



Monday Memo

Diocese of Thunder Bay

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December 04, 2023

Second Sunday of Advent: COMING: The second week of Advent begins on December 10th, so let our focus be, not only on the celebration of Christmas, but also on the Second Coming of Christ at the end of time. Since creation, all of history has been a movement towards the completion of God's plan. All events, great or small, fit into this perfect mosaic showing God's love. Our lives are a part of this mosaic. In Advent we listen in silence to God's Word. In doing so we come to see the movement of history around us. We pray: God our Father, show me the way of my life through your Word, to guide me on my journey. Amen.

Advent Retreat: St. Andrew's Parish is hosting an ADVENT RETREAT with Fr. Gerald McDougall on **Monday, December 4th and Tuesday, December 5th from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.** in Baxter Hall. The theme for Monday evening will be "Prepare the way of the Lord; Exploring Together the Season of Advent" and for Tuesday evening "Arise, Shine for Your Light has Come; Exploring together the Season of Christmas". All are welcome; however, seating is limited so please call the parish office at 807 345-5202 to register.

Bruch with St. Nick: St. Andrew's Parish is hosting a BRUNCH WITH ST. NICK on **Sunday, December 10th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** in Saunders Hall. The cost is \$20 and children under 10 years of age eat for free. For more information, please call (807) 345-5202 or check out the Events page on the website: www.standrewrc.ca. Proceeds from this event will go towards the parish's Boiler Replacement Project. All are welcome.

Grief Support Candle Ceremony: St. Patrick's Cathedral Grief Support group will be holding a Candle Ceremony on **Tuesday, December 12, 7:00 PM** at the Cathedral (please use the Donald Street door/elevator). Grief takes many forms: Loss of a Spouse/Partner; Loss of a relationship; Loss of employment; and many others. The opportunity to express this Grief in a welcoming and supportive environment is important. This Ceremony is open to All, no registration is necessary. Light refreshments and a time for support and fellowship will follow the Ceremony.

Prepare the Way in Song: A family-friendly Christmas Concert taking place on Saturday, December 16th at 1 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Church, 766 Sprague St. Come sing with us! Free-will donation at the door. Refreshments are available in the church hall after the concert.

Holy Cross Church: An evening of Christmas Caroling on Monday December 18, 2023 @ 6:30 pm 415 Victoria St W. If able, please bring canned goods for the Thunder Bay Food Bank. Refreshments & baking will be served. Hope to see you there to enjoy the Christmas spirit.