

St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church



Christmas Eve Tuesday

5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm and Midnight **Christmas Day** Wednesday 10:30am

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

Tuesday, December 31st at 5:00 pm and Wednesday, January 1st at 10:30 am. This one of only two extraordinary Holy Days of Obligation in Canada, Christmas Day being the other one. A Holy Day of Obligation means that Catholics are expected to attend Mass on that day. We do so out of love for our faith and as a model we provide to our fellow Catholics, especially for our children.

Candy Cane Lane St. John's is at the beginning of Candy Cane Lane on the north end. There are warm-up cabins and fires in the park across from us. Stop by our life size outdoor Crèche and take a picture of your child/ren with the Holy Family!

St. John the Evangelist Feast Day is Friday Dec. 27. We will celebrate Mass 7 pm – 7:30 pm, then have a potluck (appetizers, desserts) social in the Hall. A main dish of meatballs is provided. Everyone is invited. This day is part of the 12 days of Christmas so be counter-cultural and keep celebrating Christmas!

Join us for a **Pancake Breakfast** on **January 26**, after the 9 am and 10:30 am Masses. This is a Knights of Columbus initiative. Your donations contribute to the charities supported by this Catholic organization and are much appreciated. Give the happy memories of social time with friends and family at Church by continuing this tradition with your own family. St. Rose students and Confirmation candidates have been dependable helpers and Parishioners really enjoy their service.



Altar Servers Training will be on Jan. 26 after the Noon Mass. Please call or email the Parish office to let us know if your child is interested. More information will be in the Parish Bulletins in January.

Baptism Preparation Are you expecting a new baby or do you know someone who is? Congratulations! Our next Baptism preparation class is on Jan. 15 7-9 pm, in the upper hall. Please call the Parish Office to let us know you are planning to come. Parents are required to take a course to help understand what it means to be baptized, and to what they are committing themselves and their child in this sacrament. We also walk through the ritual of Baptism in the Church, and answer any questions you have. Godparents are welcome and encouraged to come to the class too. Please check our Parish website under the Sacraments tab for more information, and call us with any questions, especially about baptizing older children.

Marriage Would you like your civil marriage to be enriched through the Sacrament of the Church, or are you presently in a common-law relationship and would like to become married? Please contact us to see how we can help you prepare for the sacrament of Matrimony. Please check our Parish website under the Sacraments tab for more information.

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