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ADVENT

From the Pastor's desk

Christmas 2025

Dear Parishioners and friends, We stand before the manger in Bethlehem once again. We contemplate his gentle, meek and humble presence. The King of kings lays on straw in a cow shed because no one gave him anywhere else to be born. Our world continues to be filled with greed, selfishness and hate. The suffering that engulfs our world which is marked with wars, poverty, injustices and pain is not unlike the world which Jesus, Emmanuel was born into. However, we must not lose hope. Jesus knows the whole of it; he sees that which none of us can see. Jesus reads the hearts and feels the needs of each and every one of us. The Prince of Peace continues to bless and surprise us with so many gifts, even in our ever escalating economy. In a world filled with left wing agendas, fake news and death ideologies, we may find ourselves asking what the "true meaning" of Christmas is. In order to find the real meaning of Christmas we will have to follow the poor shepherds to Bethlehem. There in the manger lies the true meaning of Christmas. Wishing all of you a Blessed and Holy Christmas and may the New Year of 2026 bring with it blessings in faith, hope and charity which are the true riches we can give to each other and to the world. Father Dominic.

Sharing God's Gifts

As we approach the end of the year 2025, we as a parish are not the only institution requesting finances. There are a whole lot of other worthy organizations asking for financial assistance, especially during these difficult times. Yet, St. Paul tells us in his Letter to the Galatians *"Whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith."* 6:10 We always place Christ and his bride, the Church, first; remembering that the Church exists on the donations of those who are parishioners. The Church does not receive any financial assistance from the government. **Thank you** to those who contributed last weekend to Sharing God's Gifts, especially those who contributed for the first time. King Solomon, one of the wisest persons who ever lived said *"honor the Lord with your wealth."* Such wisdom should compel us to focus our attention on the providence of God. As we recognize God as the Provider of our wealth and then give back to the Lord in gratitude, he will bless us even more. It is all about **Trust**. We are presently at \$84,664.52, which means that we still have \$30,739.48 to meet our target. Please give to the Lord!

Matches

We are in need of matches to light the candles. If you have any matches which you can spare, please contribute them to the parish. Thank you.



Please remember in your prayers, parishioners and friends who are ill: Renate Luebbert, Connie Mikolash, Susana Montales, Adam Rusak, Elsie & Stan Bialkowski, Katrena Johnson Donahoe and Melissa Handkamer.

Readings for the Week:

Mon Dec 22 – 1 Samuel 1:24-28, Luke 1:46-56
 Tue Dec 23 – Malachi 3:1-4; 4:5-6, Luke 1:57-66
 Wed Dec 24 – 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12, 16, Luke 1:67-79
 Thur Dec 25 – Isaiah 52:7-10, Hebrews 1:1-6, John 1:1-18
 Fri Dec 26 – Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59, Matthew 10:17-22
 Sat Dec 27 – 1 John 1:1-4, John 20:2-8
 Sun Dec 28 – Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21, Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
 Mon Dec 29 – 1 John 2:3-11, Luke 2:22-35
 Tue Dec 30 – 1 John 2:12-17, Luke 2:36-40
 Wed Dec 31 – 1 John 2:18-21, John 1:1-18
 Thur Jan 1 – Num 6:22-27, Gal 4:4-7, Lk 2:16-21
 Fri Jan 2 – 1 John 2:22-28, John 1:19-28
 Sat Jan 3 – 1 John 2:29; 3:1-6, John 1:29-34



Sharing God's Gifts
 Our Annual Archdiocesan Appeal
We are one body!



2025

Parish Assessment: \$63,930.00
2025 Appeal Goal: \$51,474.00
Total Parish Goal: \$115,404.00

Cash Received: \$84,664.52
We still need \$30,739.48 to reach our goal

Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve: Wed Dec 24th 4pm & 7pm
Christmas Day: Thur Dec 25th 11am
Mary, Mother of God
 Wed Dec 31st 4pm & Thur Jan 1st 11am

Parish News



The Catholic Women's League would like to everyone a peaceful and blessed Christmas and a joyful and happy New Year! We would like to thank everyone for their support this past year. **We are accepting memberships old and new for 2026. The fee is \$40.00.** You can bring your fee to our meetings or use the envelopes and forms that can be found at the back of the church in the gathering space. You can submit your membership by dropping your membership envelope in the collection basket at any weekend mass or mail it to Pat Hay at 408-445 Partridge Ave, Winnipeg, MB R2V 3H6. Or hand it to Pat Hay at the 4PM mass..



The Knights of St. Anthony of Padua Council
 10569 wish our entire Parish Family a Christmas Season of Peace that only the coming of Our Saviour Jesus Christ can provide.



Merry Christmas to all of our young parishioners and their families as we celebrate the Birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the Catechism volunteers.

May peace and joy be with you and yours this Christmas season and continue throughout the New Year. Leisure Club will resume after the holidays on January 7th. We welcome new members. For more information call Patricia Peckover at 899-0631.

Mass Schedule

Mon Dec 22: Ferial

6:00am Pastors intentions

Tue Dec 23: Memorial: St. John of Kanty

6:00am R.I.P. Stella Iskierski by Emily
Deceased members of the Abrenica & Alcudia Family

Wed Dec 24: Ferial

6:00am Thanksgiving by The Cabrera Family

Wed Dec 24: Nativity of the Lord

4:00pm R.I.P. Adam & Bertha Rusak and Anna & John Chrzanowski by The Chrzanowski Family
R.I.P. Mike, Louise & Theresa Magnowski by The Family
R.I.P. Mary Teresa Gallagher & Deceased members of the Hay & Gallagher Family by The Hay Family
R.I.P. Tony, Wayne, Dave & Ray by Gary & Elizabeth Kincaid
All souls in purgatory especially those who have no one to pray for them & those who were there a long time by The Dillabough Family
Blessings for The Reis Family by Jose & Maria Reis
Thanksgiving by Eric Vergara & Family
Health & Blessings for the Dillabough Family
7:00pm R.I.P. Jason Kelsch by Angie, John, Jodi & Justin
R.I.P. Vespertina Battad by Her Family
R.I.P. Edward, Delores & Duncan Zaluski by The Family
R.I.P. Michael Drapala by Betty & Joe Zarrillo
R.I.P. Laszlo Toth, Juliana Karagity & Gloria Barkovics by Marika Toth
R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family
R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family
Deceased members of the Zarrillo & Kufowski Families by Joe & Betty Zarrillo
Thanksgiving by The Alday Family
Health & Thanksgiving for Frances Drapala by Joe & Betty Zarrillo
Thanksgiving & Blessings for Danny Geron & Family by Marjorie Geron
Thanksgiving by Eduardo, Jessica & Maria Nacion

Thur Dec 25: Nativity of the Lord

11:00am R.I.P. Stanislaw Bielecka & Stanislaw Bielecki by Gina
R.I.P. Joseph & Delia Kincaid by Gary & Elizabeth Kincaid
R.I.P. Mark & Verna Watson by The Family
R.I.P. Julian & Aniela Rogowy and Wladyslaw & Maria Pindera by The Rogowy Family
R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family
R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family
Thanksgiving & Blessings by The Alcartado Family
Intentions of Gary & Elizabeth Kincaid

Fri Dec 26: Feast: St. Stephen

9:00am R.I.P. Ludwig Haip by Oskar Lakatos
R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family
R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family
All Souls in Purgatory by The Bello Family

Sat Dec 27: Holy Family

4:00pm R.I.P. Antoinette Hamid by Derek & Maricelli Pena
R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family
R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family
Deceased members of the Kraemer & Dominowski Families by Ursula Kraemer
Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Theresa Joy Alcartado by Ronald & Lynna Alcartado
Health & Happiness of Randy Verrier & Loved ones by The Hay Family

Sun Dec 28: Holy Family

9:00pm Parishioners
11:00am R.I.P. Mitchelle & Louise Niewiarowski by Joan & Jean
R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family
R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family
Health of Lawrence & Anita by the LaFreniere Family
Health of Yvette, Emily & Claire by the LaFreniere Family
Thanksgiving & Blessings by The Alcartado Family

Mon Dec 29: Memorial: St. Thomas Becket

9:00am Pastors intentions

Tue Dec 30: Ferial

9:00am R.I.P. Joseh Lesniak by Joan & Jean
R.I.P. Peter & Maria Majowski by The Family
R.I.P. Stanislaw & Michalina Rudzki by The Family
God's Blessings for Karolina Rudzki by The Family
Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings Belen Drapeau by Friends

Wed Dec 31: Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God. anticipated

4:00pm R.I.P. Al, Claire & Tim Sarna by The Family
R.I.P. Joseph Lyon Hay by The Hay Family
R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family
R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family
Thanksgiving by Eric Vergara & Family
Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Richmond Ching by The Ching Family
Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Joe & James Hay by the Hay Family

Thur Jan 1: Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

11:00am R.I.P. Adrian Sokolowski by Gina
R.I.P. Mike, Louise, Theresa Magnowski by The Family
R.I.P. Sophia Maronon by The Cabrera Family
R.I.P. Aurora Francisco by The Family
R.I.P. Thomas Watson by The Family
R.I.P. Raul Teles by Suzanne Teles
R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family
R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family
Thanksgiving & Blessings by The Alcartado Family

Fri Jan 2: Memorial: St. Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen

9:00am R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family
R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family
All Souls in Purgatory by The Bello Family

Sat Jan 3: Epiphany of The Lord

4:00pm R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family
R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family
Intentions of Tom by Judy

Sun Jan 4: Epiphany of The Lord

9:00pm R.I.P. Mark Watson by The Family
R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family
R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family
Thanksgiving & 30th Anniversary Blessings for Rolando & Alma Brigole
Health of Lawrence & Anita by the LaFreniere Family
Health of Yvette, Emily & Claire by the LaFreniere Family
Thanksgiving & Blessings by The Alcartado Family
11:00am Parishioners



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