



**WE WISH EVERYONE
A BLESSED CHRISTMAS SEASON
AND A JOYFUL NEW YEAR!**



Masses January 4, 2011 to January 8, 2012

Jan. 4 Wednesday 7:00 PM	St. Mark	Terry Murray requested by Bev Toye
Jan. 5 Thursday 8:00 AM	St. Mark	Pauline Peters requested by Carol McLaughlin
Jan. 6 Friday 9:00 AM	Sacred Heart	Wilfred and Roseanna Mallett George Mallett & Family
Jan. 7 Saturday 8:00 AM	St. Mark	Deceased Members of Kelly Family requested by Betty Warren
Jan. 7 Saturday 5:15 PM	St. Mark	Hilda Riley requested by Jean Farlinger
Jan. 8 Sunday 9:00 AM	Sacred Heart	Parishioners of Sacred Heart and St Mark
Jan. 8 Sunday 11:00 AM	St. Mark	Deceased members of Martens Family requested by William & Cory Martens

Please Note: There is Holy Hour following 8:00 AM Mass at 8:30 AM and at 6:00 PM before 7:00 PM Mass & at 8:00 AM before 9:00 AM Mass. In the event there is a *Funeral Mass* it will **not** replace a scheduled Mass.

Offertory: December 25, 2011 **St. Mark - \$1,995.00**

Sacred Heart - \$349.00

Christmas Offertory: December 25, 2011 **St. Mark - \$3,049.92**

Sacred Heart—\$ 735.00

Thank you for your generosity .

Parish Ministries Schedule for Masses January 7 to January 8 (Second Sunday)

Place Date Time	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Ushers	Gift Bearers
St. Mark Sat Jan. 7 5:15 PM	John McAuley Beth Gallagher	Sue Daigle	Clayton Paquette Bob Wardrop	Gilles & Germaine Trudeau
St. Mark Sun Jan. 8 11:00 AM	Klaas DeVries Julie Coligan Tom Whalen	Alanna Whalen	Tony Jozefowicz Jessica Gillis Adam Norton	MacDonald Family
Sacred Heart Sun Jan. 8 9:00 AM	Jason Edge Joan Toupin	June Simpson	To be determined	To be determined

Children's Liturgy Anne Wade, Hope Wade

The Catholic Girls' League will meet Sunday, Jan. 8, 2012 at 5:00 PM at Diane's 101 Sophia St., Prescott.

K of C 4th Degree will meet Monday Jan. 16, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the Parish centre.

Mass Intentions The offering of a Mass is perhaps the best gift and remembrance we can give to our loved ones, both living and those who have gone before us. Envelopes are available at the main entrances of both churches. Please fill in the information and return it in the collection basket. The stipend is \$10.00 **Please be aware Wednesday evenings, Saturday and Sunday requests should be submitted at least 8 weeks in advance**

**FEAST OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
& WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE**

On the first day of the New Year, we celebrate the Feast of Mary, Mother of God, and we join in the Church's worldwide observance of Prayer for Peace. What better way can we begin the New Year than to look to Mary, our Mother, who brought us Jesus our Saviour and God? She will guide us and care for us so that we may find the fulfillment of our lives in Jesus. To have peace in the world is at the centre of Mary's heart. Only with peace can true human development take place, and poverty and hunger, homelessness and lack of health care be overcome.

Every January 1, our Holy Father gives us his message for the World Day of Prayer for Peace on this day. The subject of his message this year is Educating Our Young People in Justice and Peace. The Holy Father says the beginning of a new year is another gift of God to humanity. He extends to all of us with great confidence and affection, his heartfelt good wishes that this time now before us may be marked concretely by justice and peace.

The Holy Father asks with what attitude should we look to the New Year? People of faith wait for the Lord with firm hope because they know that he will bring light, mercy and salvation. Pope Benedict invites us to look to 2012 with this attitude of confident trust. The year now ending has been marked by a rising sense of frustration at the crisis looming over society, over the world of labour and the economy. In this shadow however, human hearts continue to wait for a new dawn.

This expectation is particularly powerful in young people. The Holy Father is thinking of the contribution which they can and must make to society. He devotes his message to the theme of "Educating Young People in Justice and Peace" in the conviction that the young with their enthusiasm and idealism, can offer new hope to the world. Attentiveness to young people and their concerns, the ability to listen to them and appreciate them is a primary duty for all of us, for the sake of building a future of justice and peace. We need to communicate to young people an appreciation for the positive value of life and of awakening in them a desire to spend their lives in the service of the Good. This is a task which engages each of us personally.

Thank You! A huge thanks to our Church cleaners, decorators, sacristans, servers, lecturers, organist and choir who made the Christmas celebrations so festive. It was wonderful to see so many people and young families. Many thanks for all the blessings and prayers, gifts and graces we received this Christmas.

It was great to have my family with me this year. We had a lot of fun in the kitchen preparing different dishes. They really enjoyed the peace and quiet of our Rectory. My brother from Halifax arrived on Christmas Day. Another blessing.

Be assured of my gratitude for all that has transpired in 2011 and we wish you and your loved one's all of the blessings and graces for 2012.

God Bless,

Father Brennan

Please keep in your prayers the sick:

Joan Woodward, Theresa Bolger, John Rane, Ed Bologna, Gerry Van Rijt, Christine Guerin, Trudy Bernaski, Rosella Roberts, May God grant them the strength & comfort to deal with their illness.

Let us pray for those who have died:

Diane Brown, Theresa Bergeron, Lanny Paterson, Doris Moore. May the Lord grant them Eternal Peace.

Help us update our sick list. If you know of anyone who should come off this list or be on it please contact the parish office 925-2944 or email stmbulletineditor@gmail.com

PARISH WEBSITE - If you are looking for any information, please remember to look at our website at www.stmarksacredheart.ca. The Parish Bulletins are posted there as well as links to other Catholic organizations and some other interesting items. If you haven't visited the website lately, you will notice that the monthly Calendar of Events (main page) and Finance / Property Committee minutes (donations page) from both Parishes have been added to the site.

ENVELOPE USERS - Since envelope numbers may change from year to year, you are kindly asked not to use envelopes from previous years. If old envelopes are used, there is a risk that your donation will be credited to the wrong account if it goes unnoticed. Also, please check the information on the label and report any required changes to Brent Laton, Financial Administrator at 613-925-3313. Necessary changes will be reflected on your 2011 income tax receipts.

World Youth Day 2013 - St. Mark's is planning on leading a group of pilgrims to Rio de Janeiro in July of 2013 for World Youth Day. The targeted age group for this pilgrimage are those youths in grade 10 through university. If you're interested please contact Tony Jozefowicz at 613-925-5133 for further information.

SPECIAL REMINDER: SACRED HEART & ST. MARK CHURCHES will begin our monthly donations to the Cardinal & Prescott Food Banks. It is the 3rd Sunday of every month. For this month it is January 15th, 2012. Please drop off your non-perishable items at the front entrances of both churches, and place in the bins provided. It is so important that we do not overlook the needy in our communities. Your support is very much appreciated.

The St. Andrew School of Evangelization

invites you to "New Life". This course is to be held in St. Michael the Archangel Parish Centre, Belleville, from 6:30 P.M. Friday January 13- Sunday January 15, at 4:00 P.M. The objective of this course is for you to experience the salvation of God, by way of a personal encounter with the resurrected Jesus through the guidance of the Holy Spirit in order to live as children of God.

Come and enjoy a weekend of faith, friendship and fun. Cost \$80, meals will be provided. Please contact Agnes Sheridan at: sheridan_agnes@yahoo.ca for more information & registration

The Archdiocesan Twinning Committee

is selling 2012 Calendars in support of initiatives that we undertake as part of our relationship with Kingston, Jamaica. (For example: building projects, supporting schools and agencies in Jamaica.) The calendar features pictures from groups who have helped with various mission projects in Kingston, Jamaica. The calendar can be purchased for \$5 or a donation. Cheques are to be made payable to Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School. The calendars can be ordered by calling Margie Ann at 613-548-4461 and they will be sent through the school courier if it is convenient. More information is available by visiting our website:

www.romancatholic.kingston.on.ca

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

All are invited and encouraged to join together with the churches in Cardinal to celebrate the unity we have in Jesus Christ Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2012 – Daily at noon

Monday January 23rd – Anglican Church will lead worship and provide lunch

Tuesday January 24th – Roman Catholic Church will lead worship and provide lunch

Wednesday January 25th – Pentecostal Church will lead worship and provide lunch

Thursday January 26th – Presbyterian Church will lead worship and provide lunch

Friday January 27th - United Church will lead worship and provide lunch

A warm invitation is extended to all from the churches of Cardinal Please join us for a time of worship and fellowship in Jesus' name - the Cardinal Ministerial -

Vocation Discernment Day Saturday, January 21, 2012

will take place at St. Patrick's Parish, Napanee, for young men interested in discerning a possible call to the diocesan (or religious) priesthood. The day will begin at 10:30 am. and conclude at 4:00 pm. Anyone in the parish who is interested in the priesthood is invited to attend. Please contact Father Brennan no later than Saturday, January 14., 2012 so that he can make arrangements for your attendance.