

**SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAMS**

2016

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>FIRST EUCHARIST</b><br>"Invited to the Feast"<br>(Grade 2)  | <b>CONFIRMATION</b><br>"Anointed for Mission"<br>(Grade 7)  |
| <b>PARENTS' MEETING in the Church (parents only)</b><br>Saturday, January 16, 2016, 10:00 – 11:30 am   | <b>REGISTRATION at the Church (parents &amp; children)</b><br>Tuesday, January 12 at 7:00 pm<br>(please bring a \$35 fee for program expenses and a <b>photocopy</b> of your child's Baptism Certificate) |
| It is mandatory that all children who do not attend Catholic school participate in the Parish Home Catechism Program for <b>TWO</b> years prior to receiving each sacrament. |   |



**Advent Week Four**

**Leader:** The Lord is our faith and our life.  
**All:** May the Lord's peace

be with us all.

**Leader:** And may his love shine in our hearts.  
**All:** Our hope is in the coming of the Lord.

**Directions:** Light all 4 candles. During the week, relight whenever the family gathers together.

*Prayer and Scripture Reading*

**Leader:** Let us pray that our faith may be strengthened for the coming of the Lord.  
**All:** Amen

**Prayer:**

O Wisdom, Holy Word of God  
 You govern all things with your strong,  
 yet tender care  
 Come and show your people the way to salvation.  
 Amen

**Daily Scriptures:**

Malachi 3:1-5  
 Romans 8:18-25  
 Isaiah 52:7-10  
 Revelation 21:1-4  
 2 Corinthians 4: 1-6

**Christmas Day**

**Leader:** The Lord is our faith and our life.  
**All:** May the Lord's peace be with us all.

**Leader:** And may his love shine in our hearts.  
**All:** Our hope is in the Lord.

**Directions for 5-Candle Wreaths:**  
 Light 4 preceding candles and Light the center white candle  
**Directions for 4-Candle Wreaths:**  
 Replace all Advent Candles with White Candles and Light

*Prayer and Scripture Reading*

**Leader:** Let us pray that our faith may be strengthened by the Lord.  
**All:** Amen

**Prayer:**

Let the just rejoice,  
 for their justifier is born.  
 Let the sick and infirm rejoice,  
 For their Saviour is born.  
 Let the captives rejoice,  
 For their Redeemer is born.  
 Let slaves rejoice,  
 for their Master is born.  
 Let free men rejoice,  
 For their Liberator is born.  
 Let All Christians rejoice,  
 For Jesus Christ is born.  
 Amen  
 (St. Augustine of Hippo)

Choose any one from Scripture:

Isaiah 9:1-6  
 Luke 2:1-20  
 John 1:1-18  
 Titus 2:11-14

**St. John the Evangelist Choir will sing Christmas Carols beginning at 10:30pm on Christmas Eve prior to the 11:00pm Mass**

**Christmas Mass Schedule**

|  |                                    |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Vigil of Christmas                             | 5:00 pm <b>Incense</b>             |
|  | 8:00 pm                            |
|  | 11:00 pm <b>Incense</b>            |
| Nativity of the Lord                           | 9:00 am                            |
|  | 11:00 am                           |
| Sat. Dec. 26                                   | Feast of St. Stephen, First Martyr |
|  | 9:00 am                            |
| Feast of the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary & Joseph | 5 pm,                              |
|  | 9 am 11 am                         |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Octave of Christmas        | 5:00 pm                            |
| Solemnity, Mary, Holy Mother of God            | 9:00 am                            |
|  | 11:00 am <b>Incense</b>            |

2016 Offertory Envelopes are available for pickup. Please drop

by the parish office during business hours.

## Toronto Airport Chaplaincy Christmas Mass Schedule

Traveling over the holidays? Here is the schedule of Masses at Toronto's Airport Chaplaincy:

### December 24, 2015: Christmas Eve

4 p.m. – Terminal 3  
5:30 p.m. – Terminal 1

### December 25, 2015: Christmas Day

8 a.m. – Terminal 3  
10 a.m. – Terminal 1  
1 p.m. – Terminal 1  
4 p.m. – Terminal 3

### December 31, 2015: New Year's Eve

4 p.m. – Terminal 3  
5:30 p.m. – Terminal 1

### January 1, 2016: New Year's Day

1 p.m. – Terminal 1  
4 p.m. – Terminal 3



### Masses For The Week

Sat. Dec 19 – 5:00pm

**+Ken & Teresa Howard**

req. by *Laura Van Haverbeke*

Tues. Dec 22 – 8:20am

**+Emma Cimolai**

req. by *Carmen Mohamed & Family*

Wed. Dec 23. - 7:00pm

**+Bozo Kapular**

req. by *Friends & Family*

Thur. Dec 24 – 5pm, 8pm,  
11pm

**NO INTENTIONS**

Fri. Dec 25 – 9am & 11am

**NO INTENTIONS**

Sat. Dec 26 – 9am – Feast of St. Stephen

**+Nada & Andy Batinic**

req. by *Kaya Batinic*

Sat Dec 26 – 5pm

**+Richard Dallimore**

req. by *the Dallimore Family*

## MIGRANT WORKERS' DINNER CHRISTMAS DAY

We will host a Christmas Day Dinner for the Migrant Workers living in our community. Volunteers are requested to help out in the following ways: **6 Kitchen Helpers; Transportation to and from White Oaks Apartments to the parish centre, food donations of baked items, toiletries and clothing and suggested cash donations of \$15.**

The schedule is as follows:  
**Pickup time 3:30pm from White Oaks. Return time 7:30pm. 8 vans are required that accommodate 6 passengers. Thank you!**

### St. John the Evangelist Prayer Group

**Wednesdays @1pm, Parish Centre**

Jan 6, 13 God's Will for You by

*Rosalind Moss*

Jan 20 Faithfulness

by *Fr. Meeks*

Jan 27, Feb 3 The Potter Day of

Discovery Video

Feb 10 Ash Wed Examination of

Conscience by *Sr. Ann Shields*

### Durham Catholic District SB Winter/Spring Course Guide

Copies of the Durham Catholic School Board Continuing Education Winter 2015-16 Course Guides are available in the foyer for pickup. Courses offered in computers, high school credit courses (day/night school and correspondence), English as a second language, literacy/upgrading and Personal Support Worker. Classes begin January 5, 2016.



### Look at the Candy Cane

What do you see?

Stripes that are red

Like the blood shed for me

White is for my Savior

Who's sinless and pure!

"J" is for Jesus,

My Lord, that's for sure!

Turn it around – and a staff you

will see

Jesus my shepherd, was born for

Me

### Kindergarten Registration DCDSB

We welcome families to register their children turning 4 years old as of December 31, 2015 to register.

Step 1. Visit [dcdsb.ca](http://dcdsb.ca) from January 11 to 15, 2016 to enrol your child through our online registration process. For registration questions, email [admissions@dcdsb.ca](mailto:admissions@dcdsb.ca)  
Step 2. Call your local Catholic school and make an appointment to complete your registration during the week of January 18 to 22, 2016.

Do you have before and after school child care arrangements for September 2016? We offer child care services. Call (905) 576-6150 x 2172.

### St. John the Evangelist Communication Survey

As part of a restructuring of Pastoral Council, a communications portfolio has been created to assist the Council in the goal of serving parishioners with their spiritual journey. As part of this transition, the Council is conducting a survey to understand the way our Parish communicates with the community and how our parishioners obtain information regarding our Catholic faith.

This confidential survey will take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete.

Please visit [www.sjewhitby.ca](http://www.sjewhitby.ca) to complete the survey online. While the Council prefers digital responses for expedited data review, those parishioners that require a paper version, copies are available at the back of the Church.

Please complete the survey no later than January 10, 2016.

Thank you for assisting Pastoral Council with this important initiative. Should you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact Michael Cvitkovic, Communications, Pastoral Council at [mtscvitkovic@gmail.com](mailto:mtscvitkovic@gmail.com) or 647-965-3499.

### TAUNTON MILLS SUNDAY COMMUNION MINISTRY

We are in need of more ministry members to take communion to Taunton Mills Long Term Care on a rotating basis after the Sunday 9am Mass. A detailed description of the ministry is available by calling the parish office. Please consider this important ministry during the Jubilee Year of Mercy.



### CHRISTMAS FLOWER FUND

Special envelopes are available at the back of the Church for donations to offset the cost of decorating at Christmas. We appreciate your support and assistance at this time of year!