

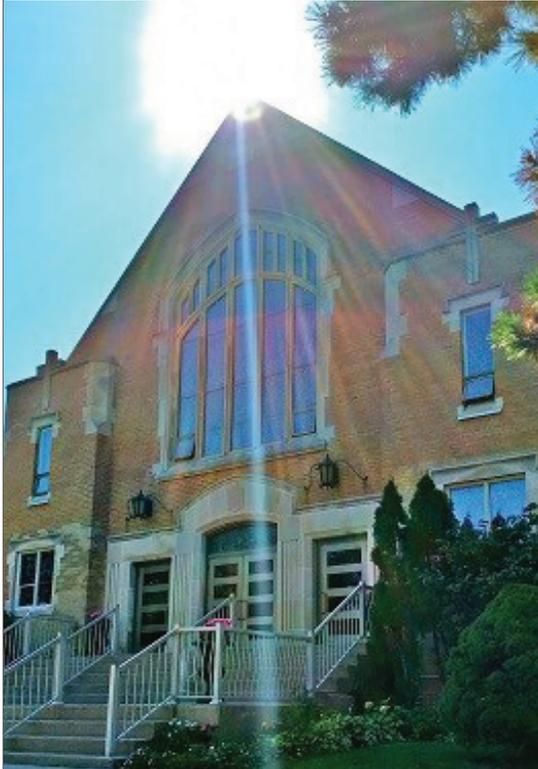
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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am; 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 8:30 am
Wednesday & Friday: 7:30 pm

DEVOTIONS

ROSARY

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday:
@ 8am before morning Mass

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

First Friday: 7:00 pm

ADORATION AND DIVINE MERCY

Every Friday after evening Mass

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Registered parishioners are invited to pick up a Baptism information package from the Parish Office.

COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Please contact Parish Office for program start dates.

MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the Parish Office ONE year in advance. At least one party must be a registered and practicing member of St. Boniface.

PARISH SCHOOLS

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Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners

A very warm welcome to all new parishioners and those who are visiting St. Boniface Parish this weekend. New parishioners are asked to fill out registration form below and put it in the collection basket or drop-off at office.

PARISHIONER INFORMATION SHEET

MR. & MRS. MR. MRS. MISS MS.

Last Name

First Name(s)

STREET# AND NAME/APARTMENT# OR UNIT #

CITY

POSTAL CODE

TELEPHONE#

EMAIL ADDRESS

NAME(S) AND DATE(S) OF BIRTH OF CHILD/CHILDREN:

NAME(S) DD/MM/YEAR

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? WOULD YOU LIKE ENVELOPES?
YES NO YES NO

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE CONTACTED ABOUT PARISH INVOLVEMENT?
YES NO

**ONCE REGISTERED, ENVELOPES WILL BE AVAILABLE BY
ENTRANCE OF CHURCH.**



DECEMBER 17TH, 2023
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CYCLE B (MARK)

One Who is Coming: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Third Sunday of Advent

Readings:
Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11
Luke 1:46-50, 53-54
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
John 1:6-8, 19-28

The mysterious figure of John the Baptist, introduced in last week's readings, comes into sharper focus today. Who he is, we see in today's Gospel, is best understood by who he isn't. He is not Elijah returned from the heavens (see 2 Kings 2:11), although like him he dresses in the prophet's attire (see Mark 1:6; 2 Kings 1:8) and preaches repentance and judgment (see 1 Kings 18:21; 2 Chronicles 21:12-15). Not Elijah in the flesh, John is nonetheless sent in the spirit and power of Elijah to fulfill his mission (see Luke 1:17; Malachi 3:23-24). Neither is John the prophet Moses foretold, although he is a kinsman and speaks God's word (see Deuteronomy 18:15-19; John 6:14). Nor is John the Messiah, though he has been anointed by the Spirit since he was in the womb (see Luke 1:15, 44). John prepares the way for the Lord (see Isaiah 40:3). The baptism he performs is symbolic, not sacramental. It is a sign given to stir our hearts to repentance. John shows us the One upon whom the Spirit remains (see John 1:32), the One who fulfills the promise we hear in today's First Reading (see Luke 4:16-21). Jesus' bath of rebirth and the Spirit opens a fountain that purifies Israel and gives to all a new heart and a new Spirit (see Zechariah 13:1-3; Ezekiel 36:24-27; Mark 1:8; Titus 3:5). John comes to us in the Advent readings to show us the light, that we might believe in the One who comes at Christmas. As we sing in today's Responsorial, the Mighty One has come to lift each of us up, to fill our hunger with bread from heaven (see John 6:33, 49-51). And as Paul exhorts in today's Epistle, we should rejoice, give thanks, and pray without ceasing that God will make us perfectly holy in spirit, soul, and body—that we may be blameless when our Lord comes.



Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at www.stpaulcenter.com

Mass Intentions 
FOR THE WEEK

DECEMBER 16TH TO DECEMBER 23RD 2023

- Sat Dec 16th 5:00pm - Inacio Fernandes †
- Sun Dec 17h 7:30am - Stephanie Cabello
- 9:00am - Marian Tan †
- 10:30am- People of the Parish
- 12:00pm- Tony Loberto †
- Mon Dec 18th 8:30am - Deceased members of the Auchicloss and Ryan Families and all our deceased friends and acquaintances †
- Tue Dec 19th 8:30am - Thanksgiving for Babeth Bazon
- Wed Dec 20th 7:30pm - Open
- Thu Dec 21st 8:30am - Sylvia Johnson †
- Fri Dec 22nd 7:30pm - Laura, Gregory & Karen Haffy †
- Sat Dec 23th 8:30am - Hilda Martyn †; Victor Martyn †; Crofton Martyn †; and Carolina Mabugat †



OUR SICK:

Anunciacion Chang, Derek Rosario, Maria Theresa, Maria Johanna Tizon, Bob & Linda Morgan, Sally Benadetto, Maverick Valle, Richard Stockman, Don O'Shaughnessy, Alana Maurica Gerardine, Bette McDermott, Josephine Lavecchia, Romeo Dimalanta, Mara Ezgeta, Fredrick Martyn, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achaibar, Sharon Garisto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi, Anna Tomasi, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Estela Pett, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Edward Kaminski, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Holly MacInnis, Norma Diso, Jennifer Solomon, Bill Filipchuk, Kathleen Filipchuk, Colleen Balgobin, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Lorraine Fraser, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Ecclejton, Kathleen Copeland, Conchita Estolano Paran, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Naty Germain, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Adeline Noronha, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Duverney Family, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Marie Dignum, Ahilla Kissoon.



CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE



SUNDAY DECEMBER 24TH 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Regular Sunday Masses
7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, & 12pm

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES NATIVITY OF THE LORD

7:00PM — Mass with Children's Pageant
9:00PM
11:30pm CAROLS; Mass 12 MIDNIGHT

CHRISTMAS DAY MONDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
(NO 7:30AM, 10:30AM OR NOON MASSES)

SUNDAY DECEMBER 31ST HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Regular Sunday Masses
7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, & 12pm

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD 5:00PM

NEW YEAR'S DAY MONDAY, JANUARY 1ST

**9:00AM 10:30AM
12NOON**



Catholic Womens League (CWL) - St. Boniface

The CWL of St. Boniface is having their monthly general meeting on **Sunday, December 17th 2023 at 2pm via zoom**. Meeting link will be sent out to members email. New members are always welcome.



Please join us to meet and mingle and share ideas to move the Council forward. We look forward to seeing you there!

PARISH OFFICE NEWS

The Parish Office will be closed from Saturday, December 23rd 2023 to Monday, January 1st 2024. Office will re-open on Tuesday, January 2nd.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

If your child has not yet registered for the Sacrament of Confirmation, or if you know of anyone who has not received their Sacrament of Confirmation, please ask them to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible at 416-261-5983 to pick up a registration package.



If you attended the Registration and have not yet dropped off your Registration Form, Baptism Certificate and registration fee, please do so ASAP.

ENROLLMENT CEREMONY

The enrollment ceremony where you will receive the Confirmation Cross is on the weekend of **January 6th and 7th 2024 at any one of the five (5) Masses.**

Catechesis Sessions:

SATURDAY JANUARY 13, 2024— 10:00 AM TO 12 NOON
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2024 — 10:00 AM TO 12 NOON
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2024 — 10:00 AM TO 12 NOON
SATURDAY MARCH 23, 2024 – 10:00AM TO 12:00 NOON
SATURDAY APRIL 20, 2024 — 10:00 AM TO 12 NOON

MANDATORY CONFIRMATION RETREAT

MAY 11, 2024 – 10AM TO 4PM

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S PAGEANT

Parents with children age 4 and up, who would like to participate in this year's Children's Christmas Pageant on Christmas Eve at the 7pm Mass are invited to attend rehearsals on December 17th and December 24th after the 12pm Mass.



For more information, please contact Trinity Carlos at trinitycarlos0610@gmail.com.

Thank you.

DEADLINE FOR DONATIONS FOR 2023 (tax receipt purposes)

Please note that the last day to drop off donations for this year's (2023) tax receipt will be on **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27TH.**

Any donations received after that day will be counted towards next year's (2024) donation.



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