

# 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.*





**MONDAY, Dec 15/14 - Ferial**  
**12:10 pm** - † Valeriano Gabriel/Emily & Carole Gabriel

 - *Beatrice Frederick*

**TUESDAY, Dec 16/14 - Ferial**  
**12:10 pm** - † Maria Elana Santos/Family

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

**WEDNESDAY, Dec 17/14 - Ferial**  
**12:10 pm** - † Leticia Nario-Tolentino/Nario Family

**THURSDAY, Dec 18/14 - Ferial**  
**12:10 pm** - † Mr. & Mrs. Cormie/Suzanne Cormie

**FRIDAY, Dec 19/14 - Ferial**  
**12:10 pm** - † Elaine Bouchard/Niece Helene Charron

 - *Amanda Lynn Barcelona*

**SATURDAY, Dec 20/14 - Ferial**  
**5:00 pm** - † Francisco & Rosario Santiaguél Ayson  
 - Dante & Arcie Amigo & Family

 - *Kay Prost*

**SUNDAY, Dec 21/14 - 4th Sunday of Advent**  
**9:30 am & 11:30 am** - For St. Mary's Parishioners

 - *Jamie Duque*

 *Remembered on the Tree of Life*

**Liturgical Staff:**  
 Director of Music: Ian Campbell  
 Sacristan: Connie Nepomuceno

**Faith Formation:**  
 Children: Don Schroeder  
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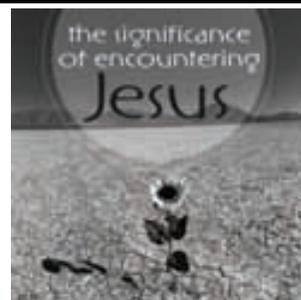
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**Affiliated Organizations:**  
 Catholic Women's League: Eleanor Ulasz  
 Knights of Columbus: Ed Polkowski

**3rd Sunday of Advent**

"There is one among you whom you do not recognize." With these words, John the Baptist was referring to his cousin, Jesus. Although Jesus had not yet begun his public ministry, John knew that Jesus was the Messiah. And it was John's mission to prepare other people to recognize that fact. John and Jesus had first "met" in utero when Mary visited Elizabeth. Even from that early moment, John understood the significance of encountering Jesus. The Gospel of Luke tells us that the baby "leaped for joy" in Elizabeth's womb when the expectant Mary approached. Now that these two babies were grown men, John was still in the business of recognizing Jesus' significance. He describes his cousin as "the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie." John knew that Jesus was something special. And he made it his goal to lead others to the same realization.



Of course, as Christians in the twenty-first century, we already know that Jesus is the Messiah. But John's words still raise an important question for us today: Do we recognize the real significance of Jesus? Do we take him for granted, or do we appreciate the gift of salvation that he offers us? Today's Gospel reading tells us that John came "to testify to the light." Do we let the light of Christ guide our way? Have we "made straight the way of the Lord" by putting Jesus first in our lives?

Today as we light the third candle on the Advent wreath, we would do well to reflect on the true light that came down from heaven. Let us pray, as this holy season continues, that our minds and hearts will be enlightened to grasp the true significance of the coming of Christ.

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John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie."  
 John 1:26-27



**Readings for the Week of  
 Dec 14, 2014**

**Sunday:** Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11  
 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24  
 John 1:6-8, 19-28

**Monday:** Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17a  
 Matthew 21:23-27

**Tuesday:** Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13  
 Matthew 21:28-32

**Wednesday:** Genesis 49:2, 8-10/Matthew 1:1-17

**Thursday:** Jeremiah 23:5-8/Matthew 1:18-25

**Friday:** Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a/Luke 1:5-25

**Saturday:** Isaiah 7:10-14;8:10d/Luke 1:26-38

**Next Sunday:** 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16  
 Romans 16:25-27/Luke 1:26-38

**Advent Penance Services**

**Wed. Dec 17 – 7 pm St. Mary’s Cathedral,**  
*Archbishop Gagnon presiding*  
 Thurs. Dec 18 – 7 pm St. Charles  
 Fri. Dec 19 – 7 pm St. Edward’s

**How to go to Confession**

1. Make the sign of the cross, and with the words *"Bless me Father for I have sinned"*, begin the ritual of reconciliation.
2. Tell the priest how long it has been since your last confession.
3. Share with him those things in your life that you wish to ask God for forgiveness and healing.
4. The priest will provide some words of spiritual direction and suggest a penance to complete.
5. Pray an Act of Contrition (see example below).
6. The priest will pray the words of absolution
7. Go in peace.

**Act of Contrition**

*My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.  
 In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good,  
 I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things.  
 I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more,  
 and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.  
 Our Saviour Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.  
 In His name, my God, have mercy.*



**St Mary’s Cathedral Christmas Schedule**

**Sunday, Dec 21** - Mass at 9:30 am & 11:30 am  
**Monday, Dec 22** - Mass at 12:10 pm  
**Tuesday, Dec 23** - Mass at 12:10 pm  
**Wednesday, Dec 24** - (Christmas Eve)  
**NO NOON MASS**  
 Mass at 5:00 pm & 10:00 pm  
 “Carol Service begins 45 minutes before the 10:00 pm mass”  
**Thursday, Dec 25** - (Christmas Day)  
 Mass at 9:30 am & 11:30 am  
**Friday, Dec. 26** - Mass at 12:10 pm  
**Saturday, Dec 27** - Mass at 5:00 pm  
**Sunday, Dec 28** - Mass at 9:30 am & 11:30 am  
**Monday, Dec 29** - Mass at 12:10 pm  
**Tuesday, Dec 30** - Mass at 12:10 pm  
**Wednesday, Dec 31** - (New Year’s Eve )  
**NO NOON MASS**  
 Mass at 5:00 pm  
**Thursday, Jan 01** - (New Year’s Day)  
 Mass at 9:30 am & 11:30 am

**Parish Office Holiday Closures**

Dec 24 closed at 12:00 noon  
 Dec 25 and 26 - closed  
 Dec 31 – closed at 12:00 noon  
 Jan 1- closed

**Stewardship.....for Life!**

**Total offering for the week ended Dec 7, 2014:**

Weekdays	\$ 905.48
Envelopes	\$ 5,626.00
Loose	\$ 1,026.54
Votives	\$ 453.04
PAR/PAD Contributions	\$ 749.31
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,760.37</b>

**Capital Campaign for Dec 7, 2014:**

Actual collection	\$ 547.00
PAR/PAD Contributions	\$ 152.31
Budget per week	\$ 2,000.00
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>(\$ 1,300.69)</b>

(Offerings and parking are the only funding the Cathedral receives)

**AGAPE TABLE**

The item for December is Non Dairy Creamer  
 (items may be placed in the container in the sacristy)  
 to volunteer : 204-783-6369 or volunteer@agapetable.ca

**The Knights of Columbus would like your Assistance**

**With the Chez Nous/Our Place**

**Annual Winter Clothing Drive**

The following items are needed: winter jackets, blue jeans, mitts, gloves, toques, running shoes, and winter boots. Please place your items in the container labeled Chez Nous.

**Lectors Schedule**

**Group 3** will read next Saturday, Dec 20, 2014.  
**Group 3** will read next Sunday, Dec 21, 2014.

Please support our **"Fill the Crib" project for Villa Rosa**, a prenatal and postnatal residence that helps women manage their lives better and care for their babies. A large basket is in the front of the church on Our Lady's window ledge. Some preferred items are baby lotions, shampoos, diaper cream, hooded towels, receiving blankets, crib sheets, wash cloths, winter baby clothes, children's books & baby toys, twin size bedding. For the mothers, sweat pants, large bras, feminine pads, socks and large and XL women's clothes, journals and sketch books. All donations are gratefully accepted.



Congratulations to the parents and family of **Sofia Yvaine F. Gicoso** who was baptized at the Cathedral on Dec 7, 2014

**RITE OF ACCEPTANCE**

On Dec 21, at the 11:30 am mass we will officially welcome into the catechumenate, 5 people who have been participating in the inquiry process about our Catholic faith. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue to make this faith journey and as they move toward receiving the sacraments of initiation at Easter.

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