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# ST. DENIS Parish

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# Our mission statement: LOVE GOD LOVE OTHERS TRAIN DISCIPLES

#### **Eucharistic Celebrations:** St. Claude – Haywood - Pavilion

Sat. Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm + Rouire Family - René & Florence Rogg

Sun. Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am H + Justine Dheilly - Lucille Dheilly

Sun. Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am + Raymond Dedieu - Charles & Madeleine Dedieu

Mon. Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> private mass + All souls - Father Peter

Tue. Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am + Special intention – Lucille Bazin

Wed. Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> 2:30 pm P + Marie-Rose deRocquigny – funeral offerings

Thu. Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> 2:30 pm + Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation

Mass 3:30 pm + Jérome Oliviero - Lisa & Tyson St. James & family
Fri. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:00 am H + Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation

Mass - 10:00 am + Paul Dedieu – funeral offerings

Sat. Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm + Thérèse & Denis Furet – funeral offerings
Sun. Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am H + Marcel Dufault – Michel Dufault & family

Sun. Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am + Parishioners - Father Peter

Ministries:November 28thDecember 5thDecember 12thReaders:Simone LambertAnnette BernardJudith RobidouxCounters:Jean & prtnr.Eugene & prtnr.Maurice & prtnr.

**God's Share:** Nov. 21st - \$375.00 (14) + \$0.00 (loose) + \$20.00 (1-DD) = **\$395.00** 

<u>Taxes & Insurance:</u> Nov. 21st - \$300.00 (1) - YTD - \$3,050.00

<u>Manger scene</u>: Thank you to the manger scene crew of Yvonne, Maurice, Marilyne & family for the awesome job. It is appreciated by all.

## 1st Sunday of Advent C - November 28th, 2021

### Pope's prayer intention for November - People Who Suffer from Depression

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

Let us pray: - For an end to the pandemic.

- For our pastor, Fr. Peter, in his priestly ministry among us.
- For the conversion of Christians, especially those of our parishes.

#### Parish life:

- + Sunday Missals: available on the back table at a cost of \$7.00 each. It is recommended that you purchase your personal copy rather than share with others in this time of COVID.
- + Sanctuary lamps: The lists are on the back table. Please choose the week you would like the lamp to burn for your intentions. Free will offering.
- + Tree Lighting: Planned for December 3<sup>rd</sup>, the pledge sheets are available at the Post Office, at Janice's or at Judith's. Proceeds shared between Hall, Church and Accueil d'Äge d'Or. Bulb are sold for \$5.00 each.
- + Catechism for Confirmation Thursday, November 25 at 7:30 pm.
- + Meeting of the PPC Wednesday, December 1 at 4:00 pm in the sacristy.
- + Catechism for First Communion— Thursday, December 2 at 7:00 pm.
- + Penitential Service and Confessions for both parishes Friday, December 17 at 7:00 pm in the St. Claude Church.
- + The Christmas mass schedule will be announced next week.
- \* COVID-19 New provincial restrictions came into effect on November 13.

The changes affect faith communities in the following manner:

In the **Southern Health Region**, religious services will be limited to 25 persons.

This restriction may be increased to 25% of the capacity of the space, to a maximum of two hundred and fifty (250) people, by separating attendees into cohorts. Fully separated parts of the church building (e.g., worship space and parish hall, or wings that may be accessed from different entrances) may be used for different groupings of twenty-five (25) people each, with each grouping having its own entrance and exit. Obviously, a given church's architecture would dictate whether this option is a possibility for the parish.

There can be **no contact** or mingling between groups, with the exception of the presider or the ministers of Holy Communion who will bring the Eucharist to each cohort.

#### \* Marriage Tips

Christ died for us. Spouses give their lives daily for each other, and parents for their children. Your sacrifices are worthwhile!

#### \* First Sunday of Advent Reflection

It can be easy to fall into hopelessness. Whether it's the short days and long nights, isolation from friends and family, or the cultural tensions we find ourselves navigating, we can lose sight of hope. For those facing a crisis, whether unplanned pregnancy or end of life crises, hope can seem even more foreign and abstract. The readings of the First Sunday of Advent show us that hope is not a disposable thing, rather a Person: Jesus Christ. When we express the love of Christ through tenderness, friendship, or simply presence, individuals and families in crisis can find hope in their difficult situations, and ultimately have the courage to choose life.

Jesus, the Son of Man, may You be the hope of all preborn children, women, men, and the elderly. www.lifeculture.ca



#### \* November 28, 2021 - 1st Sunday of Advent

"But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." (Luke 21:28)

We celebrate Advent each year in preparation for the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await His second coming. What will you do differently this Advent season to grow in friendship and love with Jesus? How will you inspire others to do the same? Start by sharing your God story with others, especially those closest to you. Invite and accompany them on their faith journey this Advent.

## DINNER & CONCERT - FUNDRAISER



The Notre Dame de Lourdes Parish, Knights of Columbus and Cultural Committe are once again joining forces to organize a fundraising event with proceeds going to support families in need in our community.

WHEN: Saturday, December 4, 2021

WHERE: Notre Dame de Lourdes Centennial Hall

Dinner from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Entertainment from 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (Angela Durand, Sylvie Dion-Lesage & Others)

NOTE: Proof of vaccination will be required

COST: \$25 if pre-purchased before November 24, 2021

(\$10 for children 6-12; FREE for 5 years and under)

Tickets available at Notre Dame Shop Easy

\$30 on-site

Take-out will be available-Text Mike Durand 204 751-0558 or Gisele Dansereau 204 723-5154
For information call Lorraine Collet (204) 526-5399 or Gisele Dansereau (204) 723-5154

## 1st Sunday of Advent C - November 28th, 2021



### The Illuminating Story of the Advent Wreath

Of the many symbols that mark the liturgical seasons of the Latin Church calendar, few are better known or more beloved than the Advent wreath, which marks the passage of the four weeks preceding Christmas.

#### What are the origins of the Advent wreath?

While it might seem unthinkable to celebrate the season of Advent without the longstanding custom of using a wreath to mark its progress, the origins of the Advent

wreath are mysterious.

Pre-Christian Germanic peoples mounted lit candles on boughs in the month of December as a sign of hope during the darkest time of the year. In the Middle Ages, Christians adapted the tradition and used the bright candles as a preparation for the coming of Christ – the true light of the world – at Christmas. By the 16th century, use of the wreath became more formalized in Catholic and Lutheran circles.

#### What is the meaning of Advent?

Because Advent is so closely related to Christmas, it can scarcely be understood apart from that joyous feast. The word Advent comes from the Latin, *Adventus*, which means "coming." It is the season in which we look forward to Christ's coming at Christmas and, less obviously, his Second Coming as well.

By the 10th century, influenced by Gallican traditions, the Roman Church had come to emphasize fasting and penance as a way of preparing the soul to receive Christ at Christmas.

#### What is the symbolism of the Advent wreath?

This penitential tradition helps explain the colour of the four candles found on the classic Advent wreath. Violet is a colour associated with penance, hence, the three violet candles call to mind the prayer, penance, sacrifice and good works to be undertaken as we await Christ's coming.

The rose-coloured candle, used on the third Sunday of Advent, represents the joy that the Christian experiences as they have reached the halfway point of the season and await the revelation of the light of Christ. Priests also wear rose vestments during this Sunday, which is known as Gaudete Sunday, from the Latin word for "rejoicing."

Some modern adaptations include the use of a white candle placed in the middle of the wreath, which represents Christ, and is lit on Christmas Eve.

The circular shape of the wreath which has no discernable beginning or end, along with the evergreens of which it is made, symbolize God's eternity, the immortality of the soul and the eternal life found in Christ, to whom the wreath points.

#### **Meditating on the Advent wreath**

Next time we look at the flickering candles of the wreath, perhaps we can call to mind the invitation to prepare our hearts for Christ's coming at Christmas and be filled with hope as "The true light, which enlightens everyone, [is] coming into the world" (Jn. 1:9).

(Fr. Seamus Hogan, associate professor of Church history at St. Augustine's Seminary, Toronto)