



ST. DENIS Roman Catholic Parish

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Eucharistic Celebrations :

Sunday, Jan. 7th – 9:00 am – Paul Émile Sibileau (*Eugene & Yvonne Bazin*)

Sunday, Jan. 14th - 9:00 am – Denis Dufault (*Madeleine Bazin*)

Sunday, Jan. 21st - 9:00 am – Simone Dheilly (*Simone & André Lambert*)

Sanctuary Lamp this week: Roland & Yvonne Dequier

God's Share: Dec. 24th - \$1030.00 (22) + \$10.00 loose + \$20.00 (dd) = \$1060.00

God's Share: Christmas - \$490.00 (21) + \$290.25 loose + \$0.00 (dd) = \$780.25

God's Share: Dec. 31st - \$245.00 (12) + \$15.00 loose + \$160.00 (dd) = \$420.00

God's Share: Jan. 1st - \$210.00 (15) + \$10.00 loose + \$0.00 (dd) = \$220.00

End of year donations: - \$6,650.00 (church) + \$300.00 (cemetery)

Church Cleaning: Jan. 1st to Feb. 15th – Simone Lambert & Yvonne Bazin

<u>Ministries :</u>	<u>January 7th</u>	<u>January 14th</u>	<u>January 21st</u>
Readers:	Marcel Dufault	Judith Robidoux	Lucille Dheilly
Offerings & Collection:	Eugene Bazin & Albert Furet	Marcel Dequier family	Gérald Poirier & Guy Dedieu
Communion:	Marcel Dufault	Judith Robidoux	Lucille Dheilly
Counters:	Dorothée & prtnr.	Maurice & prtnr.	Annette & prtnr.

Meal at l'Accueil d'Âge d'Or of Haywood : Tuesday, January 9th at noon –

Please call your contact person or phone 204-379-2477 to give your name before Monday evening. Everyone welcome. \$8.50 for adults.

Let us pray for all the sick members of our community!

Epiphany of the Lord (B) - January 7th, 2018

Official welcome to Father Solomon:

He's finally arrived! Father Solomon is now resident in St. Claude. He moved to the presbytery on Saturday, January 6th. We have had the pleasure of *borrowing* him since last November for our Sunday masses as a substitute priest. It is now official that he will be our Parish Administrator for St-Claude and St-Denis for a six-year term. Father Solomon, on behalf of the parishioners, it is my pleasure to wish you the warmest welcome home!

I take this opportunity to thank the parishioners for your support and encouragement during my seventeen months as a Parish Life Coordinator. It was quite an experience for me! I will be happy to continue my work as a Parish Secretary. *Denise*

Heartfelt Thanks!

Many thanks to Denise Danais and Raymond Massinon for being our parish life co-administrators in the absence of a resident priest. Thank you also to everyone who are constantly involved in various ministries, whether as sacristine, readers, communion ministers, servant, choir, collection, counting, etc.

Thank you to Father Solomon for celebrating our masses and for his very inspiring homilies. Thanks to those who set up the mangers indoors and outdoors, laid the decorations, cleaned the church, and for the great participation of parishioners and visitors to the Christmas mass.

Thank you to the Parish Pastoral Committee (PPC), whose current members are: Simone Lambert, Gisèle Oliviero-Jobin, Lynne Lesage, Nicole Jamault-Dion, Louise Lambert, Antoine and Céline Hutlet and Claudette Philippe.

Thanks also to our devoted Finance Committee for all their help in the office and elsewhere: Raymond Massinon, Jean Souque, Maurice Rouire, Gérald Poirier, & Yvonne Cantin. All of whom are also members of the Cemetery Committee.

Meeting of the priests of the deanery (priests of our region): Thursday, January 11, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. in Swan Lake.

2018 New Year's Reception:

As it has been customary for many years, Archbishop Albert LeGatt invites various groups to different Christmas and New Year's receptions. The reception for the laity will be held on **Sunday, January 7, 2018, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** at the Saint Boniface Cathedral hall. Everyone is welcome!

Pope's Prayer Intentions for January 2018

Evangelization: That Christians and other religious minorities in Asian countries may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

Marriage Tip:

Now that the busyness of Christmas is starting to die down, why not start the new year right by planning a regular weekly family night? Be creative about spending some quality time together for wholesome bonding.

Separated - Widowed - Divorced: Upcoming 10 Weekly Sessions – as of Wednesday, January 10, 2018 Beginning Experience (BE) is a non-profit, peer support grief resolution program helping persons deal with the natural grief process after being Separated, Divorced or Widowed. It offers an opportunity for turning pain from loss into an experience of positive growth. The program offers 10 week sessions, 3 times a year, as well as 2 retreat weekends that can be taken in the fall or spring. The next weekly sessions, Coping with Life Alone, starts on Wednesday, January 10, 2018; registration at 6:30 PM; course from 7 PM – 9 PM. Next retreat: March 2 - 4, 2018. For more information: 204-275-3090; website: <http://www.beginningexperience.ca/>.

St. Francis Xavier Relic Pilgrimage - St. Mary's Cathedral, Winnipeg - Tuesday, January 16, 2018

Encounter St. Francis Xavier, patron saint of missions, in the extraordinary incorrupt relic of his forearm and hand: Tuesday, January 16, at St. Mary Cathedral, 353 St. Mary Avenue, Winnipeg. This is a remarkable opportunity to venerate this famous first-class relic, which rarely leaves the Church of the Gesu in Rome. Come pray with this great saint and be inspired by his miraculous ministry. For more details: cco.ca/relic. Marriage, Family & Life

Code of Conduct for Clergy

In August 2016, the St. Boniface Archdiocese adopted a new Code of Conduct for Clergy. It addresses counselling and spiritual direction, confidentiality, conduct with minors and vulnerable persons, sexual conduct, harassment and violence, use of information technology, and financial issues as well as clergy well-being. All priests and deacons must adhere to it. To find out more about the Code of Conduct for Clergy, a booklet is available in your parish, at the Archdiocesan Centre, and on the archdiocesan website under the 'Safe Church Environment' menu. View the pamphlet in PDF format.

The Saint John's Bible - Will be in the Archdiocese of St. Boniface This unique work is the first illuminated and handwritten Bible of monumental size to be commissioned by a Benedictine monastery in more than 500 years. The integral text of the Bible, that is the 73 books of the Old and the New Testaments, is presented in seven volumes of about 1150 pages. Volume 6 of the Saint John's Bible: Gospels & Acts is here to help us celebrate the Coming of the Gospel in Western Canada, 200 years ago. To find out more about this work of sacred art and learn where and when it will be available in the Archdiocese, visit the Web site: www.archsaintboniface.ca/main.php?p=772.

Epiphany of the Lord (B) - January 7th, 2018



Raise your Eyes!

As cell phones are ubiquitous, we pedestrians face extra challenges and must always pay attention. We must be present, focused on our surroundings, careful where we walk, especially in winter, since we could easily slip on the ice. Secondly, we must be careful not to run into other pedestrians whose eyes are glued to a phone. These were not problems faced by the Magi.

According to the passage from St. Matthew, we know how the Magi crossed the desert. Their signposts were in the night sky as they followed the star they had seen rising in the east. Their eyes remained focused on the horizon and they didn't lose their way. The Epiphany is a feast of enlightenment and revelation that commemorates Christ's glory as we read in Isaiah's beautiful prose. Abraham looked forward to the land promised by the Lord and raised his eyes to see millions of stars that represented his descendants.

The experience of faith projects light on our human existence and guides us toward our Source. Christ is the Light of the World who reveals God's love for us. If we feel an inner call to live in faith, we raise our eyes and begin our journey, like the Magi and men and women of faith who preceded us. Set in motion and guided by Christ, we can travel far and wide on our human adventure, farther than we can visualize on a path that leads to intimacy with God our Father.

We should not think that the Magi who followed their star were more fortunate than we are on our faith journey. Our signposts are real, meaningful, and our opportunities, modern. Some may wonder whether our questions and doubts could indicate a loss or lack of faith. These are merely invitations to raise our eyes beyond a faith that may have become comfortable and rediscover God in the battlefields of life.

The Magi relied on the Scriptures to guide them to the new-born king. Today we read the Gospel of Christ to enhance our quest for meaning. Our desire is to be inspired by something greater than what we currently experience. We raise our eyes and begin our journey, though it may be challenging. We are confident that the Lord will always guide us.

Yves Guillemette, priest

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli