

St. Charles Parish

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4th Sunday of Advent

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Sat	23	4:00 pm	† Moses & Marie du Plessis, - Winston & Priscilla Morier
			<i>Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Eve)</i>
Sun	24	5:00 pm	St Charles Parishioners
	24	8:00 pm	St Charles Parishioners
<i>Christmas Day</i>			
Mon	25	10:00 am	St Charles Parishioners
(No weekday Masses, Tues Dec 26-Fri Dec 29)			
<i>Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i>			
Sat	30	4:00 pm	† Howard Liddicoat, - Eva Liddicoat
Sun	31	9:30 am	† George Weber, - CWL
	31	11:30 am	St Charles Parishioners
			<i>Mary, the Holy Mother of God</i>
Mon	1	10:00 am	† Mauro Cutrone, - Pasqua Cutrone



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.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Cordy Thomaschewski; may she rest in the peace of Jesus Christ.

Parish Finances			
Offerings	December 10/17	\$3,765.40	
Sharing God's Gifts	Target: \$19,850	Received to Date: \$16,673.50	Shortfall of: -\$3,176.50 (as of Dec 13)
Archdiocese Assessment	Target: \$31,170.00	Received to Date: \$4,675.00	Shortfall of: -\$26,495.00 (as of Dec 13)
(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			

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: \$16,673.50 - 84 % there. (as of Dec 13/17) 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

Forever I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord.
(Responsorial Psalm)

Here am I, the servant of the Lord: let it be done to me according to your word. (Gospel Acclamation)



Holy Hour

Will resume on **Thursday January 4/18**
From 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Will resume on **Friday January 5/18**
From 9:30 am-12:00 pm.

Everyone is invited to spend some time with the Lord! **"Be still, and know that I Am God!.."**
Psalm: 46:10



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Merry Christmas! Tonight we celebrate God's greatest gift to us, the gift of Himself in the

coming of Jesus Christ. As Christ took on flesh and became one of us for our freedom and salvation, we rejoice. By Christ's coming all men and women are restored in their dignity before God. The Christmas season is a time for us to remember that God loves us so much He came so that we could get to know the truth of how much He loves us and desires the best for us. Christmas is also a time to remember that we are all equal before God and all equally called to holiness and heaven. Therefore, if we believe in the real spirit of Christmas, we should be going out of our way to ensure no one is left out this time of year, that all are respected and honoured in their human dignity. Everyone is called to sit at God's table and feast on His love. As Christ came to give Himself to us, we also enter into the spirit of giving--not just material gifts, but the ones that really count: love, joy, peace, hope. Just as God reminds us of our call to communion with Him through divinity and humanity united in the person of Jesus Christ, we too are called to invite others into communion with God and with us if we want to honor Christ's coming among us. Celebrate well for the whole of the Christmas season--it's still Christmas after Boxing Day! From my family to yours, have a Blessed and Merry Christmas 2017 and a Blessed and Happy New Year 2018.

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.

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!!!



Urgent - St. Charles Parish Obligation to Archdiocese

(Sharing God's Gifts and Parish Assessment). With a combined short fall of close to \$17,000.00 as of December 10, 2017 parishioners are asked to give in the specially marked envelopes available at the back of the church. If you have already donated, thank you. A special collection was taken last weekend for this and if you missed it please use the envelope marked **Parish Assessment** (cheques are payable to "St. Charles Parish"). If you use a Sharing God's Gifts envelope the cheques are payable to "**Sharing God's Gifts**". All cheques need to be date no later than **December 31, 2017** in order to be credited to 2017. Any short fall will come out of the parish emergency fund as there is not enough money our general operating account. Thank you for your attention on this matter.

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



By the Waters of Baptism We Welcome:

Nora Grace L'Heureux,
Benjamin Ryz and Zoe Ryz

St. Charles Ladies Association

The St. Charles Ladies Assoc. and the Tuesday Ladies Craft Group wish to **thank everyone** for their delicious baking and beautiful knitting/crafts. The Bake Sale made \$843.00 and the Craft Sale netted \$252.00 – with both amounts donated to Sharing God's Gifts this year. We appreciate the volunteer efforts of Andrea Mackie, Linda Pelletier, Mary Lewco and Irene Spradbrow in running this event!!



Congratulations to our Youth that recently celebrated their First Reconciliation:

Reiszcha Altamia, Piper Bilous, Tiago Barbosa-Meyer, Alia Duczeminski, Luca Duczeminski, Mattea Herosian, Athasja Lazaro, Gabrielle Sliwiany, Ethan Powell, Jenna Haussler, Olivia Haussler, and Melia Hrushowy.

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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