

St. John the Evangelist Parish Community, Dundalk

(Missions: Shelburne and St. Patrick's Proton)

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December 22, 2024

4th Sunday of Advent

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Tuesday (Rectory basement) ...10:00 am

Wednesday (Rectory basement) ...5:00 pm

Thursday (third Thursday of every month) Dufferin Oaks Long
Term Care...3:00 pm

Friday St John the Evangelist Dundalk11:00am

Saturday St John the Evangelist Dundalk... 4:00pm

Repose of the soul of Julie Furtado Req: by Peter Furtado

-Sunday Shelburne (United Church 200 Owen Sound Street)

Repose of the soul of Antonio Disidoro Req: by Clothilde Disidoro

- Sunday Proton...11:15 am

Repose of the souls of

(1) Michael Reis Requested by Albert and Bertha Reis

(2) Mary Bahjat and Salin Nayef requested by Imtinam Bahjat

(3) Kevin Rice requested by Pam, Courtney and Alli Carson

(4) For peace in the world, requested by Grace Brown.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is available 30 minutes before every scheduled Mass
BAPTISM is scheduled by appointment, except during lent.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Dundalk

Advent confession December 14

Holy Mass Tuesday December 24 at 5:00 PM

Jubilee year opening Holy Mass Saturday December 28th @ 4:00 PM

New Years Eve Holy Mass Tuesday 31st @ 5:00 PM

Shelburne

Advent confession Sunday December 15

Holy Mass Wednesday December 25 @ 9:00 AM

Jubilee Year opening Holy Mass Sunday December 29th @ 9:00 AM

New Years Day January 01, 2025, Holy Mass @ 9:00 AM

Proton

Advent confession Sunday December 15

Holy Mass Wednesday December 25 @ 11:15 AM

Jubilee year opening Holy Mass December 29th @ 11:15 AM

New Years Day January 01, 2025, Holy Mass @ 11:15 AM

MARRIAGE: call the parish at least 6 months in advance. A marriage course is required.

FUNERAL/BURIAL ARRANGEMENT: advise the parish immediately and we will assist you in making liturgical arrangements.

SICK CALL/BLESSING anytime, at request. If you want the priest to visit you, or for anointing, please call the parish.

IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISH and want to be a member of one of our churches, please do not hesitate to approach us.

PARISH BEQUESTS Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember St. John the Evangelist Parish in your will when recommending expressions of sympathy.

4th Sunday of Advent

Reflection

Bulletin Reflection

On the last Sunday of Advent, we are on the verge of a new and glorious age. Jesus is about to be manifested to the world and amid choirs of angels and the pilgrimage of shepherds. The biblical readings for this day, however turn backward whether to the ancient traditions of Israel in Micah, to the glorious temple at Jerusalem in the Epistle to the Hebrews, or to the priestly family of Zachariah and Elizabeth in the Gospel. We are never to forget that the future develops out of ancient roots and can never but itself off from this mysterious source of nourishment.

True, the readings particularly from the prophet Micah and the epistle of the Hebrews do not present simple, quick development from the roots to the fruit. Rather the ancient traditions got entangled in all kinds of history till they reached the birth of Jesus by a poor and unnoticed young lady Mary and Elizabeth confirmed the greatness of Mary as the Mother of God when Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child in her womb leaped for joy and with a loud voice filled with the Holy Spirit She exclaimed "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb". May we at this wonderful season embrace Love and Peace.

Announcements

1. Personal requests for Holy Mass may be made directly to Father or the office.
2. Eucharist adoration will be held on the first Saturday of every month, at 9:00 am in Dundalk. Please note this is a Parish affair and make every effort to attend.
3. Parishioners are asked to note that any request for assistance with regards to funeral arrangements should be addressed to St. John the Evangelist Rectory (Phone # 519-925-8703) or Mr. Gerald Gorman. (Phone # 519-373-4751)

4. Persons whose advertisements appear in the bulletin are asked to note that the renewal for subscriptions with regards to said ads will now become due on the 1st of January of the new year. We would endeavor to notify by email. This has come about because of the arrears that was overlooked prior to this year's payment. Thank you for payments this year.
5. Parishioners are asked to note that mass intentions should be one mass one intention and must comply accordingly.
6. You will be pleased to know that St. John the Evangelist Parish Dundalk has now opened the website so parishioners can access Parish information regarding the Parish easily. The website link is indicated hereunder: -
<https://www.stjohntheevangelistparish.com>

7. Bake Sale

We will be having bake and craft sales in all three of our churches following Holy Mass!

On December 21st following the 4:00 PM Mass in Dundalk

On December 22nd following the 9:00 Am Mass in Shelburne and 11:15 AM Mass in Proton

We are looking for volunteers to bake and to donate arts and crafts to help us raise funds for our churches.

Looking forward to everyone's help!

8. We are having our Annual Christmas Potluck on December 29 from Noon until 4:00 PM. The venue is the Dundalk Arena Auditorium @ 550 Main Street East, Dundalk. (The auditorium is through the front doors of the arena, and up the stairs. For those who are unable to climb stairs, there is an elevator available. The potluck will be followed by singing Christmas songs with Debbie!

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