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Our mission statement: LOVE GOD LOVE OTHERS TRAIN DISCIPLES

Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday, Dec. 27th – 9:00 AM - livestreamed from St. Denis church
– For all our families (*parishioners*)

Thursday, Dec. 31st – 8:30 PM – livestreamed from St. Claude Church

Friday, Jan. 1st – 10:00 AM – livestreamed from St. Denis Church
– For all Mothers & Grandmothers (*parishioners*)

Sunday, Jan. 3rd – 11:00 AM - livestreamed from St. Denis church
– Ernest Montsion (*funeral collection*)

Sanctuary Lamp – this week: **Lucille Dheilly & Yvonne Bailey**

God's Share: Dec. 20th - \$355.00 (17) + \$0.00 (loose) + \$35.00 (DD) = **\$390.00**

Taxes & Insurance Fundraising: Dec. 20th - **\$100.00** - YTD = **\$6,205.00**

Masses: With the pandemic and not being able to attend masses personally, mass intentions have not been coming in. As a result, I have only masses from funeral offerings left for starting the new year. You can be confident that the masses are being said by Father in private and the benefit these masses bring to the departed is just as powerful as if you were attending the mass.

I invite you to offer masses for your deceased family members and friends who might be suffering in purgatory in purification of their souls before entering into heaven. Masses are very powerful in releasing these souls from purgatory, Lord willing.

I do my best to schedule the masses to be celebrated on the date requested.

André

December 27, 2020 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (B)

***Sacrament of Reconciliation during the COVID-19 Pandemic: If you want to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please call Fr. Peter for an appointment. He is super happy to make himself available for your spiritual well-being.**

Mass Schedule:

+ Christmas

Christmas Carols begin at 8:00 pm performed by Jeannine Guyot.

Please join us by clicking the link <https://vimeo.com/493191995>.

Christmas Carols and the Mass will be also broadcast live on Adam's Funeral Home Website <https://www.afh.ca> and via the Facebook page "Paroisse Saint-Claude Parish"



December 24: Christmas Eve Bilingual Mass in St. Claude at 8:30 PM

- **December 25: Christmas Day Bilingual Mass in St. Denis at 10 AM**

+ New Year:

- **December 31, 2020: New Year Eve Bilingual Mass in St. Claude at 8:30 PM**

- **January 1, 2021: New Year, the World Day of Peace, the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of the Lord- Bilingual Mass in St. Denis at 10 AM**

• All these Solemn Masses will be live streamed via the Facebook page "Paroisse Saint-Claude Parish"

Readings for Friday, January 1, 2021

Numbers 6, 22-27; Ps. 67; Galatians 4, 4-7; Luke 2, 16-21

Readings for Sunday, January 3, 2021

Isaiah 60, 1-6; Ps. 71 (72); Ephesians 3, 2-3a.5-6; Matthew 2, 1-12

St-Claude Parish Office Hours:

The parish office will be open on **Wednesdays, December 23 and December 30 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.** Please remember to wear a mask if you need to come to the office.

Donations to the parish:

You can get a receipt for income tax purposes for your donations to the parish.

Please make sure to make your donations **prior to December 30th, 2020** if you wish to have a receipt for the year 2020.

Please specify on your check or envelope if you are donating towards, Taxes / Insurance, Shawls of Compassion, Cemetery, or other of your choice.

Bishop LeGatt Video Message: Prepare Your Heart



In this final week of Advent, Archbishop LeGatt invites us to reflect on the final preparations we will undertake to celebrate Christmas. Of course, this year, Christmas will be quite different than normal. But it need not be sadness or frustration that swells in our heart. Instead, let us allow this very different Christmas to bring about a different, a new and joyous reflection in our souls. We may not be preparing for the usual large meals shared among extended family. But let us indeed prepare for a moment, spent intimately, in the light of our Christ. In this week, take some time to prepare your heart. Our Christmas preparations will be less about busy

shopping and cooking, this year. Let them be instead about preparing our heart: the manger, the O antiphons, and other prayers, are only a few ideas Archbishop Albert has for us as we prepare our hearts of the Incarnation of Jesus this Christmas. O Come O Come Emmanuel!

To view the video, [click here](#) or visit the diocesan Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/ArchSaintBoniface/> or visit the diocesan website homepage at:

www.archsaintboniface.ca

Fr. Peter's Le Christmas Message :

"Glory to God in the highest,

And on earth peace to people of good will" (Luke 2:14)

Christmas is a time of joy, love, family reunions, sharing and thanksgiving. *"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son" (John 3:16)*. Jesus is the most precious gift, the priceless gift we receive at Christmas, Emmanuel: God-with-us. Therefore, we are invited to share this gift with others, and to become His presence in all circumstances: in our families, our communities, our workplaces and in our world, so that through our actions and our words, we may radiate His Love and His Divine Mercy.

On behalf of the St. Claude and St. Denis Parishes, I wish you a Holy, Merry Christmas and a Grace-filled New Year.

Father Peter Le Van Ngu

Pastor of St. Claude and St. Denis (Haywood)



***NEW* Solemn Mass of Christmas Eve live in Rome, and Pope Francis' Christmas Message and Blessing – December 24 and 25, 2020**

As we look forward to the upcoming Christmas Season and the start of a new year, EWTN will once again offer coverage of Christmas programs from around the world! From St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, EWTN will be there with engaging *LIVE* coverage of these important events.

SOLEMN MASS OF CHRISTMAS EVE LIVE IN ROME: December 24, 3:30PM ET (2:30 PM in Manitoba)

From St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, Pope Francis presides over one of the most glorious liturgies of the year, the Solemnity of Our Lord's Birth.

URBI ET ORBI: MESSAGE & BLESSING

LIVE IN ROME: December 25, 6 AM ET (5 AM in Manitoba)

On this holiest of occasions, Pope Francis proclaims his *Urbi et Orbi* Christmas message and papal blessing to the city of Rome and the world.

To view this programming free, visit www.archsaintboniface.ca in the news section.

EWTN Programming can also be viewed free on its **website**, www.ewtn.com, and EWTN **YouTube channel**.

In Manitoba, you can also access EWTN via Shaw Direct Satellite – Channel 285.

December 27, 2020 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (B)

Every child is a promise



Francine is an exceptional woman and mother, always on track and extremely generous. She successfully reconciled her job and family life, despite the upheavals that our society can bring. Francine hoped to be a grandmother, saying that she would take everything in stride. Yet her joy was contagious when she saw her son's son, her first grandchild!

She was delighted as we all are when we see a newborn baby who has just opened a new door of life for us! What a miracle, what joy!

In our readings today, we see a very humble family coming to the Temple: Mary, Joseph and the Infant Jesus. They are poor people and their offering of two doves reflects their status. There are also two elderly people who have witnessed many others arrive at the Temple: Simeon, who was waiting for the Messiah, and Anna, who at eighty-four had outlived many of her contemporaries. They both made marvelous statements about this Infant. Simeon joyfully said that he is now ready to die because his eyes have seen salvation. Anna told everyone about the Infant's incredible future.

Today the Gospel reading brings us to the Temple and the presence of the Infant Jesus. We acknowledge that God exists in every child. We also know that every child brings a promise, Jesus' promise exceeds all our ordinary expectations. In every newborn there is a little reflection of Jesus who comes to shake us out of our fatigue and complacencies and revive our hopes. Happy are the families who are enlightened and blessed by the birth of a child!

André Beauchamp

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year !