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3rd Sunday of Advent December 13, 2020

Holy is His Name

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called Gaudete Sunday, meaning rejoice, to stress the joy of anticipating the Lord's coming.

The Responsorial Psalm this week is from Mary's canticle called the Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55). This is Mary's hymn of praise to the Lord.

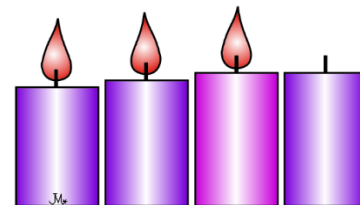
In next week's Gospel, we will read about the Visitation, when the Angel Gabriel asks Mary if she will accept to be the mother of God's son. To empower Mary to know all things are possible with God, Gabriel also tells her that her relative Elizabeth, who is beyond the age of bearing children, is now in her sixth month.

After giving her consent to becoming the Mother of God, Mary visits Elizabeth. Upon hearing Mary's greeting the baby in Elizabeth's womb leaps with joy. It is at this point that Mary expresses her joy, gratitude and praise to God in the Magnificat.

In a February 2006 general audience address Pope Benedict XVI reflected on the Magnificat by quoting St. Ambrose's commentary on the Magnificat:

"In the heart of each one may Mary praise the Lord, in each may the spirit of Mary rejoice in the Lord....Mary's soul magnifies the Lord and her spirit rejoices in God."

Pope Benedict goes on to say that, "St. Ambrose, interpreting the words of Mary herself, invites us to offer the Lord a dwelling in our souls and in our lives. Not only must we bear him in our hearts, but we must take him to the world, so that we too might engender Christ for our times."



**Exult, Jerusalem!
God is in your midst**

COVID-19 Update

The entire province of Manitoba continues to be under Code Red Alert until at least January 8, 2021. Please be advised that there can be NO gatherings of any size for weekday or Sunday Masses, nor for any Christmas/New Year's Masses.

If you need to get in touch with the parish: please contact the office and leave a message, or email Sister Maria at cicarellim@shaw.ca, and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Let us continue to pray for each other and for our province, country and world during this time of pandemic.

May Jesus & Mary enfold you and your families Advent peace, joy and love.

Livestreaming of the Diocesan Sunday Masses

Archbishop Albert LeGatt invites you to participate, in as much as possible, in Sunday Mass live, while it is being celebrated. The simultaneousness of our prayers and songs, no matter where we are, represents an active participation in that particular moment of prayer and gathering.

In French at 9:00 a.m. and in English at 10:30 a.m.

The liturgies can be accessed via the YouTube channel of the parish of Saints-Martyrs-Canadians: youtube.com/channel/UCFLbnkM6HIRYpb4QjiXeBOg/live or on the Diocese's Facebook page at facebook.com/ArchSaintBoniface/live.

Television Masses

While you are unable to attend Mass in person during this time, daily TV Mass can continue to be a source of faith, connection and comfort. Masses are available on Vision TV, Salt and Light TV, and EWTN.

Office Holiday Hours

During the holiday season the office hours will be as follows:

Mon. Dec. 21: Closed

Tues. Dec. 22 & Wed. Dec. 23: 8:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Thur. Dec 24 & Fri. Dec 25: Closed

Mon. Dec 28: Closed

Tues. Dec 29 & Wed. Dec 30: 8:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Thur. Dec 31 & Fri. Jan 1: Closed

The office will reopen on Tuesday January 5, 2021.

2020 Donations

Please note that the last day for donations to be included in the 2020 tax receipt is December 31, 2020.

Just a reminder that if you have not already picked up your 2021 offering envelopes, they can be picked up at the church during office hours.

Thank you for your continued generosity during this challenging time.

Join the Journey – Body, Mind and Spirit Spiritual Care Program

The Catholic Health Association of Manitoba is inviting you to participate in an 8 week (2-hour sessions) *Join the Journey – Body, Mind and Spirit* Spiritual Care program starting the week of January 12th via Zoom.

This formation will take place during the afternoon. In addition to the video content, the course includes a participant workbook, group discussions, practical exercises, individual activities, and online assessments. The program is suitable for a wide range of people who are supporting parishioners who are aged or sick or volunteer, caregivers or employees involved in taking care of older people in Long-Term Care homes or other seniors' housing.

The registration fee is \$100.

To register call Julie Turenne-Maynard at 204-235-3136 or go to this link:

<https://join-the-journey-body-mi.eventcreate.com>.

Put a Star in our Window December 25, 2020 to January 10, 2021

To celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus, everyone is invited to place a star in their window for the entire liturgical season of Christmas, from December 25, 2020 to January 10, 2021.

This is to symbolize that Christ is in our homes. You can paint a star, put an ornament, or create one out of paper. Please visit www.archsaintboniface.ca for examples.



**Please pray for the sick,
their families and their caregivers**

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Available by appointment. Please email Father Owen or call the office.

Anointing of the Sick: Available by appointment. Please email Father Owen or call the office.

Baptism: Please email Sister Maria or call the office.

Marriage: Please call the office one year in advance.



How May We Help?

If there is anything you need from us please do not hesitate to call. If we are not able to answer your call please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Paper Copies of the Bulletin

If you or someone you know would like a paper copy of the bulletin please contact the office.

How to Donate to your Parish

1. We strongly encourage signing up for direct deposit, especially during this time of pandemic. To sign up for direct deposit please contact the office at 204-669-0501 or finance@hrwpg.ca.
2. Donations may be dropped off at the parish office Tuesday to Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
3. Donations may be sent in by mail.
4. Donations may be dropped off in the mailbox Tuesday to Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. We recommend that donations not be dropped off in the mailbox evenings and weekends for security reasons.
5. Parishioners may donate through the Archdiocesan website using your credit card (not the preferred method as there is a 3% fee that our parish incurs).

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Although we have no Masses at this time, please continue to pray for all of our parishioners and for an end to this pandemic.

Feasts For December 13 – 20 2020

Sunday Dec 13 3rd Sunday of Advent

Monday Dec 14 Saint John of the Cross

Sunday Dec 20 4th Sunday of Advent

Saint John of the Cross

In 1563, John entered the Carmelite community and was ordained a priest in 1567. Along with Teresa of Avila, he worked for the reformation of his order and helped found the reformed Carmelites. He is known especially for his writings, which include *The Dark Night (of the Soul)*. He was canonized in 1726 and proclaimed a Doctor of the Church in 1926. He is the patron saint of Contemplatives, mystics and Spanish poets.




Knights of Columbus Christmas Hampers

For the past several years, the Knights of Columbus and Holy Redeemer Parish have provided Christmas Food Hampers to some of our parishioners and the surrounding community.

This year, due to the Coronavirus, we are unable to accept food donations from our generous parishioners and have been told by authorities that the practice of assembling hampers is not allowed at this time.

For these reasons, we are making some changes to the way we are going to handle our assistance this year.

If you are in need of assistance this year, please contact the Knights of Columbus at Holy Redeemer Parish to make a request and we will attempt to accommodate you.

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Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For December 2020

For a Life of Prayer

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.