



## Saint John XXIII Roman Catholic Church

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### SACRAMENT OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

#### SUNDAY LITURGIES (MASSES)

Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

#### WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Check the bulletin or website for the current schedule

#### COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

Contact the parish office for assistance

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Friday 3:15 p.m., Saturday 4:00 p.m.

and/or as announced or by appointment

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## PARISH BULLETIN for the THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME and THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE November 13, 2016 and November 20, 2016

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**FAITH FORMATION:** Catechism sessions for children (K to Grade 8) are held on Sunday mornings, September through May, from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Periodically other programs, workshops, and/or study sessions are offered for adults. Contact our Pastoral Assistant (Sharon) for further information and/or to register.

**SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION (BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, EUCHARIST):** Contact the parish office for further information.

**SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Contact the Pastor (Fr. Robert)

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Arrangements for preparation and celebration should be made at least six months in advance.

**CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN FUNERALS:** Contact the parish office before finalizing arrangements with funeral directors.

**MUSICAL CANTATA:** **St. Charles Catholic School** in collaboration with House of Peace, U of M Bison Men's Chorus, supported by a professional instrumental ensemble present a Musical Cantata to commemorate the **Jubilee Year of Mercy** to be held on **Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** at **Sts. Vladimir and Olga Cathedral, 115 McGregor Street.** Rush seating. Free of charge/donations. For more information, please contact Teresa at St. Charles Catholic School 204-837-1520.

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**CHRISTMAS HAMPERS:** Once again this year we are planning to fill 30 Christmas Hampers. The grocery items required are on tags on the wooden Christmas tree in the narthex. Please return the tags with your donated grocery items to the display in the narthex. You can also help by making a monetary donation which helps us to purchase turkeys, milk, potatoes, and oranges. Special envelopes for donations are available by the tree. Also needed are donations of knitted hats, mittens and gloves. Thank you. Sincerely, Coordinators Alice Fleury and Marilyn Weimer.

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**RUMMAGE SALE:** Our next rummage sale will be held **Friday, November 25, 2016 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.** in Saint John XXIII Parish Hall. We are grateful for your donations of items for sale, especially jewellery which sells well. Please bring your items to the church during office hours. **Volunteers are needed** to help set-up in the morning and to take down and put things away from about 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the evening.

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**SERVING OUR SENIORS:** The S.O.S. team invites all to enjoy a demonstration of Christmas floral arrangements by Elaine Stechisen from Shelmerdine Garden Centre to be held on **Tuesday November 29, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.** in Saint John XXIII Parish Hall. A free will offering will be appreciated.

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**ST. CHARLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO ITS "KINDER FAIR"** to be held on **Tuesday, November 29, 2016 at 6:30 p.m., 331 St. Charles Street.** Our Kinder Fair is interactive, and involves a series of small-group, hands-on experiences led by the kindergarten teachers and staff. It's an opportunity for both you and your child to participate in typical kinder-activities. St. Charles Catholic School is a K-8 school, offering Full Day, Every Day Kindergarten. For more information, please visit our website at [www.stccs.ca](http://www.stccs.ca) Please call 204-837-1520 or email [sec@stccs.ca](mailto:sec@stccs.ca) to R.S.V.P.

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**MUSIC MINISTRY (CHOIRS):** Music rehearsals for each of the weekend Sunday liturgies are held approximately 30 to 45 minutes before the beginning of each Mass. **Current choir members and any others interested in serving in the music ministry are encouraged to come early before Mass to rehearse.** For further information, you may speak with our music ministry coordinator Donna Vendramelli, our pastor Father Robert Polz or any other person serving regularly in our parish music ministry.

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**MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY (USHERS/GREETERS):** We are looking for new volunteers to help serve in the Ministry of Hospitality as Greeters/Ushers at all weekend Sunday liturgies. Parishioners interested in assisting may get more information by speaking with a current usher or by contacting Richard Carlyle @ 204-889-0238. We also ask those currently serving in the Ministry of Hospitality to help in seeking out new Ministers of Hospitality by approaching prospective volunteers in a personal way at your own weekend Mass times.

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**SHARING GOD'S GIFTS 2016:** **Our Parish's appeal target for 2016 is \$50,670.** As of November 6, 2016, **\$18,889.00** has been received at the Archdiocese and through the parish office which represents **37.28%** of our parish appeal target for 2016. Envelopes are available in the pamphlet rack at the south church entrance or in the parish office. Whether you submit your contribution to Sharing God's Gifts 2016 through the parish office or directly to the Archdiocese, **please make cheques payable to "Sharing God's Gifts".** Pre-authorized debit and VISA options are also available – see information on the appeal envelopes. Thank you for your generous support.

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**2016 – 2017 SUNDAY MISSAL now available – Price \$6.00 each:** *The Living with Christ Sunday Missal* is the resource that helps Catholics prepare for and celebrate the Eucharist every Sunday and major feast day of the year. This Sunday Missal features: the official English translation of the Roman Missal, complete Order of Mass, thoughtful Sunday meditations on the Scripture readings, inspiration from the Saints, Papal Prayer Intentions for each month of the year, guide to celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation, prayers for various occasions. Edited and produced in Canada.

**November 13, 2016**

**The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Malachi 4:1-2**

A prophet predicts devastation  
but also promises justice and healing.

**Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 9**

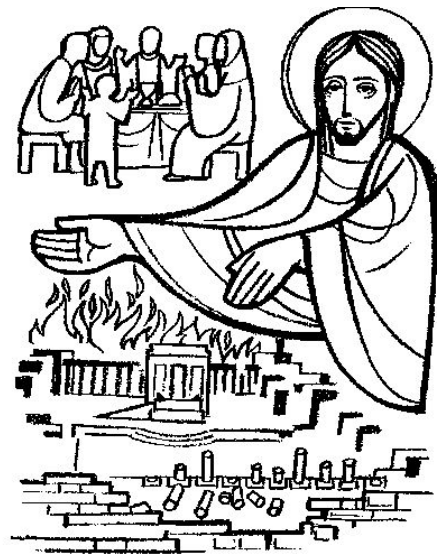
God's coming rule is one of justice and equity.

**2 Thessalonians 3:7-12**

The end is near,  
but that doesn't mean our labor for the good is vain.

**Luke 21:5-19**

Bad times are on the way. But the faithful have nothing to fear.



**BE NOT AFRAID**

If you're like most [...] citizens, you have at least one daily interface with a news report. If you use a cell phone or computer, headlines about breaking events are leaping out at you by the hour. Whether you get your news from television and magazines or electronically delivered services, one common feature of news outlets is that the news is generally bad.

An extraterrestrial tuning in to human history solely by satellite dish might be appalled by the devastation routinely reported. Wars and terrorist attacks, famines and epidemics, waves of needy refugees and tragic injustices seem to rule every corner of the planet. If you feel you live in a safe enclave, think again. Are racism or prejudice, domestic violence or child abuse, material want or addiction part of the fabric of life on your street or in your housing development? Count on it.

How do we live with the weight of such knowledge? Some grow cynical about the humanity of the human race. Others succumb to depression, anxiety, or a life circumscribed by fear. We can give up, give in, or behave like the Thessalonians: party like it's the end-times and hold the effort.

Even prophets like Malachi who envision the day of the Lord as a severe hour of reckoning don't throw in the towel on history altogether. Evil is destined for a bad end, and that's by design. Goodness will last forever and badness has an expiration date tied to this world. What continues to motivate us in the face of the darkest seasons is the brilliant light of justice always on the horizon. The only way to get there is to go there. This is no time to give in to the gloom brought on by corrupt leaders and destructive decisions. Justice waits on our courage to take the journey toward its "healing rays."

Jesus doesn't promise his disciples a cheery, carefree future. Rather, he assures them—us—of the reality of natural disasters and human destruction ahead. Hate is in the world, and with it comes terrorist bombings and lone shootings and horrors we can't yet imagine. The world also contains a lot of willfulness, which means small worlds get shattered too: by divorce, deceit, unkindness, shaming, all the hard words that can't be taken back.

The reality and potency of evil in no way absolves us from our personal and mutual responsibility to work the opposite side of the street. The presence of evil, Jesus says, leads to our giving testimony: When bad things happen, we're required to raise our voices. We're called to answer the lies of our generation with truth. We confront villainy with values. We say no to fear, and yes to courage.

— Alice Camille

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***"I shall not fear anyone on Earth. I shall fear only God."***

— From Mahatma Gandhi's morning offering

***"Wherever men and women are persecuted because of their race, religion, or political views, that place must—at that moment—become the center of the universe."***

— Elie Wiesel

**November 20, 2016**  
**The Solemnity of**  
**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**2 Samuel 5:1-3**

The multi-factioned elders of Israel  
unite behind David, their new king.

**Psalms 122:1-2, 3-4a, 4b-5**

The house of David rallies around the house of their Lord.

**Colossians 1:12-20**

Christ is the first, the last, the very image of the invisible God.

**Luke 23:35-43**

For those with eyes to see,  
Jesus is much more than the King of the Jews.



**APPEARANCES DECEIVE**

Back when she was Norma Jean Baker, not a lot of the smart money was bet on the woman who would become Marilyn Monroe. And who imagined that Bob Dylan, standing on a soda crate singing with his strange alternative voice at local music festivals, would one day be a phenomenon? Those nerdy guys tinkering in garages—Bill Gates and Paul Allen, or Steve Wozniak and Steve Jobs—who would have supposed their eccentric know-how would change the way we engage the world? And consider all the underprivileged kids thumping basketballs in empty lots right now: Which ones will be superstar athletes tomorrow?

Perhaps you and I didn't seem like much of an investment in an earlier incarnation. Yet invest in us people did: parents, teachers, coaches, pastors, friends, and mentors galore. Resources were poured into us to feed and clothe and shelter us. We were educated and medicated and set on a path. No one can foresee the woman or man that resides in the squalling baby, fretful child, or uncommunicative teenager. To be honest, I don't think it was clear in my thirties who I would wind up to be in my fifties. Still, people determined to give me love and friendship, good advice and helpful opportunities all the same.

One percent of us, according to statistics, are born into regal circumstances and are valued pound for pound before we make a single decision. The rest of us face being evaluated by appearances and report cards all along the way. That means we risk being undervalued but for the charitable nature of others. Our last names and addresses may define us to others in cruel ways. The labels on our clothes—Kmart or Christian Dior—may speak before we do. The person with dirt under the nails may be disrespected, while the manicured hand is shaken effusively.

We have to ask: What was there to see in the dirty, bloody criminal hanging between two others at Golgotha? He was being called King and Christ, but both terms were jeered in mockery. No casual onlooker or newcomer to the scene could be expected to see more than met the eye. Jesus was nothing special: infamous, pathetic, but no one worth an investment.

Yet a desperate man facing the same humiliation, dying the same death, does cast all of his hopes on Jesus. Where does such extraordinary faith come from? To see a king in a crucified man, to believe in paradise while undergoing hell itself—this is the last great miracle of an earthly life replete with miracles. On this last Sunday of the church year, we're invited to invest in the unlikeliest hope of all.

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***“May you be content knowing you are a child of God.  
Let this presence settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom  
to sing, dance, praise, and love.”***

— Teresa of Ávila

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING AND COMFORT:**

Darrell Aucoin, David Carlyle, Frank Clarke, Peter Corcoran, Connie Csizmadia, Phyllis Dreveski, Sylvia Ewaskow, Felix Gonzalez, Angela Kalichak, Deacon Gary McCallum, Debra McEnturff, Dolores and Paul Mulaire, Mak Ntwanga, Shirley Payment, Phyllis Rogoski, Hank Smith, Rose Stankewich, Marie Stuart, Jacob Trudel, Antonio F. Viegas, Maria Helena Viegas, Ted Wood and Helen Yankoski.



Please contact our Pastoral Assistant, Sharon, to have names added to our prayer list. Please remember that to have names added to the list and printed in the bulletin we require permission from the person(s) concerned. Thank you for your help.



**BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD**

In our parish we have a special *Book of the Names of the Dead* as a tangible sign of our solidarity with the rest of the Church in prayer for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed. **You are invited to inscribe the names of your deceased loved ones in this special book.** The book has been placed near the sanctuary and remain there for the month of November.

**Questions Catholics Ask: Why pray for the dead?**

Praying for the dead is an ancient practice. The Jewish community was doing it two centuries before Christ, and inscriptions and ancient liturgies of the church testify that early Christians followed this practice.

The belief in the communion of saints is an acknowledgment that death doesn't break the bonds of our relationships to one another. The holy ones are praying for us, and we are praying for the less-than-holy-ones still working out the details of their journey to total union with God. Because God is love, anything unloving has to be left behind for that union to take place. In the "economy of salvation" the currency we use to assist our friends is prayer.

Praying for the dead means more than only saying prayers for them. It can include any good work performed for their intention. Should we do these things for bad people, even really bad ones who may have hurt us? Those folks more than any others need our help! Jesus tells us to love our enemies and to bless those who injure us. Certainly we can bless others in death as well as in life. Those who have gone before us need our prayers. And someday we will likely need theirs.

— written by Alice Camille

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**GOURMET FRUITCAKES** made by the Benedictine Monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey will be sold **after all Masses on the weekend of December 10 and 11, 2016.** Each one of the cakes is slowly baked and aged to perfection. Choice fruits soaked in wine, pecans, creamery butter and quality ingredients are carefully blended according to a traditional recipe creating the perfect Christmas cake - an excellent Christmas gift. The cost is \$16.00 for the loaf cake. **NEW - Christmas Basket\*\*** includes 2 boxes of 6 maple and caramel chocolates, a jar of Maple Okaramel sauce (yum) and a mini Christmas cake \$25. Also for sale are lighter fruitcakes made by Pastryworld in Yorkton Sask; The 2.5 lb. round cake - \$20.00. Sale is in support of Campaign Life Coalition.

**EMERGENCY AID FOR HAITI:** In the wake of Hurricane Matthew, the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace – Caritas Canada already has earmarked \$50,000.00 from their Humanitarian Fund to assist victims in Haiti. If individuals wish to make a contribution in support of this effort, they can do so directly to Development and Peace by marking their donation "Haiti". At this point this is not an official Archdiocesan collection, but rather **individuals can make a donation directly to Development and Peace on their website: [devp.org](http://devp.org)**

## TWO WEEK SCHEDULE: NOVEMBER 13 – 27, 2016

*As circumstances suggest, the schedule may be subject to change.*

### Sunday, November 13

5:00 pm Saturday

6:00 pm Saturday

9:00 am

10:15 am

11:45 am

1:15 pm

1:15 pm

### THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**MASS** – *Deceased brother knights and family members,*  
*requested by K of C St James Council #4557*

**Knights of Columbus St. James Council “APPRECIATION NIGHT”** *(in the parish hall)*

**MASS** – *Hélène Piché+, requested by St. James Assiniboia CWL*

**CATECHISM CLASSES** *(gather in parish hall and then go to classrooms)*

**MASS** – *“Pro populo” / Intentions of parishioners*

**11:45 a.m. Mass will include the Parish Confirmation Preparation Commitment Ceremony**

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION SESSION 3** *(downstairs in room 12)*

**CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM Session 8 – Couples for Christ** *(in the parish hall)*

### Monday, November 14

**FERIAL**

*Office closed*

### Tuesday, November 15

9:00 am

9:15 am

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

6:30 pm

**FERIAL**

Recitation of the Rosary

**MASS** – *Liz Baziuk+, requested by Steve and Dolores Zegalski*

Office open

**SCCS MUSICAL CANTATA** at Saints Vladimir and Olga Cathedral, 115 McGregor Street

### Wednesday, November 16

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

1:00 – 3:00 pm

6:45 pm

7:00 pm

7:30 pm

**FERIAL**

Office open

Knitting Group *(downstairs in room 10)*

**OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS** *(in the church)*

**MASS** – *Juanita Edwards (birthday), requested by Jerome and Margaret Strachan*

K of C Choir Practice

### Thursday, November 17

9:00 am

9:15 am

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

2:00 pm

4:00 pm – 8:00 am

**MEMORIAL: SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, Religious**

Recitation of the Rosary

**MASS** – *Liz Baziuk+, requested by Alexandra LaFleche*

Office open

**MASS – Heritage Lodge Personal Care Home, 3555 Portage Avenue**

*Fr. Robert is on-call for emergency sacramental care at the Health Sciences Centre*

### Friday, November 18

9:00 am

9:15 am

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

10:45 am

3:00 pm

4:00 pm – 8:00 am

**FERIAL**

Recitation of the Rosary

**MASS** – *Edward and Mary Swiderski+, requested by daughter Linda Swiderski*

Office open

**MASS – at Sturgeon Creek II Retirement Residence, 707 Setter Street**

*Ray St. Onge+, requested by Helen and Charlie Gautier*

**Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy** *(in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*

*Fr. Robert is on-call for emergency sacramental care at the Health Sciences Centre*

### Saturday, November 19

5:00 pm

**FERIAL**

**MASS** – *Helen McMullin+, requested by Herb, Sandra and Shannon*

### Sunday, November 20

9:00 am

10:15 am

11:45 am

1:15 pm

7:30 pm

**SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

**MASS** – *“Pro populo” / Intentions of parishioners*

**CATECHISM CLASSES** *(gather in parish hall and then go to classrooms)*

**MASS** – *Special Intention – 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Phil and Toni Anciro*

**CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM Session 9 – Couples for Christ** *(in the parish hall)*

**SOLEMN VESPERS (Evening Prayer) at St. Mary’s Cathedral, 353 St. Mary Avenue**

<b>Monday, November 21</b>	<b>MEMORIAL: THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b> <i>Office closed</i> Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting
7:00 pm	
<b>Tuesday, November 22</b>	<b>MEMORIAL: SAINT CECILIA, Virgin and Martyr</b> Recitation of the Rosary <b>MASS – Margaret McLaughin+, requested by Bill and Irene O’Byrne</b> Office open CWL Choir Practice Parish Visioning and Strategic Planning Meeting
9:00 am	
9:15 am	
10:00 am – 4:00 pm	
10:00 am	
7:00 pm	
<b>Wednesday, November 23</b>	<b>FERIAL</b> Office open Winnipeg Harvest Food Bank <i>(in room 12)</i> <b>OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS</b> <i>(in the church)</i> <b>MASS – Fr. Raphael Gkofcheski+, requested by a parishioner</b> K of C Choir Practice
10:00 am – 4:00 pm	
5:00 pm	
<b>6:45 pm</b>	
<b>7:00 pm</b>	
7:30 pm	
<b>Thursday, November 24</b>	<b>MEMORIAL: SAINT ANDREW DUNG-LAC, Priest, AND COMPANIONS, Martyrs</b> Recitation of the Rosary <b>MASS – Liz Baziuk+, requested by Alexandra LaFleche</b> Office open Catechist Coordinators’ Gathering at Saint John XXIII <i>(in room 12)</i>
9:00 am	
9:15 am	
10:00 am – 4:00 pm	
7:00 pm	
<b>Friday, November 25</b>	<b>FERIAL</b> Recitation of the Rosary <b>MASS – Joe Downey+, requested by Bob and Marnie Puchniak</b> Office open <b>MASS – at Sturgeon Creek I Retirement Residence, 10 Hallonquist Drive</b> <b>Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy</b> <i>(in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel)</i> RUMMAGE SALE in the parish hall
9:00 am	
9:15 am	
10:00 am – 4:00 pm	
10:45 am	
<b>3:00 pm</b>	
5:00 – 7:00 pm	
<b>Saturday, November 26</b>	<b>FERIAL</b> <b>MASS – Brigida and Peter Pittarelli+, requested by Sandra Braccio and family</b>
5:00 pm	
<b>Sunday, November 27</b>	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (N.B.: Readings taken from Year A of the Lectionary)</b> <b>MASS – Leon and Agnes Precourt+, requested by Claude and Pat Precourt</b> <b>CATECHISM CLASSES</b> <i>(gather in parish hall and then go to classrooms)</i> <b>MASS – “Pro populo” / Intentions of parishioners</b>
9:00 am	
<b>10:15 am</b>	
11:45 am	

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**PARISH CATECHISM CLASSES 2016-2017:** Catechism classes are held each Sunday morning at 10:15 a.m. Students and parents gather first downstairs in the parish hall after which students are dismissed with their catechists to go to their designated classrooms. **Those who would like their children to take part in catechism classes are asked to submit a completed REGISTRATION FORM for each child. Contact our pastoral assistant, Sharon Camier, for further assistance.** *Please note that we have designated the lounge area downstairs as a place where parents may gather for coffee and refreshments while their children are in catechism classes. We welcome parents and guardians to join us there each Sunday morning for good company and fellowship!* **WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR A FEW MORE VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST AS CATECHISTS. Please contact Fr. Robert and/or Sharon if you are willing to assist.**

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**PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** Classes have begun for youth (and interested catholic adults not yet confirmed) who wish to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2017 to be conferred when the Archbishop comes to our parish sometime next year, probably sometime in the late Spring. Please contact Sharon Camier or Fr. Robert to register and for further details. The next preparation sessions are scheduled for Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 p.m. and on Sunday, December 4, 2016.

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***“Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord”*** – cf. Psalm 122:1



## FURTHER EVENTS IN AND AROUND THE PARISH, ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

### CONCLUSION OF THE JUBILEE OF MERCY

The Holy Year of Mercy will conclude on the Solemnity of Christ the King, November 20, 2016. Even though this important Jubilee Year is coming to a close, the lessons, we have learned and the themes we have meditated and acted upon must continue to be our pastoral focus for the future. **There will be Solemn Vespers (Evening Prayer) celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral at 7:30 p.m., November 20<sup>th</sup>, to celebrate this conclusion of the Jubilee of Mercy. All are cordially invited to participate.**

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:** It's November! It's CWL membership renewal time again! The weekend of **November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>** has been set for our St. James-Assiniboia CWL membership drive in Saint John XXIII Parish. We will have members available before and after all Masses to inform you of the League, receive membership dues, and answer any questions you may have. Membership dues remain at \$30.00 per year. We are always ready to welcome new members, women 16 years and older. Please consider joining us.



**CWL MONTHLY MEETING:** St. James-Assiniboia CWL will hold their next monthly meeting at **St. Paul the Apostle Parish on Monday, November 28 at 7:00 p.m.** Please join us as we hold our elections for the next two-year term. Come to welcome our new and returning members who will be your executive. Refreshments and fellowship to follow. We hope to see you there!



**"KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" ADVENT CONCERT:** The St. James Knights of Columbus Council #4557 invites you to their annual "Keep Christ in Christmas" Advent Concert to be held in Saint John XXIII Parish Hall, 3390 Portage Avenue, on **Saturday, December 10, 2016 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** Refreshments will be served. Performers include the Violin Ambassadors from St. Charles Catholic School music program under the direction of Ms. Rachel Shem, the St. James Knights and St. James Assiniboia CWL Choirs under the direction of Donna Vendramelli and Fr. Robert Polz. Wrapping up the concert is the well-known Murray Riddell Big Band under the direction of Murray Riddell. Admission is by donation. Proceeds are going to the St. Charles Catholic School Music Program.

**MAKING MISSIONARY DISCIPLES:** Pope Francis has urged Christians to take up their baptismal call to be "missionary disciples." Archbishop Gagnon chose the same theme for the Synod in the Archdiocese of Winnipeg. This series will explore how Jesus prepared his followers to be "missionary disciples". We will reflect on and pray with the Gospel of Matthew and on our own lives as baptized Christians on four Thursdays, **November 10, 17, 24, and December 1, 2016 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.** Cost is a freewill donation. Registration required. **St. Charles Retreat Centre, 323 St. Charles Street, 204-885-2260, stcharlesretreat@hotmail.com**

**SHARING PERSPECTIVES ON MERCY: A JEWISH-CATHOLIC DIALOGUE** at Congregation Shaarey Zedek, 561 Wellington Crescent, Winnipeg on **Wednesday, November 23, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.** Sponsored by the Winnipeg BatKol Committee.

**COCKTAILS ON THE CRESCENT:** A unique evening featuring silent and live art auctions, appetizers, dessert and a cash bar. **Saturday November 19, 2016** at St. Mary's Academy, 550 Wellington Crescent, from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Art Auction at 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$50 and are available by calling 204-478-6031 or email [ahouston@smamb.ca](mailto:ahouston@smamb.ca) For more information visit: [http://www.stmarysacademy.mb.ca/home/events/cocktails\\_on\\_the\\_crescent/](http://www.stmarysacademy.mb.ca/home/events/cocktails_on_the_crescent/)

**ST. MARY'S ACADEMY** proudly presents its Dramatic Arts production: **You're a Good Man Charlie Brown.** Three shows take place: December 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., December 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., and December 3, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 each and available at [stmarysacademy.mb.ca](http://stmarysacademy.mb.ca)

*For other events in and around the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, please see information posted on bulletin boards at the north and south entrances of the church, and/or go to the website: [www.archwinnipeg.ca/weekly\\_bulletin.php](http://www.archwinnipeg.ca/weekly_bulletin.php)*