#### ST. JOACHIM'S MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK MASS INTENTION **November 28** 6:00pm For the People / Donald Cooper Saturday **Donald Winchester / Betty Douglas** Sunday **November 29** 11:30am Wednesday December 2 12 noon **Edward English / Jerry Burchill Secord & Chipman Families** Saturday December 5 6:00pm Mr. & Mrs. Robert Donovan & DFM 11:30am For the People / Edward English **Sunday** December 6

Thursday	December 3	12 noon
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Friday	December 4	12 noon
<u>Saturday</u>	December 5	4:00pm
Sunday	December 6	9:30am

Last Week's Offertory Collection				
76	Regular Envelopes	\$1,314.75		
"	Loose Donations	\$311.45		
	Pre-Authorized Debit	\$707.31		
6	Debt Fund	\$57.00		
3	Refugees	\$60.00		
33	<b>Retired Priests</b>	\$495.00		
1	Food Bank	\$10.00		
		\$2,955.51	Last Week's Total	

#### Carol-Candlelight Service / Blessing Of The Crèche

You are invited to the annual Knights of Columbus Council 8364 "Keep Christ In Christmas" celebration on Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 7pm. We will begin with a brief prayer service in the church and then proceed by candlelight outside, for the Blessing of the Crèche ceremony. Following Advent/Christmas carols, the nativity scene will be blessed and lit for the season.

#### **CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

	St. Joachim's	St. Ann's
CHRISTMAS		
Thursday, December 24 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm (Family Mass)	4:00pm (Family Mass) 8:00pm
Friday, December 25 <sup>th</sup>	11:30am	9:30am
Saturday, December 26 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm	4:00pm
Sunday, December 27 <sup>th</sup>	11:30am	9:30am
NEW YEAR'S		
Thursday, December 31 <sup>st</sup>	4:00pm	NO MASS
Friday, January 1 <sup>st</sup>	NO MASS	9:30am
Saturday, January 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00pm	4:00pm
Sunday, January 3 <sup>rd</sup>	11:30am	9:30am

#### **K of C Squires**

The Columbian Squires is the official youth organization of the Knights of Columbus. On December 6<sup>th</sup>, at St. Joachim's, there will be a First Investiture Ceremony to officially initiate the Squires into the ranks of the Knights of Columbus. The day will begin with mass at 11:30am, followed by the investiture ceremony at 1pm in the K of C Quarters, a reception will follow. For more information, contact Joseph Bourque (kofcsquires8364@gmail.com).

#### **Sunday Missals**

For your convenience, 2016 Sunday Missals will be available in the foyer before and after weekend Masses at a cost of \$5.

#### **Christmas Flower Memorial**

Again this year we are asking for your assistance as we decorate Saint Joachim's for Christmas. We encourage you to make a donation towards our Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one. Simply write the name(s) of those you would like to remember on the outside of an envelope and drop it in the collection. Deadline for submission of names is Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. Please also indicate that the envelope is for "Flowers", and include your envelope number. The names of all those being honored will be included in our Christmas bulletin. We thank you in advance for your contributions to enable us to get the best possible arrangements for the church during Christmas.

#### **Advent Literature**

Copies of *The Word Among Us*, daily meditations for Catholics, are available in the foyer. Limited quantities are available, pick up yours for the season of Advent.

#### Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Bishop Robert Harris cordially invites everyone to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception at a Mass to be celebrated on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm at the Cathedral.

#### Concert

The Saint John High School Concert Choir, directed by Trish Gallagher, will present a concert on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2pm, at the Cathedral, Waterloo Street. Admission is \$10.

### Take Your Christmas Experience from 2D to 3D

Join us for Best Advent Ever™ Rediscover Mercy. It's free! It's simple yet life-changing. And it will take your Christmas experience to a whole new level.

Beginning the first Sunday of Advent (November 29), you will receive daily emails with either a short 1-2 minute video, inspirational quote, or coaching that will help you live out the great works of mercy during the Advent season. The simple yet powerful messages from Matthew Kelly and six other incredible Catholic authors and speakers will help you rediscover God's great mercy and inspire you to show that mercy to others.

Make this your best Advent ever and you'll have the best Christmas of your life! To learn more or sign up, visit BestAdventEver.com

## **First Sunday Of Advent**

November 29, 2015 "Your redemption is drawing near." - Luke 21.25-28, 34-36

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#### Sacrament Of Baptism

To make arrangements, please call the parish office.

#### Sacrament Of Penance / Reconciliation

Confessions are celebrated after Mass or by appointment.

#### Sacrament Of Marriage

If you are planning on getting married, make an appointment with our pastor to discuss your plans and complete the pre-nuptial investigation forms. Six months notice is required.

#### Sacrament And Ministry To The Sick

If there is a family member or relative in the hospital or confined to their home, who would like to receive a visit from the Pastor, please inform Father Jim.