

ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH, WELLAND

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD – JANUARY 25, 2026

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Friday Only
 10:00am to 2:00pm
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 visiting the office).

SATURDAY January 24 - 5:00pm
 Cathy Sernasie by Maria Fazzalari
 Joy George by Family
 Intentions of Pat Garant by Family

"Come Follow Me"

Sunday January 25 - 9:00am
 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
 For the Intentions of the CWL
 Linda Mammoliti by Tina, Nancy & Rosa
 Frances Porcaro by Godchildren
 Nicolina Nero by Rose Pacilli & Nero Family
 11:00am - For all your intentions
SUNDAY LATE EVENING MASS - 8:15pm
 In Honour of the Holy Family by G. Pang

TUESDAY January 27 - 5:00pm - Mass & Adoration
 Le Roy & Joyce Schad by Ramond & Peter Schad



WEDNESDAY January 28 – 9:00am
 Paul Starrs by David Fox

THURSDAY January 29 – 5:00pm - Mass & Adoration
 Madelyn Kerr by Rachael Fox

FRIDAY January 30 - 9:35am
 Georgette Beaulieu by Rachael Fox

SATURDAY January 31 - 5:00pm
 For wellbeing of Pat Garant by Monique & Greg Shinton

Sunday February 1 - 9:00am
 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 For Kristen Beleck Family by Jacky Jayan
 Conrad & Jean-Luc Lemelin by Wife & Mother
 11:00am - For all your intentions
SUNDAY LATE EVENING MASS - 8:15pm
 In Honour St. Monica by G. Pang



Sunday Late Evening Mass 8:15pm, at St. Andrews
Confession Tuesday to Friday 8:00pm – 9:00pm
No Confessions on Ash Wednesday February 18,
March 19, & from March 24 to April 13
Mass with Anointing of the Sick Feb. 14 & 15 at all Masses.

World Marriage Day Mass and Recognition of
 Significant Wedding Anniversaries
 To commemorate the **2026 World Marriage Day**,
 Bishop Bergie will celebrate a special Mass on
Sunday, February 8, 2026, at 3:00 pm, at the
 Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria,
 St. Catharines.

Christ is present to his Church - from Sacred Liturgy, 2nd Vatican Council

Christ is always present to his Church, especially in the actions of the liturgy. He is present in the sacrifice of the Mass, in the person of the minister (it is the same Christ who formerly offered himself on the cross that now offers by the ministry of priests) and most of all under the Eucharistic species. He is present in the sacraments by his power, in such a way that when someone baptizes, Christ himself baptizes. He is present in his Word, for it is he himself who speaks when the holy Scriptures are read in the Church. Finally, he is present when the Church prays and sings, for he himself promised: *Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there in their midst.*

Indeed, in this great work which gives perfect glory to God and brings holiness to men, Christ is always joining in partnership with Himself His beloved Bride, the Church, which calls upon its Lord and through him gives worship to the eternal Father.

It is therefore right to see the liturgy as an exercise of the priestly office of Jesus Christ, in which through signs addressed to the senses man's sanctification is signified and, in a way proper to each of these signs, made effective, and in which public worship is celebrated in its fullness by the mystical body of Jesus, that is, by the head and by His members.

Accordingly, every liturgical celebration, as an activity of Christ the priest and of His body, which is the church, is a sacred action of a pre-eminent kind. No other action of the church equals its title to power or its degree of effectiveness.

In the liturgy on earth we are given a foretaste and share in the liturgy of heaven, celebrated in the Holy city of Jerusalem, the goal of our pilgrimage, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God, as minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle. With the whole company of heaven we sing a hymn of praise to the Lord; as we reverence the memory of the saints, and to share in their fellowship; we wait for the Saviour, our Lord Jesus Christ, until He, who is our life, appears, and we appear with Him in glory.

On Sunday, called the Lord's day the Christian faithful ought to gather together, so that by listening to the word of God and sharing in the Eucharist they may recall the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus and give thanks to God who has given them a new birth with a lively hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. The Lord's day is therefore the first and greatest festival, one to be set before the loving devotion of the faithful and impressed upon it, so that it may be also a day of joy and of freedom from work. Other celebrations must not take precedence over it, unless they are truly of the greatest importance, since it is the foundation and the kernel of the whole liturgical year.