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September 2nd & 9th 2018
22nd & 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time



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.

Sunday Masses:

Sat. 5:00 pm English

Sun. 9:00 am English

11:00 am Bilingual

Weekday Liturgies:

Please refer to a recent bulletin for updates for the current week.

Sacrament of

Reconciliation:

Sat. 4:30 - 4:50 pm

Sun. 8:30 - 8:50 am

10:30 - 10:50 am

or upon appointment

Baptism:

First Sunday of the month at mass.

Call the parish office for more info and registration.

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.

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

In 2015, Pope Francis declared September 1 as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Coinciding with a celebration instituted by the Orthodox Church., it is also a day of ecumenical prayer and unity.

The Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace (which is in the process of merging with the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development) has some proposed celebrations on their website. Gatherings for prayer are encouraged in parishes. The faithful should also be encouraged to take practical initiatives to combat earth's environmental crisis.

Our Lady of Nativity – September 8

The Catholic Church celebrates today the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary on its traditional fixed date of September 8, nine months after the December 8 celebration of her Immaculate Conception as the child of Saints Joachim and Anne.

The circumstances of the Virgin Mary's infancy and early life are not directly recorded in the Bible, but other documents and traditions describing the circumstances of her birth are cited by some of the earliest Christian writers from the first centuries of the Church.

The “Protoevangelium of James,” which was probably put into its final written form in the early second century, describes Mary's father Joachim as a wealthy member of one of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. The protoevangelium goes on to describe how Mary's parents, along with the temple priests, subsequently decided that she would be offered to God as a consecrated Virgin for the rest of her life, and enter a chaste marriage with the carpenter Joseph.

Saint Augustine described the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary as an event of cosmic and historic significance, and an appropriate prelude to the birth of Jesus Christ. “She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley,” he said.

The fourth-century bishop, whose theology profoundly shaped the Western Church's understanding of sin and human nature, affirmed that “through her birth, the nature inherited from our first parents is changed.” (Catholic News Agency)

West Deanery Mass:

On Sunday September 16th, 2018 there will be a special Mass celebrating the “Priestly Fraternity – Youth/Vocations” at the Westlock & District Community Hall at 10711-104 Avenue starting with Introduction at 10:30 am Mass at 11:00 am for all parishes in the West Deanery of our Diocese of St. Paul. Bishop Terrio mandated that there will be no Masses on Sunday celebrated in our individual parishes **we will still be having our Saturday 5:00 pm Mass on September 15th. But there will be no 9 am & 11am Masses on September 16th.**

Please keep this date open for this important event.

First Friday Adoration

On the **First Friday of September** we will have a day of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The church will be open between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm and everyone will be able to come for longer or shorter period of time to spend with Eucharistic Jesus. We begin with Mass at 8:30 am, then the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration and prayer. There is a sign up sheet at the back of the church so that at least 2 people sign for each hour to make sure there is always someone present in the church with Blessed Sacrament exposed.



We invite everyone to come during a day to spend some time with our Lord.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA assists those adults wishing to learn more about the Catholic Church. It is open to unbaptized adults, baptized Catholics who have not received the Initiation sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation, and those practicing Catholics wishing to learn more about their faith (but for the ones who want to learn more Sessions are held October through May). The program is defined by four periods of formation each marked by the celebration of liturgical rites in the parish.

- ***Inquiry*** – A time for asking questions, sharing stories, awakening our faith, and becoming familiar with the life of the parish.
- ***Catechumenate*** – A time for the deepening of faith and conversion and for passing on of Catholic tradition. It is a period of training and apprenticeship in the Christian way of life. A discussion of the Liturgy of the Word for the Sunday masses is scheduled weekly.
- ***Purification and Enlightenment*** – A time when the parish joins with the Elect in prayer, fasting, and works of charity in preparation for Easter Vigil when the Elect may receive the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism (for those who have never been baptized), Confirmation, and Eucharist..
- ***Mystagogy*** – A time when the newly initiated, referred to as neophytes, reflect on their experience and begin to participate more fully in the sacramental life of the parish and in Christian service.

For more information or to register, contact the Parish Office or talk to Fr. Trini

Knights of Columbus Retreat: Still Green & Growing

A workshop on Personal Growth, Inner Healing, Fullness of Life and aging Graciously. The Art of being Human. The Role of Faith, Hope & Love, Spirituality as a Transformative Power Building self-confidence and self-esteem, Learning to forgive. The Art of an apology, Good grieving, Aging Graciously. The grace of dying and Stages of our lives.

Facilitated by Archbishop Sylvain Lavoie OMI

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus September 15, 2018 9:30 am to 4:00 pm St. Anne's Hall (St. Anne's Parish Barrhead AB)

For more information please contact Dennis Ranger 780-674-3897 or Jeremy Prociuk 780-584-3854.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Mass Intention	Feast
Sept 1 Saturday	5:00 pm	RIP Rebecca Champagne (23 rd Anniv) – Lorette RIP Leonie Labbe - Edna	22 nd Sunday In Ordinary Time
Sept 2 Sunday	9:00 am	RIP Margaret Brenneis – Richard & Angela	
	11:00 am	For Parishioners	
Sept 4 Tuesday	8:30 am	Deceased Relatives VanBrabant & Cornelis Family - Madeleine	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sept 5 Wed	10:00 am	(Lodge) RIP Lucien Sylvestre – Henry & Lorraine Lamoureux	
Sept 6 Thurs	10:00 am	(Aspen) RIP Joe Kieser - Family	
Sept 7 Friday	8:30 am	RIP Francis Patterson – Jan Malooney	
Sept 8 Saturday	5:00 pm	Special Intention	
Sept 9 Sunday	9:00 am	Deceased Boissonnault & Brenneis Family - Shirley	
	11:00 am	For Parishioners	
Sept 11 Tuesday	8:30 am	RIP Jean-Guy Babin - Family	
Sept 12 Wed	10:00 am	(Lodge) RIP Leon Schayes - Cecile	
Sept 13 Thurs	10:00 am	(Aspen) RIP Danny Boissonnault – Roland & Antonia Seguin	
Sept 14 Fri	8:30 am	RIP George Bulger – Marcel & Mona	

PLEASE PRAY FOR... Emilienne Dostie, Braden Rowland, Colette Klein. All those who are sick or struggling and who are going through any medical procedures and treatments.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will be starting in September we are in a great need for teachers and helpers our goal is to have liturgy at ever Mass every week. If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry please call Lisa St. Onge at 780-939-5185



We congratulate and wish many God's blessings to
Brent Steffler & Nicole Nysetvold
who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on September 1st, 2018



Collections for August 19th \$ 2568.00 August 26th \$ 3053.00 Restoration \$ 170.00
 India Flooding \$ 100.00 THANK YOU!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dust Angels

- Sept 3rd & 17th, 8:00 am, Monday

- Church