

STELLA MARIS & ST. MARGARET'S PARISHES  
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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph  
Dec. 28-29, 2024

1st Reading Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14  
2nd Reading Colossians 3:12-21  
Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday, Dec. 28th, 5 pm, Chapel Catherine (Tootsie) MacIntyre & John Wiswell  
Sunday, Dec. 29th, 9:30 am, St. Margaret's Church Parishioners  
Sunday, Dec. 29th, 11 am, Chapel Parishioners

The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God  
Dec. 31, 2024 – Jan. 1, 2025

1st Reading Numbers 6:22-27  
2nd Reading Galatians 4:4-7  
Gospel: Luke 2:16-21

Please Note: Weekday Masses are celebrated in Stella Maris Parish Centre Chapel unless otherwise announced.

Tuesday, Dec. 31st, 5 pm, Stella Maris Church New Year's Eve Mass  
Tuesday, Dec. 31st, 7 pm, St. Margaret's Church New Year's Eve Mass  
Wednesday, Jan. 1st, 10 am, Stella Maris Church New Year's Day Mass  
Thursday, Jan. 2nd, 12 noon, Chapel Kay MacMaster  
Friday, Jan. 3rd, 12 noon, Chapel Special Intention

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday, Jan. 4th, 5 pm, Chapel Katie Mae MacEachern  
Sunday, Jan. 5th, 9:30 am, St. Margaret's Church Parishioners  
Sunday, Jan. 5th, 11 am, Chapel Parishioners

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 11 -11:45 am before the weekday Masses in Chapel.

Marian Cenacle: Mondays, 11 am in Chapel  
Holy Hour: Saturdays, 10:30 am in Chapel

Lectors: Dec. 31st & Jan. 1st  
Sat., Dec. 31st, 5 pm Mary Chisholm  
Sun., Dec. 31st, 7 pm Donnie MacLellan  
Sun., Jan. 1st, 10 am Ellen MacEachern

Lectors: Jan. 4th & 5th  
Sat., Jan. 4th, 5 pm Kathleen Poirier

Sun., Jan. 5th, 9:30 am Grayer Parsons

Sun., Jan. 5th, 11 am Barbara Sofan

Gift Bearers: Dec. 31st & Jan. 1st.

Sat., Dec. 31st, 5 pm Richard & Angela MacDonald & Family

Sun., Jan. 1st, 7 pm Lucy & Gary Fraser

Sun., Jan. 1st, 10 am Tony MacDonald

Gift Bearers: Jan. 4th & 5th

Sat., Jan. 4th, 5 pm No Gift Bearers

Sun., Jan 5th, 9:30 am Mary Anderson & Alice Gillis

Sun., Jan 5th, 11 am No Gift Bearers

Sunday Offerings: Thank you!

Dec. 22nd & 23rd

Stella Maris: \$740.00 St. Margaret's: \$509.00

Building Fund Stella Maris: \$0 St. Margaret's: \$50.00

Stella Maris Heating Fund: \$100.00 Veteran's Memorial Fund: To Date: \$1,3104.30 + Go Fund Me

\*Please Note: Anyone making a donation by cheque, please check to assure it is signed and date is correct.

Prayer Line - Please Note: Calls to the Prayer Line are to be made between 10 am - 6 pm. at 902-258-2328. Otherwise please leave a message with your request and it will be passed along to the group. Thank you

Holy Communion will be taken to the sick and shut-ins on the second Thursday and Friday of the month. If you wish to receive Holy Communion please contact the Parish Office with your name, phone number, and civic address. If no one is in the office, please leave a message with your information.

Tree of Lights IMO of deceased loved ones is set up in Stella Maris Parish Chapel. Tree will be lit at weekend Masses during the Christmas Season. Names of deceased loved ones will be placed on Angels and hung on the tree. Donations may be made by contacting Linda 258-2798, Marilyn 258-3264, Marguerite 258-2249 or drop in to Parish Office. Income Tax receipts will be issued for donations.

The Congregation of The Sons of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrating the bicentenary of Founder Blessed Luigi Maria Monti in 2025. "HERE IT ALL STARTED!"

Broad Cove Veterans Memorial Fund - A Go Fund Me has been created to raise money to erect a monument in remembrance of the almost one hundred Veterans of WW1, WW11 and Korean War from the parish of St. Margaret's and area. You may Google GoFundMe ---Search---type in Broad Cove Veterans Memorial Fund. Donations may also be dropped in collection baskets at the weekend Masses or dropped in to Stella Maris Parish Office. Please include name and address and envelop number if applicable. Income Tax receipts will be issued for any donation. Your continued support is very much appreciated

Donations for Christmas Cheer Fund would be greatly appreciated to help in covering the cost of the food boxes. Any monetary donations can be dropped off at Stella Maris Parish Office during regular office hours, by mailing to Stella Maris Parish, P.O. Box 250, Inverness, N.S. B0E 1N0 or by e-transfer to

stellamarisparish@bellaliant.com Please indicate that donation is for Christmas Cheer and include name and address. Income Tax receipts will be issued on request. Thank you for your support.

#### SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS SEASON 2024

Mass Schedule:

Tuesday, Dec. 31st, 5 p.m. - Stella Maris Church; 7 p.m. - St Margaret's Church

Wednesday, Jan. 1st, 10 a.m. - Stella Maris Church

\*Please Note: Stella Maris Church will be heated for the Christmas Season Masses scheduled above.

Stella Maris Parish Office Christmas Season Schedule

Parish Office will be opened on the following days during the Christmas Season:

Monday, Dec. 30th, 9am – 12 noon, Friday, Jan. 3rd, 9 am – 4 pm

Please note: Copies of Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick's Christmas letter are available at the back of the churches.

HAPPY NEW YEAR ONE & ALL!