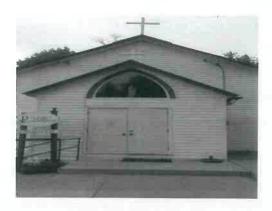
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#### **Sacraments**

**Weekday Masses** 

Please refer to the schedule in the bulletin

Weekend Masses

Saturday - 4:30 PM (Highland Grove)

Sunday 9:00 AM (Chandos/Apsley)...

11:00 AM (Cardiff)

**Baptism** 

by appointment

Reconciliation

30 minutes before weekend Masses

Anointing of the Sick & Communion for Shut-Ins

Please call the office 613-339-2852

Marriages

First appointment at least 6 months prior to wedding date Couples are required to attend Marriage Preparation session

**Devotions** 

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Wednesday 11:00 AM (Cardiff)

Eucharistic Adoration / Rosary / Benediction

First Fridays 11:30 AM (Cardiff)

First Saturdays 5:30 PM (Highland Grove)

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# SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD (YEAR A) JANUARY 01, 2023 MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Day	Location	Time	Intentions	Donors
Sat. 31	Highland Grove	4:30 PM	+George & Margaret Mutis	Evelyn Mutis
Sun 01	Chandos	9:00 AM	+souls in purgatory	
	Cardiff	11:00 AM	For the people of the parish	
Mon.02			OFF	
Tue. 03	Highland Grove	7:00 PM	+Ashe Emily Richburg	Shawn Richburg
Wed.04	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Deceased fam. members & relatives	Peter McEnery
Thu. 05	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Deceased fam. Members & relatives	Peter McEnery
Fri. 06	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Deceased intered at St. Mary's cemetery	Peter McEnery
		11:30 AM	Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction	First Friday devotion
Sat. 07	. 07 Highland Grove 4:30 PM +Randolf Llanos		+Randolf Llanos	Sofia Hounsell
		5:30 PM	Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction	First Saturday devotion
Sun. 08	Chandos	9:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory	
		11:00 AM	For the People of the parish	

Weekly Financial Report							
	Dec. 25, 2022	Dec. 18, 2022					
Highland Grove	\$201.00	\$420.00					
Chandos	\$	\$320.00					
Cardiff	\$820.00	\$645.00					
Total (Offertory)	\$1021.00	\$1367.00					
Donation (project)	\$450.00	\$400.00					
Christmas offering	\$730.00						
Mass Stipend	\$80.00	\$40.00					
Fund raise(painting)	\$460.00						
POP NOVEMBER 15	\$1,110.00						

Lectors							
Date	H. Grove	Chandos	Cardiff				
	Sat. 4:30 PM	Sun. 9:00AM	Sun. 11:00 AM				
Dec. 10/11	Katie B.	Gene T.	Gary B.				
Dec. 17/18	Gary B.	Sharon C.	Theresa P.				
		Gene T.	Charlene F.				
Dec 31/Ja.1	Brenda B.	Sharon C.	Peter Mc.				
Jan. 7/8	Mackenzie B	Gene T.	Gary B.				

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For Pre-Authorized Offertory Plan (POP) through automatic withdrawal kindly approach Fr Vic.

As always, your financial support to the church is greatly appreciated.

Readings Next Week (JAN. 08, 2023) EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (A)

Isaiah 60:1-6

Jerusalem shall be a light to all nations.

**Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6** 

Gentiles are coheirs in the promise of Christ.

**Matthew 2:1-12** 

The Magi seek out Jesus and do him homage.

#### **Background on the Gospel Reading**

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent

our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana. (Loyola Press)

#### Pray for those in need of healing and health

Philip Hughes, Nick Novakowski, Rhys Telka, Jane Tsagrinos, Fr. Bart Burke, Eileen Carr, Ella Richard, Emilee Callzonetti, Pierre Longevin, Eleanor Cadeau, Hermance Therrien, Sally Rayes, George Chennette, Shannon Reid, Megan Connelly, Regina Gedge, Dan, Claudette Wilkinson, Patricia Weston, Eley Wisniewski, Al & Laura Quinn, Patricia Weston, Josie Recto, Sr. Naty Noblezada

#### **NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULES**

NEW YEAR'S EVE: 4:30 PM - HIGHLAND GROVE

NEW YEAR'S DAY 9:00 AM—CHANDOS

11:00 AM—CARDIFF

## EVANGELIZATION MEANS BEING A SIGN OF GOD'S PRESENCE !!! SHARING AND DARING

Reach Out To Pray. Sometimes, the opportunity to pray with someone will arise as you are sharing your story with him or her. Don't be afraid to invite that person to join you in prayer. You don't have to be someone special to offer this kind of prayer. Blessed Solanus Casey, a Franciscan friar, was just a simple porter in his friary in Michigan. Nevertheless, he demonstrated the kind of compassionate caring we described in the last article, and people began coming to him for prayer. Hundreds of people point to their encounters with Solanus as turning points in their faith.

If an opportunity for prayer comes up, be sure to remain humble and gentle. Ask the person if you may pray with them about whatever situation you have been discussing. Then just to talk to God out loud. "Jesus please come and help\_\_\_\_\_. I know you love her. We place her situation in your hands and we will watch for your help." Leave a moment for silence as well. Then conclude with an expression of gratitude and confidence. "Thank you Lord for hearing us and for helping\_\_\_\_. We know your loving kindness is without end."

If you feel uncomfortable making your own prayers, feel free to use a formal prayer like the Our Father or the Hail Mary. Finally, ask the person if they felt anything happening as you prayed and listen carefully to the answer. Keep in mind that it is not the end of the world if someone refuses an invitation to pray. You can still bring your concern to God in prayer later on. (to be continued)

\*Congratulations to SANDY COLE, the winner of a beautiful painting donated by our very own local artist Diana Gurley. This was part of our fund raising event with the partial amount of \$460.00 raised. Thank you to all who participated and supported the event.

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\* Thank you everyone for all your prayers, gifts, presents, greeting cards you lovingly shared with me this Christmas. I'm truly touched by your sense of kindness and generosity over the years. I pray to God for con-

tinued blessings on you and your family. Thanks frvic

- \* Just a friendly reminder!! The local food bank is in need of nonperishable food items so kindly help the needy by bringing food stuff as you come to church for Mass.
- \* For the past 60 years or so our church sacred vessels like ciboria, chalices need some repair/restoring/polishing by now. Anybody who would be generous enough to assist financially in this endeavor kindly approach fr vic . All donations will be issued a charitable receipt for personal income tax purposes. Thank you...
- \* For the next few weeks, the bulletin will feature "Marriage in the Catholic Church, Frequently Asked Questions." 1. Why does marriage matter so much to the Church? Take time to read and be ready to share these topics/thoughts with others and be ambassador of the good news.

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"The sweetest time of the day is when you pray because you are talking to the one who loves you the most."St. Therese

"The greatest wealth is to live content with little." Plato

"The family is called to be the temple or house of prayer: a simple prayer, full of effort and tenderness. A prayer that makes life so that life becomes prayer." St. John Paul II

"We consider Christmas as the encounter, the great encounter, the historical encounter, the decisive encounter between God and humanity." St Paul VI

"Grief is given to us by God as an aid to help us make the transition from having our loved ones with us to being able to surrender them to God.."

My Lord Bishop......

Little Johnny's father was a pastor in a small church in England. One day, his father told little Johnny that a very important church leader was coming and that he would be staying with them. Little Johnny became very excited and asked his father if he would get to meet him. His father decided that he would let little Johnny bring the church leader tea in the morning and wake him up. Little Johnny agreed to do this and was very excited.

His father gave him instructions: first knock on the door of the church leader's room and then say to him, "It's the boy, my lord, it's time to get up." Little Johnny was very excited and rehearsed his lines repeating them over and over. Finally the day came and little Johnny had learned all his lines. He went to the door and knocked. He was so excited and nervous though that his lines got mixed up and the boy said, "It's the Lord, my boy and your time is up."

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Wishing you all and your family a Christmas filled with joy, peace and prosperity. All the best in the New Year 2023!!!!



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