

PAROISSE ST. JEAN BAPTISTE PARISH BULLETIN



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DECEMBER 19, 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Welcoming New Parishioners

We warmly welcome all new members to our parish family.

We would like to get to know and serve you.

In order to do so please fill out a registration form available in the church foyer or contact the parish office.

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Safe Parish Committee

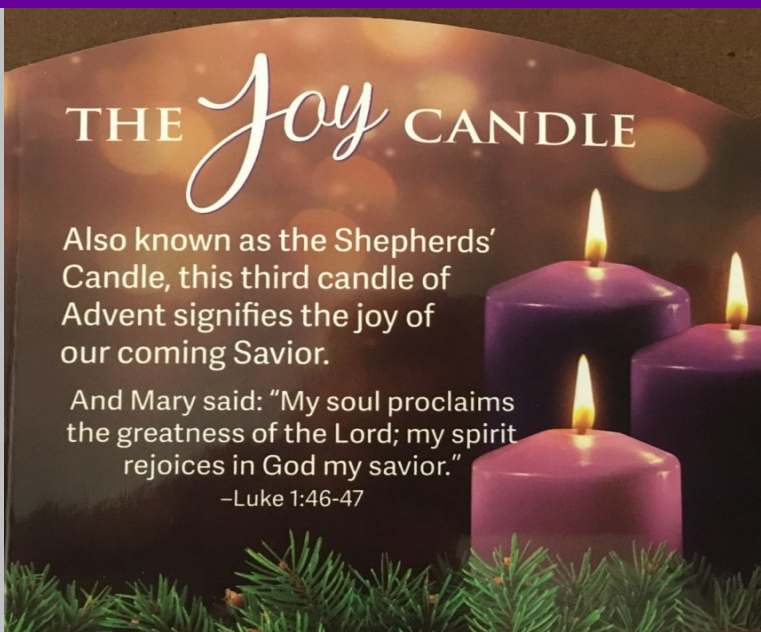
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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

After celebrating the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, we enter during these days into the evocative atmosphere of immediate preparation for Holy Christmas, and we already see the tree set up here. In today's consumer society, this period has unfortunately suffered a sort of commercial "pollution" that risks changing its authentic spirit, marked by recollection, moderation and joy, which is not external but intimate.

It is thus providential that almost as a portal to Christmas there should be the feast of the one who is the Mother of Jesus and who, better than anyone else, can lead us to know, love and adore the Son of God made man.

Let us therefore allow her to accompany us; may her sentiments prompt us to prepare ourselves with heartfelt sincerity and openness of spirit to recognize in the Child of Bethlehem the Son of God who came into the world for our redemption. Let us walk together with her in prayer and accept the repeated invitation that the Advent liturgy addresses to us to remain in expectation - watchful and joyful expectation -, for the Lord will not delay: he comes to set his people free from sin.

Following a beautiful and firmly-rooted tradition, many families set up their Crib immediately after the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, as if to relive with Mary those days full of trepidation that preceded the birth of Jesus. Putting up the Crib at home can be a simple but effective way of presenting faith, to pass it on to one's children.

The Crib helps us contemplate the mystery of God's love that was revealed in the poverty and simplicity of the Bethlehem Grotto. St Francis of Assisi was so taken by the mystery of the Incarnation that he wanted to present it anew at Greccio in the living Nativity scene, thus beginning an old, popular tradition that still retains its value for evangelization today.

His poverty enriches those who embrace it and Christmas brings joy and peace to those who, like the shepherds in Bethlehem, accept the Angel's words: "Let this be a sign to you: in a manger you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes" (Lk 2: 12). This is still the sign for us too, men and women of the third millennium. There is no other Christmas.

Soon, as did beloved John Paul II, I too will bless the figurines of the Baby Jesus that the children of Rome will place in the Crib in their homes. With this act of Blessing, I would like to invoke the help of the Lord so that all Christian families will prepare to celebrate the coming Christmas celebrations with faith. May Mary help us enter into the true spirit of Christmas. (Pope Benedict XVI)

Sacraments

Baptism:

Last Sunday of the month at mass. Please the parish office for more info and registration.

Reconciliation:

Sat. 4:30 - 4:50 pm

Sun. 8:30 - 8:50 am

or upon appointment

Marriage/Wedding:

Please call the parish office at least SIX months in advance of your chosen date and before any other arrangement is made.

Sacrament of the Sick:

Please contact the Parish Office. After Hours for Emergencies Only

780-645-9749.

Sunday Masses

Sat 05:00 PM English

Sun 9:00 AM English

11:00 AM

Weekday Masses

Tue 8:30 AM Basement

Wed 10:00 AM HERITAGE

5:00 pm Basement

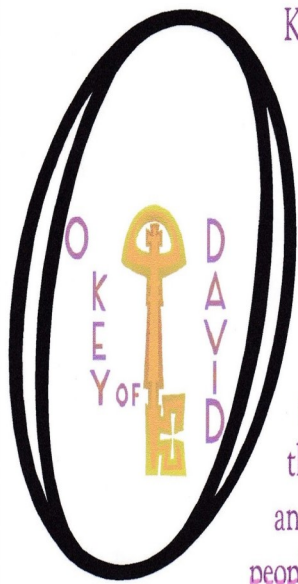
Thu 10:00 AM ASPEN

5:00 pm Basement

Fri 8:30 AM Basement

1st Friday of the Month

9:00-10:00AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



KEY OF DAVID,
 O royal power of Israel,
 controlling at your will
 the gate of heaven:
 Come, break down the
 prison walls of death
 for those who dwell
 in darkness and
 the shadow of death;
 and lead your captive
 people into freedom!

December 20

DATE		TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
SATURDAY	18 Dec	5:00 PM	Deceased Bulger Family—Rachel
SUNDAY	19 Dec	9:00 AM	RIP Louise Wulff—Ernie & Family
		10:00 AM	RIP Rene Chevalier— Yvette Cote
		11:00 AM	For Parishioners
MONDAY	20 Dec	6:30 PM	SIMBANG GABI
TUESDAY	21 Dec	8:30 AM	RIP John Bulger – Irma & Family
WEDNESDAY	22 Dec	6:30 PM	SIMBANG GABI
		10:00 AM	
THURSDAY	23 Dec	6:30 PM	SIMBANG GABI
		10:00 AM	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE PRAY FOR... Indalicia Tupas and Lorna Paloma. Those that are infected by **Covid-19** and all those who are sick or struggling and who are going through any medical procedures and treatments.

No registration for Christmas Celebration

Since we will be using the gymnasium of the MCHS for Christmas and New Year's celebration we will not be doing registration since we can accommodate more parishioners

SIMBANG GABI Dec 15-23

As we approach the celebration of the **CHRISTMAS** we will have the traditional novena mass (**Simbang Gabi**) starting this coming Wednesday Dec 15 until Dec 23 at 6:30 PM with the exemptions of Saturday Dec 18 we will have the mass at 5:00 PM at MCHS

No Mass from Dec 28-30

There will be no celebration of the mass from December 28-30, we will resume with the celebration of the mass on December 31, 2021 at 5:00 PM at MCHS no need for registration for the celebration.

The New Workbook for Lectors 2021-2022 is available at the parish office the cost is \$10.00. The Sunday Missals are also available the cost is \$5.00. **If you would like a copy please call the parish office to arrange a time for pick-up.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Parish of St Jean Baptiste Parish will need the help of volunteers for the following dates to assemble and dis assemble the venue of our Eucharistic Celebrations:

- Dec 19- 12:00 pm- move church equipment from CTS to the gym after 11 am mass.
- Dec 23- 1:00 pm- Set up church for Christmas masses.
- Dec 26- 12:00 pm- Take down church after 11 am mass.
- Dec 30- 1:00 pm- Set up church for weekend masses.
- Jan 2- 12:00 pm- Take down church after 11 am mass

New Building Fund

As we move on and forward towards the rebuilding of St. Jean Baptiste Parish Church we will be updating you of the amount donated for the re building of the Church. As of **December 12, 2021** the total amount of donation is \$ **67043.73** you for your continuous support and generosity.

SJBP PARISH SURVEY

Going forward to the construction of our new Church we will be doing another survey to capture the idea(s) of all our parishioners. All ideas will be collected and collated and later presented. Below is the survey that you can answer.

[Bells Will Ring Again - St Jean Baptiste Survey](#)

1. Surveys need to be completed by January 7th, 2022.
2. If you do not have the ability to submit this survey online, hard copies will be available for pick-up at mass or rectory during operating hours (Tuesday–Friday 9:00-3:00 PM).
3. Drop off of hard copies can be placed in the offering basket or in the rectory mail box.

Our gratitude for being part of this endeavour. May the Good Lord Bless and Keep you always.



12–Dec 21	COLLECTION	\$3736.00
	New Building Fund	\$3,195.00
	Restoration	\$100.00
	KC Hampers	\$650.00

Tax Donations for 2021

Please note that the deadline for 2021 tax receipts is December 29, 2021

Any donations received after that date will be posted to 2022