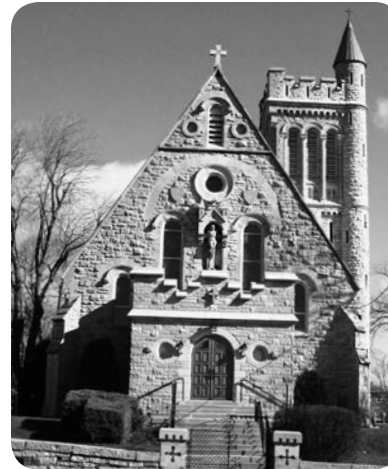


**Church of the Good Thief Liturgical Ministries Roster – Dec/Jan 2011/12**

DATE	Day	Eucharistic Minister	Readers	Collectors	Greeters	Sacristan	Backup Server
Dec 17	Sat	J. Saunders	V. Gowsell C. Waters	A. Cleary J. Witjes	D. Irvine	P. Medora	W. Geris
Dec 18	Sun	M. Tudin	A. Coe D. Tudin	J. Williamson S. Watts	D. Turner	J. Watts	T. Doyle
Dec 24	Sat	T. Potvin	D. Doherty K. Williamson	A. Young J. Young	D. Irvine	C. Wilkes J. Witjes	W. Geris
Dec 25	Sun	C. Kavanaugh	A. Coe J. Watts	B. Toffolon D. Freeman	T. Mekarski	D. Tudin	T. Doyle
Dec 31	Sat	V. Gowsell	P. Scott P. Gowsell	M. Leggett J. Witjes	A. Cleary	L. Kelly	W. Geris
Jan 1	Sun	???	??? M. vanVlymen	S. Watts D. Turner	D. Merjavec	S. Trapp	T. Doyle
Jan 7	Sat	J. Saunders	J. Gowsell J. Spooner	T. Potvin D. Doherty	D. Irvine	C. Wilkes J. Witjes	W. Geris
Jan 8	Sun	D. Tudin	H. Coffey J. Mekarski	M. Heer B. Toffolon	L. de Montbrun	D. Freeman	T. Doyle
Jan 14	Sat	L. Kelly	C. Waters K. Williamson	W. Geris A. Young	F. Casselman	P. Medora	W. Geris
Jan 15	Sun	F. Lovie	C. Kavanaugh T. Mekarski	J. Watts A. Coe	D. Turner	D. Tudin	T. Doyle



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*The Roman Catholic Church never formally canonized Saint Dismas, though he is regarded as a saint by virtue of Jesus saying he would be in Paradise and by local church traditions. The feast of St. Dismas is on the 25th of March, shared with the feast of The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

## WEEKEND MASSES ONLY

**December 17, Saturday, 5:15 p.m.** – for Dr. Gerald Wagner

**December 18, Sunday 10 a.m.** – for the Parish

(Next week: Saturday Mass is for Ray Boudreau)

*Weekday Masses are at St. Joseph's Church, 392 Palace Rd.*

*Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. and 5:15 p.m.*



## The Good Thief Catholic Women's League

**The 2011 CWL Annual Christmas Luncheon held at Ramekins this year was delicious! The atmosphere was quiet and festive, the conversation sparkling, and the service excellent considering what a big crowd we were. See more soon on our Church website: [www.goodthiefchurch.ca](http://www.goodthiefchurch.ca) – click on "CWL News"!**

## Bulletin for Dec. 18: 4th Sunday of Advent (Year B)

**First Reading: Samuel 7.1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 (King Forever)**

David wishes to build a temple to house the "ark of God" but God speaks to him promising to exalt and secure the house of David forever. The Lord will bring peace.

**Second Reading: Romans 16.25-27 (Faith and Obedience)**

God has revealed the divine plan of salvation through the coming of God's Son, Jesus Christ. It is made known to all human beings that they may believe and obey.

**Gospel: Luke 1.26-38 (Mary's Consent)**

Gabriel speaks to Mary, announcing that she who is a virgin shall conceive through the Holy Spirit and give birth to a Son. Mary agrees to God's request.

# Our Parish News...



## Prayers for our Loved Ones

If there are members of your family or friends who are ill or have recently died, and for whom you wish prayers to be added or removed, please contact Michael Sayer (613-531-4853), the office at St. Joseph's (613-547-5004) or drop your request into the collection basket while it is being passed around; whichever is easiest for you.



**Nativity Pageant News! This Sunday, Dec. 17, will be the rehearsal for the pageant, right after the 10 a.m. Mass.** Contact Jane Williamson at 613-542-1662 with any questions.

**Be Sure to Come Early for 5:15 Mass on Christmas Eve — The Children's Pageant starts at 5:00!** Just a heads up for next week... *After all, Jesus is the reason for the season!*

## All Christmas Hamper Donations are Due This Weekend, Dec. 17/18!

Thanks to all those who are donating food items and money for our sponsored families this Christmas. Because of your generous response to this project, we are able to sponsor a third, smaller family of one parent, one child. *What can I say, you guys RULE!*

As you know, the Hampers are in the Church vestibule, so just place your donations in the proper one for which you signed up. The lists will be there to remind you. I will be buying the fresh turkeys and any items still needed on the day of delivery; the toys will be picked up and added to the Hampers.

Our delivery volunteers will contact the parents for the best time to come by, and voilà – we will all have contributed to a Christmas celebration for three families in our community who need a helping hand. *Merry Christmas!*

**The 2012 Good Thief Calendars are in** and at the back of the Church. Please make sure you take one home for yourself on the way out!

**The Christmas Hampers will be delivered on Dec. 22, so our only chance to bring donations will be this Saturday and Sunday. If you miss Mass, you have an extra chance to drop by the Parish Hall after Mass on Sunday for the "Merry Christmas Tea Party" and drop off your items there.**

## Sunday is the Parish "Merry Christmas Tea Party"

**Come by the Parish Hall after the Sunday Mass on December 18th** to say "hello and Merry Christmas" to each other and share a happy moment during this most festive of seasons. This invitation is a chance for Saturday and Sunday parishioners to mingle for a change and enjoy some goodies and hot apple cider. *And remember, keep the CHRIST in Christmas!*

**In Case You Were Hoping...** there will be music for Saturday Masses as well as Sundays during this festive season. So that's on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day! *Be sure to sing along!*

## OUR BOXES OF 2012 DONATION ENVELOPES are available for pick-up at the back of the church.

If you are currently not using envelopes but wish to do so, please contact the parish office at 613-547-5004 to request them... OR take a numbered box of blank envelopes and fill in your info next to the corresponding number on the sign-up sheet. **Once the new year arrives, please do not use the previous year's envelopes as the number may be different.**

## Community Events...



### ST. JOSEPH'S ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S ADORATION

**VIGIL** will commence after their 5:15 p.m. Mass New Year's Eve and continue until midnight: it will then resume at 7 a.m. until 8:30 a.m., 1 January 2012. Please take advantage of this opportunity to begin the New Year by spending an hour with the Messiah. **For more information or to volunteer, please contact the parish office at 613-547-5004.**

### 12th ANNUAL KINGSTON INTERFAITH NEW YEAR'S DAY SERVICE

will be held on **Sunday, 1 January 2012, at 1:00 p.m.**, at the Kingston Unitarian Fellowship, 206 Concession Street, Kingston. Join us for refreshments following the service.

**ST. ANDREW SCHOOL OF EVANGELIZATION** invites you to "New Life," at St. Michael the Archangel Parish Centre, Belleville, **from 6:30 p.m., Friday, 13 January to 4 p.m. on Sunday, 15 January.** The objective of the course is for you to experience the salvation of God, by way of a personal encounter with the resurrected Jesus through the guidance of the Holy Spirit in order to live as children of God. Come and enjoy a weekend of faith, friendship and fun. Cost is \$80.00, meals will be provided. **Please contact Agnes Sheridan at [sheridan\\_agnes@yahoo.ca](mailto:sheridan_agnes@yahoo.ca) for information and registration details.**