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### Eucharistic Celebrations :

Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am – Deceased family members (D & M Dequier)

Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am – Adoration and reconciliation

Mass at 10:00am – Lauraine Picton (funeral collection)

Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am – August Debusschere (D. & M. Dequier)

Sanctuary Lamp – this week: For deceased family members

God's Share : Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> - \$240.00 (20) + \$0.00 loose + \$20.00 (dd) = \$260.00

Church cleaning : Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> to Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> – Rachel Massinon & Yvonne Cantin

<u>Ministries :</u>	<u>January 12<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>January 19<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>January 26<sup>th</sup></u>
Readers:	Marcel Dufault	Judith Robidoux	Annette Bernard
Offerings & Collection	Eugene Bazin & Albert Furet	Marcel Dequier family	Gérald Poirier & Guy Dedieu
Communion:	Marcel Dufault	Judith Robidoux	Yvonne Bazin
Counters:	Maurice & prtnr.	Annette & prtnr.	Lucille & prtnr.

**Meal at l'Accueil d'Âge d'Or of Haywood : Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at noon –**

Please call your contact person or phone 204-379-2705 to give your name before Monday evening. Everyone welcome. \$8.50 for adults.

### **Readings for Sunday: January 19, 2020**

Isaiah 49.3, 5-6; Ps 40.1+3a, 6, 7-8, 9 (R. 7-8); 1 Corinthians 1.1-3; John 1.29-34



## **The Baptism of the Lord (A) - January 12, 2020**

### **Prayer Intentions for January, 2020**

- *Promotion of World Peace:* We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.
- For our pastor, Fr. Peter, in his ministry among us.
- For the conversion of Christians, especially those of our parishes.
- For those who mourn, who are sick, and who suffer from loneliness.

### **Blessing of Homes:**

If you want to have your home blessed, Fr. Peter will be happy to visit you. Please notify him to make an appointment by calling 204-952-4531.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation Preparation :** Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 7:15 pm in the sacristy.

**Sacrament of Confirmation Preparation :** Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 8:00 pm in the sacristy.

### **Receiving Communion and Anointing of the Sick at Home:**

If you wish to receive communion at home on Wednesday afternoon, after Mass at the Pavilion, if you are unable to attend Mass due to illness or old age, please contact Fr. Peter.

Some people have recently moved, and it would be good to be notified of the changes.

Regarding the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick (in case of an emergency or before a surgery), please contact Fr. Peter at 204-952-4531. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Memorial Service in honor of the 2019 deceased members and friends of St-Claude – Haywood: January 12, 2020**

The St-Claude Catholic parish will offer Candlelight Memorial Services on Sunday, January 12, 2020 at 2:00 pm at the St-Claude Church. Come out and share with us in a time of remembrance.

The service will be followed by a time of light refreshments and fellowship. Everyone is welcome. See program on bulletin board.

**Let us keep a thought in our prayers for:** Mrs. Isabelle Oliviero (née Dion), who passed away in St. Claude on Sunday, January 5, 2020 at the age of 89 years. Her funeral mass was held on Saturday, January 11, 2020 in St-Claude. Our condolences go out to her family and friends who are grieving.

### **Papal Blessing**

The Apostolic (Papal) blessing request form is available on the diocesan website [www.archsaintboniface.ca](http://www.archsaintboniface.ca) under 'Chancery'. The directives on how to proceed for the request and the fee payment are also included. The request may be placed for an anniversary of birthday, wedding, sacerdotal and diaconal ordinations or religious life. The request should be sent to the Apostolic Nuntiatura at least one (1) month before the date of the anniversary celebration.

### **Marriage Tip:**

What makes a happy marriage? Many things of course, but one glue that helps a lot of couples is being able to laugh when things go wrong. Is there a blunder that happened in your past that you're now able to laugh about?

## Do you plan to get married in 2020? Congrats! Steps to Prepare Your Christian Marriage

Contact your parish **8 to 10 months before your planned wedding date**. Thus, you will be able to meet the priest or the Parish Life Director to begin concretizing your project. During this first meeting:

1. You will be informed about the different marriage preparation sessions. You will be asked to attend one of these sessions before your wedding. You choose the form that suits you best. However, book early as space is limited, and you are not the only ones to get married especially during the summer!
2. Bring your baptismal certificates. They must have been issued in the last six months. You may have to bring them from the parish where you were baptized.
3. Plan at least three possible dates for your wedding. It may happen that the celebrant or church is not available on the date of your first choice.
4. If the celebration takes place in a parish other than the one where you reside, you must ask the written authorization of the parish priest of your parish. It's just a request to the parish office.
5. Shortly before the wedding, you will be invited to a special meeting for the prenuptial inquiry.
6. Finally, you will meet the priest or deacon to prepare for the celebration of your wedding.

### Preparation Process:

1 – Marriage Preparation Course (various dates)

2 – Fertility Health Awareness Seminar (April 23, 2020)

For more info on marriage preparation, please visit the Archdiocese of St. Boniface website ([www.archsaintboniface.ca](http://www.archsaintboniface.ca)) section: "Marriage, Family and Life – Marriage Preparation".

### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – January 18 - 25, 2020

The theme for 2020 is **"They showed us unusual kindness"** (cf. Acts 28:2). The materials have been prepared by the Christian churches in Malta and Gozo. On February 10th many Christians in Malta celebrate the Feast of the Shipwreck of Saint Paul, marking and giving thanks for the arrival of Christian faith on these islands. The reading from the Acts of the Apostles used for the feast is the text chosen for this year's Week of Prayer.

In Winnipeg the 2020 Week of Prayer will be marked by a City-wide Ecumenical Worship Service at 7:30 PM on Sunday, January 19 at Epiphany Lutheran Church, 200 Dalhousie Drive. All are cordially invited to participate in this celebration with church leaders and to pray in a special way throughout the entire week of prayer.

### The Good Shepherd Campaign 2019

Thank you to all those of you who have made a gift to the 2019 Good Shepherd Campaign! As of January 3, 2020, we have collected over \$257,000 thanks to the generosity of many individuals and religious groups. If you have not yet made your donation, please consider giving us a helping hand by January 31, 2020, the Archdiocese's fiscal year-end, to help us reach the campaign goal of \$270,000 in support of vocations, of the Marriage, Family and Life Service, of Catechetics and other diocesan priorities. We are also very thankful for two bequests totalling almost \$30,000 received in support of the formation of seminarians.

*In closing, please continue to pray for new vocations, for our seminarians, clergy, volunteers and all missionary disciples.*

## The Baptism of the Lord (A) - January 12, 2020

# Timeline



Christ's Baptism by St. John brings an end to the Christmas liturgical season. We have gone from one celebration to another as the mystery of the Incarnation of God's Son is made known. Christ came into our world as a source of never-ending joy (*Christmas*); his presence was revealed to the nations (*Epiphany*) and finally he was acclaimed God's Servant through whom humanity would be saved (*Baptism of the Lord*).

We begin with a reflection on Jesus' Baptism and our own. It is necessary to remember that the Baptism offered by St. John was part of a process of conversion that would welcome the Messiah. We read in the Gospel that St. John was somewhat reserved when Christ appeared on the banks of the Jordan River and asked to be baptized. This request was important because Jesus wanted to reveal his solidarity with the men and women to whom he would proclaim the Good News of Salvation. Jesus asked John to proceed with his Baptism.

Once this happened, God confirmed Christ's identity: He is his Beloved Son, the human Face of God who is Love. Through Christ, God is revealed to people through his gentleness, goodness and mercy. He is the Servant as described by the prophet Isaiah. This Servant does not raise his voice nor break the bruised reed. The Servant will free people from prisons (often of their own making) and enable them to love, as expressed through their relationship with God and others.

We may think of our own Baptism in relation to Christ's death and resurrection. Our Baptism provides us with the opportunity to immerse ourselves in communion with God as people who live in faith and solidarity with Christ, the Father's Beloved Son. We ask Christ to be part of our lives and free us from the evil that imprisons us. Christ leads us closer to God.

**Yves Guillemette, priest**

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