

Church of the Most Holy Redeemer

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Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 30, 2018

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SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday Dec 23: Offering: \$4,636.00

November Direct Deposits: \$3,970.00

Christmas Offering: \$11,170.00

Your generosity is appreciated. Thank you!

REFLECTION

Grandparents are a treasure; Pope Francis said that as a child, he heard a story of a family with a mother, father, many children and a grandfather. The grandfather, suffering from Parkinson's illness, would drop food on the dining table, and smear it all over his face when he ate. His son considered it disgusting. Hence, one day he bought a small table and set it off to the side of the dining hall so the grandfather could eat, make a mess and not disturb the rest of the family. One day, the Pope said, the grandfather's son came home and found one of his sons playing with a piece of wood. "What are you making?" he asked his son. "A table," the son replies. "Why?" the father asks. "It's for you, Dad, when you get old like grandpa, I am going to give you this table." Ever since that day, the grandpa was given a prominent seat at the dining table and all the help he needed in eating by his son and daughter-in-law. "This story has done me such good throughout my life," said the Pope, who celebrated his birthday on December 17. "Grandparents are a treasure," he said. "Often old age isn't pretty, right? There is

sickness and all that, but the wisdom our grandparents have is something we must welcome as an inheritance." A society or community that does not value, respect and care for its elderly members "doesn't have a future because it has no memory, it's lost its memory,"

- Father Joseph Dovari

Parish Prayers: Place your prayer request in the Pray Box or contact, in confidence: Betty Doucette at 628-1782 or Father Joseph at 628-9463.

Anyone who would like to receive Communion and/or a visit from either Fr. Joseph or a lay pastoral person, please contact the church office or Father Joseph directly

Weekday Masses & Intentions for Dec. 31 – Jan. 6

Mon: 4:00 Intention of the Parishioners

Tues 10:00 Intention of the Parishioners

Wed: 9:00 Agnes, James and Martha MacDonald

Thurs: 9:00 No intentions

Fri: 9:00 No intentions

10:30 No intentions (501 Queen)

Sat: 4:00 Leo Murphy, Mr. & Mrs. Allie MacIsaac†
and

Eileen & Jim McKay

Sun. 9:00 Frank Dunn† and Polly & Jack Callaghan

11:00 Intentions of the Parishioners

Gift Bearers

4:00 pm: Helen & Paula McLaren

9:00 am: Stella & Willard Peters

11:00 am: The Skerry family

Altar Servers

4:00 Kim & Eric Ngo

9:00 Tiernan Dewar; Abby Peters; Cole Peters & Minh Chou

11:00 Hy Tran; Hannah MacLean; Natalie; Daisy Vu & Minh Khoi Tran

Gifts Bearers for New Year's Eve: Vuong, Thi Xuan Duy; Nguyen, Dinh Nhu; Nguyen, Tri Nghia; Bui, Nguyen Phuong Thu

New Year's Day at 10:00 Linda Blanchard & Marjory Gyrus

New Year's Eve Gala: at the Jack Blanchard Family Centre Dec 31, 2018. Dinner & Dance - \$45.00/

Dance only -\$20 – for tickets contact Dino Dunsford at 902-626-7759 or Brian Knox at 902-940-1217.

Christmas Food Hampers: Thank you to all the volunteers who sent in food, took phone calls, set up the hall, packed the boxes and delivered all 90 hampers so all could enjoy a wonderful Christmas dinner with family.

KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS: Winners from the poster contest are as follows:

Ages 5 – 7: 1st Prize: Julie Toms

2nd Prize: Rylee Vaive

3rd Prize: Hunter Burke

Ages 8 – 10: 1st Prize: Isabella Doucette

2nd Prize: Kate Zakem

3rd Prize: Matthew Zakem

Ages 11 – 14: tied for 1st Prize: Alex Zakem &

Akari MacVicar

2nd Prize: Monica Mae Blacquiere

3rd Prize: Leah Gillis

Holy Redeemer Christmas Choir: The Choir will be singing at the 4 PM Mass on Sat., Dec.29th, and at the 4 PM Mass on New Year's Eve. Thank you to all who participated in this ministry to the Parish.

Decoration committee: Again a very special thank you to all those involved in decorating our church for Christmas. The wonderful decorations really added to the atmosphere for the celebration of Christmas.

Christmas Flowers: Our thanks again to those who delivered flowers to add to the decorations in the church. All arrangements were beautiful.

CATECHISM PROGRAM: All classes are now finished for this year (2018) and will start up again on Sun. Jan.13th, 2019 at 10 AM and Grade 9 at 6:30

PEI CATHOLIC GIRLS BURSARY 2019: Applications are now available at the Parish office. The deadline for applications is Jan. 31, 2019.

Christmas Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve: Dec 31 at 4:00 pm

New Year's Day: Jan. 1 at 10:00 am

The Seniors' Dinner for January 8 will be a Roast Beef dinner. Serving will begin at 4:30 PM. The price will be \$ 13.00. Thickets will be available after the Masses at the back of the church on the weekend just prior to the dinner.

2019 Church Envelopes are ready to be picked up at the back of the church. The first envelop is for Jan. 1st, 2019. Anyone requiring envelopes can fill out the Registration form & return it to the basket.

Direct Deposits: If you would like to make your contributions to the church via direct deposit, you can donate either weekly or monthly by setting up for pre-authorization with your bank. You will still need to pick up church envelopes for any extra collections. Arrangements can be made at the office or you can pick up a Pre-Authorized form from the table with the envelopes.

World Wide Week of Prayer Breakfast: on Sat. Jan. 19, 2019 beginning promptly at 8:00 am. The concluding service will be held on Sun. Jan. 27 at 7 pm at Zion Presbyterian Church. Tickets available at the church office for \$18.00 each.

JACK BLANCHARD FAMILY CENTRE (HR Parish Centre): For your Banquets, Meetings, Receptions, Wedding Receptions, Funeral Receptions, Birthday Parties, and Workshops. Catering/Bar Service available. Call Jennifer at (902)330-8862 or email jencheverie@hotmail.com

The Missal enables you to read the scriptures in preparation for Mass and to follow along with the weekend Mass.

Mass Readings for January 6, 2019

1st Reading: Isaiah 60. 1-6

2nd Reading: Ephesians 3. 2-3a, 5-6

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 2. 1-12

*Coming together,
believing in one another.*