# Parishes of St. Viator, Dauphin Corpus Christi, Winnipegosis

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#### \*\*Office Hours:

Tuesday-Thursday 8:30am-Noon, 1:00-4:00pm Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday at 7:30pm, St. Viator's Sunday at 10:15am, St. Viator's Sunday at 2:00pm, Corpus Christi

**Bulletin Submissions**: Submit church related announcements to the office by <u>Wednesday</u> morning to be in that week's bulletin.

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Baptisms: Baptism Preparation Classes: By appointment.

Please call parish office to register. Corpus Christi Parish contact Jo Bunka for Baptism

Preparation.

Baptisms will be held by scheduled appointments.

Marriage: Minimum Six months noticed required. Couples must be practising members of our Parish. Call the Parish

Office to arrange a meeting with the priest.

Ministry of Presence (The St. Luke Society) If you or someone you know is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office. Families and friends of parishioners are welcome to call on their behalf.

#### **Prayer for Priests and Priestly Vocations**

Heavenly Father, please grant to Your faithful servants, the grace and strength to carry out Your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests close to You and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your Holy Name. Please help to inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer

Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned for them. Amen.

## 4th Sunday of Advent December 23 & 24, 2023



#### 4th Sunday of Advent Devotional

#### The unconquerable Gift of JOY

Happiness is an emotion that can disappear as quickly as it rises to the surface. Joy, however, is a choice.

We have a choice. God gives us a joy that is unconquerable. We can choose to live in an attitude of resentment, anger and fear or we can choose to pursue the joy of Christ. So what is the picture of joy in the Bible?

Joy is trusting when you want to doubt. "Trust in the LORD forever, because in Yah, the LORD, is an everlasting rock!" (Isaiah 26:4). As Christ followers we aren't pressured to do it all for everyone. We trust in Jesus to do the heavy lifting. The key is trust. We just need to have Mary's response to the coming of Jesus, "I am the Lord's handmaid, said Mary. May it be done to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38).

Joy is receiving what you want to reject. Reflect on the mysterious words found in Hebrews: "Don't neglect to show hospitality, for by doing this some have welcomed angels as guests without knowing it" (Hebrews 13:2)

Joy is celebrating when you want to fear. What's the first thing angels say to mortals? It's standard protocol. In just about every divine encounter the angels say: "Fear not." I can hear Jesus instruct his most trusted angels. "Ok, let's go over this again...Most of the people that I'll tell you to speak to will be scared out of their wits! So let's practice the greeting one more time." Then the angels would all say in unison, "Fear not."

#### Understand Why We Can Be Joyful

God wants you to know that He's going to take care of you no matter what happens. One of the names that He was called long before he ever stepped on this world's stage was Immanuel meaning "God with us." No matter what you go through we can whisper this simple truth: "Jesus is with me." Think about it. He is with you in your greatest victories and your most humiliating defeats. Jesus is with you at all times in all things.

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\*Schedule Subject to Change\*

The Church will be closed between December 26-29, 2023, and there will be no weekday Masses during this time as well.

Have a joyous and blessed Christmas season!

Tues Dec 26: (Acts 6.8-10; 7.54-59) Gospel: Matthew 10.17-22

Wed Dec 27: (1 John 1.1-4) Gospel: John 20.2-8

Thurs Dec 28: (1 John 1.5-2.2) Gospel: Matthew 2.13-18

Fri Dec 29: (1 John 2.3-11) Gospel: Luke 2.22-35

Sat Dec 30: 6:30pm Confession

7:30pm Mass: +Laura Kerslake, reg Christine & Richard Letain

(1 John 2.12-17) Gospel: Luke 2.36-40

Sun Dec 31: THE HOLY FAMILY, New Year's Eve

9:30am Confession

10:15am Mass: +Jessie Adams, req Claude Adams

2:00pm Mass at Corpus Christi: For all parishioners & youth of

both parishes

7:30pm St. Viator's The feast of the Holy Family Mass: For all parishioners and youth of both parishes

(Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14, Colossians 3.12-21) Gospel: Luke 2.22-40

Mon Jan 1: Office Closed, The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

10:15am Mass: For all parishioners and youth of both parishes

2:00pm Mass at Corpus Christi: For all parishioners and youth of both parishes

(Numbers 6.22-27, Galatians 4.4-7) Gospel: Luke 2.16-21

Tues Jan 2: Office Open, No Mass

(1 John 2.22-28) Gospel: John 1.19-28

Wed Jan 3: 2:00pm Mass at Dauphin PCH: For all residents and caregivers

6:30pm Mass: +Wilfred & Elizabeth Grubber, reg Kevin & Mary Frances Grubber

(1 John 2.29; 3.1-6) Gospel: John 1.29-34

Thurs Jan 4: 10:30am Novena & Mass: For the homeless & less fortunate, req CWL

(1 John 3.7-10) Gospel: John 1.35-42

Fri Jan 5: 9:00am Adoration

6:00pm Divine Mercy

7:00pm Mass: +William & Linda Francoeur, req Lorraine &

Nestor Slonowsky

(1 John 3.11-21) Gospel: John 1.43-51

Sat Jan 6: 9:30am Confession

10:00am 1st Saturday Reparation Mass

6:30pm Confession

7:30pm Mass: +Don Demchuk, req Ken & Nadia Yakielashek

(1 John 5.5-13) Gospel: Mark 1.4-5, 7-11

Sun Jan 7: The Epiphany of the Lord

9:00am Catechism & 1st Communion Classes

9:30am Confession

10:15am Mass: +Sara Varghese & Mery Varkey, req Jeese Varghese

2:00pm Mass at Corpus Christi: For all parishioners and youth of both parishes

(Isaiah 60.1-6, Ephesians 3.2-3, 5-6) Gospel: Matthew 2.1-12







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Awaken! Remember that God comes! Not yesterday, not tomorrow, but today, now! The one true God, "the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob," is not a God who is there in Heaven, unconcerned with us and our history, but he is the-God-who-comes.

The Season of Advent is therefore a season of vigilant waiting, that prepares us to welcome the mystery of the Word Incarnate, who will give the 'Light' to the womb of the Virgin Mary, but essentially this time prepares us not only to welcome this great event but to incarnate it in our lives. We could say that the true light enters the world through the immaculate womb of Mary but it does not stay there. On the contrary, this light flows out into our dark, obscure, sinful lives to illuminate them, so that we can become the light that illuminates the world. For this reason, let us live this time of waiting not only to celebrate a historical memory but to repeat this memory in our lives and in the service of others. To wait for the Lord who comes, means to wait and to watch so that the Word of Love enters inside us and focuses us every day of our lives.

"Advent is a time of waiting, it is a time of joy because the coming of Christ is not only a gift of grace and salvation but it is also a time of commitment because it motivates us to live the present as a time of responsibility and vigilance. This 'vigilance' means the necessity, the urgency of an industrious, living 'wait.' To make all this happen, then we need to wake up, as we are warned by St. Paul... 'Besides this you know what hour it is, how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed'. (Romans 13:11)

We must change our conduct abandoning the works of darkness and put on the 'armor of light' and so seek only to do God's work and to abandon the deeds of the flesh (Romans 13:12-14). Jesus, through the story in the parable, outlines the Christian life style that must not be distracted and indifferent but must be vigilant and recognize even the smallest sign of the Lord's coming because we don't know the hour in which He will arrive (Matthew 24:39-44)

#### **Financial Corner:**

St. Viator's Parish # Envelopes = 63

**Dec 17 Collection-**\$2271.50 + \$212.40 (loose) = \$2483.90

SGG - \$125

Pre-Authorized Payments \$893.75

Corpus Christi # of envelopes = 8 Dec 17 Collection- \$235

**SGG-**\$





The CWL would like to thank all the parishioners who adopted a family or brought food and gifts to the church. In total we adopted 22 families!! A big thank you also goes out to all who worked hard helping to take in and

hand out the hampers.

One more thank you to the Knights of Columbus for supplying milk coupons.

Together, we have helped make Christmas just a little more special for all of these families. Thank you and God bless.

#### The Birth of Jesus

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. Luke 2:7 (KJV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 2:1-20



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