

Saint John XXIII Roman Catholic Church

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Office Hours: As announced in the schedule for the week

SACRAMENT OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST
SUNDAY LITURGIES (MASSES)

Due to limits imposed by public health orders, please call ahead of time to make reservations

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

You may call ahead of time to make reservations

ASSISTANCE TO THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

For emergencies, you may contact the parish office

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

As circumstances permit, when the Pastor is available on Friday afternoons and/or by appointment

PARISH BULLETIN

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — October 18, 2020 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — October 25, 2020

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FAITH FORMATION: Contact our Pastoral Assistant (Sharon) for further information concerning catechism classes and to register for lessons to take place at church and/or in the home setting during this time of COVID-19.

Catechism sessions for children (K to Grade 8) are held on designated Sunday mornings from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Periodically other programs, workshops, and/or study sessions are offered for adults.

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION (BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, EUCHARIST): Contact our Pastoral Assistant for further information.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Contact the Pastor (Fr. Robert).

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Arrangements for preparation and celebration should be made at least six months in advance.

CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN FUNERALS: Contact the parish office <u>before</u> finalizing arrangements with funeral directors.

LIVESTREAMING OF THE ROSARY AND SUNDAY MASS AT SAINT JOHN XXIII

To access livestreaming of parish liturgies via YouTube and/or an archive of liturgies posted online, go to links found on the home page of our parish website www.johnxxiii.ca

October is Missionary Month

OCTOBER 18TH IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Today, every Catholic community and parish throughout the world is involved in World Mission Sunday. It is a day that we show that all Catholics are missionary disciples who all have a role to play in the missionary activities of the church. It is a global effort to bring spiritual and material assistance to those who long for the love of Christ. Your kind support will help new churches to become strong and vital faith communities. Please continue to pray for all those who serve in mission countries and please be generous in your support of their work. Thank you in advance for any financial support that you can provide on this World Mission Sunday.

The theme chosen by Pope Francis and suggested by the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples for the

Missionary Month of 2020 is "HERE I AM, SEND ME!" Before collaborating in Mission, listening and openness to the Lord's calls is required. He who called was the one who prepared the prophet to be his messenger to the people. Today, the Lord continues to call each baptized person and form them as missionary disciples so that they may continue to build the Kingdom on Earth (cf. Mark 13: 13-15).

The most amazing thing is that the Lord wonders: "Who will I send? Who will be available and agree to speak on my behalf to condemn today's evils in the world and to proclaim the Gospel that will transform it?" The Mission of Evangelization will continue in our contemporary culture only if the baptized people respond consciously: "Here I am, send me!"

For further information concerning World Mission Sunday, ways to give, and the work of The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, you may go online to the website: www.missionsocieties.ca

Missionary Month Prayer

God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, overflowing source of the mission,
Help us to understand
that life is mission,
gift and commitment.
May Mary, our intercessor
help each one of us
to be prophetic witnesses to
the Gospel, by constantly answering:
Here I am, Lord, send me!
A m e n.

"When the Church goes to a people who has not yet received the faith, it goes to meet a grace from God.

For grace is at work in every human group and, within each human group, in every individual;

it produces there first effects that can come to fruition only through the Church and in it."

—Yves de Montcheuil, Jesuit martyr and theologian

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

We will pray and livestream the Rosary every Saturday afternoon during October at 3:30 p.m. immediately before Mass.

The purpose of the Rosary is to help keep in memory certain principal events in the history of our salvation. There are twenty mysteries reflected upon in the Rosary, and these are divided into the five Joyful Mysteries (Monday and Saturday), the five Luminous Mysteries (Thursday), the five Sorrowful Mysteries (Tuesday and Friday), and the five Glorious Mysteries (Wednesday and Sunday). As an exception, the Joyful Mysteries may be said on Sundays during Advent and Christmas, while the Sorrowful Mysteries may be said on the Sundays of Lent. The question is sometimes asked, why, of all the incidents in our Lord's life, the Rosary only considers these particular twenty. The mysteries of the Rosary are based on the incidents in the life of Our Lord and His Mother that are celebrated in the Liturgy. There is a parallel between the main feasts honoring our Lord and his Mother in the liturgical year, and the twenty mysteries of the Rosary. Consequently, one who recites the twenty mysteries of the Rosary in one day reflects on the whole liturgical cycle that the Church commemorates during the course of each year. This is why some of the Popes have referred to the Rosary as a compendium of the Gospel.

Effective Monday, September 28th, the COVID-19 Response Level for communities within the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority was raised to ORANGE – RESTRICTED.

Individuals in the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority region must:

WEAR A MASK IN ALL INDOOR PUBLIC PLACES.

Effective Monday, October 19, 2020 there will be a further restriction on indoor and outdoor gatherings to a MAXIMUM OF 5 PEOPLE. This will apply to the celebration of BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, and FUNERALS.

PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING, HAND WASHING/SANITIZING AND COUGH ETIQUETTE.

Stay home when sick. Follow public health guidance on travel and self-isolation.

Vulnerable people, such as seniors, are encouraged to exercise additional caution.

Although current protocols still allow up to a maximum of 30 per cent of our site's capacity for some faith-based gatherings (e.g. Mass), members of the public must be able to reasonably maintain a separation of at least two metres from others, except for brief exchanges.

Please cooperate with us in respecting our revised limit of 90 PERSONS in the church nave/sanctuary at any one time for Mass.

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AHEAD OF TIME TO MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR ALL WEEKEND MASSES.

For <u>weekday liturgies</u> you may register beforehand or take your chances for "rush seating" provided space is available.

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October 18, 2020

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

The God of Israel supports a foreign king to serve the divine purpose.

Psalm 96:1+3, 4-5, 7-8, 9+10ac

All the Earth will worship the Lord who rules the nations with equity.

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5ab

The gospel comes not just in words, but also in demonstrations of power and conviction.

Matthew 22:15-21

Caesar is not pitted against God, nor is he to be confused with our obligations to God.

Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.

EXPLORING THE WORD

God and government

One of the most relevant issues of the 21st century is also curiously an ancient one: What is the proper relationship between church and state? At least most nations of the world don't have to face the old problem of kings who ruled by divine right, much less emperors and pharaohs who identified themselves as the divinity personified. The mix of God and government may be potent today, but we forget that the two were once naturally indivisible by design. Ancient Israel preserved the stories of an age when God chose the king and God's prophet anointed him to rule. The ancient equation was simple: As power is an attribute of the divine, how else can authority be wielded by mortals if God does not ordain it so?

The problem of the other

It was clear to ancient peoples that their gods chose or otherwise inhabited their rulers to occupy the seats of power. But what about the rulers of other nations? In an accommodating polytheistic worldview, one could naturally

assume that the governments of other nations served according to the pleasure of the deities in charge of their lands. If we adopted such a view today, we could say Allah gave his part of the world to the Muslims, Yahweh preserved Israel for the Jews, the God of Jesus Christ is watching out for Christian countries, and so on.

But we can't say that, for the simple reason that these three great world religions are monotheistic: We believe in one God, as we say in our creed. Monotheists deny the reality of other gods and any authority their adherents claim to possess. So we are faced with the dilemma: either to reject the God of other religions as an illusion, or to recognize the same God as Lord over all.

It is a tough call, but the prophet Isaiah was the first to go on record and declare the God of Israel as the single legitimate authority acting behind every power on Earth. Not only were the kings of Israel subject to the God of Abraham and Moses, but Cyrus of Babylon was, too. It made no difference that Cyrus was a pagan crowned for the service of the Babylonian god Bel-Marduk. It didn't even matter that Cyrus released the Jews from their servitude to give glory to his god and not to Yahweh. In Isaiah's view, Cyrus was the anointed—literally, the messiah—of the Jewish God because God used him to achieve the divine purpose, however unwittingly. Bel-Marduk, a blind idol, was an irrelevant character in the saving action.

The families of nations

The psalmist speaks of the glory due to God from the "families of nations," anticipating the day when all people would admit what is nonetheless true without such acknowledgment: that God is the Lord and there is no other. Scripture remains frank and friendly in regard to other culture's authorities, given this understanding. Melchizedek, a priest of Canaan, is treated with great respect by Abraham, just as the Magi who probably adhere to Zoroastrianism are accorded places of honor in the Christian tradition. At various points in Hebrew history, the rulers of various nations are given free rein to conquer Israel and Judah without interference from God and, in the interpretation of many prophets, with something like God's tacit approval.

It seemed to puzzle many in Jesus' day that he did not speak badly of the Romans like the Zealots did, and it must have infuriated some that he seemed to condone Caesar's right to tax all the people swallowed by his empire. The early Christians certainly followed suit in their respect for civil authorities, even pagan and potentially hostile ones. The pastoral letters are particularly solicitous of secular responsibility and the Christian duty to be a good citizen in one's country as well as in the reign of God.

The value of money

Did Jesus legitimate Rome's right to oppress Israel in accepting the census tax? If so, he also validated the temple tax, which many Jews found equally offensive, on the day he asked Peter to fish out a coin for it as well. Rather than imagining that Jesus was out to endorse any worldly authorities, we might consider that Jesus probably undervalued the importance of money itself. For most of us, money is what makes the world go around. It pays our bills, funds our vacations and entertainments, fills our lives with material goodies and toys, and most of all, it buys us a certain level of freedom from care. For Jesus, a coin was neither more nor less than a piece of metal with someone's likeness stamped on it. Without a home, dependents, projects, or possessions, Jesus would not have argued the ownership of a coin without provocation.

What Jesus does suggest is that worldly things are subject to worldly laws and governance. But he also insists there are matters higher and more precious, the use of which cannot be arbitrated by human beings. These belong to God, and heaven help the one who does not recognize this.

APPLYING THE WORD

Dueling citizenships

Americans have long seen the wisdom in separating the realms of church and state, giving to God and to Caesar what belongs to each. Regretfully, the territories governed by religion and government often overlap, causing an ongoing crisis for those who see government stomping on sacred ground in right-to-life issues like abortion, euthanasia, capital punishment, genetic testing, war, services to the disadvantaged, and assistance to the poor. We may give Caesar our money; we must not give Caesar the authority to determine what's moral for people of faith. That authority belongs to God alone.

— Alice Camille

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"Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength." - Psalm 96.7b

SO THE PHARISEES AREN'T WHAT THEY SEEM TO BE AND CAESAR ISN'T REALLY A GOD, BUT JESUS IS WHO HE SAYS HE IS, THE REAL PRESENCE

OF THE GOD'S LOVE FOR US.



SO, THE MOST REAL THING IS THAT IS YES, THAT'S NOT WHAT I GIVE BUT WHAT AS IT GOD HAS GIVEN TO US? APPEARS. PRETTY



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October 25, 2020

Exodus 22:21-27

We must treat the disadvantaged with the compassion of God.

Psalm 18:1-2, 3+6b, 46+50ab

God is the strength of those who keep faith with the one who saves.

1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Through the example of the apostles, some come with joy to faith in Christ.

Matthew 22:34-40

Jesus reveals that love is the greatest commandment of all.

HOMILY STORIES

A whole lot of love

The greatest commandment: Love God with all your heart, soul, and mind, doesn't really need a second commandment to follow it. But Jesus offers one about loving your neighbor as yourself. Why? If first-century Jews were anything like us, they didn't really have a clue what it means to love God. Not sure how to love God? Start with yourself. Learn to love yourself; then love your neighbor as yourself. Work on that for a while, and you'll get the hang of loving God.

MUCH IT.

In case you haven't realized it, that second commandment—never mind the first—is way harder than Jesus makes it sound. Even by later life, most of us will have barely figure out how to love ourselves, so our neighbors are definitely going to get shortchanged.

But before you decide this love stuff is a hopeless cause, remember that a big part of faith is acting as if something were true. You may not have mastered self-love, but act as if you are a loveable, loving person. Try to do at least one thing in your day that a person with a healthy sense of self-respect and self-worth would do. Then act as if you feel love toward your neighbors. At least once during the day, try exercising patience and understanding toward others for actions that would normally set you off.

Follow Saint Paul's advice and become an imitator of true Christians, and you just may find yourself with a whole lot of love someday. - Patrice J. Tuohy

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For the latest updates regarding COVID-19 protocols and other news and events in and around the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, please go to the archdiocesan website: www.archwinnipeg.co

The offertory procession at Masses is suspended at this time. An OFFERING BOX to receive your collection envelopes is available in the narthex on a table near the main aisle or you may drop your donations off at the parish office.

If at all possible, we ask that you USE THE WASHROOM AT HOME before you come to church. We need to sanitize areas appropriately after you leave the building. It is an even bigger job if someone has to guess your tracks all through the building and downstairs into the washrooms. Please be respectful of your place in the greater picture for the good of all.



PARISH CATECHISM CLASSES 2020 - 2021

Archbishop Gagnon in a memo at the beginning of the new school year wrote, "This year the COVID-19 pandemic means that our young people are returning to school under unusual circumstances including the use of masks, social distancing procedures, cohorts and altered schedules. We wish all of our young people well during the school year ahead." The beginning of the school year also marks the resumption of catechetical programs in most parishes. This includes regular catechetical lessons along with special sacramental preparation for Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist.

Once again we have ordered the *Pflaum Gospel Weeklies* liturgically-based faith formation program that provides weekly handouts with a short description of the Sunday Gospel plus suggested activities and discussion starters for each age level. As many recall, this faith formation program has materials divided into the following age groups: SEEDS (Preschool), PROMISE (Kindergarten – Grade 1), GOOD NEWS (Grades 2-3), VENTURE (GRADES 4-6) and VISIONS (Grades 7-8).

Our Archdiocesan Synod reminded us that the *domestic church* (i.e. the family/home) is the primary place where faith is lived and passed on to the next generation. Even as we continue to deal with the COVID-19 situation, we urge all families to register their children for catechism instruction. Eventually, we may hold some catechetical sessions at the church as circumstances permit. At this point, however, it seems most catechetical lessons will be sent home to be completed in the home setting.

Those who would like their children to take part in our catechism program are urged to contact Sharon Camier, our Pastoral Assistant, in order to complete a REGISTRATION FORM so that materials may be prepared for you as soon as possible to be used in the home setting. (In due course, preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist will begin and will involve a mixture of sessions at church and at home.)

The designated registration fee helps defray some of the costs of running our catechetical program. Given required protocols due to COVID-19 and increased printing costs for materials, we have raised registration fees this year. Nevertheless, requested fees should in no way be considered a reason to refrain from enrolling children for whose parents the fee would impose an undue hardship. As circumstances permit, we may occasionally hold some catechetical sessions at the church. Therefore, we expect to be in need of some volunteers to serve as catechists and assistants. If you are willing to help in any way, please advise Sharon Camier (our Pastoral Assistant). Thank you so much for your kind consideration.

TABERNACLE LAMP OFFERING

October 18 – 24, 2020 Intentions of St. John XXIII parishioners, req. by Marietta and Alfred Gendive October 25 – 31, 2020 Intentions of Dennis and Eleanor Kozier, req. by Donna and Loris Vendramelli



If you wish to have the Tabernacle Lamp in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel of Saint John XXIII Church burn in memory of a loved one, to honour a special occasion, or for a particular intention, you may make arrangements through the Parish Office. Call or email for assistance. The offering to cover one week (from Sunday through Saturday) is \$25.00.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE OF OUR COMMUNITY IN NEED OF HEALING AND COMFORT

Darrell Aucoin, Gladys Barton, Annette and Maynard Bates, Catherine Blaquera, Freda Broughton, Bill Camier, Harold Cook, Marilyn Crakewich, René Defries, Alice Edwards, Ray Fleury, John Foucart, Audrey Fraser, René Gobeil, Helen Hallack, Darryn Hellofs, Bev and Steve Hewitt, Rosario Jequinto, Tracy Kingsland, Amanda Klaasen, Angela Krassie, Marie Mangin, Norman Mangin, Tim Mangin, Yvonne Mason, Frances Mijker, Susan Murphy, Zonia Patson, Shirley Payment, Larrie Pushka, Owen Robertson, Janice Skene, Jerome Strachan, Joe Wallack and Helen Yankoski.

TWO WEEK SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 18 - NOVEMBER 1, 2020

As circumstances suggest, the schedule published here may be subject to change.

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Sunday, October 18	THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – WORLD MISS	SION SUNDAY
3:30 pm Saturday	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (livestreamed)	
4:00 pm Saturday	MASS (livestreamed) – "Pro populo"	
9:00 am	MASS – Bill Michalchuk+ (26 th anniv. Oct. 16), requested by Wanda Michalchuk	
11:45 am	MASS – "Pro populo" (Intentions of parishioners)	
Monday October 19	FERIAL	
	Parish office closed Monday	
	Mass (offered in private) – Special intention, requested by a pari	shioner
5:30 pm	Fr. Robert to attend a board meeting of the MB Multifaith Council	
Tuesday, October 20	FERIAL	
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Parish Office Open in the afternoon	
1:00 pm – 3:45 pm		 ring door buzzer for access
7:00 pm	MASS – Holy souls in purgatory, requested by Nina Turner	
Wednesday, October 21	FERIAL	
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Parish Office Open in the afternoon	
1:00 pm – 3:45 pm	Adoration Time (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)	 ring door buzzer for access
6:45 pm	OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS	
7:00 pm	MASS – Luis and Benita Precioso+, requested by Nina Turner	
Thursday, October 22	FERIAL	
	Parish office closed Thursday	
	Mass (offered in private) – Fr. Raphael Glofcheski+ (bequest)	
2:30 pm	Fr. Robert to attend a meeting of the Western Diocesan and Eparchia	l Coordinators of Ecumenism
Friday, October 23	FERIAL	
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Parish Office Open in the afternoon	
1:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Adoration Time (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)	ring door buzzer for access
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6:45 pm OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS
7:00 pm MASS – George Zhanel+, requested by his family

Thursday, October 29 FERIAL

Parish office closed Thursday

Mass (offered in private) - Intention TBA

Friday, October 30 FERIAL

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Parish Office Open in the afternoon
1:00 pm – 3:30 pm Adoration Time (Blessed Sacrament Chapel) – ring door buzzer for access

3:00 pm Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

3:30 pm MASS – Phyllis (Penny) Louise Stephensen+, requested by her family

Saturday, October 31 FERIAL

3:30 pm RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (livestreamed)

4:00 pm MASS for the SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS (livestreamed) – "Pro populo"

REMEMBER: Daylight Saving Time ends tonight. Be sure to "FALL BACK" one hour to Standard Time.

Sunday, November 1 SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

9:00 am MASS – "Pro populo" (Intentions of parishioners)

11:45 am MASS – Maning Sique+ and Orlando Florida+, requested by Sique family

Celebrating All Saints Day and All Souls Day

All Saints Day Masses:

Saturday, October 31, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 1, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

All Souls Day Mass:

Monday, November 2, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.



BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD: In our parish we have a special *Book of the Names of the Dead* as a tangible sign of our solidarity with the rest of the Church in prayer for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed. **Beginning November 1**st, **you are invited to inscribe the names of your <u>deceased</u> loved ones in this special book.** The book will be placed near the sanctuary and remain there for the month of November.

WINNIPEG HARVEST: With COVID-19 restricting normal operations, all are invited to assist in the ongoing food drive for Winnipeg Harvest. Those families and individuals who were dependent on food banks prior to COVID-19 still need our help. Given that the infrastructure for pick-up, delivery, and distribution of food is provided by *Winnipeg Harvest*, **each week when we purchase food for our families please donate by placing food items in the Winnipeg Harvest donation box found at the following food retailers: Save on Foods, Sobeys, and Safeway.** *Alternatively, our parish's Winnipeg Harvest donation box is still available and is located under the pamphlet rack at the south church entrance. Dry food donations may be deposited there when you come to church for liturgies. <i>Please be sure to follow safe protocols.*

"And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love."

- 1 Corinthians 13:13

"We should strive to keep our hearts open to the sufferings and wretchedness of other people, and pray continually that God may grant us that spirit of compassion which is truly the spirit of God."

— Saint Vincent de Paul

"The love of God is the first in the order of precepts; the love of neighbour is the first in the order of practice."

- Saint Augustine of Hippo