# St. Michael The Archangel Church, Cobourg
# Advent Mission 2026

## "Sacred Waiting in Times of Change: Birthing Christ in the World Anew"

The Church's New Year begins with the beautiful, and often overlooked, Season of Advent. It is a season of sacred waiting. Spiritual writer, Jan Richardson says it is easy to miss its gifts: "So stay. Sit. Linger. Tarry. Ponder. Wait. Behold. Wonder. Something new is on the horizon."

Our 2026 Advent Mission is an invitation to put aside some special time, 3 evenings, for prayer and reflection before the rush of the Christmas season. It is time for discerning how we are each called to birth Christ afresh in our lives and into the world anew. In this way Advent reminds us also of God's faithful waiting for us and gives us a model for all of life as we transition in times of change.

**November 30, 2026 - (6:30-8:00pm)**
**December 1, 2026 - (6:30-8:00pm)**
**December 2, 2026 - (6:30-8:00pm)**

This year's Mission will be led by Sister Mary Rowell, CSJ. Sister Mary is a Spiritual and Retreat Director, a Catholic bioethicist and formerly a professor of Theology at Regis and St. Michael's Colleges at the University of Toronto.



*Refreshments will be served each evening by kindness of St. Michael's CWL*

*Please consider joining our parish community for this peaceful and joyful mission and make Christmas even more special this year.*