

# Holy Redeemer

Roman Catholic Church

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A SUNDAY DECEMBER 7, 2025

#### Weekend

**Saturday** 6:30 PM

**Sunday** 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM\*  
& 6:30 PM

\*Live-streamed via our  
Facebook page  
and website

#### Weekday

All in-person & Live Streamed

**Tuesday** 10:00 AM

**Prayer Cenacle (Rosary)**  
after the 10 a.m. Mass

**Wednesday** 6:30 PM  
**with Perpetual Help  
Devotions**

**Thursday** 10:00 AM

**Friday** 10:00 AM

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays for 1 hour  
following the **10 AM  
Mass.**



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among us!*



## RECONCILIATION TIMES

Wednesdays from 6:00 – 6:20 PM  
or by appointment.

Call Fr. Sam @ 705-507-4288



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

hrprayerpalse@gmail.com

## CONNECT WITH US



### Office Hours

**9 AM – 2 PM**

Monday – Wednesday – Friday



### Website

[www.holyredeemersudbury.com](http://www.holyredeemersudbury.com)

## Sacraments

To request a sacrament  
(Baptism, First Reconciliation,  
First Communion,  
Confirmation, Marriage, Holy  
Orders, etc.), visit our website,  
select **"SACRAMENTS,"** and  
fill out the online form. Thank  
you!



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# ***BUILDING BLOCKS***

***St. Paul prays, "May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together, you may, with one voice, glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." (Rom 15: 5-6)***

Yes, homes are meant to be places where we can live in harmony with one another, where we can find encouragement in our difficulties and steadfast love regardless of what we may have done or failed to do. We're not always successful in doing this, but we know that as a family, we never give up on one another and strive to learn from our past mistakes so that they don't become a hurtful habit. Advent is the perfect time to re-commit ourselves to creating harmony in our families. The model that we've been given is Jesus himself, who offered his love, care and respect to many who came his way, even if they weren't particularly deserving of it at times. Whenever he could sense that there was an openness in another to the values of the kingdom of God, Jesus strove to make that openness wider so that He could enter into the hearts of all believers.

And when people accepted Jesus' invitation to be a part of the Kingdom, their lives changed forever, because they were not journeying on this earth alone and without purpose. It didn't always mean that their problems would instantly vanished, but it did mean that they didn't have to face them alone! It meant that Christ would bring a peace and a harmony into their lives despite the problems that may have still persisted. But the good news was that they were now a part of the family of God and were part of the household of faith in Jesus our Lord! That meant too, that all other believers were now part of one family and were made brothers and sisters in Christ. It's that conviction that we are a part of the family of God by faith that prompts us to help one another when we're down, and to welcome others as we've been welcomed into our holy family.--- Fr Sam



## **Prayer**



Lord, help us to prepare our hearts for Your coming. Guide us to live with justice, peace, and repentance. Give us courage to follow true leaders and to be leaders who bring hope. May we bear good fruit and reflect Your love in all we do. Amen.



# Mass intentions

**Dec. Dec. 8-14, 2025**

**† Denotes a mass for a deceased person**

\*Monday, Dec 8 – 10 AM

“Feast of the Immaculate Conception”  
In Thanksgiving for a Job by Shane Sojan

Tuesday, Dec 9 – 10 AM

School Mass at Pius XII-All Welcome

Wednesday, Dec 10 – 6:30 PM

† Denis Prieur by Patricia Delorme

Thursday, Dec 11 – 10 AM

† Don McLean by Donna & John

Friday, Friday, Dec 12 – 10 AM

Special Intention by Dot Klein

Spanish Mass 6:30 PM (Our Lady of Guadalupe)

† Narcisa Diaz by Ruth Anne Ingram

Saturday, Dec 13 – 6:30 PM

† Kathy Temelini by Paul & Family

Sunday, Dec 14

9 AM – Mass

† Mariantonia Ierace by Pina Timpano

11 AM – Mass

† The People of the Parish

6:30 PM – Mass

† David Filipovic by Georges & Sharon

# PASTORAL TEAM

**Pastor - Fr. Sam D'Angelo C.PP.S.**

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## COLLECTION REPORT



*Thanks For  
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Church Offerings	Nov 30, 2025
PADP Sunday	\$2,228.50
PADP Building Fund	\$137.75
Office Income	\$1,070.00
Sunday Offerings	\$2,425.00
Building Fund	\$144.00
Initial Offering	\$20.00
Christmas Flowers	\$205.00
Loose Cash	\$572.90
<b>Total Received</b>	<b>\$6,803.15</b>
Christmas Gift Card	\$755.00
Canadian Mission Initiatives	\$30.00
Food Bank	\$755.00



Our 2025 Christmas Grocery Card Campaign is now complete. Thank you to all who gave so generously. Because of your support, nearly 200 families will receive food gift cards this Christmas.

A special thank you to Linda Dupuis and our dedicated food bank volunteers.



*May the Advent season bless us with hope and peace.*



## *¡Celebremos a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe!*

Acompáñanos el Viernes 12 de diciembre a las 6:30 p.m. para una Misa especial en español en honor a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. Ven y únete a esta hermosa tradición llena de música, oración y alegría, mientras damos gracias a nuestra Madre Bendita. ¡Todos están invitados!



## *Celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe!*

Join us on Friday, December 12, at 6:30 p.m. for a special "Spanish Mass" honouring Our Lady of Guadalupe. All are invited to celebrate this beautiful tradition with music, prayer and joy as we give thanks to our Blessed Mother. Bring your family! Mark your calendars and don't miss this wonderful evening of faith and community!

**Note: This Celebration will be in Spanish**

## 2nd Sunday of Advent Year A



The 2nd Sunday of Advent Year A reminds us to get ready for Jesus. Isaiah tells of a branch growing from Jesse's stump, a sign of new life and peace. God's promise brings hope to a world that needs healing.

<https://young-catholics.com/3697/1st-sunday-of-advent-year-a/>



### IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**WHO:** Children in grade 2 who have been baptized

**WHAT:** Your child's First Reconciliation (also known as Confession)

**WHY:** To return to the Lord by asking forgiveness for their sins

**WHEN:** To be celebrated on Tuesday December 9th at 6:30 PM with their classmates

**HOW:** Through a Reconciliation Service and individual confession of sins to a priest

**WHERE:** Holy Redeemer Church, 1887 Bancroft Drive

**NOTE:** Reconciliation must be celebrated **BEFORE** your child can receive his/her First Holy Communion in the Spring of 2026.

If your child cannot attend due to illness, please come on **any Wednesday night from 6 pm to 6:20 pm** for a private confession with Fr. Sam before 2026 and let Fr. Sam know your name.



**Mass at HR Monday  
Dec. 8th  
At 10:00 AM**

This feast day reminds us of God's special plan for Mary. It is a day to honor her and thank God for her purity.

The Immaculate Conception also teaches us about God's power and mercy.

It shows how God prepared Mary for her role in salvation. This doctrine helps us understand the importance of Mary in our faith.

Mary's purity and obedience to God make her a model for us. We can look to her as an example of how to live our lives. She shows us how to say yes to God's will.



**Registration for 2026  
Confirmation**

**Please Register prep begins in  
January!**

Candidates for Confirmation, Grade 7 or up are required to complete an online registration form that can be found on our website under **Sacraments**. Go to [holyredeemersudbury.com](http://holyredeemersudbury.com)



**Sunday Gospel  
Reflections**

We will gather every **Thursday after mass at 10:30 a.m.** in the Upper Room. Everyone is welcome to join us. For further information, please **contact Julie at 705-585-2414.**



## The meaning behind Matthew 1:25

The Catholic Church holds the doctrine that Mary, the mother of Jesus, is the Ever Virgin, meaning that Mary remained a virgin before, during, and after the birth of Jesus Christ. Some people question this doctrine because of what is written in Matthew 1:25: ***“But he [Joseph] did not know her until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.”*** The key word in that passage is “until.” To some, it suggests that normal marital relations occurred after Jesus’ birth, indicating that Mary did not remain a virgin. This interpretation, however, is not accepted by the Catholic Church.

Why not? ---Because the word “until” (heos hou in Greek), when used in the Bible, doesn’t always imply a change of state after a specified time. Instead, it simply affirms what was true up to that point, without making any claim about what may have or could have happened afterward.

Similar language is used elsewhere in the Bible (e.g., 2 Samuel 6:23: ***“And Michal, the daughter of Saul, had no children until the day of her death.”***), where it is clear that the condition did not change after the stated period.

Thus, the Church maintains that Matthew 1:25 affirms that Joseph and Mary did not have marital relations before Jesus’ birth, and the word ‘until’ does not imply that they did so afterward. This interpretation supports the belief in Mary’s perpetual virginity.

Furthermore, the title “Ever Virgin” is a longstanding tradition in Catholic theology and is affirmed in the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 499-501). Additionally, the Church teaches that Mary’s virginity was not only physical, but also a sign of her complete dedication to God’s will. The Second Vatican Council affirmed the perpetual virginity of Mary by stating that she remained a virgin in conceiving Christ, in giving birth to Him, and throughout her life (Lumen Gentium 52-69).

In summary, the Catholic Church interprets Matthew 1:25 as consistent with the doctrine of Mary’s perpetual virginity. The use of “until” in this and other biblical passages does not necessarily indicate a change after the specified time. The Church continues to teach that Mary remained a virgin before, during, and after the birth of Jesus, and venerates her as the “Ever Virgin Mother of God.”

***Let us know what you want to learn next:*** sacraments, saints, Scripture, prayer, seasons, and more. **Leave a note in the “Did You Know?” box at the bulletin table.**

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*Christmas 2025 & New Year's 2026*

DAY	DATE	MASS	TIME
Tues	Dec. 23	<b>Mas cancelled</b> (decorating)	
Wed.	Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Mass (For children)	5:00 pm
		Christmas Eve Mass - <b>Live Streamed</b>	8:00 pm
		Christmas Eve Mass - <b>Live Streamed</b>	11:00 pm
Thurs.	Dec. 25	<b>The Nativity of the Lord</b> - Christmas Day, Live Streamed	*11:00 am (only)
Friday	Dec. 26	<b>Mass Cancelled</b>	
Sat	Dec. 27	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	6:30 pm
Sun	Dec. 28	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	9 & 11 am
			6:30 pm
Tues.	Dec. 30	Mass	10:00 am
Wed.	Dec. 31	<b>New Year's Eve Mass</b> - Vigil of Mother of God	5:00 pm
Thurs.	Jan. 1st	<b>New Year's Day -Live Streamed</b>	*11:00 am (only)
		Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	
Friday	Jan. 2	Regular Scheduled Mass Times Resume	

**\*\*Office Closed beginning Dec. 24 through to Jan. 5, 2026\*\*** *Bulletins for the New Year will Resume the weekend of January 10/11, 2026*

**IMPORTANT:** Donations intended for 2025 Tax Receipts must be in on later than Dec. 31 st.  
**All donations received Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> onward will be receipted in 2026**



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