

LOTS TO DO

Christmas wining and dining out on the town or at home

After the hustle and bustle is over and the presents have been wrapped Mississaugans will start unraveling from another hectic year.

There will be four days of work between the Christmas and New Years celebrations but generally the holiday period will be one of relaxation.

We'll all celebrate in our own ways. Some will prefer the family get together, others will seek outside entertainment either in the way of house parties, or dining and dancing.

Here's the lowdown on what's to do, entertaining on the town or at home.

Christmas Day will offer a few places to go. Most restaurants close on the

25th. The exceptions in this area are Smitty's Pancake House and the Newport Hotel.

The after Church crowd can enjoy a leisurely brunch at Smitty's. They will be open between 10 a.m. and 2 a.m., but if Christmas day is anything like Sundays it would be wise to get there early.

Prior to Christmas the Newport Hotel will be offering special businessmen's lunches and there still is openings for any belated office parties.

On the big day they will serve a traditional turkey dinner with trimmings, pudding et al for \$6. If you have an aversion to those birds there is roast beef and sirloin steak. The Newport is close to being fully

booked but there are a few vacancies.

FLOOR SNOW

Their New Years Eve bash promises to be a gala affair. The Confederation room will house a floor show, a buffet by Chef Dominic and non-stop dancing. As a special service to out-of-towners the management offers half price rooms. Cost is \$20 a couple.

For the daring, a traditional Chinese New Year's dinner is offered at Holiday Gardens on the Lakeshore. It consists of a 10 course meal which includes a whole chicken and a whole fish.

Most of the other eating spots are closed Christmas but offer standard fare on New Years.

The Norseman on Dundas East may not have any special menu to usher in 1971 but they will be hosting a Gala New Years Eve party. You can start the evening with a half a bottle of champagne, pick and choose over their smorgasbords, and listen and dance to the Paul Beattie and Kenny Jones Duo. All for \$25.

If you're planning to entertain at home there is of course, the traditional turkey or goose and all the goodies that go with them.

The holiday season is also an opportunity to try some unusual tipping. The Liquor Control Board of Ontario walkaround stores offer 1070 brands of liquor, wines and liqueurs.

They suggest some new ideas for Yuletide entertaining. What about a New Years' Egg Nog Party of a Christmas decorating party? A number of "nose-warmers" are recommended for after snowmobiling, skiing, or tobogganing. Mulled wine, eggnog and sherry toddy are popular seasonal warm-ups.

Christmas Bureau helps 335 families

The Christmas Bureau has supplied assistance (as of Monday) to 335 families in Mississauga and Port Credit.

Donations have been pouring in to the bureau office but by printing time nearly 50 families were still without help.

The number of participants in this year's Peel Community Service program has increased by 75 families.

"We were expecting to be

busier this year because of the increase in unemployment. Last year's 260 families also came from Streetsville but this year they are handling their own," said Mrs. Dorothy Ross, director of Peel Community Services.

Mrs. Miriam McCrudden operated the month long program alone. She served as an intermediary between the individuals and organizations offering help and the social workers supplying families.

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Christmas church services

The following is a list of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services which will take place in South Peel.

TRINITY

On Christmas Eve at Trinity Anglican Church, Port Credit, there will be congregational carols at the Crib at 11:15 followed by the Midnight Eucharist at 11:30. On Christmas Day there will be Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and Holy Communion and carols at 10:00 a.m.

FIRST UNITED

On Christmas Eve at First United Church there will be Christmas Eve Communion at 11 p.m. and Christmas Day family service on Dec. 25 at 11 a.m.

LYNDWOOD UNITED

Lyndwood United Church, 1465 Leda Ave., Mississauga, is holding Holy Communion at 11 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 25.

BETHESDA UNITED

Bethesda United, 3311 Fieldgate Dr. is holding a Christmas Eve service at 7:30 p.m.

CLARKSON RD. PRESBYTERIAN

Clarkson Rd. Presbyterian Church, Clarkson Rd. N. will hold a Christmas Eve carol service at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 24.

ST. BRIDE'S CHURCH

St. Bride's Church, 1516 Clarkson Rd. N. is holding choral communion at 11 p.m. on Dec. 24 and Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and family service at 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 25.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S

St. Christopher's Roman Catholic Church, 1171 Clarkson Rd. N. will hold midnight mass (doors open at 11:15 p.m.) on Dec. 24. On Dec. 25 masses will be held at 8 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. and 12 noon. There will be a folk mass on Dec. 25 at 9:15 a.m.

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN

Christ Our King Lutheran Church, 2150 Dundas W., is holding a candlelight service on Thursday, Dec. 24 at 11 p.m. On Dec. 25 there will be a Christmas Day Holy Communion service.

ST. STEPHEN'S

St. Stephen's-on-the-Hill United Church, 998 Indian Rd., is holding a Christmas Eve service at 11 p.m. and a service on Dec. 25 at 11 a.m.

ST. PETER'S

St. Peter's Anglican Church, Dundas and Mississauga Rd., is holding midnight communion at 11:15 p.m. on Dec. 24. On Dec. 25, Holy Communion will be held at 8:30 a.m. and a family service will take place at 10:30 a.m.

ST. MARTIN'S

St. Martin's Roman Catholic Church will hold masses on Christmas Day at 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 12:15 noon in Erindale United Church.

ST. JOSEPH'S

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Streetsville, will celebrate midnight mass on Christmas Eve

TRINITY UNITED

Christmas Eve communion service will be held in Trinity United Church, Queen St., Streetsville at 11:15 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S

A candlelight carol service will be held at 7:30 p.m.

ST. PAUL'S

St. Paul's Anglican Church 1190 Lorne Park Rd. will hold a Christmas Eve Service at 11:30 p.m. and a Christmas day service at 10 a.m.

CLARKSON ROAD

Clarkson Rd. Presbyterian Church will hold Christmas Eve Carol service on Dec. 24 at 7:30 p.m.

ST. HUGH

The St. Hugh of Lincoln Anglican Church, Goreway Dr., Malton, will hold a midnight service Christmas Eve at 11:30 p.m. The Christmas Day service which will include Holy Communion will start at 10:30 a.m.

ST. HILARY'S

St. Hilary's Anglican Church is holding a Christmas Eve service at 7 o'clock and a family day service on Dec. 25 at 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion will take place at 11 p.m. on Dec. 25.

ST. PATRICK'S

St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, 1360 Dundas St. is holding confessions between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Dec. 24 and midnight mass on Dec. 25.

ST. LUKE'S-ON-THE-HILL

Communion will be conducted at 11:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 24.

DIXIE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Junior and senior choirs will participate in a carol service at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 24.

APPLEWOOD UNITED

Applewood United, 2067 Stanfield Rd. is holding services at 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 24.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

St. John the Baptist, 719 Dundas St. E. is holding a communion at 11:15 p.m. on Dec. 24 and choral communion on Dec. 25 at 10:30 a.m.

MALTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Malton Baptist Church is holding a carol service at 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 25 and a watch night service on New Year's Eve at 10:30 p.m.

ERINDALE UNITED

Erindale United Church, 1444 Dundas Cr., is holding a family communion at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 24.

Cheery Greetings

We hope your holiday is filled with fine friends, good times. Warm wishes.



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Mistletoe: people don't need it any more

Is Mistletoe going out of style?

People apparently aren't buying it as they once did and if they do, they're going for the plastic imitation variety.

Mrs. Hazel Arnott, who runs the Flowercart in

Sheridan Mall, has sold some of the traditional foliage but she contends that "people don't need it any more."

Mistletoe was a must at any Yule celebration but it appears the office party crowd needs little of that type of encouragement.

All decorations haven't gone plastic however. Poinsettia's are still the traditional Christmas flower and as popular as ever. Holly wreaths are adorning more and more front doors and begonia's are very much in vogue.

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