## FORMED THIS WEEK ON FORMED:

What is the Immaculate Conception? A video about this great mystery of our faith. Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message. A film that walks us through our Mother's miraculous appearance to Juan Diego, an encounter that has influenced the conversion of millions of people. Christmas Special | Laugh and Grow Bible for Kids. This beautiful retelling of the story of Jesus' birth will help kids understand the true meaning of Christmas. Check all these out at Formed.org. Click the link to take a look at what's on this week: <a href="http://watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed">http://watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed</a>



to donate to the Annual Diocesan Campaign. St. Mary's has collected \$8,380 of the \$24,500. OLOL has collected \$600 of the \$4,000. The campaign runs until December 31, 2024. We need your support to reach our goal!

The balance that we do not collect comes out of the general funds of the parishes.

Dec. 9 – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Rosary @ 10:40am followed by Mass @ 11am

Dec. 12 –St. Mary School Mass @ St. Mary's Church – 11:30am Dec. 15 – Christmas Crafting for Children & their Families – 12 - 3pm

## **Ministry Schedule**

Dec. 7 – Gilles/Anna (Lectors), Monique (EMHC) Dec. 8 – Jeremiah/Miranda (Lectors), Gina (EMHC) Dec. 14 – Shelley/Gemma (Lectors), Lynn (EMHC) Dec. 15 – Kim/Shelley (Lectors), Kathy (EMHC)

## \*\*\*OUR MISSION\*\*\*

Our mission is to glorify God by fostering a belonging church where all are loved and led into an authentic, life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ. St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes Serving the Roman Catholic Communities of Fort Frances and Couchiching First Nation December 8, 2024

# SECOND SUNDAY of ADVENT

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

The Gospel of St. Luke 3:4,6

December 8, 2024 Second Sunday of Advent 1st reading: (Baruch 5.1-9) 2nd reading: (Philippians 1.3-6, 8-11) Gospel: (Luke 3.1-6)

#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 10:40 Rosary followed by mass @ 11:00am Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm Rosary followed by mass then Silent Adoration 6:30pm + Maria Assis, Jose & Angelina Rocha – John Leschinski Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> 9:20am + Maria da Conceicao Goncalves – John Leschinski Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> @ Rainycrest 10:00am + Rosanna DeGagne – Terry & Kathy Mueller 11:30am St. Mary School Mass @ St. Mary's Church Friday 13<sup>th</sup> 9:20am + Beloved Deceased Loved Ones – The Bereavement Group Saturdav 14<sup>th</sup> 9:20am + Jenny Biasiol – Margrit Schaum 5:00pm + Bernie Rittau – Jim & Sandra McKinnon and + Paulette DeVos – Grace Huntley Sunday 15th (9am@OLOL) THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00am Intentions of Estranged Loved Ones – Shelley 11:00am + Kevin & + Robert Hanzuk – Michael



You are invited to join us on Sunday, December 15th following mass for Christmas crafts. Children & their families are encouraged to sign up at the back of the church. A light lunch will be served before the crafting begins!

**Donations for Christmas Flowers are being** accepted. If you would like to donate in memory of a loved one, please be sure to put your intention on an envelope marked 'Christmas Flowers'. Deadline is December 19th.



December 9, Monday is the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary.** We will have a special mass on Monday at 11 am, preceded by rosary at 10:40 am. Please join us, pray and celebrate with us. We will have refreshments after mass.





Our Lady of Lourdes CWL will be holding their Christmas Potluck Dinner on Thursday, December 12th @ 6pm in the Parish Hall. Bring your favourite dish to share. All ladies of the community are very

welcome to join us at this time.

The CWL 50/50 tickets will be sold after the mass on the Sundays before & including Dec. 15th when the draw will take place at 4pm in the church hall.

## Please pray for.....

## ST. MARY'S

Shirlev Fraser, Noella Hamilton, David Whalen, Frank Strain, Ewan MacKintosh, Kathleen DeGagné, Greg Gustafson, Linda Blanc, Dave Egan, Lillian Bodnar,

Sue Sivonen, Anna Busch, Lorraine Smith, Loretta Foran, Theresa Olson, Yves Aucoin, Susan Hunking, Ronald Haukaas, Anita Artyszuk, Betty Mueller, Joyce Gosselin, Isabella Keuler, Arlene Kolynchuk, Maria Langenfurth

## **OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Curtis Jourdain, Mary Lou Parks, Dale Krueger, Roger Fillion, Brian McPherson, Laverne (Gabby) Caul

Offertory Collection for Weekend of *Dec. 1, 2024:* St. Mary's - \$2597.00 Our Lady of Lourdes - \$758.10