

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES of

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (Hungarian) 371 Burnell St.
OUR LADY OF LOURDES (Slovenian) 95 MacDonald Ave.

First Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2017



*Restore us, O God; let your face
shine, that we may be saved.*

[Psalm 80:3]

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Sacrament of Penance (Confessions): Before the Weekday or Saturday PM Mass or upon request. *Sacrament of Baptism:* pre-arrangement in time to allow for preparation. *Marriage arrangements:* Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance.



Keep alert, for you do not know when the Master will come. [Mark 13:35]

“Church Year” is slightly out of sync with the secular calendar year.

Happy New Year! Here we are, eleven months into the calendar year, and our church has chosen this Sunday, about four weeks before our actual New Year, to be the start of our liturgical year. Would it have been a better idea to begin the church year with the calendar year? I think not. It is really a great idea that our liturgical year transcends and invades all other cycles. That interruption reminds us — sharply — that the Christian community lives out time in a wholly different framework. Just as we have taught the whole world to mark all planetary history with **Christ at the center**, and all other time before and after him; and, so we insist on placing our “*church year*” slightly out of sync with the secular calendar year.

The birth of Jesus Messiah centers our sense of time. Further, we begin the church year by focusing on our need for God, which God began to be address in a whole new way with the Incarnation. Today’s Scripture readings help us contemplate our need for God. ...

The Gospel writer, Mark, when he begins narrating the public life of Jesus, writes that “*the heavens were being torn open.*” [Mark 1:10]. He was not giving a weather report. He was alluding to Isaiah’s lament and implying that the coming of Jesus, accompanied by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, some five centuries after Isaiah’s writing, is the surprising response to that ancient prayer. “*O that you would tear open the heavens and come down.*” [Isaiah 64:1].

<http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/120317.html>

Readings

First Sunday of Advent, Year B, 3 December 2017

Reading 1: Isaiah 63.16b-17; 64.1, 3-8; Psalm 80.1ab+2, 14-15, 17-18 [R.3]

Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 1.3-9; *Gospel:* Mark 13.33-37

Prayer: *God, the potter, mold us and make us your people. When we become impatient, help us remember that these seasons of waiting are also shaping us. Give us the grace to breathe deeply into the wait, to anticipate the beauty you are working while we wait. Amen.*

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CCCB: National Pastoral Initiative for Life & the Family

Catechism of the Catholic Church

CCC Paragraph 672: According to the Lord, the present time is the time of the Spirit and of witness, but also a time still marked by "*distress*" and the trial of evil which does not spare the Church and ushers in the struggles of the last days. It is a time of waiting and watching.[Mark 13.33-37]

Events in and around the Archdiocese

CONFESSIONS & Penitential Service Schedule for Winnipeg Central Deanery:

Tuesday, Dec. 5th, 7:00 pm Good Shepherd Parish, Portage La Prairie

Wednesday, Dec. 6th, 7:00 pm, St. Mary's Cathedral

Thursday, Dec. 7th, 7:00 pm St. Charles Parish

Friday, Dec. 8th, 6:30 pm St. Edward's Parish

Tuesday, Dec. 12th, 10:30 am St. Charles Catholic School

7:00 pm St. Eustache Parish

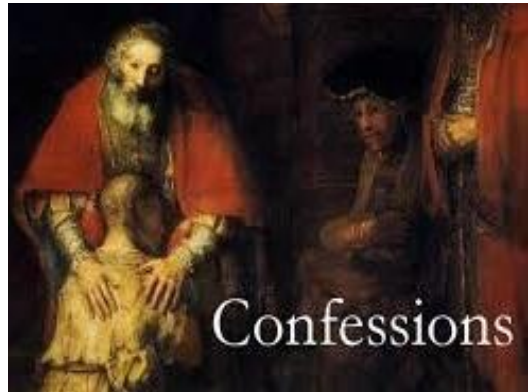
Wednesday, Dec. 13th, 10:00 am St. John XXIII Parish

7:00 pm St. Patrick's Parish

Thursday, Dec. 14th, 7:00 pm St. Paul the Apostle Parish

Friday, Dec. 15th, 7:00 pm St. Anthony of Padua Parish

Monday, Dec. 18th, 7:00 pm Our Lady of Lourdes Parish



<http://www.stmichaelradio.com/2014/12/03/confession-explained-why-do-catholics-confess-to-a-priest/> →

Christmas Season Schedule: Our Lady of Lourdes [OL] & St. Anthony of Padua [SA]

Sunday Morning, Dec. 24, 4th Sunday of Advent: OL - 9:30 am; SA - 11:00 am.

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Sunday Evening, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve: SA - 5:00 pm; OL - 8:00 pm; SA - 10:00 pm.

Monday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day: OL - 9:30 am; SA - 11:00 am.

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Sunday Morning, Dec. 31, Holy Family: OL - 9:30 am; SA - 11:00 am.

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Sunday Evening, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve: SA - 5:00 pm.

Monday, Jan. 1, New Year's Day: OL - 9:30 am; SA - 11:00 am.

Our parish bulletin is also available online in the following 2 websites:

1. Archdiocese of Winnipeg website: Please go to: http://www.archwinnipeg.ca/weekly_bulletin.php
2. OLL website: oureladyoflourdeswinnipeg.com and click on "Our Community" then "Weekly Bulletin".

OUR LADY OF LOURDES:

95 MacDonald Avenue
P.O. Box 2015 Station Main
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 3R3

Sun 9:30 am (E) English; (S) Slovenian; (Euc) Eucharist
Dec 3 Vladka Mohoric(S), Stan Majowski(E), Lojze Stegne(Euc)

CWL: Today, Sunday, December 3rd is our annual "St. Nick" dinner in the church hall, following 9:30 Mass. With our children /grandchildren enjoy a visit with St. Nickolas. Tickets are \$15.00 p/p. Children 12 and under free. Don't miss a great silent auction. Thank you.

2017/2018 Catechism Classes: Dec 3 St Nick, Jan 14&28, Feb 11&25, Mar 11, Apr 8&22, May 6th last class. We are looking for someone to teach the children who just went to first communion catechism for January. This will only be till May. Please call Linda @204-792-8530.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Sat 5:30 pm

Dec 2 Vibian Contreras (1), Angie Navarro (2)
Arabella Quezon & D'Andre de Leon (PF)

Sun 11:00 am

Dec 3 Elizabeth Premecz (H), Carmelita de la Cruz (E)

Knights of Columbus Advent Party: Sat, Dec 9, after the 5:30 pm Mass. All are welcome.

December 10-én, vasárnap a szentmise után megtartjuk karácsonyi családi összejövetelünket, melyen Szent Miklós (másnéven a Mikulás) meglátogatja gyermekeinket. Kérjük egyházközségünk tagjait, hogy süteménnyel járuljanak hozzá ehhez a rendezvényhez. Mindenkit szeretettel várunk.

Please join us for our Christmas family gathering on Sunday, Dec. 10th right after the holy Mass. On this day St. Nicholas (also known as Santa Claus) will visit our children. Please bring some dainties for this occasion. Everyone is welcome.



<http://catholicmom.com/2014/12/08/immaculate-conception-coloring-page-printable/> ↓

Synod Delegates:

Our Lady of Lourdes -

Mary Sobocan & Alenka Seri

St. Anthony of Padua -

Ernie Samiana & Tere G. Hajzler

Synod General Sessions: all sessions will be at St. John XXIII Church, 3390 Portage Avenue.

Session 3: Sat, 20 Jan 2018, 9:00am-3:30pm.

Session 4: Sat, 24 Feb 2018, 9:00am-3:30pm.

Session 5: Sat, 17 March 2018, 9:00am-3:30pm.

Session 6: Sat, 21 April 2018, 9:00am-3:30pm.

Closing Liturgy, Sun, 20 May 2018, 7:00pm,
St. Mary's Cathedral, Reception to follow.



**Thank you for the flowers donated to beautify the sanctuary.
We appreciate your kindness in enhancing our church celebrations!**

OL Collections Nov 26, 2017
Sun Env - \$; SGG -\$
Thank you for your financial support of our Parish!

SA Collections Nov 26, 2017
Sat/Sun Env -\$
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MASS SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Dec 2 - **5:30 pm SA** - *Sunday Vigil Mass* - RIP All Souls in Purgatory, req. by Campos family

Sun. Dec 3 – **First Sunday of Advent**

9:30 am OL - RIP Darinka Vrsnik, rq. by Stan & Erna Vrsnik

11:00 am SA – RIP Gregory Kostolansky, req. by Rosa Kerger

Mon. Dec 4 - NO MASS [Please NOTE: due to Advent Confessions, OLL evening Masses are @5:30 PM].

Tues. Dec 5 - 5:30 pm **OL** - RIP Marija Zalig, req. by Matt and Mary Sobocan

Wed. Dec 6 - 9:00 am **SA** - Special Intention - Judith Montero Gomez, req. by Paul & Dolores Mulaire

Thu. Dec 7 - 9:00 am **SA** - RIP Rodrigo San Jose, req. by Cathy, Fely & Julie San Jose

Fri. Dec 8 - 5:30 pm **OL** - RIP Tony Pikel [5th year death anniversary], req. by Family Pikel

Sat. Dec 9 - **5:30 pm SA** - *Sunday Vigil Mass* - Thanksgiving, req. by Earl Villafuerte and family

Sun. Dec 10 – **Second Sunday of Advent**

9:30 am OL - RIP Vlado Smrekar, req. by CWL

11:00 am SA – RIP Emiliano Villanueva, req. by Antonio and Marites Villanueva & family

OL – *Our Lady of Lourdes Church* **SA** – *Saint Anthony of Padua Church* **RIP - Rest In Peace**

REMEMBER to receive

God's gift of life.

When we are waiting, especially in a world as busy and impatient as ours, it is easy to forget who we are and what we came for.

The first reading is Isaiah's frustrated prophecy as the people returned from Exile. They had been waiting for decades to return home. When they did, they discovered their waiting was not over. They had much rebuilding to do. [Isaiah 63].

The early Christians (in Corinth and everywhere) were waiting for Jesus to return – imminently. They died without seeing Him return. [1 Corinthians 1]. Jesus invites the disciples to stay awake. The Master's surprise return and invitation to stay awake is no reason to exhaust ourselves. [Mark 13].

If we wait with the urgent expectation that we will get what we want any second, we will be repeatedly disappointed and frustrated. While you wait – in life and in Advent -- practise remembering. Remember who you are, "*the work of God's hands.*" Your whole life is clay that God is working into something beautiful. This waiting is a time of molding,

of God shaping you. So remember this waiting has purpose, and rest here in the waiting. Maybe smile too – while you remember and wait.

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<http://stjosephplentong.blogspot.ca/> ↓

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