

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Cathedral

Archdiocese of Winnipeg



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Mass Times:

Sunday Eucharist:

Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Eucharist:

Monday to Friday 12:10 noon

July/August - Tuesday - Friday 12:10 noon

NO MASS on Mondays

1st Friday - Adoration - 9:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Holy Names House of Peace located at
211 Edmonton Street

Tuesday – Friday: 9:00 am – Noon

Saturday : 10:00 am – Noon

Ordained Ministers:

Rector: Very Reverend Geoffrey Angeles

Deacon: Reverend Mr. Rudy Le Maître

Sacramental Assistant: Fr. Ken Barclay (Retired)

Mission Statement

As the Cathedral parish of the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, we welcome and serve all people on their faith journey as we promote and celebrate the Catholic faith in the living Christ.

Through excellent liturgy, we are inspired to embrace social justice and diversity, and foster personal growth. In an atmosphere of acceptance, we encourage hopefulness, love and transformation.



Third Sunday in Advent



3rd Sunday of Advent

MONDAY, Dec 14/15 - Memorial
- St. John of the Cross, Priest, & Doctor
 † Gerald Onofrey/Darlene Onofrey

TUESDAY, Dec 15/15 - Ferial
12:10 pm - † Juanito V. Maranan/Bill and Pat



- Beatrice Frederick

WEDNESDAY, Dec 16/15 - Ferial
12:10 pm † Leticia Nario-Tolentino/Nario Family



- Mercedes T. Matriano
 - Joseph Federwich
 - Leticia Nario-Tolentino

THURSDAY, Dec 17/15 - Ferial
12:10 pm - Thanksgiving/Ted and Corie

FRIDAY, Dec 18/15 - Ferial
12:10 pm - † Jean and Walter Cormie/Daughter

SATURDAY, Dec 19/15 -Ferial
5:00 pm - † Michael Murphy/Mother



- Amanda Lynn Barcelona

SUNDAY, Dec 20/15 - Third Sunday in Advent
9:30 am & 11:30 am - for the Parishioners of St. Mary's



- Kay Prost



Remembered on the Tree of Life

Lectors Schedule

Group 5 will read next Saturday, Dec 19, 2015.
Group 1 will read next Sunday, Dec 20, 2015.

Liturgical Staff:

Director of Music: Ian Campbell
 Sacristan: Connie Nepomuceno

Faith Formation:

Children: Don Schroeder

Parish Councils:

Finance: Bill Wachko
 Building & Grounds: Ky Mohammed

Support Staff:

Secretary: Pat Stepanuik
 Caretaker/ Building Maintenance: Rickey LaPointe
 Business Manager: Bill Wachko

Affiliated Organizations:

Catholic Women's League: Eleanor Ulasz
 Knights of Columbus: Art Lopuck

"I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals." So said John the Baptist in reference to Jesus. Tax collectors, soldiers, and countless other people gathered to hear John preach. There was an excitement in the air as they were all "filled with expectation." For generations upon generations they had been waiting for the coming of the promised Messiah--the Christ. And now, John the Baptist had appeared with such a striking message and such a powerful presence that "all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ."

But he wasn't. John's mission was to prepare the way for Jesus Christ. In the process, however, people began to think that John was the main attraction. He set the record straight though, when he emphasized that "one mightier than I is coming." And then he made the remark about not being worthy to do even the most humble act of service--loosening sandal straps--for the Lord.

Imagine what the people must have been thinking. They all found John to be such a remarkable man, and yet he declared that he wasn't worthy? If this great prophet was so humble, how much more should they humble themselves in preparation for the coming of the Messiah? And shouldn't we do the same?

As we mediate upon the coming of Christ this Advent season, we would do well to make our approach towards Christmas with humble hearts. What have we done to deserve this incredible gift of a Savior? Are we worthy of his incarnation and his saving death? The fact is that nothing we could ever do would possibly earn our redemption. May we be humble enough to acknowledge that our salvation is the greatest gift we could ever receive.

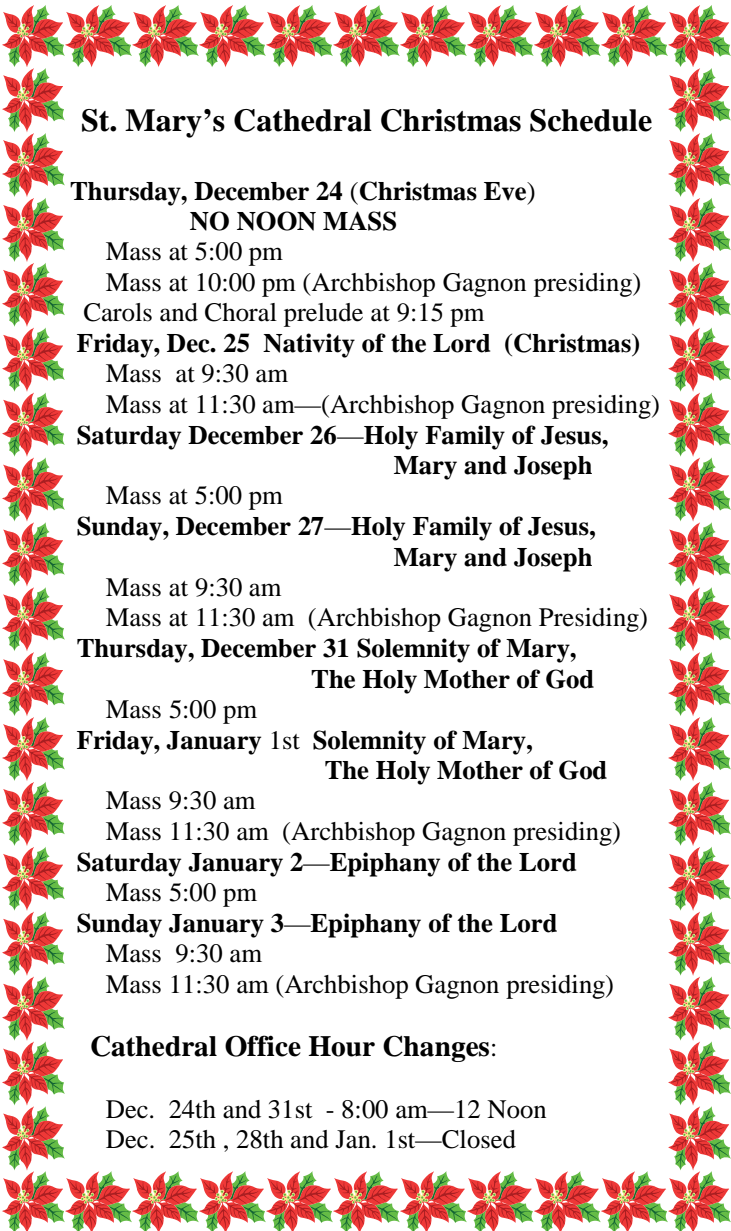
Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming." - Lk 3:15-16

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Readings for the Week of Dec 13, 2015

Sunday: Zep 5:1-9/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6
 Monday: Is 35:1-10/ Lk 5:17-26
 Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-12/Lk 1:26-38
 Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/ 10/Mt 11:28-30
 Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15
 Friday: Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19
 Saturday: Zec 2:14-17/Lk 1:39-47
 Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18



St. Mary's Cathedral Christmas Schedule

Thursday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

NO NOON MASS

Mass at 5:00 pm

Mass at 10:00 pm (Archbishop Gagnon presiding)

Carols and Choral prelude at 9:15 pm

Friday, Dec. 25 Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Mass at 9:30 am

Mass at 11:30 am—(Archbishop Gagnon presiding)

**Saturday December 26—Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary and Joseph**

Mass at 5:00 pm

**Sunday, December 27—Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary and Joseph**

Mass at 9:30 am

Mass at 11:30 am (Archbishop Gagnon Presiding)

**Thursday, December 31 Solemnity of Mary,
The Holy Mother of God**

Mass 5:00 pm

**Friday, January 1st Solemnity of Mary,
The Holy Mother of God**

Mass 9:30 am

Mass 11:30 am (Archbishop Gagnon presiding)

Saturday January 2—Epiphany of the Lord

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday January 3—Epiphany of the Lord

Mass 9:30 am

Mass 11:30 am (Archbishop Gagnon presiding)

Cathedral Office Hour Changes:

Dec. 24th and 31st - 8:00 am—12 Noon

Dec. 25th, 28th and Jan. 1st—Closed

Advent/Christmas Pageant

All are invited to see and support our catechism children as they present the Advent/Christmas Story in dance and song on Saturday, December 19th at 6:30 pm in the Church (immediately following the 5:00 pm Mass).

SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

Committed Goal for 2015	\$53,530.00
Donations Received to Nov 21, 2015	\$42,351.03
Balance Remaining for 2015	\$11,178.97

Only one month is left to raise a sum of \$11,178 to achieve the goal we have been assessed. This is a big challenge confronting all of us, and we ask for your generosity and support.

We wish to express our gratitude for your continued commitment and support.

Parish Offerings

Total offering for the week ended Dec 6, 2015:

Weekday \$ 917.00

Loose \$ 1,312.55

Envelopes \$ 7,317.77

Votives \$ 587.25

PAR/PAD Contributions \$ nil

Total \$ 10,134.57

Capital Campaign for Nov 14, 2015:

Actual offering \$ 932.00

PAR/PAD Contributions \$ nil

Budget per week \$ 2,000.00

Deficit (\$ 1,068.00)

Let there Be Light Campaign for Nov 14, 2015

Offering this week \$ 574.65

Other Donations \$ 00

Total To Date \$ **43,668.66**

(Offerings and Parking are the only revenue the Cathedral receives)

“Fill the Crib” for Villa Rosa

This is CWL Council's annual project to assist Villa Rosa, a residence at 784 Wolseley Ave. that serves young families in need during and after pregnancy. You may fill the crib with items such as baby clothes, diapers, wipes, receiving blankets, quilts and personal items for mothers e.g. deodorants, lotions, shampoo, soap, nursing bras and pads. Due to the overwhelming generosity of the community and lack of storage space, Villa Rosa cannot accept gently used clothing until further notice—thank you.

AGAPE TABLE

The item for December is Non-Dairy Creamer (please place items in the container by the Hospitality Room) to volunteer: 204-783-6369 or volunteer@agapetable.ca

Sacrament of Reconciliation

TUES. DEC. 15 - 10:30 a.m. St. Charles Catholic School
7:00 p.m. Good Shepherd Church (Portage la Prairie)
7:00 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes Church

THURS. DEC. 17 - 10:00 a.m. Saint John XXIII Church
7:00 p.m. St. Paul the Apostle Church

FRI. DEC. 18 - 6:30 p.m. St. Edward's Church

TUES. DEC. 22 - 7:00 p.m. St. Anthony of Padua (Hungarian)

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