

# PAROISSE ST. JEAN BAPTISTE PARISH



**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS!**

*Joyeux Noël*

## 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 4<sup>e</sup> DIMANCHE DE L'ADVENT

### The New Covenant lives on in us.

Mary responded *yes* to the request of God to bear his Son. Jesus responded *yes* to the will of the Father and gave his life for the sake of humankind. We, too, are invited to be part of the New Covenant that Jesus established. We say *yes* when we act out of love toward those around us and reach out to those in need throughout the world.



## CHRISTMAS - NOËL



**The Savior of the world is born this day, let us rejoice and be glad!**

Our Savior is born! This event that changed the world is without equal in all of Christian history. God entered the world and took on human flesh becoming one of us and ushering in a New Covenant, a covenant of love and mercy. This is a day to celebrate!

### Our joys and hopes and grief and anxieties are shared by God.

Christmas gives proof to the truth of what the Second Vatican Council taught. Our God is invested in the hopes and dreams as well as in the tragedies and pains of our everyday lives. He loves us enough to send his only Son, so that we might also call him Father. As our Father and creator, he seeks to heal our humanity.



## HOLY FAMILY - SAINTE FAMILLE

**May the Word of God dwell in our families.**





In our families, we are called to live out the great commandments of loving God and loving our neighbor. The family is God's holy ground in which we strengthen each individual born in his image and likeness. May all in families, always strive to live lives of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience and forgiveness as children of God.

To maintain a joyful family requires much from both the parents and the children. Each member of the family has to become, in a special way, the servant of the others.

*Blessed John Paul II*

# MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Mass Intention	Feast
Dec 22 Sat - sam	5:00 pm	RIP Marie Vansevenandt – Richard and Family	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent
Dec 23 Sun - dim	9:00 am	RIP Jeanette Krauskopf (4 <sup>th</sup> anniv.) – Art & Family	
	11:00 am	For Parishioners	
Dec 24 Mon - lun <i>Christmas Eve</i>	5:00pm	RIP Roger Champagne – Lorette	
	7:30 pm	For Parishioners	
	10:00 pm	Special Intentions	
Dec 25 Tues – mar <i>Christmas Day</i> 	9:00 am	RIP John Lafferty – Roseanna & Family	Nativity Of The Lord
	10:30 am	<b>(Lodge)</b> For residents of the Lodge Only	
Dec 26 Wed - mer	10:00 am	<b>(Lodge)</b> No Mass	St. Stephen
Dec 27 Thurs - jeu	10:00 am	<b>(Aspen)</b> RIP Maurice Turgeon - Denise	Saint John, Ap, Ev.
Dec 28 Fri - ven	8:30 am	RIP Noel Vansevenandt - Family	The Holy Innocents
Dec 29 Sat - sam	5:00 pm	RIP Tom Houle - Family	The Holy Family
Dec 30 Sun - dim	9:00 am	For all the Deceased parishioners from our Parish - Parishioner	
	11:00 am	For Parishioners	

 **PLEASE PRAY FOR...**  
 All those who are sick or struggling in any way; who are going through any medical procedures and treatments; expecting mothers; peace in our families, community and the world;  
 Also, for our new Bishop Paul Terrio and the Diocese of St. Paul.

## DONATIONS for 2012

If you would like to make a donation for 2012 in order to have it included in the 2012 receipts please do that by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Donations after that date will be for 2013.



### Parish Office

The parish office will be closed till January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

COLLECTIONS – QUÊTES

December 16<sup>th</sup> \$ 4810.50  
 Restoration & Maintenance \$ 1290.00

THANK YOU! MERCI!

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# A *Quick* Journey Through the Bible

AN 8-PART INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE TIMELINE

A *Quick Journey Through the Bible* is part of *The Great Adventure* Catholic Bible study system. This parish-based study provides an excellent introduction and overview of the Bible from a Catholic perspective.

Presented by Jeff Cavins, the *Quick Journey* study briefly covers salvation history in a series of eight, half-hour talks that are complemented by group discussion questions, useful maps and charts, and brief assignments for home study. This study makes the complexity of the Bible simple through an easy-to-follow narrative approach and an ingenious color-coded Bible timeline. This is a great way to "get your feet wet" and learn how to begin authentic Catholic Bible study.

\* *We will begin on Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm Downstairs Rectory.*

*We will need a guide for our personal use doing this journey. The cost is \$15. Because we need to order them before, please contact the parish office or fr. Ignacy as soon as you can.*

*We hope to have a adventurous journey together and we are looking forward to do it with you!*

## Join for another Family Fun Event!

When: Friday, January 4th

Time: 1:00-3:00pm

Where: St. Albert Bowling Centre

Please RSVP to [familyfun@sjbp.ca](mailto:familyfun@sjbp.ca) or call Donna at 780-939-4412 by December 31st



We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas.  
May God, who came to be with us as Emmanuel,  
bless each one of you and your families with true peace, joy,  
good health and happiness.

fr. Ignacy and Staff of St. Jean Baptiste Parish

