**SANCTUARY LAMP-** For the week of November 23<sup>rd</sup> -29<sup>th</sup> the Tabernacle Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the repose of the soul of Eileen Oliver. If you would like to have the Sanctuary Lamp lit for a deceased relative or friend or for a special intention, contact the parish office. The cost is \$5.00 per week.

<u>PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK -</u> Lord hear our prayer for those who are sick, recovering from surgery, aging and in need of our prayers, and for those who care for them, may they find strength and courage through their faith. We pray for John Power, Michael Grace, Ashley White, Lorraine Hearn, Brendan Grace, Jenny Hickey, Delores Smith, Tony Grace, John Tucker, Greg & Madonna Connolly & Steven Gibbons. If you would like to have your loved ones prayed for please call the parish office.

**THE ADVENT WREATH -** An Advent Wreath is a circle of evergreen, bearing 4 candles, one for each Sunday of Advent. The circle represents eternal life, as does the use of evergreen. The 4 candles mark the 4 Sundays, the passing of time until the coming of the Christ Child. Each symbolizes a different thing: hope, love, joy and peace, in that order. In some traditions all the candles are the same colour, but in the Canadian Catholic tradition 3 candles are purple, while the candle for the Third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday, is pink.

**How to use your Advent Wreath -** One candle is lit each Sunday, with an additional candle lit on each subsequent week, and prayers are said around the wreath. Some will also sing Advent or Christmas hymns. And while some light the candles only on the Sunday, others will do so every night, and ponder the approach of the Christ Child, and the hope that it signifies for the world.

**Blessing on the First Sunday of Advent** - This year Father will have a special blessing for those who make and use an Advent Wreath. Please bring your wreath on the First Sunday (November 30<sup>th</sup>). It will be placed at the front of the Altar, as a symbol of this season of expectation, celebration, and hope.

<u>CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS:</u> Please help us beautify our Church for the Christmas Season, please pick up an envelope at the back of the church and make a donation to offset the cost of flowers. You can make your donation in memory of a loved one; include their name on the envelope. You may drop your envelope in the collection or to the parish office, deadline Dec.14th. Thank you in advance for your generous contributions.

30<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ADVENT FESTIVAL OF CAROLS & SCRIPTURE - Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup> – St. John the Baptist Cathedral Basilica – 6:30 pm Seating & Prelude Music – 7pm Festival of Carols & Scripture followed by refreshments @ 8pm. Donations gratefully received for the Basilica Music Ministry. Livestream:www.thebaslica.church. Theme – HOME

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING (PAG) - Many parishes in the Archdiocese of St. John's have established a Pre-authorized Giving Plan to assist parishioners in making their regular parish offerings (this does not include special collections). When you participate in PAG your offering will be withdrawn from your bank account twice per month, on the 15th & 30th (if a weekend, on the next business day). PAG has the advantage that your offering is received automatically, which can simplify your giving and ensure that support of your parish continues when you are away. It also helps to ensure a regular and dependable flow of contributions to the parish. If you are interested in signing up for PAG to St. Edward's Parish, please complete the form available at the entrance of the church, place it in a sealed envelope along with a void cheque, and drop it in the collection or bring it to the Parish Office. Your personal information will be kept confidential and secure. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer at the Parish Office. PAG will begin in 2026.

MASS SCHEDULE			Nov. 25 – Nov. 30 INTENTION			
Tues	. Nov. 25	10am	+Merrill & Pearl Warren/Frank & Neillie Power –			
(St. Catherine of Alexandria)			+Bernard & Lucy Nugent			
Wed.	. Nov. 26	10am	+Meaney/Whiffen family -+Randell Brushett -			
			+Wanda Parker			
Fri.	Nov. 28	7pm	+Mary Vallancourt -+Julian Whittle -+Bernadine White			
Sat.	Nov. 29	4pm	+Marion Lewis -+John-Michael Mackey- + Regina Laurie/			
			Mary & Juanita Squires			
Sun.	Nov. 30	10:30 am	All Parishioners			
(1 <sup>st</sup> S	(1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent)					

Note: + = Deceased S.I. = Special Intentions

## Confession times will be as follows:

 $We dnesdays \qquad 10{:}30am-11{:}30~am$ 

Saturdays: 2:15pm-3:45pm Sundays: 9:30am-10:00am

**Adoration every Wednesday** – 10:30 – 11:30 am **Adoration** – **10:30** – **8pm** – 1<sup>st</sup> Wed. of each month

<u>DEVELOPMENT & PEACE</u> Thank you for helping to Turn Debt into Hope! Thanks to your support, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada has collected 43,667 signatures on the global Turn Debt into Hope petition. Many impoverished countries in the Global South are struggling with conflict, humanitarian crises and climate change. Cancelling their unjust debts would free up scarce revenues, allowing them to better meet the needs of their citizens. Each signature amplifies the message of debt justice to creditors and political leaders. So, please sign the petition today and have your friends and family do it, too! So, please sign the petition today and have your friends and family do it, too!

PARISH COLLECTIONS	November 15 & 16					
Fund	# of envs.	Amount	Loose	Total		
Sunday offering env.	125	\$2,985.00	\$577.80	\$3,562.80		
Dues	41	\$1,785.00		\$1,785.00		
Maintenance off. env.	4	\$ 65.00		\$ 65.00		
Fall Fair env.	2	\$ 30.00		\$ 30.00		
Students to the Priesthood	2	\$ 40.00		\$ 40.00		
Food bank env.	1	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00		
Rosaries	4	\$ 175.00		\$ 175.00		
Donation	1	\$ 25.00		\$ 25.00		
Totals	180	\$5,205.00	\$577.80	\$5,782.80		
Received with deep appreciation and gratitude.						

<u>DEVELOPMENT & PEACE</u> – Caritas Canada is searching for the next Youth Ambassador, this is a part-time paid position. Applications being accepted until December 1<sup>st</sup>. It is a fabulous opportunity and gives great support to our movement. To apply <a href="https://devp.org/en/emploi/youth-ambassadors-2025/">https://devp.org/en/emploi/youth-ambassadors-2025/</a>

<u>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</u>—Blessed Trinity Council will hold their General meeting on Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm in the Parish Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

<u>THANK YOU –</u> A big, big Thank You to all who make our Fall Fair very successful. To all who donated crafts, items for the goods wheel, items for the bottle table, baked cakes, and other baked items, purses & jewelry, made financial donations and so on, we are most grateful. To all who contributed their time to help at the fair, thank you. To all who attended the Fair on Sunday afternoon, thank you. We will provide a financial report after our Goods Wheel event on Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. **Please make a note on your calendar to join us, it will be held from 11:30am to 2:00pm. There are many prizes still to be won.** The winners of the Door Prizes were Sr. Lorraine Power – Wreath & Frances Puddister – Tree.

## **MINISTRIES:**

Saturday, N	ov. 29	- 4PM	Sunday, Nov.	. 30 – 10:30 AM
		Lori Ann Harris		- Doreen Stone
2 <sup>nd</sup> R & IP	-	Dave Locke	2 <sup>nd</sup> R & IP	- Carol Barron
Usher	-	D. Carroll & J. Woodrow	Usher	- J. Hynes – R. Johnson
OFF	-	Mary Ryan	OFF	- Ken, Karen & Eli Power
$\mathbf{EM}$	-	Gerry Phelan	EM	- Marguerite Greene
S	-	Melissa Wong	S	- Myrna Power

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> OFFICE HOURS Monday – Friday – 8:30 am – 4:30 pm Closed daily 12 -1pm