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CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

10:00 AM

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday and Thursday
9:30 am to 11:30 am

Monday to Thursday afternoons
1:00 pm to 4:00pm

Monday & Wednesday Morning Closed

Friday closed

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers
Andrew O'Handley

Lectors:
Maryanne Chard
10:00AM Choir
Susan McElcheran
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM
12:00 Noon Choir
Antoine Pellerin

Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the
Religious Education office. Couples
expecting a child are encouraged to
contact the office before the child is
born. Please contact ext. 222, for
more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Bob at least one year
prior to the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office ext. 221

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
See CWL Bulletin Board for Details

Children's Liturgy
10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry
2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace
www.devp.org
3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers
3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group
Wednesdays after mass

Parish Council
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society
2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

Sunday School (ages 3-6)
During 10:00 AM Mass



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 6

Isaiah 35:1-10 Psalm 85

Luke 3:1-6

5:30 pm Thomas & Mary Blok+

Tuesday, December 7

Isaiah 40:1-11 Psalm 96:1-3,10-13 Matthew 18:12-14

5:30 pm Int. of the General Council

Wednesday, December 8

Genesis 3:9-15, 20 Psalm 98:1-4 Ephesians 1:3-6,11-12 Luke 1:26-38

5:30 pm Ely Tan Scholten +

Thursday, December 9

Isaiah 41:13-20 Psalm 145:1,9-13 Matthew 11:11-15

5:30 pm Sick of the Parish

Friday, December 10

Isaiah 48: 17-19 Psalm 1:1-4,6 Matthew 11:16-19

5:30 pm Walter Szczak & Susan Stezka +

Saturday, December 11

Sirach 48:1-4,9-11 Psalm 80:1-2, 14-15, 17-18 Matthew 17:10-13

5:30 pm Mary Thomas +

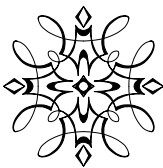
Sunday, December 12

Zephaniah 3:14-18 Isaiah 12: 2-6 Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:10-18

10:00 am The Parish Community



Second Sunday of Advent



The Friar's Nook

I'd like to share something with you for your Advent reflection. Recently Pope Francis shared this with bishops at a meeting in Rome. It's called the Beatitudes for Bishops. You might wonder why I'd be sharing something for bishops with the average parishioner. It's because I believe that we are all called to pastoral ministry not just bishops, priests, deacons, but everyone. So, I will share them in the hopes that if you can apply them to your own life and you can pray that the bishops apply them to theirs. I will offer some comment on how to apply these beatitudes into our lives.

1. Blessed is the bishop who makes poverty and sharing his lifestyle because with his witness he is building the kingdom of heaven.

While it should start at the top, and I think Pope Francis is doing a good job of it, a lifestyle of simplicity and sharing is the call to all Christians. Also, it is quite Franciscan. Life is not about getting as much as we can but sharing as much as we can that we may contribute to the building up of the kingdom of God.

2. Blessed is the bishop who does not fear to water his face with tears, so that in them can be mirrored the sorrows of the people, the labors [fatigue] of the priests, [and] who finds in the embrace of the one who suffers the consolation of God. Where did we learn that showing one's feelings and weaknesses is a bad thing? We all have them and those that deny them are in a worse state than the rest of us. While they can be used as weapons against us, we should always trust in God's protection and risk doing the right thing in our lives.

3. Blessed is the bishop who considers his ministry a service and not a power, making meekness his strength, giving to all the right of citizenship in his own heart, so as to inhabit the land promised to the meek.

Many people want to be in charge or in control. The only one who is in control is God and we need the humility to recognize that. I once heard some young seminarians saying to each other that they couldn't wait to be ordained and get their own kingdom! It made me shudder. I'll settle for God's kingdom, thank you.

4. Blessed is the bishop who does not close himself in the palaces of government, who does not become a bureaucrat more attentive to statistics than to faces, to procedures than to [people's] stories, who seeks to fight at the side of people for the dream of the justice of God because the Lord, encountered in the silence of daily prayer, will be his nourishment.

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There are two things going on here. First of all working with people is a messy business and it can be tempting to retreat into just dealing with things. But Christ became one of us, a person, and not a thing so that we might learn that caring for each other is what it's all about. Second, if we should retreat into prayer. Taking the time to be silent

with the Lord daily allows us to hear what is truly important.

I'll cover the next four beatitudes next week. I hope this gives you something to ponder over the next week.

You are in my thoughts and prayers, and I hope I am in yours!

Fr. Bob

Pray for:

The Sick: Mary De Lac

The Deceased:



Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve	5:30 pm	Mass
Christmas Day	10:00 am	Mass in
Church & Online		

New Year's Eve	5:30 pm	Mass
New Year's Day	10:00 am	Mass in
Church and Online		

Go to the St. Joan of Arc Facebook page to watch mass online!

A Parish Prayer

God, our Father, Pour out your spirit upon us. Give us a new experience of your power and mercy. Make us faithful to your word. Let your Love grow in our Parish, so that people will see You always in us and see the glory of your Kingdom. We ask this through Jesus, your loving Son, and our Saviour. Amen



Sunday Liturgy

The 10 am Mass is live streamed on our Facebook page.

Did you know?

1)The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has been in existence since 1846. In the past year 282,300 visits to people in their homes, hospitals and prisons have been made by Vincentians across Canada.

2)Our Parish Christmas monetary collection takes place this weekend, but envelopes will be accepted any time in support of our Christmas Appeal. Cheques should be payable to St. Vincent de Paul, as we issue our own receipts.

A Reminder

If you arrive at the church and the doors are locked, it is because we at full capacity or mass has started. Please do not bang on the doors, they will not be opened once Mass starts.

2022 Sunday Missals

Are available from the parish office, \$5.00 per copy.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Since, so few boxes for 2021 were collected from the parish hall, **we are not getting boxes for 2022.**

You may use your 2021 envelopes or use plain envelopes with your number and name written on them for the weeks you don't have one. This will save the parish money. If you did not collect your 2021 box, it is still in the parish hall. You can still collect them and start using them now and next year.

If you didn't have a box, you can request one from the office.

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