St. Anne Parish

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Tuesday - 9:00am - 4:00 pm Wednesday - 9:00am - 4:00 pm Friday - 9:00am - 4:00 pm Saturday - 10am - 12pm

PARISH SERVICES

Reconciliation: 30 Min. Before every Mass

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the

Parish office.

Baptism: Please call the Parish office.

Marriage: Contact the Pastor at least six

months in advance.

Mass Intention

If you would like Holy Mass to be offered for your intentions or the intentions of your loved ones, please call the Parish Office or you can write it and drop it in the donation box in the church. Mass offering is \$10.

We acknowledge that we are in Treaty
Four Territory, Traditional lands of the
Nehiyawak (Cree), Anishinabe
(Saulteaux), and Nakota people.
Homeland to the Dakota, Lakota and
Metis peoples.





Mass Intentions for the week

Saturday – January 8th

5:30 Pm † For Souls in Purgatory requested by Marcella Chamberlain

Sunday – January 9th

9:00 Am † Tony Neal requested by St. Amand Family

Tuesday – January 11th

8:30 Am † Russell Formo requested by Gerard Wappel

Wednesday – January 12th

8:30 Am † Vanny Hellman requested by Larry & Louise Tessier

Thursday – January 13th

8:30 Am † Murray Grant requested by Gerard Wappel

Friday – January 14th

† Denny Forbes 8:30 Am requested by Gerard Wappel



Church Donation Envelopes for 2022 are now available to collect.

Please pick your envelope box available in the Church foyer.

We will appreciate if you can also help us distribute them by picking a box for anyone close to you.

Please contact the office if you need an envelope box. Thank you!!

Readings for this Sunday:

1st Reading: Isaiah 40. 1-5, 9-11 2nd Reading: Acts 10.34-38 Gospel:

Luke 3. 15-16, 21-22





Parish Financial Update: Donations collected for December 24th, 25th, 26th, 31st, January 1st & 2nd:

Collection summary for last weekend as follows:

- Building Funds	\$ 10,730.00
- Sunday Collections	\$ 5,389.40
- Christmas Offering	\$ 1,245.00
- Good Neighbor Project	\$1,000.00
- Solemnity of Mary	\$ 310.00
- Papal Charities	\$ 10.00
- Holy Land	\$ 10.00
- Dev & Peace	\$ 5.00
 Needs of Cdn Church 	\$ 5.00
 Catholic Missions Sunday 	\$ 5.00
- Education of Seminarians	\$ 5.00

\$ 18,714.40 Total:

Building Fund Goal 2021: -\$50,000.00 **Donations Collected: -**\$47,072.11

Archbishop's Appeal Target: - \$ 20,201.00 Donations collected -\$ 41,235.00

TRC Healing Response: -\$ 5,575.00

> Stewardship Bulletin Bit January 9, 2022 Baptism of the Lord

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit... " (Luke 3:16)

The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

The feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Sunday, January 9th, the Church will celebrate the end of the Christmas season with the **Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**. This event is recorded in the Canonical Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In John 1:29-33, rather than a direct narrative, John the Baptist bears witness to the episode.

Why did Jesus submit to John's Baptism?

John's baptism was the baptism of repentance (Matthew 3:11), but Jesus was sinless and had no need of repentance – so why was he baptized? Even John was taken aback at Jesus coming to him. John recognized his own sin and was aware that he, a sinful man in need of repentance himself, was unfit to baptize the spotless Lamb of God: "I need to be baptized by you and yet you are coming to me?" (Matthew 3:14) Jesus replied, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." (Matthew 3:15)

There are several reasons why it was fitting for John to baptize Jesus:

- To mark the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus.
 To be publicly heralded and recognized by his forerunner, John, the "voice crying in the wilderness" prophesied by Isaiah, calling people to repentance in preparation for their Messiah (Isaiah 40:3).
- By baptizing Jesus, John was declaring to all that here was the One they had been waiting for, the Son of God, the One he had predicted would baptize "with the Holy Spirit and fire." (Matthew 3:11)

Jesus' baptism also showed that He identified with sinners and the faithful remnant of Israel. Think of St Paul's passage in Romans 6:3-5:

3 Or are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. 5 For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection.

His baptism symbolized our baptism into His own death, dying with Him and rising free from sin and able to walk in the newness of life. His righteousness would fulfill all the requirements of the Law for sinners who could never hope to do so on their own. When John hesitated to baptize the sinless Son of God, Jesus replied that it was proper to "fulfill all righteousness." (Matthew 3:15) By this He alluded to the righteousness that He provides to all who come to Him.



Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ,

I wish you once again a Happy and Peaceful new year 2022 under God's protection. May our Lord continue to watch over you and bless you and your family. Recently, I reached out to all of you for donations in order to help pay and reduce the burden of our Church's loan.

I am fully aware of the divisive nature of this loan. I understand how some of you may feel. But as your Parish Priest, I would like us to move on a new path and new beginning. We cannot undo the past, but we can learn from it and move forward on the new path. Until we reduce and pay this loan, the interest will continue to go up and this will be a burden for our Parish development. A burden that we do not want to pass on to others or to our children. That is why I continue to appeal to all of you: let's move out of the past, let's come together and deal with this challenge.

With that said, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you for your generous support and contribution to the Building Fund. You all came together and gave generously. We needed to raise by the end of 2021 an amount of \$50,000.00. We are happy to report that by December 31st, 2021, we collected an amount of \$47,072.11. We are just \$3,000.00 short of our goal, but this is impressive, and I am grateful to all of you.

Thank you so much for your generosity and much appreciated donation. I pray that God continues to bless you.

Fr. Amédée Ainemon, Parish Priest



Our Parish Annual Meeting (AGM) will be on Sunday, February 27th after the 9 AM Mass.

This is an important moment for us all to come together as a Parish family to review the just ended year, project ourselves into the future and take stock of blessings received.

We want you to mark this day in your Calendar and we look forward seeing you.

Due to the current wave of the Covid-19 pandemic that we find ourselves in, it is important that we take precaution.

Please follow the parish Protocol:

Face masks must be worn at all times.

Sanitize your hands upon entering the Parish, and prior to receiving Holy Communion.

Practice physical distancing.

Thank you!!

Tribute Flowers in Honour of:

Lyndon Kaiser, The Balaski Family, Dr. Paul & Phyl Schwann, Gertrude White & Albert Sears. Shirley McDonald. Jack Krogan. Eugene Jo, Val Kosior. Mike Romanowich. Monica Romanowich. Barbara Briet. Bernadette Hickie Ralph Lipoth. Kopriva Family, Fr. Fred Buttner. Buttner SR.. Myrna Stahl Buttner. Rev. Fr. Federico Buttner Jr., Gail Buettner.

These are names that have been processed so far.

These flowers will beautify our parish in the upcoming months.

Thank You.



Mission Statement: We, the Catholic Parish of St. Anne, centred in Word and Eucharist, are called to be a caring faith community; coming together to celebrate God's love and truth through the sacraments, and make Christ present to others through loving service.