ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH, WELLAND
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 21, 2025

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DONATIONS
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MASS INTENTIONS - December 20 to December 28, 2025

SATURDAY December 20 - 5:00pm
Raffaela Ventresca by Mike & Renee Ventresca
Larry & Lucy Demers by Ron & Denise Bovine & Family
Paulino "Paul" Rocca by Francis & Rita Lowry
Birthday Blessings to Tony Thomas by Family

Sunday December 21 - 9:00am
4th *Sunday of Advent*
Kevin Kiss by John & Kay Kiss
Anna Maria & Antonino Giovinazzo by Family
Agostino & Milvia Mammoliti by Tina, Nancy & Rosa
11:00am for all your intentions
SUNDAY LATE EVENING MASS - 8:15pm
In Honour of Sts. Anne & Joachim by G. Pang

TUESDAY December 23 - 5:00pm - *Mass & Adoration*
George Pastirik by Family

WEDNESDAY December 24 - Christmas Eve
5:00pm – Honouring God's Love for Us
11:40pm Carol Singing
12:00am Midnight Mass – In Adoration to Baby Jesus

THURSDAY December 25 – Christmas Day
9:00am – In Honour of Jesus' Incarnation
11:00am – For all your intentions

FRIDAY December 26 - 9:35am
Martin Nenadovich by Rosemary & Steve Lastovic

SATURDAY December 27 - 5:00pm
Paulino Rocca by Mario & Doretta Bernardi
Antonio DeChellis by Franca Sdao
Sunday December 28 - 9:00am
George Pastirik by Family
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Cadorette by David Fox
For Health of Mike Czerlau by Linda Matchett
11:00am for all your intentions
SUNDAY LATE EVENING MASS - 8:15pm
In Honour the Holy Family by G. Pang

*****Additional Mass on Sunday*****
Sunday Late Evening Mass 8:15pm, at St. Andrews

Confession Tuesday to Friday 8:00pm – 9:00pm
No Weekday Confessions - Christmas Break - Confession will resume on Tuesday January 13th.

New Years Mass Schedule
New Years' Eve - Dec.3. 2025 - 5PM;
Adoration 11PM & Mass at 11.45PM.
New Years' Day January 1, 2026 - Mass at 10AM

Wish you a Merry Christmas!

Dear friends, after four weeks of preparation we are about to celebrate Christmas. It is a time to share our love and and belonging to one other and with God. Or rather it is a time we gratefully remember God's fatherly love (Jn.3:16) in sending Jesus, His only begotten Son to our world. Jesus is God's definitive statement that He loves us unconditionally and that we are so precious to Him. And this love compels us to love and care for one another. And when we live this, Christmas becomes meaningful and joyful. We rejoice, not because everything is perfect, but because God is with us. Blessed Mother Teresa once said: "It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you". Yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at your neighbour and offer him your hand. I wish you all, a very blessed and joyful Christmas.
With love and prayers, Fr. Paul.

Christian, remember your dignity by St. Leo the Great, pope

Dearly beloved, today our Saviour is born; let us rejoice. Sadness should have no place on the birthday of life. The fear of death has been swallowed up; life brings us joy with the promise of eternal happiness.

No one is shut out from this joy; all share the same reason for rejoicing. Our Lord, victor over sin and death, finding no man free from sin, came to free us all. Let the saint rejoice as he sees the palm of victory at hand. Let the sinner be glad as he receives the offer of forgiveness and being reconciled with its creator.

And so, at the birth of our Lord the angels sing in joy: *Glory to God in the highest,* and they proclaim *peace to men of good will* as they see the heavenly Jerusalem being built from all the nations of the world. When the angels on high are so exultant at this marvellous work of God's goodness, what joy should it not bring to the lowly hearts of men? Beloved, let us give thanks to God and throw off our old nature and all its ways and, as we have come to birth in Christ, let us renounce the works of the flesh.

Christian, remember your dignity, and now that you share in God's own nature, do not return by sin to your former base condition. Bear in mind who is your head and of whose body you are a member. Do not forget that you have been rescued from the power of darkness and brought into the light of God's kingdom.

Through the sacrament of baptism you have become a temple of the Holy Spirit. Do not drive away so great a guest by evil conduct and become again a slave to the devil, for your liberty was bought by the blood of Christ.

Last Week's Collection- Thank you

Sunday Offerings -	$1,046.00
Building Fund/RR -	$95.00
Christmas Flowers -	$175.00

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