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December 16th, 2018

3rd 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.

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.

Come & Join Us!

*Simbang Gabi is a devotional
nine-day series of Masses
in anticipation of Christmas
and to honor the Blessed
Virgin Mary.*

Schedule:

Dec. 15 : 7 PM (Presider: Bishop Paul Terrio)

Dec. 16 : 7 PM

Dec. 17 : 7 PM

Dec. 18 : 7 PM

Dec. 19 : 7 PM

Dec. 20 : 5:30 PM

Dec. 21 : 7 PM

Dec. 22 : 7 PM

Dec. 23 : 7 PM

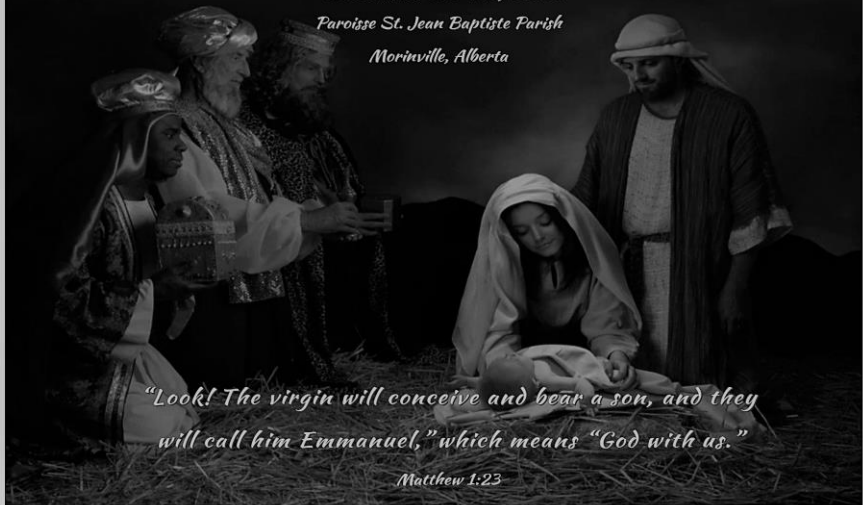
Evening Novena Mass

Simbang Gabi

December 15-23, 2018

Paroisse St. Jean Baptiste Parish

Morinville, Alberta



*"Look! The virgin will conceive and bear a son, and they
will call him Emmanuel," which means "God with us."*

Matthew 1:23

OUR JOURNEY TOWARDS CHRISTMAS

ADVENT SEASON

CHRISTMAS EVE	- Monday, Dec. 24 th	- 5:00 pm 7:30 pm 9:00 pm
CHRISTMAS DAY	- Tuesday, Dec. 25 th	- 10:00 am
FEAST OF HOLY FAMILY	- Saturday, Dec. 29 th	- 5:00 pm
	- Sunday, Dec. 30 th	- 9:00 am 11:00 am
NEW YEAR'S EVE	- Monday, Dec. 31 st	- 5:00 pm
NEW YEAR'S DAY	- Tuesday, Jan. 1 st	- 10:00 am
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	- Saturday, Jan. 5 th , 2019	- 5:00 pm
	- Sunday, Jan 6 th , 2019	- 9:00 am 11:00 am



Gaudete Sunday is the name given to the third Sunday of **Advent**, the nearly four-week season leading up to Christmas. In 2018 this date is Sunday, December 16th. In 2019, this date is December 15th.

The name "Gaudete Sunday" is taken from the words of the introit, *Gaudete in Domino semper*, "rejoice in the Lord always."

The Scriptural basis for this Sunday comes from Philippians 4:4,5. Similar to [Laetare Sunday](#) during Lent, Gaudete Sunday is a minor "break" from the more penitential nature of the Advent season, and signals a shift from a penitential style of waiting to a more joyful tone.

In the past, when organs and flowers were forbidden during the Advent Season, they were permitted during Gaudete Sunday. Because of the more joyful tone of Gaudete Sunday, rose colored (pink) vestments may be used instead of the normal violet ones. Also, the rose colored Advent candle is lit.

Knights of Columbus Christmas Hampers



Knights of Columbus St. Anne Council, on behalf of St. Jean Baptiste Catholic Parish, the Midstream Society and the Morinville Food Bank, are pleased to announce that they will be coordinating the Christmas Hamper Project for Morinville and District once again this year. Last year 110 hampers containing food and numerous children's toys and gifts were distributed to needy families in the community. The success of this project relies on the generosity and co-operation of the churches, service groups, businesses, and countless individuals in our communities.

The Knights of Columbus welcome your support through donations of food and children's toys and gifts to the following drop-off sites: Bumper-to Bumper/Home Hardware, Town of Morinville FCSS (cultural centre), Morinville Sobeys, Scotia Bank, Royal Bank, Servus Credit Union, and the No Frills store. Residents are reminded to donate foods that are of nutritious and children's gifts that are new or in excellent condition (unwrapped please).

Financial contributions may be directed to the office of St. Jean Baptiste Church or Bumper-to-Bumper Cheques are to be made to St. Jean Baptiste Parish (Income tax receipts will be issued), and the monies will be used to purchase potatoes, meat, fresh fruit, and other staples for the hampers. Any surplus funds are distributed for their lunch programs.

Individuals and families who are eligible to receive Christmas Hampers are contacted by Social Services. Anyone who requires assistance should phone 780-939-3953(Midstream Store) or 780-939-4361(Town of Morinville). Residents of Morinville who are aware of individuals or families in need of assistance should not hesitate to phone on their behalf. Those who are eligible to receive Christmas Hampers and/or gifts should phone one of the numbers listed above no later than Friday December 14th.

The distribution of hampers is planned for Wednesday December 19th, 2018, at the Rendez-Vous Centre between 4 pm. and 7 p.m.

Advent Reflection Books

There are still some Advent reflection booklets at the back of the church for this Advent season. Please feel free to take one home and use it to journey through this Advent season.

Word Among us Books

The Word Among Us books for the month of January are available at the back of the church.

Christmas Ministry Sign-up

The volunteer sign up sheet is available at the back of the church please fill out where you can help at the various masses. Thank you!

Calendars for 2019

There are some calendars for 2019 in English and French from Connelly Mckinley funeral home in St. Albert. They are available at the back of the church.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Mass Intention	Feast
Dec 15 Saturday	5:00 pm	RIP Irene Dupuis – Jim & Jeannette	3 rd Sunday of Advent
Dec 15 – 23	7:00 pm	(Church) Novena Mass	
Dec 16 Sunday	9:00 am	RIP Monique – Ron & Karen Cust	
	11:00 am	RIP Cecile LePage – Adrien & Family	
Dec 18 Tuesday	8:30 am	RIP Danny Boissonnault – Roland & Antonia Seguin	
Dec 19 Wed	10:00 am	(Lodge) RIP Lucien Sylvestre – Roland & Anotonia Seguin	
Dec 20 Thurs	10:00 am	(Aspen) RIP Imogene Boulet – Simone Riopel	
Dec 21 Friday	8:30 am	RIP John Bulger (30 th Anniv) – Irma & Family	

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.

Morinville Community Christmas Celebration

Join us in the joyous spirit of Christmas at Morinville's 40th Annual Community Christmas Celebration on Thursday December 20th at 7:30 pm at St. Jean Baptiste Church. This Yuletide tradition is an inter-denominational celebration of readings, music and song featuring the gifts and talents of local churches and schools. Celebrate and share the peace, love and joy of the Christmas season with others from our community! Donations to the food bank are welcomed!

Envelopes

There are still some envelopes for 2019 at the back of the Church. **Please do not use them till 2019** If you would like to receive envelopes please fill out the registration form by the envelopes and the envelopes will be available to you next weekend

Collections for December 9th \$ 5973.40 Restoration \$ 450.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dust Angels

- December 21st ,9:00 am, Friday

- Church