



160 Years of Ministry

Christ Church, Belleville, with St. Paul's, Roslin
December 24, 2025
The Eucharist of Christmas



'We are a Christian community nurtured by the grace of Jesus, the Christ, and strengthened by prayer and the sacraments. Witnessing to Christ's love, we are united in our desire to serve others with compassion, respect and understanding.'

We acknowledge that we are gathered on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabeg, Haudenosaunee, Algonquin and Huron Wendat peoples. Nations who have sought to walk gently on this land. We seek a new relationship with the original Peoples of this land, one rooted in and based on honour and deep respect.

Weekly Services, Belleville

Sunday 10:00 a.m. BAS Sung Eucharist
(Morning Prayer the First Sunday of the Month)

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. BCP Eucharist

St. Paul's, Roslin

1st and 3rd Sunday, Eucharist – 10:00 a.m.

Collect of the Day

Eternal God,
this holy night is radiant
with the brilliance of our one true light.
As we have known
the revelation of that light on earth,
bring us to see the splendour of your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and forever.

Amen

Today's readings

Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98; Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12); John 1:1-14

This Week in the Parish

Wednesday December 31

**No 10:00 a.m. BCP Eucharist
(recommences January 7th)**

Thursday January 1st

New Year's Day- office is closed

Office hours have changed to **Mon-Thurs 8:30-12:30**

Sunday January 4

The Epiphany of the Lord- Eucharist and Baptism 10:00 a.m.



We ask your prayers for members of our community:

Donna, Beth, Jim, Laura, Bill, Jamie, Matt, Ken, Gwen, Rick, William, Alan, Paul, David, Nancy, Win, Charles, Corrine, Karl, Wendy, Brenda, Jennifer, Freda, Joyce and for any others that are not named, that they know they are in our hearts and prayers.

**We are thrilled to announce, the parish now has E-transfer.
You can make a donation via
christchurch@ontario.anglican.ca**

Our Neighbourhood Family

Thank you for your quick response to our support of our close neighbours, the Roy Family. Our budget of \$1000.00 worth of groceries has been met. We will also ensure that they will have a proper Christmas dinner which we will prepare and deliver to them. More about their story next week.

You can see their story at:

<https://www.facebook.com/share//Bs1XUxmZG/>

If you are unwell with the cold or flu, please stay home, but do, also, let us know.

Musical Notes

December 24th- The Eucharist of Christmas

Prelude: What Child is This & Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring Trad. 'Greensleeves' & J.S. Bach, arr. Emanda Richards

Communion: Ancient of Days, Newborn Tonight! & Veni Emmanuel arr. J. Purifoy

Postlude: He Shall Feed His Flock, from The Messiah G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

This piece is an arrangement for trumpet of an aria written by Handel for soprano and mezzo soprano(alto). It speaks of Jesus, The Good Shepherd providing tender, protective care and guidance for His people, the 'flock'. With His intimate love, he gathers the weak (the lambs/His people) in His arms, and gently leads them to safety. Based on biblical passages from Isaiah 40:11 and Micah 5:4.

We thank our guest musician, **Roy Feuerherdt, trumpet player**, for being here with us this afternoon. We really appreciate the beautiful music that he has provided for us, this Christmas Eve service.

December 28th- Service of Lessons and Carols

Prelude: Gavotte in G Minor J.S. Bach (1685 - 1750)

J.S. Bach is one of the most influential composers in Western music history. A virtuoso organist and prolific composer of instrumental and choral masterpieces; his music has become the cornerstone of classical repertoire.

Communion: Concerto in A Minor, 2nd mv., Op.3, no.6
A. Vivaldi

Postlude: Gavotte in D Major J.S. Bach

*Thank you to **Joel Bootsma, violinist**, for his gift of music today! We are truly fortunate and very grateful to have him in our midst at Christ Church!*

Ministry Team

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