering Envelopes



2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES

1) The 2025 offering envelopes are placed in **alphabetical order** (A-L on the east side windowsills, M-Z on the west side windowsills). Please refrain from taking envelopes other than your own. If you have **not used envelopes in the past**, please take an unlabeled box (on west side windowsill) and return the included form to register. **Make sure to include your name and address on the first few envelopes used.**

2) If in 2024 you used offering envelopes numbered **400-450**, please note that you have been reassigned an envelope number for 2025. This will help reduce the number of boxes of offering envelopes we purchase.



Fr. Jessie's Christmas Letter and the schedule of Christmas and New Year Masses can be found on our website at www.stedocp.com.

SACRAMENTS & CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Baptism: Baptism is celebrated at 2 p.m. on the first and third Sunday of the month. Parents should contact the Parish Office to register.

Marriage: A minimum notice of six months is required to celebrate marriage. Marriage preparation, overseen by the parish, and meeting with diocesan requirements, must be completed.

Sacrament of the Sick: Celebrated communally in February, or privately upon request.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Age-appropriate celebration is part of the weekend Liturgies (Sept-June).

STAY INFORMED

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The diocesan Grapevine includes the latest information about what is going on in the Montreal English Catholic community: thegrapevine@diocesemontreal.org

SAINT EDMUND OF CANTERBURY PARISH INFO & MINISTRIES

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Wardens:	Michael Cloghesy	Santiago Corbat
	Patrick Kelley	Diana Poisson
	Carlo Rainone	Anthony Ronci

Altar Servers:	Benny Augustine
Baby Layettes:	Heather Milliken
Catholic Women's League:	Eleanor Arless, Maureen Glover & Diana Poisson
Development & Peace:	Yvonne Bourque
Eucharistic Ministers:	Dominic Ryan
Greeting & Assisting Ministers:	Frank Biringer
Knights of Columbus:	SK Marc Rispler
Listening to Indigenous Voices:	Vivian Hudson & Yvonne Bourque
Liturgy Committee:	Father Jessie
Ministers of the Word:	Kathleen Tobin
Pastoral Home Care:	Vivian Hudson
RCIA:	Father Jessie
Responsible Parish Ministry:	Sylvain Lanoue
Social Action Cupboard:	Catherine LoVasco
Social Ministry:	Vivian Hudson
Youth & Young Adults:	Fr. Jessie Dimafilis



FAITH FORMATION



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