

## PARISH BULLETIN

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – May 7, 2023**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – May 14, 2023**

The schedule published herein continues to the weekend of May 21, 2023

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#### SACRAMENT OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

##### SUNDAY LITURGIES (MASSES)

Saturday 4:00 p.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

##### WEEKDAY LITURGIES

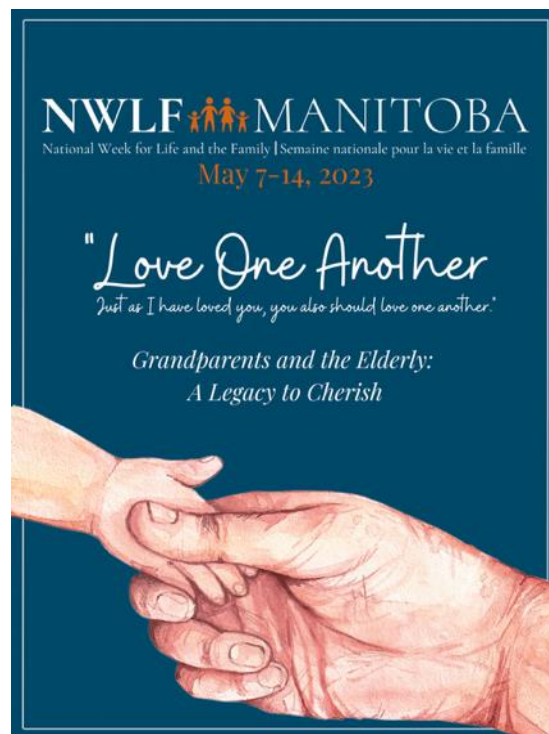
As announced in the schedule in this bulletin.

##### ASSISTANCE TO THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

For emergencies, you may contact the parish office

##### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

As circumstances permit, on Wednesday evenings,  
Friday afternoons or by appointment.



Please continue to follow the rules of good hygiene including hand washing/sanitizing and cough etiquette.  
For the safety and comfort of all, please self-screen before coming to church. **Stay home if you are sick.**  
**Individuals may continue to use face masks based on their preference, personal risk, or other reasons.**

### PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

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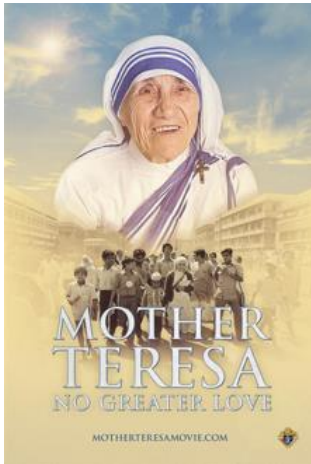
Contact our Pastoral Assistant (Sharon) for further information concerning catechism materials for lessons to take place in the home setting and/or at church on Sunday mornings as circumstances permit.

**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 before finalizing arrangements with funeral directors.



**Free public viewing of the movie: "MOTHER TERESA: NO GREATER LOVE"**  
**at St. John XXIII Church on Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm**

**Coffee, cookies, and fellowship to follow. Sponsored by the St. James Knights of Columbus and the St. James Assiniboia Catholic Women's League. ALL ARE WELCOME!**

*Twenty-five years have passed since the death of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, sparking a renewed interest in this spiritual giant of the 20th century. Filmed on 5 continents and featuring unprecedented access to both institutional archives and the apostolates of the Missionaries of Charity, this film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today. This is far more than a documentary. It is at once a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times. Starring: Cardinal Konrad Krajewski, Bishop Robert Barron, Sister Prema, Jim Wahlberg, George Weigel, Sister Mary Bernice, Patrick Kelly, Fr. Brian Kolodiejchuk; Directed by: David Naglieri*

## National Week for Life and the Family 2023



To mark the National Week for Life and the Family 2023, Saint John XXIII Parish in Winnipeg will honour and pray for grandparents and the elderly of our parish, families, and community during our annual

### "FLORES DE MAYO" FIESTA, SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

- **ROSARY CELEBRATION** will be held at 10:15 a.m.  
*i.e. between Masses on Sunday morning.*
- The **INTENTION at the 11:45 a.m. Mass** will be offered specifically for grandparents and the elderly of our parish, families, and community.
- Following the 11:45 a.m. Mass a parish **FAMILY CELEBRATION** will be held in the parish hall.

**If you wish further information and/or are willing to help in the celebration, you may contact Sharon Camier through the parish office at 204-832-7175 or email [sharon@johnxxiii.ca](mailto:sharon@johnxxiii.ca) or call Elona Paragas at 204-930-2426.**

*Be sure to invite and bring your grandparents and elderly loved ones to our celebration.  
 Thank you so much. We look forward to seeing you at our FLORES de MAYO FIESTA!*

To learn more about the National Week for Life and the Family and further details for local events, please go to the NWLF Manitoba website [www.lifeandthefamily.com](http://www.lifeandthefamily.com)

***"Do not be ashamed to serve others for the love of Jesus Christ and to seem poor in this world."***

—Thomas à Kempis

**The following items are available at the parish office for a very reasonable cost as noted:**

NRSV Bible – Catholic Edition, hardcover	\$20.00 per Bible	(\$40.00 for LARGE PRINT edition)
Living with Christ SUNDAY MISSAL 2022 – 2023	\$4.00 per copy	(reduced price)
Living with Christ Missalette – monthly edition	\$5.00 per copy	
Candles blessed on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord	\$6.00 per box	(each box contains two candles)

## SCHEDULE FOR MAY 7 – 21, 2023

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

<b>Sunday, May 7</b>	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>
<b>3:30 pm</b> Saturday	<b>RECITATION OF THE ROSARY</b>
<b>4:00 pm</b> Saturday	<b>MASS – Léona Gaudry+, requested by Gaudry-Braun family</b>
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>MASS (livestreamed) – “Pro populo” / Intentions of parishioners</b>
<b>10:15 am</b>	<i>Preparation of children (angel wings, pole bearers etc.) for the recitation of the rosary</i>
<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>FLORES DE MAYO FIESTA – Recitation of the Rosary with children and families</b>
<b>11:45 am</b>	<b>MASS – For the intentions of grandparents and the elderly of our parish and families</b>
<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>FLORES DE MAYO FIESTA – Family Celebration in the parish hall</b>
<b>Monday, May 8</b>	<b>FERIAL</b> Mass (offered in private) – Elizabeth Margaret Polz+, requested by Polz family
<b>Tuesday, May 9</b>	<b>FERIAL</b>
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>MASS at Sturgeon Creek I Retirement Residence, 10 Hallonquist Drive</b> – Intentions of Cathleen and Alan Critchley and daughter Carol Robinson
<b>1:00 pm – 4:00 pm</b>	<b>Office Hours</b> – call or ring door buzzer for assistance
<b>1:00 pm – 3:00 pm</b>	<b>Knitting Group</b> (downstairs in room 8)
<b>7:00 – 9:00 pm</b>	<i>Fr. Robert is scheduled to participate in a Synod Implementation Committee meeting</i>
<b>Wednesday, May 10</b>	<b>FERIAL</b>
<b>6:45 pm</b>	<b>OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS</b>
<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>MASS – Intentions of Doug and Laurette Burch (53<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary May 2<sup>nd</sup>)</b>
<b>Thursday, May 11</b>	<b>FERIAL</b>
	Mass (offered in private) – <i>Special intention</i>
<b>2:00 pm</b>	<b>FUNERAL LITURGY for Shirley Frances Payment+</b> <i>Rite of Committal at Assumption Cemetery followed by a reception in the parish hall</i>
<b>7:30 pm</b>	Parish Finance Council Meeting (downstairs in room 8)
<b>Friday, May 12</b>	<b>FERIAL</b>
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>FUNERAL MASS for Christine Ellen Schlueschen+</b> <i>Rite of Committal to follow at Chapel Lawn Funeral Home and Cemetery</i>
<b>1:00 pm – 4:00 pm</b>	<b>Office Hours</b> – call or ring door buzzer for assistance
<b>3:00 pm</b>	<b>Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy</b>
<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>MOVIE: Mother Teresa: No Greater Love</b> <i>Refreshments to follow hosted by the K of C and CWL (north vestibule and narthex)</i>
<b>Saturday, May 13</b>	<b>OPTIONAL MEMORIAL: OUR LADY OF FATIMA</b>
<b>11:30 am – 3:30 pm</b>	<b>CFC Christian Life Program – Session 3</b> (downstairs in room 9)
<b>3:30 pm</b>	<b>RECITATION OF THE ROSARY</b>
<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>MASS for Sunday – Deceased parishioners, requested by Tannena Korolyk</b>
<b>Sunday, May 14</b>	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – “MOTHER’S DAY”</b>
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>MASS (livestreamed) – Intentions of John and Pearl Tichon (57<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)</b>
<b>11:45 am</b>	<b>MASS – “Pro populo” / Intentions of parishioners</b>
<b>Monday, May 15</b>	<b>FERIAL</b> Mass (offered in private) – Reynaldo Santos+, requested by Blaquera family
<b>Tuesday, May 16</b>	<b>FERIAL</b>
<b>10:45 am</b>	<b>MASS at Sturgeon Creek II Retirement Residence, 707 Setter Street</b> – Intentions of Cathleen and Alan Critchley and daughter Carol Robinson
<b>1:00 pm – 4:00 pm</b>	<b>Office Hours</b> – call or ring door buzzer for assistance

<b>Wednesday, May 17</b>	<b>FERIAL</b>
6:45 pm	<b>OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS</b>
7:00 pm	<b>MASS</b> – Reynaldo Santos+, requested by Blaquera family
<b>Thursday, May 18</b>	<b>FERIAL</b>
	Mass (offered in private) – Reynaldo Santos+, requested by Blaquera family
<b>Friday, May 19</b>	<b>FERIAL</b>
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	<b>Office Hours</b> – call or ring door buzzer for assistance
2:00 pm	<b>FUNERAL MASS for Ana Maria Imelda Casillas Navarro+</b>
	<i>Reception to follow in downstairs in the parish hall</i>
3:00 pm approx.	<b>Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy</b> (in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel)
<b>Saturday, May 20</b>	<b>FERIAL</b>
11:30 am – 3:30 pm	<b>CFC Christian Life Program – Session 4</b> (downstairs in room 9)
3:30 pm	<b>RECITATION OF THE ROSARY</b>
4:00 pm	<b>MASS for Sunday</b> – <i>Intentions of Fr. Robert Polz on his 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination,</i> requested by parishioners, family and friends <b>Coffee and refreshments to follow Mass</b> (north vestibule and narthex)
<b>Sunday, May 21</b>	<b>SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</b>
9:00 am	<b>MASS (livestreamed)</b> – “Pro populo” / Intentions of parishioners
11:45 am	<b>MASS</b> – Lou Mijker+, requested by Mijker family

***Please pray for the loved ones of our community in need of healing and comfort:***

Dora Auger, Gladys Barton, Annette and Maynard Bates, Monica Bird, George Bonnefoy, Freda Broughton, Barry and Sharon Burke, Ken Burke, Donna Burns, Alan and Cathleen Critchley, René Defries, Randy Fiks, John and Marina Foucart, René Gobeil, Helen Hallack, Darryn Hellofs, Bev and Steve Hewitt, Angela Krassie, Violet Lebedeff, Marie Mangin, Norman Mangin, Tim Mangin, Frances Mijker, Zonia Patson, Shirley Payment, Owen Robertson, Carol Ann Robinson, Jerome Strachan, Joe and Maria Wallack, and Helen Yankoski.



**TABERNACLE LAMP OFFERING**

**May 7 – 13, 2023** For grandparents and the elderly of our families, parish, and community  
**May 14 – 20, 2023** For all our mothers both living and deceased, requested by Sharon Camier

*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.*



**ST. JAMES ASSINIBOIA  
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

Welcome to Spring and our Wind Up/Pot Luck/Auction which will be held on **Tuesday May 23, 2023** at St. Charles Catholic Church at **5:30 p.m.** All Ladies are welcome and we look forward to seeing as many members and guests as possible. Our season is coming to an end, so we are looking forward to you attending the Wind Up/Pot Luck/Auction to join in this feast and fellowship as well as having fun with the Auction by bringing a \$10.00 gift to be auctioned which helps support our various charities. Thank you to all who made and cooked casseroles, baked cookies and buttered bread for Immaculate Conception Drop-in Centre. This so much appreciated.

**RSVP LINK for Parish Welcome Night Open House to be held at St. Charles Catholic School on May 12, 2023:**

<https://forms.gle/HAFU6h9GEZ6ombfZA>



## Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023

### Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

The apostles find a new way to meet the needs of their growing and varied community.

### Psalms 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

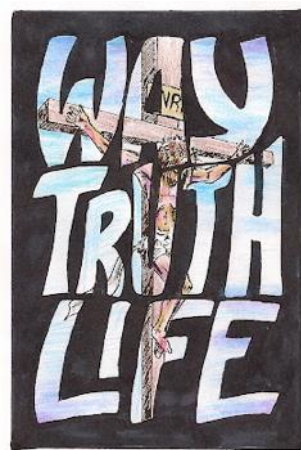
The Earth is full of the kindness of the Lord, lover of justice.

### 1 Peter 2:4-9

Believer, know who you are:  
chosen, priestly, and holy in God's sight.

### John 14:1-12

Thomas and Philip try to make sense of the plan Jesus is unfolding at supper.



Matthew Rosebrock  
[matthewdrosebrock.blogspot.com](http://matthewdrosebrock.blogspot.com)

### EXPLORING THE WORD

#### The house that faith built

"The right tool for the right job," my father used to say, handling his toolbox as lovingly as if it were a bassinet full of babies. Certainly it helps in any task to be clear on the goal and the steps to be taken to reach that end. You can't make a soufflé with a sledgehammer. But assemble the right ingredients, put them into the proper relationships, and you can anticipate wonderful results.

In 1 Peter, we hear a remarkable invitation to come to Jesus as "a living stone." The modern religious imagination balks at first: Nothing is less animate than a rock. But think like Michelangelo and realize that a stone contains a world of possibilities. The stone carver has a bag full of tools to chisel this rock to fit precisely into the space in a wall where it can be most useful. Each stone builds on the integrity of the whole until an edifice arises in which it plays a crucial supportive part. The humble stone is a single note in a Bach concerto. It is an incidental character in a Broadway cast. It is one sentence in *David Copperfield*. But put all the notes together, all the actors, all the sentences, and you have a masterpiece. This is the organic and vital house that faith built, and we don't have the Body of Christ without it.

#### The spiritual house

*Chosen, royal, priestly, and holy.* These are the attributes of the stones that comprise the church. We aren't part of this story by accident. Each one of us in the assembly has been *chosen* to be here, invited to the house of faith in some way. Many of us were invited first by our parents, who saw to our Baptism and religious education. Later, other mentors in the faith arose who shepherded us to the point of religious understanding and moral formation we now enjoy. Perhaps now we ourselves are issuing the invitation to family, friends, and community by our own example of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

Our membership in the church makes us part of a *royal* family. The royal house of David entered into a sacred covenant with God once and for all to lead the people of God forever. This promise was fulfilled in the birth of Jesus and is the heritage of the church.

We are a *priestly* people. Obviously not all of us are ordained to sacramental ministry, but all are sacramentally anointed for the service of God from our present position in the household of faith. Together we are windows and doorways to the sacred for others. We are load-bearing walls meant to share burdens and shoulder responsibilities. We are arches and cathedral ceilings that reach heavenward. We are paving stones others can pass over as they make their way toward religious understanding. We are bridges over troubled waters in the lives of those who suffer. Each one of us is as anointed for our particular role as the priest who stands at the table of the Lord.

Finally, our lives are intrinsically *holy*. If the church teaches that life is a gift from God profoundly sacred, that sanctity of being includes you and me. It necessarily cannot exclude you and me! This holiness is both a gift and a responsibility: the unmerited condition of participating in divinely inspired life, as well as the mandate to live as if that were true. These four characteristics are the essence of the structure that contains us and the contents of the space we likewise enclose and create.

#### Many rooms

Jesus used architectural imagery before the epistle writers when he described the house of his Father as a mansion with many rooms or an estate encompassing many dwellings. If the epistle writer's description of the spiritual house focused on its material composition and internal unity, the image Jesus uses expands the notion outward and forward.

I find it amusing that a television series years ago chose as its fantasy plot line what might happen if hell filled up and the condemned souls started escaping. No one has ever worried about a similar soul glut in heaven, but evidently it's not an issue anyway. The reign of God has plenty of accommodations for those who make their way there. The "way," of course, is most significant. Jesus defines himself as *the way* in response to an inquiry by Thomas, who always likes to have matters of faith concretized and tangible. If we embrace Jesus as our way, we will find our reservations in order when we arrive at our final destination.

The implications of multiple dwelling places in heaven have led to an exhaustive list of jokes on the subject, featuring the Jewish heaven, the Protestant heaven, the Catholic heaven, and so on. If you want to use any of these as your homily story on Sunday, just make sure the assembly gets the message that the reign of God itself is no joke.

## APPLYING THE WORD

### *Stone by stone*

Some believers find it difficult, even a bit painful, to compare the sublime spiritual edifice of Peter's letter to the complexity we call church today. Has church history followed the path of the Holy Spirit in the selection of materials that have led us to Roman Catholic Christianity in all of its institutional facets? Short answer: not perfectly. Decisions had to be made early about the direction the institution would take. In the first reading from Acts, we get the message that many of those decisions were grounded in practical factors as much as spiritual ones. The original streamlined authority of the 12 apostles worked fine until they found themselves grossly overextended. The families of widows needed to be fed. Somebody needed to make sure there was no favoritism in the daily distribution. Either they would have to do it, as they did everything else, or they could make a ruling and relinquish some of their oversight.

This tension between Mission Control and local jurisdiction remains present in the 21st-century church, as it does in matters between federal and state government. The faithful often find it confusing to distinguish between unchanging doctrine and very changeable external structures. We may from time to time take down a non-load-bearing wall, so to speak, to make room for a worthier or more timely goal. This act does not mean the church itself is falling apart or losing its fundamental framework. Every house could use some maintenance from time to time.

— Alice Camille

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## Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023

### Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17

Thanks to Philip's preaching,  
Samaria comes under the influence of the Gospel.

### Psalms 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a, 16+20

Israelites of a new generation appropriate  
the saving acts of God from of old.

### 1 Peter 3:15-18

Those who sanctify Christ in their hearts  
will be able to articulate the reasons for their faith.

### John 14:15-21

Jesus leaves no orphans,  
for the Spirit of truth remains with the community of faith.



## EXPLORING THE WORD

### The Spirit is a-movin'

John Henry Newman puzzles over the mystery of why Jesus left his friends after reuniting with them in the Resurrection. Things couldn't be the same between them, he suggests, after the "awful truth" of the divinity of Jesus was revealed to their formerly imperceptive imaginations. "What had been, could not be again," Newman writes rather sadly. No one can see God and live, so once they were quite clear about who their friend was, Jesus must vanish from their sight.

With all respect to Newman, a pastor friend of mine has a simpler explanation born of his own experience of embracing and surrendering parishes. "After a while, the same charisma that enables you to lead these people in the first place gets in the way of them being able to move forward themselves. So you have to step aside, for their sake. They have to let you go to come into their own."

This theory dovetails with Jesus' own observation that if he did not leave, the Advocate could not come. The plan was never to abandon the nascent church or let the disciples fend for themselves as sheep among wolves. The plan was for the disciples to become an army of good shepherds, to lead more sheep into the safety of the fold. The only weakness in this arrangement, of course, is that no disciple is fit to assume the place of Jesus. Even Peter, the most worthy character of the bunch, is a far cry from the close communion Jesus had with his Father. How to bridge that chasm?

If you look at salvation history altogether, the problem with humanity has always been the wedge that sin drove between God and us. The Incarnation covered the distance, bringing the substance of God's divinity near again. With the Risen Lord ascending, that immanence would be lost but for the arrival of the Advocate. If Jesus provided the ultimate bridge between humanity and divinity, this indwelling Spirit supplied the Chunnel.

Maybe Newman is insightful in pointing out that the glorified Christ is not the same as Jesus, friend and teacher. The intimacy of Incarnation could not be replaced with the Resurrected Lord. Sacramental intimacy in Eucharist would provide Real Presence, but a relationship to a sacrament is not identical to a relationship with a person. That is why Peter and John must revisit the Samaritans with prayer for the Spirit even after Philip brought them the seemingly sufficient trifecta of gospel, healing, and Baptism. Without the Spirit to lead it forward, a community might spin its wheels or remain on a circular track of spiritual self-satisfaction. In this church, movement is everything. You can't follow if you're standing still. — Alice Camille

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**CAMPAIGN LIFE COALITION MB ANNUAL FUNDRAISING BANQUET:** Join CLC MB for their annual fundraising banquet on **May 26, 2023** at Holy Eucharist Hall, 460 Munroe Avenue. This year, they welcome Jim Hughes, President Emeritus of CLC Canada. Jim was president for over 30 years. Under his leadership, CLC funded many organizations including Lifesite News and the Canadian National March for Life. Doors open at 5:30 and Dinner begins at 6:00. Tickets start at \$50. Please RSVP by May 18th by calling 204-452-2459.

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**23RD ANNUAL WALK FOR MARY:** The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Walk for Mary in support of the Marian Hour will be held on **Sunday, May 28, 2023** at Holy Eucharist Parish at Watt & Munroe Street in Winnipeg. Join them in "Walking and Praying together on the Feast of Pentecost." Registration starts at 1:30 pm followed by the walk starting at 2:00 pm. Pledge forms are available [here](#) or at the Catholic Centre - 1495 Pembina Hwy. For more information call 204-669-3666 or 204-294-2276.

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**CALLING VOLUNTEERS TO SERVICE:** Every baptized person is endowed with indispensable gifts for the service of the Church and the world. Especially as we emerge from the COVID-19 Pandemic, it is time for us to rebuild participation in the liturgical and other ministries of Saint John XXIII Parish. As described in detail in previous recent bulletins, this includes Altar Servers, Communion Ministers, Hospitality Ministers (Ushers), Music Ministers, Readers (Lectors), Sacristans and others who assist in liturgical art and environment. Please prayerfully consider your participation as a full member in the life of our parish. **If you are willing to help in any of the liturgical or other ministries of the parish, please contact our pastor, Father Robert Polz, and/or our parish pastoral assistant, Sharon Camier, or any other member of our parish pastoral team.**

***"How can I be useful, of what service can I be? There is something inside me, what can it be?"***

—Vincent van Gogh

***"The fact that our heart yearns for something Earth cannot supply  
is proof that Heaven must be our home."***

—C.S. Lewis

***He will provide the way and the means, such as you could never have imagined.  
Leave it all to Him, let go of yourself. Lose yourself on the Cross, and you will find yourself entirely.***

—Saint Catherine of Siena

***"You will ask me how I know his presence. Because he is living and active:  
Scarcely had he entered me than he awakened my slumbering soul.***

—Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

## SOME UPCOMING EVENTS TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR

### ORDINATION TO THE MINISTERIAL PRIESTHOOD

Deacon Oliver Omega will be ordained to the Ministerial Priesthood on Friday, June 9, 2023 at St. Mary's Cathedral at 7:30 pm. All are welcome to attend!

**PARISH FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION** on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> during the 11:45 am Mass

**PARISH CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> during the 4:00 pm Mass

Pastoral Visit of Archbishop Richard Gagnon

Reception to follow honouring the newly confirmed and Archbishop Richard on his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday

*For news and events in and around the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, go to the website: [www.archwinnipeg.ca](http://www.archwinnipeg.ca)*

## Saint John XXIII Parish Stewardship of Treasure

*Your assistance is very much appreciated – every gift, great or small, helps!*

**PARISH OFFERINGS:** You may place your offering envelopes in the COLLECTION BASKET passed by the ushers to those sitting in the pews during Sunday liturgies. Or you may mail your contribution to the parish via CANADA POST. Or you may leave a message with the parish office to make arrangements with one of our parish staff to drop off your offertory donations at a safe drop off location. For donations to the parish, please make cheques payable to "St. John XXIII Parish".

**PAD OPTION:** Alternatively, we encourage parishioners to consider being an "intentional giver" by registering for PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT. Please leave a message at the parish office and someone will contact you and assist you.

**ONLINE OPTIONS:** If you wish to donate to the parish ONLINE, a link to CanadaHelps.org can be found on our website. Go to [www.johnxxiii.ca](http://www.johnxxiii.ca) and click on the DONATE NOW tab at the top of the *Links* column on the home page. Alternatively, you may donate to St. John XXIII Parish via the **Archdiocese of Winnipeg Mobile APP** on your mobile device. Go to the Apple APP Store or Google Play Store to download the Archdiocese of Winnipeg Mobile APP.

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