

Parishes of  
St. Viator, Dauphin  
Corpus Christi, Winnipegosis

St. Viator's Parish  
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**Weekend Mass Schedule:**

Saturday at 7:30pm, St. Viator's

Sunday at 10:15am, St. Viator's

Sunday at 2:00pm, Corpus Christi

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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.

2nd Sunday of Advent  
December 9 & 10, 2023



**\*Schedule Subject to Change**

**Mon Dec 11: Office Closed, No Mass**

10:00am Bible Study

7:00pm Bible Study

(Isaiah 35.1-10) Gospel: Luke 5.17-26

**Tues Dec 12: No Mass**

(Zechariah 2.10-13) Gospel: Luke 1.39-47

**Wed Dec 13: \*11:00am Mass: +Steve & Mary Olynch, req**

Randy & Yvonne Bossuyt

(Isaiah 40.25-31) Gospel: Matthew 11.28-30

**Thurs Dec 14: 10:30am Novena & Mass: +Vincent & Natalie**

Casten, req Bel & Warrenna Lopez

3:30-5:00pm, 6:30pm Reconciliation

(Isaiah 41.13-20) Gospel: Matthew 11.11-15

**Fri Dec 15: 6:00pm Divine Mercy**

7:00pm Mass: +Emile & Rose Ida Francoeur, req

Nestor & Lorraine Slonowsky

(Isaiah 48.17-19) Gospel: Matthew 11.16-19

**Sat Dec 16: 6:30pm Confession**

7:30pm Mass: +Adam Safronetz, req Randy & Yvonne Bossuyt

(Sirach 48.1-4, 9-11) Gospel: Matthew 17.10-13

**Sun Dec 17: 9:00am Catechism Classes**

9:30am Confession

10:15am Mass: For the birthdays of Joseph Sealtiel & Joviter, req Sarcia family

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

(Isaiah 61.1-2, 10-11, 1 Thessalonians 5.16-24)

Gospel: John 1.6-8, 19-28

## 2nd Sunday of Advent

### The Importance of Preparation

Whenever we're on mission with God like Joseph and Mary were as they waited for the birth of Jesus, we have to prepare.

No one plants seeds one day and expects a harvest in the morning. There are things to do. We are called to cultivate our lives and rest in the fact that God has our future in his hands.

In the story of the prodigal son, Jesus tells the story of a father. This father knew that he couldn't control the will of a rebellious, spiteful son. He just gave him what he asked for and let him go. But after the son left with his share of the farm in his back pocket, the father began to prepare for a celebration. He started fattening a calf. He bought a ring and a robe. There were things to be done. Their relationship was broken, but he still had hope as he watched every afternoon for a familiar figure to appear over the horizon.

**Preparation is a statement of faith.** It's committing to trust even though you're hurting and heartsick.

Every detail of the Christmas story tells us that Mary and Joseph endured more than their fair share of trials as they waited for the arrival of Jesus. Mary left town. Joseph refused to reject her on the basis of an angelic dream. We can just hear the neighbors gossip about the scandalous events of Mary's pregnancy. But they prepared and endured it all to be on a much greater mission than any carpenter's family could imagine.

**Preparing for God's Plan.** As you prepare for Christmas and all God has in store for you in the new year, be challenged to prepare for all that's in store in the following ways:

- **Eliminate distractions.** Don't allow the stress of the Christmas season to distract you from what is really important. Spend more time with the family and less time at the mall. Simplify your life. Be still and listen to God's voice. "...keeping our eyes on Jesus, the source and perfecter of faith..." (Hebrews 12:2).
- **Notice God's hand.** Reflect on this past year. Perhaps you, like many, have faced financial difficulty. Or maybe you've escaped danger or disease through an unforeseen miracle. Perhaps this year has been a time of suffering or relationship disasters. How has God carried you through all these things? Remember the words of Joseph in the Old Testament: "You planned evil against me; God planned it for good..." (Genesis 50:20).
- **Discern God's will.** Ask God to give you direction. "A man's heart plans his way, but the Lord determines his steps" (Proverbs 16:9).
- **Unite in a mission.** Mary and Joseph undertook an amazing mission on the way to Bethlehem. It certainly must have strengthened their bond as they conquered many obstacles and challenges. There's nothing more powerful than a couple, a family, or a church rallying around a cause.

It is supremely important to

*prepare*

*the world*

For the Second  
Coming.

## Adopt-a-Family



Our families have been assigned for the Christmas hampers. Right now we as a church have two families. One family has a Mom and Dad with three children...a girl age 9, and boys ages 7

and 2 years old. The second family has a Mom and Dad with three children also...a girl aged 5, and boys ages 12 and 6 years old. Please help to fill the items needed and to donate gifts for the family. The due date to have the hampers in at the Dauphin Friendship Centre is Tuesday, December 19. Let's make sure our families have a blessed Christmas!

**Grocery items needed are: Stuffing, cranberry sauce, assorted canned vegetables, canned fruit, pasta, canned meat, canned soups, cookies, juices, teabags, coffee, cereal, cake mix, sugar, crackers, margarine, jelly and pudding powders, Christmas candy, peanut butter, jam, etc.**

## Campaign Life Coalition Manitoba

has Christmas fruit cakes for sale. There are two sizes available: 1lb for \$16.00 & 2.5lb round cake for \$28.00. The cakes are made in Yorkton by PastryWorld and are moist and rich and full of fruits and nuts. They make a thoughtful Christmas gift for family and friends. We appreciate your support as this is the only fundraiser for Campaign Life. **Cakes can be dropped off at your home or purchased at the church December 10th 17th.** Limited quantities available. Call **Simone Greening at 204-638-6074** if you would like a cake delivered.



## Christmas 2023 Mass Schedule



Saturday, December 23: 5:00pm at Corpus Christi  
7:30pm at St. Viator's Parish  
Sunday, December 24: 10:15am at St. Viator's Parish  
**Christmas Eve:** 5:00pm at Corpus Christi  
8:00pm at St. Viator's Parish  
**Christmas Day:** 10:15am at St. Viator's Parish  
New Year's Eve: 7:30pm at St. Viator's Parish  
New Year's Day: 10:15am at St. Viator's Parish  
2:00pm at Corpus Christi

*I have baptized you with water,*



*but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit*

## Preparing the Way

"A voice calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.'" Mark 1:3

The puzzle is based on Mark 1:1-8



Need to talk? Are you or a family member ill and need a priest? Planning a Wedding or Baptism? Call office at 204-638-4892 to set up an appointment or visit time. Or Fr. Michel directly at 204-960-6059. You only need to ask, God Bless.

## Financial Corner:

**St. Viator's Parish # Envelopes = 63**  
**Dec 3 Collection-**\$2542 + \$135.40 (loose) = \$2677.40  
**SGG - \$980**  
Pre-Authorized Payments \$887.50

**Corpus Christi # of envelopes = 7, 15**  
**Nov 26 & Dec 3 Collection-** \$280, \$530  
**SGG - \$110**



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Have you ever thought about just how much time and effort we invest in making ourselves independent? To be independent of the fluctuations of seasons, we have elaborate systems of agriculture and transport. To be invulnerable to financial pain, we save, we invest, we have credit cards, 401(k)s, social security, and on and on. Where does this lead?



Based on the award-winning Bible! Join Minno kids Margot, Lexi, Miguel, and Logan on a heartwarming journey through the Christmas story. Hosted by the Hopeful World, this beautiful retelling of the story of Jesus' birth will help kids understand the true meaning of Christmas. Viewers both young and old will be filled with hope as they recall God's promise fulfilled through



Mary of Nazareth is an epic motion picture on the life of Mary, Mother of Christ, from her childhood through the Resurrection of Jesus. Shot in high definition, it was filmed in Europe with outstanding cinematography, a strong cast, and a majestic music score. Actress Alissa Jung gives a beautiful, compelling, and inspiring portrayal of Mary.

The film vividly captures the essence of Mary's profound faith and trust in God amidst the great mysteries that she lived with as the Mother of the Messiah, as well as her compassionate humanity and concern for others, and the deep love that she and Jesus shared for one another. The movie underscores her special role in God's plan for our redemption, her unique relationship with Christ, and the tremendous suffering that she endured in union with his Passion and Death, as well as her serene joy at his Resurrection.



Ms. Kim introduces St. Joseph and explains the importance of sacrifice by teaching students how to draw Mary and Joseph journeying to Bethlehem. She challenges kids to give something up this week as a prayer in preparation for Christmas.



This film uses creative license in telling the story of St. Joseph. Some scenes may not be suitable for all audiences. Parental guidance is suggested.

The first feature film ever on the story of St. Joseph, who was a carpenter, the husband of Mary, and the foster father of Jesus Christ. Scripture tells us that St. Joseph was a "just man" and that God gave him the most daunting task ever asked of a man—to be the husband of the woman who would give birth to the Messiah and the father and protector of this Holy Family. He would be the man closest to Christ.