

St. Charles Parish

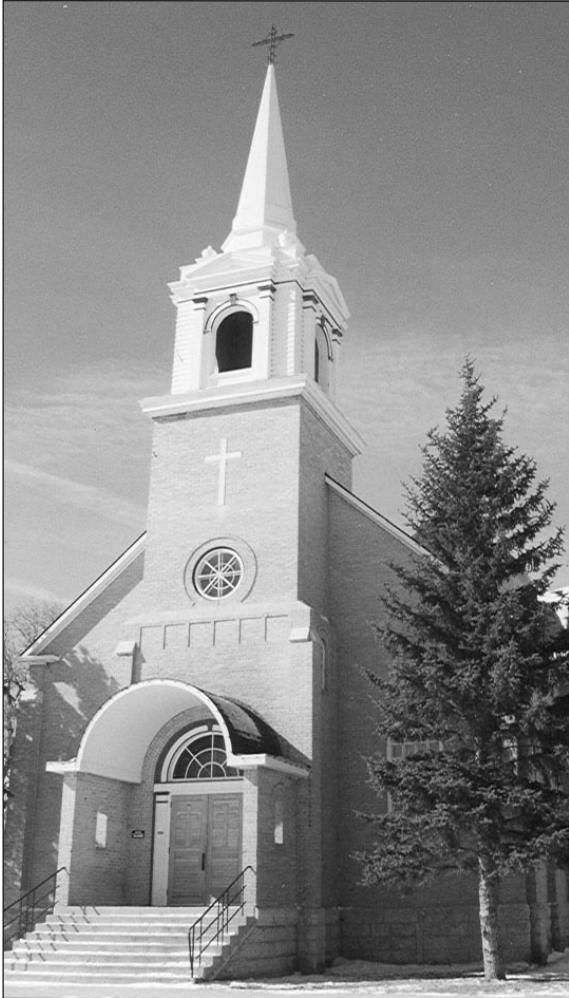
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Pastor: Fr Michael Wollbaum
pastor.stcharles@mymts.net

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Administrative Assistant: Gloria Anderson

Sunday Masses:
Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 9:30 am, 11:30 am

Weekday Masses:
Please see schedule inside bulletin

Parish Office Hours:
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday
9:30 am-12:00 noon, 1:00 pm-4:30 pm
An answering machine is available for messages and
emergencies 204-889-3248

St. Charles Catholic School
331 St. Charles St., Winnipeg, MB R3K 1T6
Telephone: 204-837-1520 Fax: 204-837-2326

St. Charles Cemetery
for info. contact Assumption Cemetery: 204-888-7557

St. Charles Holy Spirit Columbarium
for info. contact St Charles Parish: 204-889-3248



Pastor
Fr Michael Wollbaum

Baptisms: Contact Parish office. Baptisms are celebrated during Mass and at other times. A Baptism Preparation is required.

Marriage: Contact Parish Office at least six months prior to marriage. Marriage Preparation required.


Sacrament of Reconciliation:
(Confessions) Saturday 3:15 pm-3:45 pm and by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick: Upon request - Church, hospital or home.

Parish Catechesis:
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (ages 3 -6 yrs) 10:45 - 11:45 am Sundays
Religious Education (K - Gr. 8) 10:45 - 11:45 am Sundays
RCIA
Please contact the Parish Office for more information 204-889-3248

New Parishioners - welcome. Registration forms located at foyer office.

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

		<i>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
Sat	15	4 pm	St. Charles Parishioners
Sun	16	10 am	†Theo & Christina Holtmann – Tony & Kim Holtmann
<i>Weekday Masses</i>			
NO WEEKDAY MASSES			
<i>21th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>			
Sat	22	4 pm	†Alfred Lafleche - the family
Sun	23	10 am	St. Charles Parishioners

There will be no **Holy Hour** or **Adoration** until Fall.

Parish Finances			
Offerings	Aug 9/20	\$3,010.50	
(Revenue and Expenses)			
2020	Revenue	Expenses	+ or -
July	\$12,567	\$14,818	\$3,185
+Gov't Assist.	\$5,436	-	\$18,036
Year End	\$102,808	112,265	\$8,579
Archdiocesan Support (Sharing God's Gifts/Assessment)			
2020 Target	Received to Date	Shortfall	
\$49,590	\$ 13,056.75	-\$36,533.25	
Thank You for Your Financial Support			

Please remember your Parish in your will.



Please keep in your Prayers those in need of healing and comfort:

Peter Friesen, Amalia Morello and all those affected by COVID 19. Please call the office 204-889-3248 to give us the name(s) of those in need of healing and comfort and to help us to create an up to date list. As you know, to have names added to the list, bulletin and/or posted online, we require consent (due to privacy) from the person(s) concerned.

Thank you for your help and prayers of intercession.



**SUMMER
OFFICE
HOURS**

Tues. & Thurs. 9:30 am – 4:30 pm
(closed 12 – 1 pm)
Messages & emails checked daily.

Thursdays have been designated as an Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. We have been invited to dedicate some time each Thursday to support Vocations through prayer, sacrifice, and works of charity.

<https://www.archwinnipeg.ca/main.php?p=126>

Parish Giving and Financial Update.

You will note in the July financial information, that the parish has a small surplus and our year to date balance is also showing a surplus, this despite overall revenue being down by over 30% since the start of the pandemic. We are showing a surplus because of actions the finance committee has taken and the Government Assistance we have been receiving. Many things have been done over the last several months to make sure the parish stays financially viable during Covid 19. We have limited our spending to essential items only; suspended or curtailed many activities; temporarily reduced our loan payments to interest only; sending only what has been collected for Archdiocese Support and suspended support to the school to name a few. Our surplus will likely be short lived when we began to resume normal operations or if an emergency occurs and when fall expenses like insurance come in. We have also incurred costs related to Covid 19 to meet all health standards and protocols set out by the Province and to live stream our services to Parishioners. Some of these costs will be with for awhile. We would like to thank all parishioners, who were able to contribute this year, especially through the difficulties of Covid 19. Whether it is thru pre-authorized debit, mailed in donation and recently giving at masses. All of this has helped maintain essential services. We understand that some of you are not able to assist right now and ask you to keep the parish in your prayers.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!! We are needing Church Ambassadors to assist our community to worship in a safe and comfortable way. The church ambassadors' role within the re-opening of the Church is critical and needs to be done with the utmost care and dedication. The ambassadors are, above all, hospitality ministers. They are to warmly welcome parishioners back to the church, inquiring of them to their physical well-being, and ensure safety and health protocols are being followed. For more info, please contact the Office 204-889-3248.

Gathering numbers are at 75!

For weekday masses, there is no need to pre-register beforehand, but you will be asked to at the door by the Ambassador. **For Saturday 4 pm and Sunday 10 am Masses, you will still need to register with the office (204-889-3248) by Fridays at 2 pm.**

PLEASE ARRIVE 15 MINUTES BEFORE MASS TO ALLOW TIME FOR CHECK IN AND EXPLANATION OF NEW PROTOCOLS FOR MASS.

August 16, 2020

Dear parishioners,

It has been a busy July in our parish as we continue with our reopening plans for the parish. I am happy to say that the Saturday Mass has been reinstated and attendance for that Mass has been good. So as of last Saturday, with the ushering in of **Phase 4 of the Manitoba government's restoring safe services plan, churches are now allowed to have up to 30% of capacity or 500 in attendance, whichever is less.** In our case, that gives us the potential to seat in the neighbourhood of 120 upstairs at the most. At this time, we have opened up to 75 at church for both the Saturday and Sunday Masses. However, there has not been a huge return of parishioners at Mass as of yet. **Therefore in light of that reality, we will remain at 2 Masses for the month of August, Saturdays at 4 PM and Sundays at 10AM. The limit will be 75 for now and then if things are going well, we will increase to 100 by end of August/early September. In September, we will reset our schedule to Saturdays at 4PM, and Sundays at 930 and 1130, beginning after Labour Day weekend.**

As far as First Communion and Confirmation Masses go, we will be attempting to schedule them for late August/early to mid-September, dates TBA. Depending on the numbers involved, these Masses may be in addition to the regular scheduled ones. We will be touching base with parents to put together such a schedule in the near future.

We as a parish are grateful for all those who are assisting in the various ministries to help make our Masses a comfortable and fruitful experience. However, we are still short of parish ambassadors and could use a few extra people willing to help livestream. If we are short of people willing to help film, that means on those weekends there will be no livestream available. **Some weekends we are tight for ambassadors--if we do not have enough ambassadors for weekend Masses, those Masses will be cancelled (which we hope we would not have to do),** as I cannot preside at Mass and do the ambassador role. Likewise the same goes for Deacon Claude and Deacon Robert, as they will have enough to do in terms of preparations for the weekend Masses. Being an ambassador is a critical ministry at this time, especially with COVID-19 cases on the rise. If you are interested in assisting to help film the Mass for the livestream or be an ambassador, please phone or email the parish office and Gloria will direct you to those who do the training.

Last weekend, as some of you know or were aware, I was sick last Sunday and so was unable to say Mass, as a sinus infection cropped up late Saturday evening/early Sunday morning. I felt the right thing to do for the community was to stay home in light of the fact that I was ill, rather than risk making any of you sick. I would hope that we would all be mindful that way if we are unwell. On Saturday I still

said Mass because at the time I was still feeling well. Thanks to Deacon Claude who helped cover for me Sunday morning and all those who stayed for the Liturgy of the Word with Communion on Sunday morning. As a precaution I went Sunday morning for a COVID-19 test and I am happy to say the result came back as negative for the COVID virus. It was an interesting experience to be under quarantine for a few days, but I know I made the right choice and have peace. I hope this will be a rarity for me to miss Mass, but again, in these COVID-19 times, there's no room for error. I am doing much better and will be able to celebrate with all of you this weekend. Just as a precaution to make sure I am totally over the little bug I had, I cancelled the weekday Masses prior to the weekend. I thank everyone for their understanding. The intentions of last Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday will be rescheduled at a later date.

I will be going on holidays and a mission trip from August 7th-August 20th inclusive, as some of my brother priests and I will be making a special trip up to Cross Lake and Norway House. I will be back to celebrate Mass with you the weekend of August 22-23rd. In the meantime, Fr. Gerry Ward will be with you again the weekends of August 8th-9th and August 15th-16th.

Blessings to all of you and enjoy what is left of our great summer!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Michael

PARISH GIVINGS

Ongoing financial and other temporal concerns also affect the ongoing life of various faith communities all around the world. At this time even as public Masses are starting again (gathering limit of 50 people so far), we still have financial obligations to fulfill. If you are able to help out, ***your regular offertory, Archdiocesan Support, Elevator Fund, or other donations*** may be put in the collection basket when you come to Mass or mailed to the Church:

***ST. CHARLES PARISH
C/O 395 ST. CHARLES ST.
WINNIPEG, MB R3K 1T7***

****CHEQUES TO BE MADE OUT TO*ST. CHARLES PARISH***


Please mark on your cheque memo – what your donation is for: Regular Offering, Archdiocesan Support... and your Parish envelope # (if you have one).

Alternatively, we encourage you to register for pre-authorized debit.

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