



ST. DENIS Parish

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Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday, Dec. 9th - 9:00 am – Larry Lapointe (*Simone & André Lambert*)

Sunday, Dec. 16th - 9:00am – Ernest & Josephine Antoine (*M.R. Antoine*)

Sunday, Dec. 23rd - 9:00 am – Juliette Ellchuk (*Lucille Dheilly*)

Sanctuary Lamp this week: Simone Lambert for Mom.

God's Share: Dec. 2nd - \$273.00 (15) + \$0.00 loose + \$20.00 (dd) = \$293.00

Church Cleaning: Nov. 16th to Dec. 31st – General cleaning for Christmas.

<u>Ministries:</u>	<u>December 9th</u>	<u>December 16th</u>	<u>December 23rd</u>
Readers:	Judith Robidoux	Janice Souque	Lucille Dheilly
Offerings & Collection:	Marcel Dequier family	Jean Souque family	Marcel Dheilly family
Communion:	Judith Robidoux	Yvonne Bazin	Michelle Dheilly
Counters:	Eugene & prtnr.	Jean & prtnr.	Raymond & prtnr.

Accueil d'Âge d'Or Haywood: Noon meal (Xmas meal). Turkey, stuffing, meat pie, etc. Tuesday December 11th. Please give your name(s) to one of your contacts or phone 204-379-2477 before Monday evening. \$8.50 for adults, all welcome.

Souvenir Books of Catholica 200: You may browse the books on the back table, sorry I have no English copies but they are available. If you wish to purchase, please see André.

Thank you to all our volunteers who devote themselves to the proper functioning of the parish. The tasks are numerous! Your help is appreciated!

Second Sunday of Advent (C) December 9th, 2018

Prayer Intention for December 2018

Evangelization: That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

Let us also pray for Deacon Peter Lê Van Ngu, so that the Lord may grant His graces upon him throughout his year of study for the priesthood.



Readings for Sunday, December 16, 2018

Zephaniah 3.14-18a; Isiah 12.2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (R.6)
Philippians 4.4-7; Luke 3.10-18

MASSES DURING CHRISTMAS TIME 2018 FOR ST-CLAUDE AND HAYWOOD

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS:

Monday, December 24th at 8:00 p.m. in Haywood: **Bilingual** celebration.
Monday, December 24th at 11:00 p.m. in St-Claude: **Bilingual** celebration.
Monday, December 25th at 11:00 a.m. in St-Claude: **Bilingual** celebration.

New Year's Day Masses: Mary, Mother of God

Monday, December 31st at 5:00 p.m. in St-Claude: **English** celebration.
Monday, January 1st at 9:00 a.m. in Haywood: **Bilingual** celebration.
Monday, January 1st at 11:00 a.m. in St-Claude: **French** celebration.

*Let us take the time to come and pray with our parish community
for Christmas and New Year's Day.*

Advent Reconciliation Celebrations:

St-Claude and Haywood:	Sunday, December 16 at 2:00 p.m.	Bilingual
Somerset:	Tuesday, December 18 at 7:30 p.m.	Bilingual
St-Léon:	Wednesday, December 19 at 7:30 p.m.	Bilingual
Carman:	Wednesday, December 19 at 7:00 p.m.	English
Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes:	Thursday, December 20 at 7:00 p.m.	Bilingual

Parish Pastoral Council: Tuesday, December 11 at 2:00 p.m. in the sacristy.

Monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus: Wednesday, December 12 at 8:00 p.m. in the sacristy.

Thought of the week:

To convert oneself is to turn to God, to be guided by his word, it is to develop an active faith, a love that goes to grief and persevering hope. (Gabriel Gingras)

To Put us in the Christmas Spirit:

There are radio stations that play Christian Christmas music throughout the month of December. One of these stations is 95.1 FM. If you know of others, let us know.

Collection envelopes for 2019:

Please stop and pick up your 2019 collection envelopes, which are now ready. If you do not have a box or blue package to your name and wish to have one for 2019, please contact André. If you would like to become a new contributor via automatic transfers in 2019 or if you wish to change the amount of your existing transfers, please contact the parish office or a teller at the Caisse.

Fundraiser: The Vietnamese Parish of St. Philip Minh in Winnipeg is once again selling Spring Rolls. Packages of 24 rolls (2 dozens) are available for \$15 per box. Contact Father John Tê Nguyễn after mass or e-mail him at huute.nguyen@yahoo.com or call [\(431\) 225 - 2629](tel:431-225-2629) to place your order.

Marriage Tips

Having a successful marriage depends not so much on FINDING the right person but BEING the right person. Is there a change I can make in my own behavior that will make our marriage happier?

Stewardship Reflections –

December 9, 2018 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

“And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value...” Philippians 1:9-10

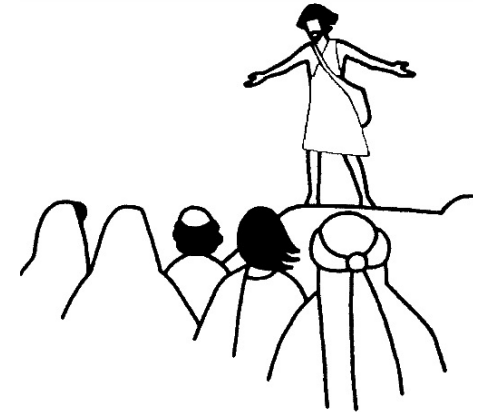
Glittery holiday ads can blind us to our stewardship values and distort our needs and wants. It is important that during this season of endless buying we remember that each of us also has the need to give back to God and to those that are in need.



The Road Ahead ...

We know the difficulties with a detour. We are forced to take an alternative route and often spend long hours in traffic. During a severe snow storm, roads can be im-passable and unsafe. Drivers don't have any choices and must wait until it is safe to continue.

We also face challenging situations. Dark thoughts may come to the fore and make our days difficult. What can we do? Who can help us and give us hope for better days?



During the time of Advent, the evangelist Luke introduces us to John the Baptist, God's messenger. The desert prophet preached that we must prepare the way of the Lord to achieve salvation.

Before his passion, Jesus affirmed that he is the Way (Jn 4:16). Our Way is Christ who has invited us to walk with him throughout our lives. Yet Christ does not exert any force: we must agree to follow Him and comply with certain conditions to achieve salvation.

John the Baptist preached conversion, a *turning toward* the Lord. We must make the road ahead smooth, remove obstacles, and straighten out what is twisted. Our commitment to Christ will enable us to face and overcome whatever challenging issues emerge in our lives.

The Advent season is a special time to reexamine our lives and make any corrections. Let's start immediately to build hope in our lives.

Gilles Leblanc

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli