

St. Charles Parish

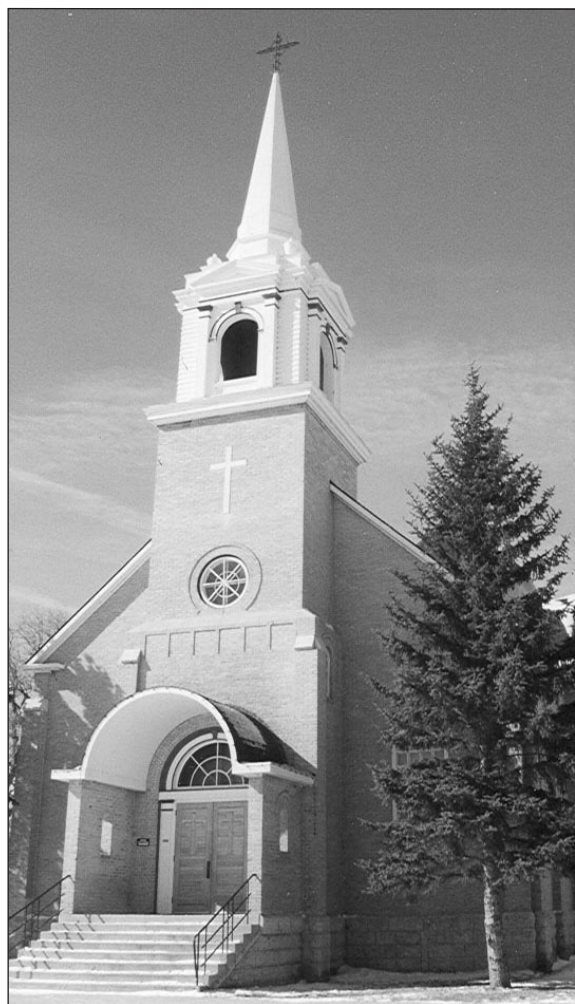
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Location: 320 St. Charles St.



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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
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St. Charles Cemetery
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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:
September - May
Religious Education - K-8 - Between Sunday Masses
Children's Liturgy - 3 & 4 yrs old - During 9:30 am Mass
RCIA - Wednesday evenings - 7:00 - 9:00 pm

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

3rd Sunday of Advent

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Sat	16	4:00 pm	St Charles Parishioners
Sun	17	9:30 am	† Garry Schroeder, - Nina Seidel
	17	11:30 am	† Alida Phaneuf, - Phaneuf family
<i>Weekday Masses</i>			
Tues	19	7:00 pm	(No Mass)
Wed	20	9:00 am	(Church, <u>not</u> at Chemin Neuf Retreat Centre) † Doreen Pitzel, - CWL
Thur	21	9:00 am	Intention of Fr Michael Wollbaum
Fri	22	9:00 am	(School Mass)
<i>3rd Sunday of Advent</i>			
Sat	23	4:00 pm	† Moses & Marie du Plessis, - Winston & Priscilla Morier
			<p><i>Christmas Eve</i></p>
Sun	24	5:00 pm	St Charles Parishioners
	24	8:00 pm	St Charles Parishioners
<i>Christmas Day</i>			
	25	10:00 am	St Charles Parishioners



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

J'Anne Delaplante, Alan Montague, Freda Broughton, Michele Timmerman, Cornelia Reimer, Dale Gathercole, Paul and Jennifer Williams, Gay Viecelli, Anna Swanson, Jody Gale, Stella Ryan, Kathy Hollaman, Jennifer Chase, Ben Remillard, Marcel Flamand, Krista Schaan, Jacob Trudel, Mathew Ballecer, Adele Dasset, Pat LaRue, Gerry Desjardins, Ken Grindle, Lorraine Grindle, Winston Morier, Todd La Rue, Dean King, Barclay Williams, Patricia Paluck, Robert Kushner, Hazel Dyrland, Melissa Leslie, Kay McLaren, Eric Schaan, Nick Whitelaw, Larry Lagace, and Sandra Ammeter.

Parish Finances			
Offerings	December 3/17	\$3,696.50	
Sharing God's Gifts	Target: \$19,850	Received to Date: \$15,193.50	Shortfall of: -\$4,656.50
Archdiocese Assessment	Target: \$31,170.00	Received to Date: \$4,470.00	Shortfall of: -\$26,700.00
(Revenue and Expenses) October 2017			
	Revenue	Expenses	
	\$22,332.	\$20,976.	+\$1,356.
Year to Date	\$207,137.	\$212,018	-\$4,881.
Thank you for your Financial Support			



Saturday December 23, at 10:00 am. Many hands are required to make our church beautiful and festive!

There will be a potluck lunch in the hall. Hope to see you there!

2018 boxes of CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

Regular and Pre-Authorized debit boxes are ready for pickup at the entrance of the Church. Please bring home your envelopes today.



Do not use your 2017 envelopes in 2018 since you will have a new number! We request that you write your name and address in the New Year on your envelopes especially in January 2018 for tracking purposes. Should you have any concerns contact the Church office at: **204-889-3248**.

Sharing God's Gifts Target for 2017 is: \$ 19,850. We are presently at: \$15,193.50- 77 % there. (as of Dec 5/17) You will find special envelopes in the foyer office. Payments can be made by credit card, cash, or cheque. Please note that the cutoff date is December 31, 2017. Thank you.

Check out our website at: www.saintcharles.ca
For current info in our Archdiocese go to www.archwinnipeg.ca

My soul shall exalt in my God. (Responsorial Psalm)
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he has sent me to bring good news to the poor. (Gospel Acclamation)



Holy Hour

This **Thursday December 21,**

From 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

Everyone is invited to spend some time with the Lord!

"Be still, and know that I Am God!.."

Psalm: 46:10

*Weekend,
Christmas, & New year's
Mass Schedule*



Saturday December 23	4:00 pm
Christmas Eve	5:00 pm, (Family Mass)
Sunday December 24	
	8:00 pm, (with carols at 7:30 pm)
Christmas Day	10:00 am, (morning Mass)
Monday December 25	
Saturday January 30	4:00 pm
Sunday December 31	9:30 am
	11:30 am
New Year's Day	10:00 am



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2018 Calendars

The 2018 calendars have arrived, courtesy of Wojcik's Funeral Chapel. Please one calendar per household currently.

Sunday Missals 2017-2018

Available for purchase at the entrance of the church for \$5.

**No Catechism classes until Sunday, Jan. 7th, 2018.
Have a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year!**



Birthday Party for Jesus

Please join us for games and food to celebrate the "Birthday Party for Jesus" beginning right after the **9:30 AM Mass on Sunday, Dec. 17th**. Please feel free to bring

presents in the way of non perishable foods, money, or toys to be donated to Winnipeg Harvest, Chemin Neuf, or Christmas Cheer Board. See you all on **Sunday, Jan. 14th, 2018.**



**DECEMBER
ADVENT
CONFESSIONS**

Mon 18 7:00 pm **Our Lady of Lourdes**

ST. CHARLES LADIES ASSOCIATION Please mark your 2018 calendars!!! "Christmas in January"



The Ladies will be holding a Christmas **Pot Luck Supper, General Meeting and Party Wed. January 10/18**

- in the church hall, Doors open 5:30 pm - Supper at 6:00 pm. All Ladies of the Parish are Welcome!!!

MEETINGS/EVENTS SCHEDULE

Mon	18	6:30 pm	Choir
Tues	19	1:00 pm	Crafts
Wed	20	1:00 pm	Cards
Thurs	21	6:00 pm	Holy Hour
Sat	23	10:00 am	Church decorating (potluck)



Gaudete (Third Sunday of Advent)

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

This Sunday, called Gaudete (Latin for "rejoice"), marks the halfway point of Advent. The rose candle is lit, and the second reading begins, "Rejoice always!" This upbeat mood can come to a full stop, however, when the requirement extends to giving thanks in all circumstances. I remember my friend suffering blinding headaches after her third cesarean section, was also dealing with her crying unborn, the head lice her son brought home from kindergarten and sewage overflow in her house after a ball had flushed down the toilet. She cried, "If I have one more circumstance, I will be giving thanks in a institution!"


I'm convinced the only thing that gets us through terrible times is "prayer without ceasing." This is not thanking God that this chaos is God's will, but that we are not alone. The One who came to be with us at Christmas is holding us in love. Gaudete! (written by Patricia Livingston, from the **Living Faith Daily Devotions** booklet)

WINNIPEG HARVEST 10 MOST WANTED FOOD ITEMS

CANNED MEAT & FISH, BABY FORMULA & FORMULA, RICE, DRY CEREAL, DRY PASTA, CANNED SOUP, CANNED FRUIT & VEGETABLES, CANNED STEW, PEANUT BUTTER, & SPAGHETTI SAUCE. Hamper located at the entrance of the church, south side.



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