

## ST. DENIS Roman Catholic Parish

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## **Our Mission Statement:** LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, TRAIN DISCIPLES

Eucharistic Celebrations :

Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 am – Angèle Rouire (Maurice & family)

Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 am – Rhéa Poirier (Cécile Dheilly)

Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 am – Solange Mineault (funeral collection)

Sanctuary Lamp this week : Denis & Claudette Philippe

*God's Share* : April 29<sup>th</sup> - **\$293.00** (19) + **\$10.00** loose + **\$160.00** (dd) = **\$463.00** 

*Church Cleaning* : April 1<sup>st</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup> – Michelle & Lucille Dheilly

| <u> Ministries</u> : | <u>May 6<sup>th</sup></u> | May 13 <sup>th</sup> | May 20 <sup>th</sup> |
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| Readers:             | Annette Bernard           | Lucille Dheilly      | Marcel Dufault       |
| Offerings &          | Marcel Dequier            | Gérald Poirier &     | Marcel Dheilly       |
| Collection:          | family                    | Guy Dedieu           | family               |
| Communion:           | Yvonne Bazin              | Lucille Dheilly      | Marcel Dufault       |
| Counters:            | Maurice & prtnr.          | Annette & prtnr.     | Lucille & prtnr.     |

## ACCUEIL D'AGE D'OR - HAYWOOD

Tuesday May 8 - Noon Meal - \$8.50 for Adults - All Welcome. Please give your name(s) to one of your contacts or phone 204-379-2477 before Monday evening.

## Month of May – Month of the Virgin Mary : Wednesdays of May 2018

All parishioners are invited to the recitation of the rosary every Wednesday in May : May 9, 16, 23 and 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the St. Denis church. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

## Pope's Prayer Intentions for May 2018

Evangelization: That the lay faithful may fulfill their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

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

### Sixth Sunday of Easter (B) May 6th, 2018

Monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus: Tuesday, May 8, at 8:00 p.m. in the sacristy (SC).

Meeting of the priests of the deanery (priests of our region): Thursday, May 10 at 10:30 a.m. in Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes. The parish office (SC) will be closed.

### Fundraiser:

The Vietnamese Parish of St. Philip Minh in Winnipeg is once again selling Spring Rolls. Packages of 24 rolls (2 dozens) are available for \$15 per box. Contact Father John Tê Nguyên after mass or email him at huute nguyen@yahoo.com or call (431) 225 -2629 if you wish to place an order.

## Mother's Day Brunch – Sunday, May 13, 2018

Reserve the date for the annual Mother's Day Brunch at the St. Claude Community Center served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Adults - \$13.50: 5 to 10 years - \$7.50: 4 years and under - free. Silent auction prizes. All proceeds for the funding of a new St. Claude Regional Archives building.

#### CATHOLICA 200 www.archsaintboniface.ca/main.php?p=796

Make Your History Come Alive! Fundraising Luncheon – Tuesday, May 15, 2018 To mark the Centre du patrimoine's 20th anniversary, the Société historique de Saint-Boniface invites you to a fundraising luncheon to be held from 12 noon to 1:30 PM. on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at the Norwood Hotel (doors open at 11:30 AM.). The Centre du patrimoine will inaugurate the exhibition Étienne Gaboury's Saint-Boniface Cathedral: Building Tomorrow's Heritage organized on the occasion of the 200th anniversary of Father Norbert Provencher's arrival in the Red River Colony with two companions. Tickets available at the Centre du patrimoine's Boutique (http://shsb.mb.ca/en/boutique) and reception: (\$75 with a \$40 donation receipt): 204-233-4888 or shsb@shsb.mb.ca.

## Singing Practice for Two Very Special Diocesan Events

Attention to all of you who sing! Two very special diocesan events are being prepared: Tuesday, June 5 - for the feast of St. Boniface and Ordination to the Diaconate of Peter Le Van Ngu; Sunday, July 15 – Jubilation: Mass to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the coming of the first missionaries out West. All singers are invited to come for 2 rehearsals: Mondays, May 14 and May 28 at 7 PM, St. Boniface Cathedral. Please register before Sunday, May 13: vermettei@mvmts.net or 204-477-1531.

## Marriage Tip

May is Mary's month. Do you have an image of Our Lady in your home? If not, place one in a prominent place sometime this month. Let it be a good reminder to ask for her intercession throughout the day.

## Stewardship Reflection - 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - May 6, 2018

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" John 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?

## To parents of young children : May we suggest...RELAX !

God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome! Sit towards the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what is going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of others! Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, choir, and other ministries. Help them find the hymns and prayers in the hymnal or booklets. Sing the hymns, participate in the liturgy and pray. Children learn about worship and liturgical behaviour by copying you. If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, « Let the children come to me... » Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the church, to God and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in His house of worship.

## To the members of our parish

The presence of children is a gift to the church and a reminder that our parish is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents. Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)

# True Friends ....

True friends are rare. We have lots of on-line "friends", colleagues at work, neighbours, and acquaintances. Yet true friends, faithful, discrete, attentive, respectful, and supportive are rare. Today people have hundreds of friends on Twitter, Facebook and other Internet resources. But it only takes something very minor and these pseudo-friends can "unfriend" and cut us off if they are angry or vindictive. So many young people are devastated when this happens.



When Jesus spoke about friendship, it referred to something else. Until that time, he was the teacher, and leader, and the apostles were his disciples. When he knew the end was approaching, he changed the tone of his teachings: *I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends.* (Jn 15:15).

The friendship that Christ describes is complete with confidence, reciprocity and love. Jesus did not hesitate to speak of love in the most perfect and inclusive definition of the term. The love that Jesus wishes to share originates from God the Father's heart. The Father's gives his love to the Son who shares his love, enabling us to enter into the same mystery of God, since God is love. This circle of love originates from the Father to the Son, from Christ to us and from us to others and ultimately returns to God. *Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God* (1 Jn 4:7)

It would be impossible to improve on this. We venerate and both fear and obey God. Jesus teaches us another approach: one of proximity, intimacy, friendship and love. It is through loving one another that we discover the mystery of God.

May 6th, 2018