

PAROISSE ST. JEAN BAPTISTE PARISH BULLETIN



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Sunday of Advent



Prepare for the coming of the Lord.

As we begin Advent, our readings today offer wisdom in discerning what it means to prepare our hearts for the Lord. They are beckoning us to wake up and be attentive to what is around us, for God's time is at hand. We have the blessing of this season to prepare for the coming of the Lord, and to allow our hearts to be transformed.

In the first reading, Jeremiah prophesies that the days of fulfillment are coming. A shoot will come from the line of David, and it will be a time of security and justice. In the second reading, Paul prays for the Thessalonians and exhorts them to conduct themselves as pleasing to God. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples what it will be like at the coming of the Son of Man, and that they are to be vigilant in anticipation of that day.

New Rebuild Donation options

E-Transfer option:

1. Go to your online bank acct
2. Go to interact e-transfers and enter recipient name:
3. **Diocese of St. Paul.**
4. E-mail address etransfer@dostp.ca
5. Add a message and please state which collection you would like it to go to e.g. Church rebuild

Automatic Withdrawal Option

Automatic Bank withdrawal is set up for those parishioners that are interested in looking at this other option for monthly donations. There are some forms at the gym you can also contact the office for any questions at office.sjbp@icloud.com or call 780-939-4412 ext 0.

Debit/Credit Card Donations

The parish office has a debit/credit card machine for those parishioners that would like to make their donations via their banking cards.

SJBP Rebuild Fundraiser

Want to show your support, while simultaneously spreading the image of our new Parish? Each Sunday at the 9 am Mass, the fundraising committee is selling t-shirts for \$25. \$10 from each shirt goes to the rebuild. Please contact Lisa St. Onge at 780-984-4904 if you have any questions, or if you want to order, or attend Mass at a different time.

Christmas Mass Times

Tuesday December 24th Christmas Eve Masses

5:00 pm - with Nativity Play from the Youth

7:30 pm

Wednesday December 25th Christmas Day Mass 10:00 am

Christmas Hamper program

The Knights of Columbus, are pleased to announce that they will be coordinating the "Christmas Hamper project" for Morinville and district. Last year over 100 hampers were distributed to needy families in our community. The success of this project relies on the generosity and co-operation of the churches, service groups, businesses, and countless individuals in our communities.

Starting in late November donations of new (unwrapped) children's toys and gifts can be dropped off at the following locations: Napa Auto Parts, Home Hardware, and local banks. Financial contributions may be directed to the office of St. Jean Baptiste parish or Napa Auto Parts. Cheques are to be made to St. Jean Baptiste parish (tax receipts will be issued) and the funds will be used to purchase food items for the hampers, any surplus funds will be distributed to local schools for their lunch programs. Persons who are eligible to receive hampers are contacted by Social Services. Anyone who requires assistance should phone 780-939-9353 (Mid-Stream Thrift Store) or 780-446-8799 (Kim Mills). Those who are eligible to receive Christmas Hampers and/or gifts should phone one of the numbers listed above NO LATER THAN Friday December 13th. The distribution of the hampers is planned for Friday, December 20th at the Rendezvous Centre.





JOIN EVERGREEN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
CHAPLAIN MIKE LANDRY FOR AN ADVENT
PARISH MISSION:

YOUNG PEOPLE AND OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

TALK 1: TODAY'S
YOUTH CULTURE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

TALK #2: THE PROCESS
OF SPIRITUAL
DEVELOPMENT
MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

TALK #3:
CHALLENGING YOUTH
TO MAKE A GOD CHOICE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

PRESENTATIONS BEGIN AT 6:30PM & TAKE PLACE AT SAINT MARY OF
THE ASSUMPTION PARISH, 10020-100 AVE. WESTLOCK.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE PRAY FOR those that are infected by illnesses and diseases or struggling and who are going through any medical procedures and treatments. We pray for their healing and recovery.

Home visit for the sick

If you know of anyone that is living alone or anyone that needs anointing or would like to receive communion in their home. You can call the parish office. Or after hours call Fr Trini at 780-645-9749.

Sunday Missals for 2024/2025

The Sunday Missals are at the gym for a cost of \$5.00. There are also Advent and Christmas Reflection books for \$5.00. There will be a box for these items that you can put the cash or cheque in.

Also the Lector workbooks are available for a cost of \$15.00 there is an envelope beside the books that you can put the money or cheque in.

First Friday

First Friday is December 6th from 9 am to 10 am Rectory Basement.

CWL Memberships

The CWL memberships are due cost is \$45.00



November 24, 2024	Collection	1,320.00
	Restoration	\$45.00
	KC Hampers	\$ 300.00

DATE	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS	
Saturday	Nov 30	5:00 PM	RIP Madeleine VanBrabant—Nolette family
Sunday	Dec 1	9:00 am	RIP Henry Chalifoux—Maxine & family
		11:00 am	RIP David McDonald—McDonald's
Monday	Dec 2	6:30 PM	RIP Rebecca Rotamula— Friends
Tuesday	Dec 3	8:30 AM	Souls in Purgatory—Shirley
Wednesday	Dec 4	10:00 AM	
		5:00 PM	Holy Souls
Thursday	Dec 5	10:00 AM	
		5:00 PM	RIP Murray Knight—Family
Friday	Dec 6	8:30 PM	
Saturday	Dec 7	5:00 PM	RIP Jeanne Roy—Roy Family
Sunday	Dec 8	9:00 am	For Parishioners
		11:00 am	RIP Donald, Margaret & Kieran Earles - Pat & Family

General operations

Revenue	Oct 31 2024	2024 YTD
Sunday collections	14,529	149,150
Rectory rent & other income	2,071	16,043
Total revenue	16,600	165,194
Expenditures		
Salaries and allowances	7,292	79,380
Utilities	1,660	18,062
Taxes & Insurance - paid twice/year	14,864	32,310
Diocesan share of income	1,743	17,898
Other- office, mtce, worship supplies, equip ...	172	18,124
Total expenditures:	25,731	165,774
Net income (loss)	(9,132)	(580)

2024 St Jean the Baptiste Parish Projected Budget

GOAL: \$ 207,273

From Jan 1 until Oct 31 2024, we have collected \$165,195 of our goal of \$207,273 for the year.

80%

In order to reach our goal, we need an average monthly collection of \$17,273 or 8.3% of our total goal.

For the first ten (10) months of 2024, we have collected an average of \$16,519 per month