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MASS TIMES

Monday - Saturday: 7:45 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:45 a.m., 10:00 a.m.
& 12:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Saturday

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. &
4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

*It is okay to approach the priest for individual confession after morning Masses, but please not on Sundays.

ADORATION

Holy Cross Perpetual Adoration Chapel
24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Family Adoration (Friday)

Fridays at 7:00 p.m. in the church

1st Friday of the Month Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

1st Saturday of the Month Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

3rd Friday of the Month Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

PARISH CENTRE OFFICE

Monday - Thursday
8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. &
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. &
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

PASTORAL STAFF

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PARISH BULLETIN

THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST • June 24th, 2018

Our Lady of Perpetual Help....

Since 1866 the Redemptorists have spread devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary under the icon and title of Our Mother of Perpetual Help (also known as Our Lady of Perpetual Help), and the Feast is widely celebrated on the 27th of June.

According to tradition, the ancient Byzantine icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help was stolen from a church in Crete, where many miracles had occurred. It remained in the private possession of a Roman merchant and his family until 1499, when it was publicly displayed in the Church of St. Matthew in Rome. Pilgrims flocked to the church for the next three hundred years, and great graces were bestowed upon the faithful.

When St. Matthew's was destroyed in 1789 by Napoleon's troops, the icon was rescued and hung in an obscure monastery chapel until the Redemptorists learned that the site of their new headquarters in Rome had once been the site of St. Matthew's, the one-time home of a miraculous icon of Our Lady. A Redemptorist priest who as a young man had frequented the monastery chapel that displayed the icon informed his brothers where to find the image.

The Redemptorists asked Pope Pius IX for permission to move the icon to their new church, San Alfonso, which was built on the location of the icon's earlier home. The pope granted his permission and told the Redemptorists to "make her known throughout the world."

In the Eastern world, icons are much more than beautiful images: they're meant to help us connect directly with God. The artist strives to illuminate the viewer's soul with divine truth.

Each element of the icon has a specific meaning:

- Mary's eyes, filled with compassion and love, are directed toward us.
- Our Lady is clothed in the colors of virgins (red) and of mothers (blue). These are also royal colors.
- Jesus, depicted as a young boy, wears the colors of a king.
- The star on Mary's veil reminds us that she is the dawn announcing the coming of Christ.
- Our Lady's hands hold her Son securely, and her right hand directs our gaze to Him.
- The Christ Child grasps his mother's hand as though he is frightened by what he sees.
- In His hurry to reach his mother, Jesus has almost lost one of his sandals. He became human, like us, in all things but sin.
- On Our Lady's left and right we see the reasons for the child's fear. On the right is the Archangel Gabriel, holding a cross and four nails. On the left is the Archangel Michael, holding a lance, a pole with a sponge, and a vessel of vinegar. This vision of the instruments of the crucifixion has driven the young Jesus to his mother's protective embrace.
- Yet Our Lady's gaze is fixed on us, her children on earth. She is our source of constant comfort and hope.

Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist

First Reading: Isaiah 49.1-6

Second Reading: Acts 13.22-26

Gospel: Luke 1.57-66, 80



ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNE PAPAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

UNIVERSAL: Social Networks: That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their difference.

FRONT STAIRCASE CONSTRUCTION: Construction will begin on the front staircase on June 25th, weather permitting. There will also be repair work done to the small staircase. Construction is expected to take approximately six to eight weeks and will involve taking down sections of the retaining wall. Please exercise caution around these areas and avoid going into the construction area. The front doors will remain locked during the construction. Thank you for your patience.

DIOCESAN MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION – SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 2018: The Diocesan Multicultural Celebration will be held at the St. Boniface Cathedral on **Saturday, June 30; Mass at 10:30 a.m.** presided by Archbishop Albert LeGatt; Festivities from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED JULY 2ND: Just a brief reminder that the Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, July 2nd**, in celebration of **Canada Day**. We will reopen on Tuesday, July 3rd during parish summer hours. God bless Canada!

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS: During the summer months (**July and August**), the Parish Office will be closed in the afternoons and on weekends. Summer hours are: **Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.** Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, September 4th.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS ARE ALMOST HERE - PLEASE DON'T FORGET US! The Church continues to operate during the summer months and still needs your support. **Consider giving your Sunday offerings before you head out to enjoy your holidays!** There are several ways you can do this: you can leave us your post-dated cheques in your Sunday envelopes or by dropping them at the Parish Office **or** make your donations via **pre-authorized debit**, directly through your bank account. For more on this program, please visit our Parish website at: holycrossparish.ca and click on the 'Give online' section or email us at office@holycrossparish.ca for a sign-up form. Thank you for your continued support and have a happy and safe summer!

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST (FHE): The Association of the Friends of the Holy Eucharist (FHE) is a Catholic organization for both healthy and disabled persons who desire a deeper union with the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Our next gathering is on **Monday, July 2nd at 6:30 p.m.** in the Church, **Mass and Sacrament of the Sick at 7:00 p.m.**, followed by Adoration. All are welcome.

HEALING MASS & SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: We celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick with Masses at the beginning of each month. Next month, we welcome you to join this celebration on **Friday, July 6th** at the **7:45 a.m. morning Mass** and on **Monday, July 2nd at 7:00 p.m.** in conjunction with the FHE Mass.



200TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS: JUBILATION - SUNDAY, JULY 15TH

In celebration for the 200th anniversary of the Diocese of St. Boniface, there will be a day of Jubilation on **Sunday, July 15th**. The celebrations will include a **Mass for the entire Diocese at 11:00 a.m. outdoors at the St. Boniface Cathedral**. All Sunday Masses in the diocese will be cancelled so that we can come together to celebrate our faith as a community.

Schedule of Events:

9:30 a.m. Historical Re-enactment of the arrival of Bishop Provencher at Joseph-Royal Park, Taché Ave and Provencher Blvd
Historical dress welcome

11:00 a.m. Solemn Mass presided by Cardinal Gérald Cyprien Lacroix*
Bring a lawnchair; limited seating provided

1:00 p.m. Afternoon of multicultural and family activities
Children's entertainment, crafts and games, multicultural dance performances, bands, Manitoba Living History Society encampment, choirs, beer garden, food trucks, street performers, USB Alumni Rendez-Vous

7:30 p.m. Thank you - Megwetch for Humanity - Merci*
Broadcast performance inspired by the Seven Teachings of the First Nations peoples
Featuring: Tom Jackson, Brad Roberts, Zachary Richard, Connie Kaldor, Heather Bishop, les soeurs Campagne, Martha Wainwright, World Village Music Choir, Luc De Larochelière and more!

Please don't forget about us on July 15th! While there will be no Sunday masses at Holy Cross on this day, we still rely on the Sunday collections to keep the lights on. We hope that you will still use the July 15th collection envelope and drop it in the collection basket the week prior to or after July 15th.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

SUMMER CHAPEL MASS SCHEDULE: The Archdiocese has the schedule of **Summer Chapels in rural Manitoba**. This is a helpful guide for those travelling to the lake or holi-

daying outside Winnipeg, who still would like to attend Sunday Mass in the rural areas. **You can pick up this brochure at the entrances of the Church or at the Parish Office.**

SUMMER CHAPEL SCHEDULE CHANGE: Please note that the Sunday Mass time has changed at two of our summer chapels. At Albert Beach, the Mass will be at 10:00 a.m. from July 1st to September 2nd. At Traverse Bay, Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. until June 24th, and then from September 9th to October 28th. However, from July 1st to September 2nd, Mass at Traverse Bay will be at 11:30 a.m. The revised Mass times are posted on the Archdiocesan website under the Parishes heading.

ROSARY: In honor of Our Lady, on the 13th of each month we invite the men to lead us in the Rosary before the early Mass. The Rosary starts at 7:15 a.m. Monday through Saturday. The men are invited to participate any day of the week as well.

Stewardship Reflection

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist - June 24, 2018

"...Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet." Acts 13:25

Stewardship is a lifestyle, it's not a program or process. It's how we are called to live our lives twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week! It challenges us to live "God-centered" lives, not "self-centered" lives. Reflect on your daily activities, do you do them for the glory of God or for the glory of your own name?

PARISH COLLECTIONS

PARISH COLLECTION: June 16 - June 17

Mass Time	Loose	Envelope	Total
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	132.85	(23) 1,270.00	1,402.85
Sun. 7:45 a.m.	158.65	(26) 817.00	975.65
Sun. 10:00 a.m.	201.60	(23) 354.00	555.60
Sun. 12:00 p.m.	185.20	(18) 455.00	640.20
			3,574.30
Pre-Authorized Donations			
*46 registered donating on different schedules, spread over all Masses			992.50
TOTAL			4,566.80
3rd Sunday (Food Bank)			TOTAL 1,131.00

There is one who scatters, and yet increases all the more, and there is one who withholds what is justly due, and yet it results only in want. The generous man will be prosperous, and he who waters will himself be watered.
Proverbs 11: 24-25

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon. Jun. 25	T.O.P.S.	6:15 p.m.
Wed. Jun. 27	Parish Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Fri. Jun. 29	Fellowship after Family Adoration	8:00 p.m.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

- Holy Rosary will be prayed daily at 7:15 a.m. (Mon - Sat)
- Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed daily after the 7:45 a.m. Mass (Mon - Sat) & at 9:45 a.m. (Sunday)
- Novena to OLPH will begin on the 2nd Wednesday of each month following the 7:45 a.m. Mass
- 1st Friday, 1st Saturday & 3rd Friday Devotion will be prayed following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

Saturday, June 23: SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

5:00 p.m. + Monique Couture by the Savoie family

Sunday, June 24: SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

- 7:45 a.m. For the Intentions of All Parishioners
- 9:45 a.m. Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 10:00 a.m. + Andy & Chris by Stephie Eunson & family
- 12:00 p.m. + Lyndon Michalchuk by Liz & Charlie VanDeKeere
- 2:00 p.m. Baptism (2)

Monday, June 25

7:45 a.m. + Deceased family & friends by Evangeline Fraser

Tuesday, June 26

7:45 a.m. + Auguste & Clarisse Thorimbert by Marie Thorimbert

Wednesday, June 27

- 7:45 a.m. + Chris Colp by the Honduras Mission Circle Members
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Cross School Final Mass

Thursday, June 28: MEMORIAL FOR ST. IRENAEUS

7:45 a.m. + Deceased family & friends by Dirk Schmid

Friday, June 29: SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL

- 7:45 a.m. + Roger Gervais by Jean & Janelle Lafrance
- 7:00 p.m. Family Adoration

Saturday, June 30

7:45 a.m. + Yvette Fifi by the family

Saturday, June 30: THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. + Paul & Jacqueline Prefontaine by Charles Prefontaine

Sunday, July 1: THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:45 a.m. + Marcel Baudry by Aurele & Caroline
- 9:45 a.m. Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 10:00 a.m. + Her parents & brother by Steffie Eunson & family
- 12:00 p.m. For the Intentions of All Parishioners

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