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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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# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B) DECEMBER 17, 2023 MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Day	Location	Time	Intentions	Donors
Sat. 16	Highland Grove	4:30PM	Intention of Eileen Donoghue	Peter McEnery
Sun. 17	Chandos	9:00 AM	Holy Souls in purgatory	
	Cardiff	11:00AM	For the People of the parish	
Mon.18	NO MASS		FR. OFF	
Tue. 19	Highland Grove	7:00 PM	+Josephina & Antonio Abad	George & Fem Abad
Wed.20	Cardiff	11:00 PM	+Susan McEnery	Peter Penlington
Thu. 21	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Deceased .Indigenous children	Peter McEnery
Fri. 22	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Jimmy Leroy	Peter McEnery
Sat. 23	Highland Grove	4:30 PM	Deceased Indigenous children	Peter McEnery
Sun. 24	Chandos	9:00AM	+Bill, Neta,Julie G.; Jackie,Don Carm	Atherine Gourdier & Don Carmody
	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Souls in purgatory	
	Highland Grove	4:30 PM	+Doug Bowen	Brenda Bowen

Weekly Financial Report					
	Dec. 10, 2023	Dec. 03, 2023			
Highland Grove	\$587.00	\$185.00			
Chandos /Apsley	\$165.00	\$55.00			
Cardiff	\$875.00	\$585.00			
Total (Offertory)	\$1627.00	\$825.00			
Advertisement	\$490.00	\$735.00			
Mass stipend		\$100.00			
Donations		\$200.00			
Candles	\$70.00				
Missals	\$250.00				
POP November 15		\$1025.00			
POP November 30	\$1940.00				
E-transfer—Nov.	\$1710.00				

Lectors					
Date	H. Grove	Chandos	Cardiff		
	Sat. 4:30 PM	Sun. 9:00AM	Sun. 11:00 AM		
Dec. 2/3	Mackenzie B.	Gene T.	Peter Mc		
Dec. 9/10	Katie B.	(Sharon	Gary B.		
Dec. 17/17	Gary B.	Gene T.	Theresa P.		
Dec. 23/24	Melissa B.	Sharon C	Charlene		
Dec. 30/31	Brenda B.	Gene T.	Peter P.		

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BIRTHDAYS FOR DECEMBER: Isa Fernando (6th)Doug Bowen (20th) Deacon Tom (24th) Mackenzie Burroughs (31st) Happy birthday and many more fruitful years ahead!

	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.		
Offertory	\$12,129.85	\$9,896.00	\$11,200.65		
Income	\$16,094.50	\$10,720.78	\$13,177.40		
EXPENSES:					
Cathedraticu	ım 1,340.14	1,340.14	1,340.14		
Priests' Ben.	Fund 419.45	419.45	419.45		
Off. Supplies	n/a	118.18	21.73		
Cellular	101.81	51.97	49.67		
Dues/Subs.	221.09	58.00	176.44		
Bank charge	s 4.00	4.00	4.00		
Wages/benef	its 3,515.7	2 3,546.32	3,774.76		
Maint/repair	s 201.5	7 778.86	3,268.02		

House/chu. Suppl.	1,053.75	619.11	697.14
Insurance	1,666.76	1,529.99	n/a
Telephone	104.27	222.71	104.27
Cable	95.63	95.63	95.63
Heat/gas	n/a	n/a	n/a
Electricity	436.19	367.02	607.90
Property tax	n/a	n/a	1,066.90
Profit/Loss	\$6,154.59	\$1,698.84	\$1,460.35

#### \*\*\*CHRISTMAS MASSES\*\*\*

DEC. 24 (SUNDAY) 4:30PM—HIGHLAND GROVE
DEC. 25 (MONDAY)

9:00AM—CHANDOS and 11:00AM—CARDIFF

#### \*\*\*NEW YEAR MASSES\*\*\*

DEC. 31 (SUNDAY) 4:30PM—HIGHLAND GROVE

JAN. 1 (MONDAY)

9:00 AM -CHANDOS and 11:00AM -CARDIFF

\*\*\*DEC. 31 (SUN) 9:00PM TILL 10:00PM, The church in Cardiff will remain open for those who would like to usher the New Year in prayer thanking God for the many blessings received during the past year. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration and benediction. Come and spend your precious time with the Lord. Coffee and refreshments afterwards.

#### READINGS NEXT WEEK (Dec 24, 2023) 4TH SUN-DAY OF ADVENT (B) 2 Samuel 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16

The Lord promises David that he will raise from his descendants a kingdom that will endure forever.

#### Romans 16:25-27

Paul praises God for making his revelation known.

#### Luke 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel visits Mary to announce the birth of Jesus.

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

This Sunday we read the story of the angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary about the birth of Jesus. This story is found only in Luke's Gospel. On this fourth Sunday of Advent, the liturgy shifts our attention from John the

Baptist to Mary, the mother of Jesus. Both John and Mary serve as important figures for our reflection during the season of Advent; they both played instrumental roles in preparing the way for Jesus. Last week we reflected on John the Baptist's announcement that the Savior was among us, although not yet recognized. This week we reflect upon Mary's example of faith and obedience to God, traits which permitted her to receive the angel's message that God's Son would be born as a human person, as one of us.

We are familiar with the story of the Annunciation, and it is fitting that we recall how God announced the birth of Jesus as we make our final preparations for our celebration of the Incarnation. The angel Gabriel visited Mary, a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph. Mary greeted the angel's news with awe and wonder and asked how it could be possible that she could give birth to a child. In his reply, the angel Gabriel announced the seemingly impossible reality: the child to be born would be conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and would be God's own Son. The angel reported to Mary another miracle; her relative Elizabeth was also pregnant despite having been thought to be unable to have a child. Mary's response to the angel, which is called her *fiat*, is an example of complete faith and obedience to God.

The story of the Annunciation calls to our attention God's wondrous action in human history. God chose a human person to give birth to his Son so that all humanity would know God's salvation. Mary, already full of God's grace, was able to cooperate in this great plan for our salvation. Thus Jesus was born as one of us, fully human and also fully divine. This is the mystery we prepare to celebrate at Christmas, the mystery of the Incarnation. In the model of Mary, we pray that we will be people of faith who recognize God's saving plan for us and are able respond with obedience.(Loyola Press)

#### ADVENT REFLECTION: THE LORD IS CLOSE...

Today is a day of great rejoicing! The Lord is near! How is the Lord coming into your life this season? Has his approach been loud and bold, forcefully showering you and your circumstances with his grace and bringing about great transformation? Or has his approach been quiet, a continued anticipation of the miracle to come? Maybe you feel like his approach has been to quiet. Or maybe today is the day to realize that we haven't even been waiting as we should, too, caught up in other preparations and chaos.

Take time today to realize how close the Lord is. Whether quiet or loud, his coming will do nothing less than transform our whole lives if we let him in. So wait on the consolation of the Lord! And rejoice! Your redemption is at hand! (Henri Nouwen)

"Thank you, Lord, for all your gifts to me! Thank you for the gift of life! I praise your holy name and give you glory! Amen



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