

St. Francis de Sales Parish

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Yvonne Bakker, Liturgy

Shirley Parfett, Community Outreach

Sally Grant, Catechetics

Michael Despatie, Administration



Masses

Weekdays:

Mon., Wed., Thurs. & Fri.: 8:00 am

Weekends: Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:30 am & 11:00 am

Office Hours

9 am- 12 pm Monday through Friday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday - 3:30 pm-4:30 pm

or by appointment

Baptism

1st Sunday of every month.

Please contact the pastor for an appointment.

Marriage

Please contact the pastor for appointment a year in advance.

Shut-ins

Please advise the pastor if you have someone at home who wishes to receive the sacrament of the sick or communion on Sunday.

Parish Directory-St. Francis de Sales

Pastoral Council
Finance Council
Greeters
Liturgy/Lectors
Eucharistic Ministries/Outreach
Prayer Intentions
Music Ministry 5:00 pm
9:30 am
11:00 am

Altar Society
Altar Servers Co-ordinator
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CWL
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Welcoming Committee
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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, 16th December

3-4:30 p.m. Confessions

- 5:00 p.m. 1. Fr. Thomas Villeneuve by the Villeneuve family
2. Joanne Lefebvre by Sean & Sally
3. Agnes Leduc by the family (5th Anniv.)

Sunday, 17th December - 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:30 a.m. Hubert, Laurette & Ronnie Cotnam & Blanch & Lawrence McDermid by Wayne & Elaine McDermid

11:00 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners

Monday, 18th December

8:00 a.m. Gilles Aube by Carol

Wednesday, 20th December

8:00 a.m. Gilles Gagnier by Mom & Dad

Thursday, 21st December

8:00 a.m. Charles & Mary Thibodeau & family by Marie & Yvon

Friday, 22nd December

8:00 a.m. Brenda Carrara by a friend

Saturday, 23rd December

3-4:30 p.m. Confessions

- 5:00 p.m. 1. Victor Proulx by Marc & Karen Leduc (1st Anniv.)
2. Theodore Lussier by Garry & Marlene McDougall
3. Rejeanne & Verna Parker by Roderick Parker

Sunday, 24th December - 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:30 a.m. Clifford & Theresa Ruest by Elaine LeBrun

11:00 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

For the repose of the soul of CHARLOTTE GRACE COUGHLIN, Granddaughter of Yvonne & John Bakker, great granddaughter of Marie & Yvon Labossier. May the Lord Jesus welcome her into His kingdom of light and peace.

NOTICES

Sunday offering notices for the next few weeks will appear in the new year, due to early publishing schedules.

SUNDAY COLLECTION - 10 DECEMBER 2023

Regular Sunday envelopes	\$5,910.00
Loose Collection	265.25
Diocese of Hearst Moosonee	5.00
Christmas	25.00
Christmas flowers	39.15
Calendar sale	212.55
Votive lights	94.15
TOTAL	6,551.10



God of joy, it is in your love that we find lasting joy. Keep us from seeking happiness in things that will not last, for we brought nothing into this world and can take nothing out of it. Teach us instead to find joy in the gift of your Son, who came into this world with nothing, yet gave us everything. May his joy bubble up in our hearts and overflow to all we meet this Advent season. Amen.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS TIMES

The normal weekend mass schedule will be followed on Saturday evening and Sunday morning on 23/24 & 30/31 December.

Christmas Eve, Sunday, 24 December - 5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Christmas Day, Monday, 25 December - 10:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve, Sunday, 31 December - 5:00 p.m.
New Year's Day, Monday, 1 January - 10:00 a.m.

GAUDETE SUNDAY

Joy in the Lord

"I rejoice heartily in the Lord," the prophet says in the First Reading. And why wouldn't he? He has glad tidings. The poor will be taken care of, the brokenhearted will be healed, the captives will be freed, and the prisoners will be released.

Who wouldn't rejoice in these things?

As the winter dark and cold encroach on our days, and as the birth of the baby Jesus draws near, we hear these beautiful words everywhere. But the problem is that, for so many people, this is a time of depression, not of joy.

And why? Because the poor are still poor; the people are still broken-hearted; and the captives and prisoners are only slowly released. In this country, the bank still forecloses on the house of a person who has lost his job; a friend still becomes treacherous; a spouse succumbs to alcoholism. What has happened to the promise and the beautiful words? How is joy possible?

The answer lies in Mary's words in the Magnificat. "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior," she says. Does anyone think that she took these words back when she stood by the cross as her son was crucified?

How can Mary maintain the words of the Magnificat still at the foot of the cross? The answer is that the greatest love of the Lord was there. The words of joy that Mary spoke, before the Lord was born, are only more true in the suffering she bears at his cross. His love doesn't take away her suffering at his crucifixion (how could it)? But her suffering is enveloped in great love, and so it is transfigured.

Joy in the Lord is compatible with waiting for the final redemption from our suffering and our sin—because Christ is Emanuel, God with us. Even now, since his love infuses all our suffering, our souls can proclaim the greatness of the Lord, and our spirits can rejoice in God.

Our Lord transfigures the suffering of our lives in his love.

*Eleonore Stump
Professor of Philosophy*

CWL NOTICES

CWL BAKELESS BAKESALE FUNDRAISER



The Catholic Women's League asks for your support to help fulfill our mission of Faith, Social Justice and Service to our community. Please contribute to our Holiday Bakeless Bake Sale this Advent season. Just place your contribution in the envelope attached to our invitation for support and insert it in the parish donations boxes at the entrances of the church.



RE: CWL JELLO

Many thanks to all who contributed to our Jello Campaign - 350 boxes were collected.

NOTICES

NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL

Sunday, 31st December 2023 - 8:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.
at K of C Hall, 205 Amelia Street (Upstairs Hall)
Tickets \$35 per person - call 613-932-7600



2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Please pick up your offertory envelopes for 2024 which are in alphabetical order on the shelves at the main entrance of the church.



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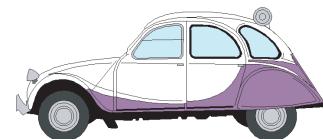
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