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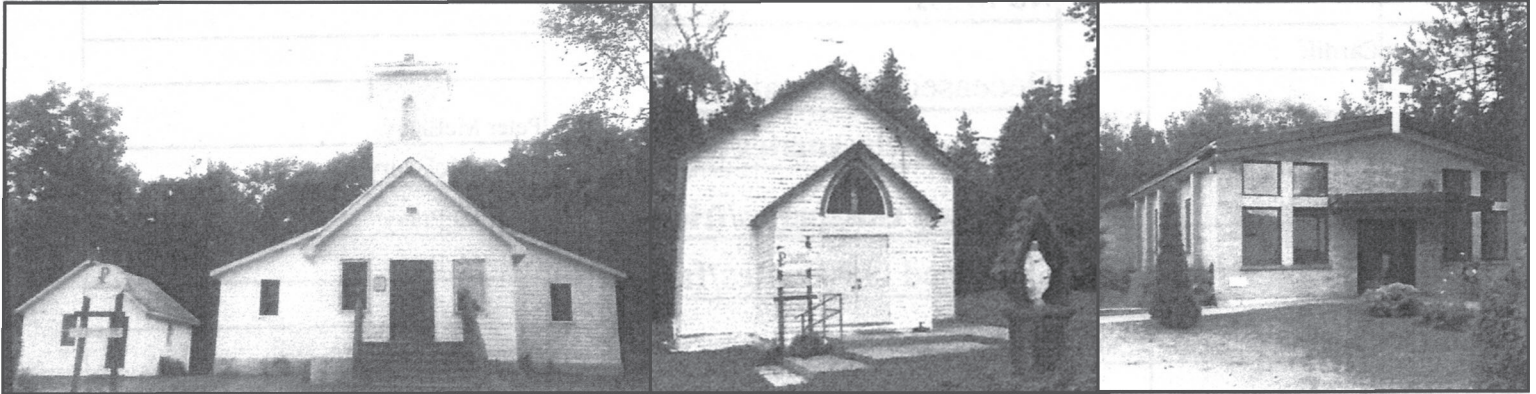
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SACRAMENTS

Holy Eucharist

Saturday: 4:30 PM (Highland Grove)
Sunday: 9:00 AM (Chandos)
11:00 AM (Cardiff)

Weekdays: Please refer to the schedule in the Bulletin

Reconciliation: 30 minutes before weekend Masses

Baptism: by appointment

Marriage: first appointment at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

All couples are required to attend Marriage Preparation Sessions

Anointing of the Sick and Communion for Shut-Ins

Please call the office at 613--339-2852

Devotions:

Rosary: before weekend Masses in all churches.

Adoration/Benediction: First Fridays 11:00 AM (Cardiff)

First Saturdays 5:30 PM (Highland Grove)

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PLEASE REMEMBER OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH IN YOUR WILL

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR C)
DECEMBER 19, 2021
MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Day	Location	Time	Intentions	Donors
Sat. 18	Highland Grove	4:30 PM	+Julia Elliott	Joanne & Gary Burroughs
Sun. 19	Chandos	9:00 AM	Souls in purgatory	
	Cardiff	11:00 AM	For the people of the parish	
Mon.20	Cardiff		No mass	
Tue. 21	Highland Grove	7:30 PM	Communion service	With Deacon Tom
Wed. 22	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Intention of Peter	Peter McEnergy
Thu. 23	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Return to the true faith	Sandy Cole
Fri. 24	Highland Grove	4:30PM	+ Doug Bowen	Jack Burroughs (Christmas Eve)
Sat. 25	Chandos	9:00AM	Souls in purgatory	CHRISTMAS DAY
	Cardiff	11:00AM	People of the parish	CHRISTMAS DAY
Sun. 26	Chandos	9:00 AM	For the People of the parish	
	Cardiff	11:00 AM	+Doug Bowen	Brenda Bowen

Weekly Financial Report	
DECEMBER 12, 2021	
Highland Grove	\$150.00
Chandos	\$112.00
Cardiff	\$360.00
Total (Offertory)	\$622.00
Missals	\$160.00
POP OCTOBER 30	\$1325.00
POP NOVEMBER 15	\$1085.00
POP NOVEMBER 30	\$1275.00

Lectors			
Date	H. Grove	Chandos	Cardiff
	Sat. 4:30 PM	Sun. 9:00AM	Sun. 11:00 AM
Dec. 18/19	Gary B.	Frances P.	Theresa P.
Dec. 26		Gene T.	Brenda B.
Jan. 2		Sharon C.	Peter Mc.
Jan 8/9	Katie B.	Frances P.	Gary B.
Jan. 15/16	Gary B.	Gene T.	Theresa P.

MASS INTENTIONS: Did you know that you can have a Mass intention to honor a living or deceased relative or friend? It is a prayerful gift to be given and even more mean-

ingful to receive. See Fr. Vic after Mass

Readings Next Week (Dec. 26, 2021) FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

1 Samuel 1:20-22,24-28 (Hannah dedicates her son, Samuel, to the Lord.)

1 John 3:1-2,21-24 (We are God's children now.)

Luke 2:41-52 (The boy Jesus is found in the Temple.)

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family. This feast is part of the Christmas season, and we should place today's Gospel in the context of what Luke's Gospel tells us about the birth of Jesus. Luke has been answering the question "Who is Jesus?" through his stories of the births of John the Baptist and Jesus. Today's Gospel reading continues this theme. It has no parallel in the other Gospels and is the conclusion of Luke's Infancy Narrative.

Mary, Joseph, and Jesus are presented in this Gospel as a faithful Jewish family. They are participating in the annual pilgrimage to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, an event shared each year with family and friends. When Jesus is found, Luke describes him as seated in the Temple in the midst of the Jewish teachers. Although he is young, Jesus seems not to need teaching about his Jewish tradition. In his dialogue with these learned teachers, Jesus astounds them with his insight and understanding. Jesus is a child of Israel. His Father is God.

The dialogue between Mary and Jesus contains many references to family relationships. In fact, in this Gospel reading Mary and Joseph are never identified by name. Instead they are referred to by their relationship to Jesus. Ultimately, this emphasizes Luke's point about the identity of Jesus. When Mary and Joseph find Jesus in the Temple, they question Jesus and express their anxiety. Jesus replies in words that many have thought to be disrespectful. Jesus says that he was never lost; he was at home. Jesus

is God's Son, and he is in his Father's house. Luke will continue to suggest that faith in Jesus establishes new family relationships as he describes Jesus' public ministry.

In Luke's Gospel, Mary's importance is even greater than her role as Jesus' mother. Mary is the first disciple and will be present with Jesus' disciples after his Resurrection at Pentecost.

Pray for those in need of healing and health

Philip Hughes, Nick Novakowski, Kevin Ralph, Rhys Telka, Jane Tsagrinos, Fr. Bart Burke, Anne Carr, Noreen Howe, Fiory Sarueda, Sr. Celine Lora, Sr. Elvira Berdelao, Ella Richard, Emilee Callzonetti, Pierre Longevin, Amelia Vargas, Dennis Hendricks, Eleanor Cadeau, Hermance Therrien, Adelaine Diaz, Sally Rayes, Stella Glen, Sr. Meden Howard, Carmelita Faelnar, Shannon Reid, Yvon Gaboury, Megan Connelly, Kathleen Sawa, Sonita Vidad, Diane Malloy, Louis Canella, Regina Gedge, Msgr. John Pearson, Dan, Tom Atchison

YEAR END GIVING

As we prepare for the Solemnity of Christmas, the Scripture readings inspire all faith-filled stewards to stop and ponder in great awe God's ultimate gift: the gift of His only begotten Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Out of heartfelt gratitude, what of our prayer, service, and generosity can we present to Him? If you would like to financially support our parish, please use one of the following three methods: Our Pre-Authorized offer-tory plan (POP), can be set up to automatically debit from your bank account. To enrol in this safe and secure method of supporting your church, see Fr. Vic and ask for the form, fill in and return the form to him for signature.

Giving online is simple and secure. Give a onetime gift or schedule ongoing donations using your credit card. You can make a secure online gift right on our website. www.lourdes-cardiff.com and click "support" right hand top corner.

Contribution Envelopes: If you prefer to have contribution envelopes which you can drop on the collection basket during Mass, they are available in the Narthex of the Church. If you've never used envelopes before and would like to start, just contact 613-339-2852. Please accept our heartfelt thanks for making Our Lady of Lourdes, St. John Vianney and St. Mary's parish a part of your gift giving this Christmas. Tax receipts will be issued for all donations received by December 31.

EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE (Urgent questions!)
Catholic Organization for Life and Family

14. COULD YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME?

The words of Sheila Cassidy, an English palliative care physician and author, challenge us as a society and as individuals to be more involved in the care of those who suffer.

"Those enduring great distress know that the cup cannot be taken away from them, but they value the presence of someone to share, however, minimally, in their suffering—someone to watch with them during their agony. Jesus himself when wrestling with his fear in the Garden of Olives, begged his disciples to stay with him, "Could you not watch one hour with me?...."

How will each of us answer this question?

In the meantime that Fr. Vic is undergoing a battery of eye tests (he gets double vision) he is prohibited to drive his vehicle. He, therefore, limits himself in celebrating Mass only in Cardiff .

All Thursday Masses in Chandos are temporarily cancelled during this winter season. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Bring a few non-perishable food items to church for the local food bank. Your generosity certainly will certainly provide food on someone's table this Advent Season.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASSES SCHEDULE

DEC. 24 (FRIDAY) 4:30PM—HIGHLAND GROVE—Melissa B.
25 (SATURDAY) 9:00AM—CHANDOS—Frances P
11:00AM—CARDIFF—Peter Mc.
Note: 4:30pm Mass on Saturday in HGrove cancelled
26 (SUNDAY) 9:00AM—CHANDOS—Gene T.
11:00AM—CARDIFF—Brenda B.

DEC. 31 (FRIDAY) 4:30PM—HIGHLAND GROVE—Katie B.
JANUARY 1 (SATURDAY) 9:00AM—CHANDOS—Gene T.
11:00 AM—CARDIFF—Peter P.
Note: 4:30pm Mass on Saturday in HGrove cancelled
JANUARY 2 (SUNDAY) 9:00AM—CHANDOS—Sharon C.
11:00AM—CARDIFF –Peter Mc.

Dear Friends in Christ,

In one of my favourite Christmas Carols, it is said of the little town of Bethlehem, "the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight." Hopes and fears are common to all of us in our human experience, and for people of faith, these realities are all mingled. When faith is strong, hope will be on the rise. When faith is weakened, fear may take over. The last twenty-one months have acquainted us with both fear and hope. It has often seemed that, just as hopes are raised, they are dashed again. The fight against the pandemic has been long and we may be growing dispirited. So let the Good News of Christ's birth infuse our hearts this Christmas more than ever. God, who knows our hopes and our fears, our dreams and our despondency, has chosen to come among us as the Word made Flesh, Emmanuel. The birth of Jesus Christ brought all the hopes and fears of humanity together in God's plan for our salvation. As it was in Bethlehem two millennia ago, let it be so today. This Christmas may God overcome our fears with His hope and help us to celebrate this season of joy.

Yours in Christ,

+Daniel Miehms Bishop of Peterborough



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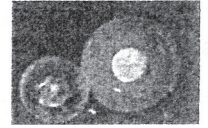
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