

St. John Cantius Church

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Holy Eucharist

Tuesday	6:30 pm
Wednesday-Friday	9:30 am
Saturday (Vigil)	4:30pm
Sunday	10:00 am 12:30 pm

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:45 – 4:15 pm
or by appointment (contact parish office)

Baptism

Parents/Godparents are required to attend the Baptismal Preparation Workshop.

Matrimony

Arrangements for preparation and celebration should be made at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the sick & Shut-in visits

For emergencies, you may contact the parish office.

Christian Funeral

Contact the parish office before finalizing arrangements with funeral directors.

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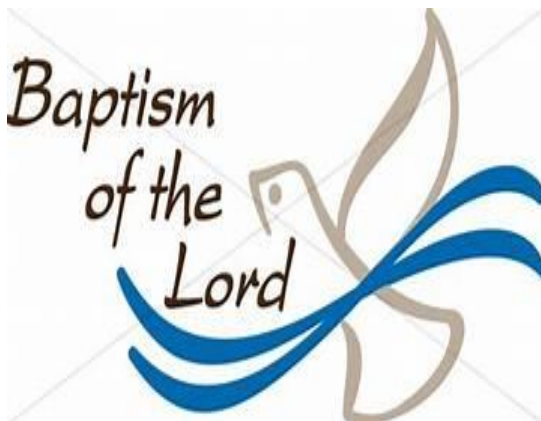
Parish Office Hours

Tuesday – Friday

8:30 am – 12 pm / 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm

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... suddenly the heavens were opened to Him and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove...

Matthew 3:16

January 19, 2025

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Focus: What's your Gift?

It's tempting to think that knowing and naming the gifts God has given us shows a lack of humility. In truth, doing so actually helps focus on how we might be most effective at sharing the Good News of Jesus!

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62.1-5

The bridegroom will rejoice over the bride.

Jerusalem had been laid waste and her children taken into exile, but the oracles found in Isaiah 56-66 have a jubilant, hopeful tone. Writing soon after the return from exile, the prophet known as Third Isaiah sees only good fortune to come. Not only has Zion been vindicated, she will be known by a new name, "My Delight." The imagery used is that of a young couple in love. "As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you" (Isaiah 62:5). Despite Jerusalem's ruined appearance, she is nonetheless the delight of God. The wedding metaphor is frequent among prophetic texts (Hosea 2:19; Jeremiah 32:41; Zephaniah 3:17).

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12.4-11

One and the same Spirit allots these gifts to each one individually.

Paul carried on a lengthy correspondence with the Corinthians, and often visited or sent emissaries to the church there. The community struggled with a certain hubris exaggerated pride arising from their "spiritual gifts." The rivalry over spiritual gifts may have resulted from the Corinthians' excessive focus on the ecstatic nature of the spiritual phenomena. Paul reminds them that these are "gifts" (*charismata*) that are each expressed in specific activities (*energemata*). In First Corinthians, Paul repeatedly reminds them that these gifts are for the building up of the community and not for personal gain (1 Corinthians 14:12). In fact, the gifts, though varied, result from the "one and same Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:11).

GOSPEL: John 2.1-12

Jesus did the first of his signs in Cana of Galilee.

As we hear in today's reading, Jesus and his family are attending a wedding when his mother notices a potentially damaging social gaffe blunder – the wine is running short. Though Jesus seemingly rebuffs his mother, her confidence in his ability and his obedience are unwavering. "Do whatever he tells you" (John 2:5). Jesus' hesitation stems from timing: "My hour has not yet come" (John 2:4). Nonetheless, he will begin to demonstrate his identity through the signs he performs. "And his disciples began to believe in him" (John 2:11).

REFLECTIONS:

- Begin a litany of thanksgiving by naming your gifts.
- How can you use one of the gifts to manifest the Spirit for the common good?



CWL Rosary ☩ Intention for the month

Dear Lord Jesus as we enter the journey of New Year, we ask your divine blessing for our Family and our loved ones, through every single day of the New Year. Amen

Confirmation Rally Volunteer and Recollection & Orientation – January 16, 2025

To prepare ourselves for this year's Confirmation Rallies, we invite all Confirmation/Catechist Coordinators and volunteers to join us for an evening of reflection, prayer, and discussion. We will gather at the Catholic Centre, 1495 Pembina Highway, at 6:00 pm. We will also be going over the program for the Confirmation Rallies. Please confirm your attendance and email jvasquez@archwinnipeg.ca, marycia@archwinnipeg.ca, or vdiestro@archwinnipeg.ca.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - January 18-25, 2025

From January 18 – 25, 2025, many Christians worldwide will celebrate the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme is ***“Do you believe this?”*** (John 11:26). 2025 marks the 1,700th anniversary of the first Christian Ecumenical Council, held in Nicaea, near Constantinople in 325 AD. This commemoration provides a unique opportunity to reflect on and celebrate the common faith of Christians, a faith that remains alive and fruitful in our time. **Here in Winnipeg, a City-wide Ecumenical Worship Celebration will be held at 7:30 pm on Sunday, January 19, 2025 at Holy Family Ukrainian Catholic Church, 1001 Grant Avenue, Winnipeg.** All are cordially invited to this celebration and to participate in the other various gatherings that will be held in Winnipeg throughout the Week of Prayer. For further information, please see the Week of Prayer poster in our Burrows and Magnus entrance.

SCHEDULE FOR Jan 14 - 19, 2025

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

DATE	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
Jan 14	Tues 6:30 PM	Ferial MASS: For all sick parishioners
Jan 15	Wed 5:00 PM	FUNERAL MASS: + Ma. Susana Villanueva
Jan 16	Thurs 9:30 AM	Ferial MASS: +all the souls in purgatory
Jan 17	Fri 9:30 AM	Memorial: St. Anthony, Abbot MASS: + Antonio Pakingan by Carillo Family
Jan 18	Sat 4:30 PM	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY INTENTIONS FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
Jan 19	Sun 10:00 AM	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY MASS: 1. + Estebana & Florencio Apaya by Beda Family 2. Thanksgiving 75 th birthday blessing for Levy Tolentino 3. Thanksgiving blessing for Beda & Chennells Family
	12:30 PM	MASS: 1. +Antonio & Elena Pakingan by Ellen Carillo 2. + Angeles Gonzales by Carillo Family

SOLIDARITY FUND

DONATIONS	2023	Dec 2024	TOTAL
SJCC	\$ 2,136.00	1,500.00	\$ 3,636.00
Archdiocese	\$ 8,141.20	2,430.00	\$ 10,571.20
Total-to-date	\$ 10,277.20	3,930.00	\$ 14,207.20

Sunday Collections 2025

Jan 5 \$5,273 .00
Jan 1 \$2,030.00

Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)

Jan - donations \$2,484.00

E-Transfers

Dec - donations \$3,445.00

Moneris (*Archdiocese of Winnipeg*) \$150.00

2024 Sharing God's Gifts

Appeal

Appeal Target \$31,157.00
Dec-Donations 2,785.00
Donation to-date 37,337.00
Surplus \$ 7,580.00

Insurance 2024

Target \$30,000.00
Dec-Donations 8,602.00
Donation to date 23,962.00
Total Needed \$ 6,038.00

Thank you and May the Lord Bless you, abundantly for your Generosity. God is generous and loves a joyful giver. God bless you all!

Every action of our daily life should be influenced by gentleness, temperance, humility and purity.

St. Francis de Sales