

**1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays of Advent  
Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

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**SACRAMENTS**

**Weddings**

Contact Parish at least

six months in advance

**Baptisms**

Contact Parish for

appointment

**Confessions**

Half hour before Mass, Fridays

during Holy Hour,

or by appointment

**Funerals**

Contact Parish

Please note that eulogies are not

permitted at the Funeral Mass.

The twinned parishes of  
**Sacred Heart & St. Bridget**  
and the missions of  
**St. Columbkil & St. Vincent de Paul**

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday, 5 pm	<b>Sacred Heart</b> , 86 Princess Street, Lanark
Sunday, 9 am	<b>Sacred Heart</b> , 86 Princess Street, Lanark
Sunday, 11 am	<b>St. Bridget</b> 869 Stanley Rd, Stanleyville

**What are you waiting for?**

Very often the season of Advent is described as a busy time. But essentially, it is a time of waiting. Waiting for the celebration of Christmas, the birth of the Son of God. Waiting for forgiveness and reconciliation between family members. Waiting for God to intervene in our lives.

One of the best places we can find ourselves this Advent is waiting in line for Confession!

Special Advent Confession times in our area are:

Wednesday **Dec 6<sup>th</sup>** St John's (Perth) @ 7pm

Thursday **Dec 14<sup>th</sup>** St Francis (Smith Falls) @ 7pm

Several priests will be available to hear confessions.

Not prepared for confession; don't know what to do or say ... there are countless resources online to help.

Here is one suggestion:

<http://www.thelightisonforyou.org/confession/>

What are you waiting for? ... This Advent you are not the only one waiting. In Confession, Who is waiting for you?

## Mass Intentions December 02-17, 2017

### ***First Sunday of Advent***

<b>Dec 02 (Sat)</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b> For the people of the Parish
<b>Dec 03 (Sun)</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b> <i>Special Intention</i>
	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>St. Bridget</b> Wilfred+ & Kathleen+ Publow <i>requested by Pat Mackler</i>
Dec 05 (Tues)	11:15 AM	St. Bridget John Farrell+ <i>erequested by Tom Kerr &amp; family</i>
Dec 06 (Wed)	8:00 AM	Sacred Heart <i>Special Intention</i>
Dec 07 (Thurs)	8:00 AM	Sacred Heart <i>Special Intention</i>

### ***Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary***

Dec 08 (Fri)	6:30 PM	Sacred Heart <i>Special Intention</i>
	7:00 PM	Holy Hour & Confessions

### ***Second Sunday of Advent***

<b>Dec 09 (Sat)</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b> For the people of the Parish
<b>Dec 10 (Sun)</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b> <i>Special Intention</i>
	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>St. Bridget</b> <i>Special Intention</i>
Dec 12 (Tues)	11:15 AM	St. Bridget John Farrell+ requested by Brian & Jane Craig
Dec 13 (Wed)	8:00 AM	Sacred Heart <i>Special Intention</i>
Dec 14 (Thurs)	8:00 AM	Sacred Heart <b><i>Special Intention</i></b>
Dec 15 (Fri)	6:30 PM	Sacred Heart <i>Special Intention</i>
	7:00 PM	Holy Hour & Confessions

### ***Third Sunday of Advent***

<b>Dec 16 (Sat)</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b> For the people of the Parish
<b>Dec 17 (Sun)</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b> <i>Special Intention</i>
	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>St. Bridget</b> John Farrell+ requested by John Merkley

## The Holy Father's December Prayer Intentions

**The Elderly:** That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

### Announcements

The collection for the **Lanark Food Program** is the first Sunday of the month at Sacred Heart Parish – please place your donations in the basket at the back of the church.

**Sacred Heart Church's Christmas Concert** is set to go on Sunday Dec. 3rd. Starts with a Pot Luck supper at 4:30 with Concert following. This years show is one you won't want to miss!! So cook your favourite dish and come enjoy the evening.

**St. Bridget's Christmas potluck** will be held in the BVM hall on Dec 3rd beginning at 5pm, entertainment to follow, everyone is most welcome.

**Advent Bible Study.** Who: you. What: a faith study/ sharing group. When: 7pm Tuesdays in Advent (Dec 5,12,19). Where: Lanark rectory (86 Princess St, Lanark, Ontario). All are welcome.

Sacred Heart Social Committee will be organizing a float for the **Lanark parade** on December 9<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact Doris Quinn at 613-256-1119.

**Sacred Heart CWL Christmas potluck** will take place on Dec 10<sup>th</sup> after the 9am mass. If desired, please bring a gift for the exchange.

The **Children's Secret Shopping Event** takes place on Sunday Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> in Foy Hall and runs from 10:10 AM to 12 noon. Again this year we are asking for donations of new or nearly new, also gently used items. Items can be for adults and children as these children want to purchase for their siblings and parents and perhaps others who are dear to them. Items can be left in kitchen of Foy Hall. Thank You for your help.

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** All are invited to the Archdiocesan Liturgical Celebration of this event at St. Mary's Cathedral on Friday December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. Archbishop O'Brien is presiding and reception will follow at Ecole Cathedrale.

This Advent, be part of St. Bridget's "**Blanketed with Love**" by donating a blanket or throw to those in need this Advent. Place your blanket under the wreath. Our offerings will be taken to those in need after Mass on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent. "To those who are called, wrapped in the love of God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ. May mercy, peace, and love be lavished on you!" (Jude 1:1)

Please note the times of **Christmas Masses** now updated on our parish website. The Fourth Sunday of Advent is Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> this year and the Nativity Masses will not occur until that evening.

Join **Dynamic Catholics** "Best Advent Ever" at <https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever>

**St. Bridget's** has completed the 2017 Christmas Shoe Box campaign and 51 boxes were brought to Smiths Falls on November 17<sup>th</sup>. Brenda White wishes to thank everyone that participated to put smiles on the faces of the recipient children. It is in giving that we receive. Special thanks to Grace Noonan for assisting with the final preparation of the boxes.

You are invited to **An Advent Vigil for Peace:** where we will pray for peace in our hearts, homes and world. There will be silence, Scripture, music and prayer. It will be held at Holy Family Church, 200 Weller Avenue, on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM This is sponsored by the Kingston Archdiocesan Development and Peace Committee.

When you are preparing to mail your Christmas cards and letters, be sure to visit your local Canada Post outlet and ask specifically for this year's **religious stamp** which showcases "The Adoration of the Shepherds" by Louise Méthé. While they are still in good supply, please consider purchasing extra stamps to adorn your cards and letters sent throughout the year. Religious stamps can be purchased in books of 12 for \$10.20.

**Cursillo Weekend for Men to be held in Kingston** - Pope Francis encourages us to encounter Jesus. The Cursillo Weekend offers a short and profound opportunity to encounter Jesus. A Men's Cursillo weekend is scheduled for Thursday evening, March 8<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at Providence Spirituality Centre, Kingston. For more information contact Lionel Ryan at (613) 634-9588 or [RyanLionel07@gmail.com](mailto:RyanLionel07@gmail.com) or Friar Ed Debono at (613) 546-6900 x 204 [eddebono@aol.com](mailto:eddebono@aol.com)