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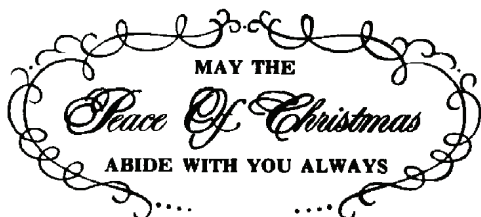
A Blessed Christmas to all parishioners

Christmas is a very special season of the year. From the human point of view, Christmas is a mixed bag. It brings with it both joy and sorrow. I remember beautiful Christmas celebrations from the past and also Christmases which were anything but joy-filled occasions; like the time when my mother died. However, as a disciple of Jesus, I look at God's plan of salvation and how He sent His Son Jesus into the world to become one with humanity. I remember and relive the Nativity scene as it is told in the Gospels and I follow Jesus to the cross and to the resurrection. Jesus was born to die for our sins, in order that we might find a way home to the Father's house. All else is incidental. Oh yes, I enjoy the bright Christmas lights, the festive foods and the socializing which we do at Christmas, but the real joy and peace is sitting before the nativity scene and reading the account of our Saviour's birth as recorded in Luke 2:1-16. Please take the time to read the Biblical account for yourself sometime during the Christmas season. In closing, I want to wish all parishioners and visitors a very Blessed Christmas and may the New Year of 2020 bring us all into a closer relationship with Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer.

Fr. Dominic

Archdiocese of Winnipeg - At the beginning of Advent 2019, December 1st, we in the Archdiocese of Winnipeg are starting a new prayer initiative: the Vocations Prayer Calendar! We invite all of you to pray for a particular person on each day, as indicated on the calendar, to help support and sustain them in their God-given vocation. Thursdays have been designated by Archbishop Richard Gagnon as the Day of Prayer for Vocations. On this day, we pray for all vocations in the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Thank you for joining us! God bless! You can find the calendar here:

<https://www.archwinnipeg.ca/media/vocations/Prayer-Calendar/2019---Vocations-Calendar---December.pdf>

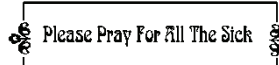


WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated around the world from January 18 - 25, 2020. The theme for 2020 is "They showed us unusual kindness" (cf. Acts 28:2). The materials have been prepared by the Christian churches in Malta and Gozo. On February 10th many Christians in Malta celebrate the Feast of the Shipwreck of Saint Paul, marking and giving thanks for the arrival of Christian faith on these islands. The reading from the Acts of the Apostles used for the feast is the text chosen for this year's Week of Prayer. Here in Winnipeg the 2020 Week of Prayer will be marked by a City-wide Ecumenical Worship Service at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 19, 2020 at Epiphany Lutheran Church, 200 Dalhousie Drive. All are cordially invited to participate in this celebration with church leaders and to pray in a special way throughout the entire week of prayer. For more information, please see the Week of Prayer poster on the church bulletin board.

ECUMENICAL CHOIR FOR CITY-WIDE CELEBRATION

An ecumenical choir is being formed to lead music at the forthcoming celebration on January 19th during the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. No audition is required. Anyone who can carry a tune and wishes to sing in the choir is welcome! Rehearsals will be held at Epiphany Lutheran Church, 200 Dalhousie Drive, Winnipeg, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 5, 2020 and on Sunday, January 12, 2020. A short final rehearsal will be held immediately before the Ecumenical Worship Service on Sunday, January 19, 2020. For further information, you may call Michele Barr at 204-453-5016 or contact her via email: mbarr41@shaw.ca



Please remember in your prayers, parishioners and friends who are ill: Phil & Mavis Arnaud, Paul

Klowak, Mariann Pietracci, Christine Howard, Julia Dewar, Ruby Plischke, Renate Luebbert, Connie Mikolash, Peter Jansen, Duncan Galang, Maria Gen Reyes, and Patricia Ouellette



A Special Thank You to all teachers for their help and support. 2020 Classes: Grades 1 thru 6 start back on Sat, Jan 11th. Grade 7, 8 and Bridging Classes start back on Tue, Jan 7th.

Ottawa - The annual visit of the Presidency of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) to the Holy See will take place from 9-20 December 2019. This year's delegation includes the Most Reverend Richard Gagnon, Archbishop of Winnipeg and CCCB President, the Most Reverend Raymond Poisson, Bishop of Saint-Jérôme and CCCB Vice President, and Monsignor Frank Leo, Jr., CCCB General Secretary. A highlight of their visit will be a private audience with His Holiness Pope Francis on 12 December. You can find pictures and updates from our Archbishop Gagnon on the Archdiocese website: <https://www.archwinnipeg.ca/news.php#242> Scroll down to "Archbishop's section" and "Universal Church" section.

PARISH COUNCIL: May the spirit of Christmas bless your heart with peace and love.

Knights of Columbus: K of C dues envelopes are available at the back of the church. Anyone who pays their dues before December 31st will be entered into a draw to win their dues back. Our Christmas gathering will be on Monday December 16th at St. Benedicts retreat centre at 5:30pm. 225 Masters Ave, West St. Paul Our next General meeting will be on Thursday January 23 at 7:30pm. *I wish each of you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous and peaceful New Year.*

CWL: Our next Executive meeting is on Tuesday Jan 7, 2020 and the General meeting is on Thursday Jan 9, 2020. Thank you to all of our members who volunteered their time and baked for the Winter Craft and Bake Sale. The event was successful. We couldn't have done it without you. **The Pin a Pair** rack is now at the back of the church. We are accepting new hats, mitts, socks and underwear. **No other clothes please!** The CWL Executive extends a Christmas Blessing to all its members... *"Wishing you the special gifts of the Season, peace, love and lasting happiness and a grace filled New Year!"*

Bingo: No bingo Dec. 25 and Jan 1 See everyone Wed. Jan 8 2020. **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY HEALTHY PEACEFUL NEW YEAR.**

LITURGY: *May the blessings of this Holy Season be with you always. Special thanks to all who participated in making the beginning of the Church year a Blessed and Holy event.*

Choirs: *May the Christmas Star Shine upon you and Bless you with its light.*

Leisure Club: *May peace and joy be with you this Christmas and throughout the New Year!*

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Tuesday, January 26th at 1pm.

Little Rock Scripture Bible Study: "The Bible and The Virgin Mary". - Will begin on Monday, January 6th at 6:30pm.

Join St. Paul's High School for their annual open house. The evening will introduce you to the admissions process, allow you to tour the building, learn about its history and meet current teachers, students, parents, faculty and staff. **Date:** January 16, 2020, **Time:** 6:45pm, **Location:** 2200 Grant Avenue (Multiplex Entrance) Please note, St. Paul's is now accepting applications for the 2020/21 school year.

Weekly Mass Schedule

Mon Dec 30: 6th day within the Octave of the Nativity
9:00am R.I.P. Fr. Dominic's mother Ethel - Fr. Dominic

Tue Dec 31: Mary, Mother of God
4:00pm R.I.P. Tim & Claire Sarna by The Sarna Family
R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family
R.I.P. Jose Rodriguez by The Family
R.I.P. Fernando Carvalho by The Family
Blessings for Joseph by The Hay Family
Thanksgiving & Blessings by The Alcartado Family

Wed Jan 1: Mary, Mother of God
11:00am Thanksgiving & Blessings by The Alcartado Family
R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family
R.I.P. Joseph Lyon Hay by The Family
R.I.P. Fernando Carvalho by The Family
R.I.P. Aurora Francisco by The Family
R.I.P. Tommasso DiNella by The DiNella Family

Thur Jan 2: Memorial: St Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen
9:00am R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family

Fri Jan 3: Memorial: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
9:00am R.I.P. Gunther Grosskamper by Tessie Genise
R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family
Thanksgiving by Anna

Sat Jan 4: Epiphany
4:00pm R.I.P. Walter & Caroline Obirek by The Family
R.I.P. Louis & Teena Dudeck by Carol Budowski
R.I.P. Amada Taylo by The Family
R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family

Sun Jan 5: Epiphany
9:00am R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family
11:00am Parishioners

Mon Jan 6: Ferial
9:00am Pastor's Intentions

Tue Jan 7: Memorial: St. André Bessette
9:00am R.I.P. Sonny Hernaez by Priscella Hernaez
R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family

Wed Jan 8: Memorial: St. Raymond of Penyafort
9:00am R.I.P. Jose Rojas by Marjorie Intertas
R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family

Thur Jan 9 : Ferial
9:00am R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family
7:00pm R.I.P. Mag Handkamer by The CWL

Fri Jan 10: Ferial
9:00am R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family

Sat Jan 11: Baptism of the Lord
4:00pm R.I.P. Thomas Xing by The Do Family
R.I.P. Manuel Taylo by The Family
R.I.P. Adele O'Neill by Darlene & Colleen
R.I.P. Kasmer & Linda Baranoski by The Family
R.I.P. William Harris by The Zaluski Family

Sun Jan 12: Baptism of the Lord
9:00am Parishioners
11:00am Thanksgiving & Blessings by The Alcartado Family



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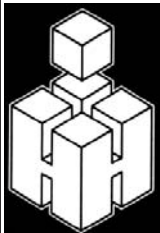


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