

Vigil of Christmas Eve

Friday, December 24th

Olive & Wilbert Weiler

requested by Dolores Smith

****There will be a collection during Mass for our parish**

Holy Family/Octave of Christmas

Sunday, December 26th For All Parishioners

Tuesday, December 28th Deceased relatives of the Lemay family

Faith First Questions of the Week:

Adults: Do I treat refugees and exiles today in the same way I would the Holy Family? How?

Can I personally identify with what they went through?

Children: Have I ever been in a strange place where I did not feel at home? What happened?

Mary Mother of God

Friday, December 31st

Jean Traynor

requested by Ethel Gravelle

Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, January 2nd

Hiliary Noble *requested by Lorette & Christopher Noble*

Tuesday, January 4th

Vera Beauchemin *requested by Clement Champoux*

Faith First Questions of the Week:

Adults: How does my life reflect a true and patient search for the Lord? What sacrifices am I ready to make to pursue this search for the Lord?

Children: Where can I look for Jesus and find him?

Baptism of the Lord

Sunday, January 9th Thanks for favour *requested by a parishioner*

Tuesday, January 11th Vera Beauchemin *requested by*
Yvette & Guy Bouchen

Christmas/New Year Schedule:

December 25 th , No Mass	
December 26 th , 9:30 a.m.	Holy Family Mass at Centre R.V.P.
December 28 th , 9:30 a.m.	Holy Innocents at 3 Halifax chapel
December 31 st , 5:00 p.m.	Mary Mother of God, Centre R.V.P.
January 1 st , No Mass	
January 2 nd , 9:30 a.m.	Epiphany of the Lord, Centre R.V.P.

The Wardens would like to take this opportunity to thank the parishioners for their continued support in the life of the parish. We are blessed at St. Raymond's to have the support and talents of so many individuals who are involved in all aspects of faith and ensure that the work we have started as a parish continues to grow.

May this Christmas season bring you and your families the peace and the love of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and may the New Year be filled with health, happiness and many blessings.



Annual Voluntary Contribution

Total on December 12th, 2010:

\$ 28,437.00 (85%) of \$33,300.00 goal

All parishioners and any visitors are reminded that there is a wooden box marked for any donations on the back table every Sunday, and that envelopes are available to use to ensure tax receipts.

Diocesan News: The inauguration of Mgr Lionel Gendron, our new bishop for St. Jean-Longueuil, will be held on Monday, December 27th at the cathedral in Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu.

Catholic Girls' League - Please remember your empty ink and toner cartridges, old cell phones, digital cameras, mp3's and laptops for THINKrecycle! Items can be gently placed in the white and green box weekly.

Save your bottles & cans! On Saturday January 8th, 2011, the **1st South Shore BPSA** scouting group will be collecting refundable empty bottles and cans for a bottle drive in the F, G, H, J, L, M, and N sections of Candiac. You can also drop off your refundable bottles and cans: **Saturday, January 8th, 2011 between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm Centre Roméo Patenaude 135 Ch. Haendel, Candiac.** To arrange for pick-up, please call Lorraine Cera at 450-638-8794.

Women's Retreat: *Women of Faith ~ Connecting...with God in prayer...with each other in community...with ourselves in body, mind & spirit.* **Friday, Jan 28, 2011 7:15 p.m. through Saturday, Jan. 29, 7:30 p.m. at Villa Saint Martin, 9451 Gouin Blvd. W., Pierrefonds. Cost \$100** (all inclusive with \$25.00 deposit due Jan. 14) offered by the Archdiocese of Montreal Office for English Pastoral Services. Contact Roberta Crout, 514-925-4300, ext 249 or rcrout@diocesemontreal.org.

Work of Christmas Begins

"When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and princes are home,
when the shepherds are back with the flocks,
then the work of Christmas begins:
to find the lost,
to heal those broken in spirit,
to feed the hungry,
to release the oppressed,
to rebuild the nations,
to bring peace among all peoples,
to make a little music with the heart...

And to radiate the Light of Christ,
every day, in every way, in all that we do and in all that we say.
Then the work of Christmas begins.

*Author of this Blessing
Howard Thurman, adapted*