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**ARCHBISHOP PRENDERGAST'S
SCHEDULE FOR THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD**

During the Christmas period, the Most Rev. Terrence Prendergast, S.J., Archbishop of Ottawa and Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall will preside or participate in the following liturgies and events:

Sunday, December 18, 2:30 p.m. – Christmas Concert followed by the Archbishop's Reception for the men, women and children of the Archdiocese and general public in the Cathedral Hall, Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica (385 Sussex Drive, Ottawa).

Saturday, December 24, 5:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Mass, Nativité de Marie Co-cathedral (220, Montreal Road, Cornwall)

Saturday, December 24, 11:30 p.m. – Christmas carols followed by a bilingual Midnight Mass, Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica (385 Sussex Drive, Ottawa).

Sunday, December 25, 10 a.m. – Mass in French with the Sisters of Charity at the Mother House. Ottawa's first bishop, Bishop Eugène-Bruno Guigues, began this tradition in our local Church in the mid-19th century and the Archbishop continues this Christmas Day celebration.

Sunday, January 1, 11:00 a.m. – Mass for Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, at St. Columban Church (36, Fourth Street West, Cornwall) followed by Levee in Agape Centre.

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