

# PAROISSE ST. JEAN BAPTISTE PARISH BULLETIN



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Parish

March 1, 2020  
1st Sunday of Lent

## 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.

### Pastor

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### Executive Assistant

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### Parish Council

Noreen Radford  
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### Finance Temporal Committee

George Vansevenant  
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### Children's Liturgy

Lisa St. Onge  
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### Safe Parish Committee

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Pat Earles GK  
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### Catholic Women's League

Simone Chevalier  
Phone: 939-4512



## Parish Activities

### First Friday Adoration

On the First Friday of March we will have a day of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The church will be open between 9:00 am to 11:00 am 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.

### Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross is a popular devotion used by individuals or groups who wish through prayer and reflection to follow Jesus Christ on his way to Calvary. Many Christians practice the devotion, but the Stations hold a special significance among Roman Catholics. It is one of the most important devotions honoring the passion of Jesus.

What matters most in the Stations of the Cross is to follow Jesus Christ in his passion and to see ourselves mirrored in him. To face life's dark side in ourselves and in our world, we need images of hope, and Jesus offers images of hope in his passion. By accompanying him on the Way of the Cross, we gain his courageous patience and learn to trust in God who delivers us from evil. There will be Different Parish groups leading the stations.

**We invite you - every Friday during Lent at 7 pm**

## 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

10:30 - 10:50 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 09:00 AM English

11:00 AM Bilingual

## Weekday Masses

Tue 8:30AM Church

Wed 10:00AM

Heritage Lodge

Thu 10:00AM

Aspen House

Fri 8:30AM Church

## 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month

9:00-11:00AM Adoration  
of the Blessed Sacrament

## Background on the Gospel Reading

In each of the three Synoptic Gospels, after his baptism, Jesus is reported to have spent forty days in the desert, fasting and praying. In Luke and in Matthew, the devil presents three temptations to Jesus. The devil tempts Jesus to use his power to appease his hunger, offers Jesus all the kingdoms of the world, and he tempts Jesus to put God to test. In each case, Jesus resists, citing words from Scripture to rebuke the devil's temptation.

Each temptation that Jesus faces offers insight into the spirituality we hope to develop as we keep the forty days of the Season of Lent. We can trust God to provide for our material needs. We worship God because God alone has dominion over us and our world. We can trust God to be faithful to his promises. Jesus' rejection of the devil's temptations shows that he will not put God to the test. Grounding himself on the Word and authority of Scripture, Jesus rebukes the devil by his confidence in God's protection and faithfulness.

This Gospel highlights for us one of the central themes of the Season of Lent. We are dependent upon God for all that we have and all that we are. Anything that leads us to reject this dependency or to distrust its sufficiency, is a temptation from the devil.

Luke ends his report of Jesus' temptation in the desert by noting that the devil departs for a time. The implication is that the devil will return. Jesus knows that he will be tempted again in the Garden of Gethsemane. The depth of Jesus' trust in God is shown most fully when Jesus rejects the temptation to turn away from the task God has given to him. Jesus' final rebuke of the devil is his sacrifice on the Cross.

Jesus' responses to the temptations of the devil teach us how we can respond to temptation. As we start our journey through Lent, this Sunday's Gospel calls us to adopt the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of temptation: God's word alone will suffice, God's promise of protection can be trusted, and God alone is God.

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## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

DATE		TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
SATURDAY	29-Feb	5:00 PM	RIP Irene Dupuis-Albert & Alberta
SUNDAY	1-Mar	9:00 AM	RIP Lisa Boissannault-Mom
	1-Mar	11:00 AM	For Parishioners
TUESDAY	3-Mar	8:30 AM	Special intention for Cecil Vion-Parishioner
WEDNESDAY	4-Mar	10:00 AM	(Lodge) RIP Victor Cardinal
THURSDAY	5-Mar	10:00 AM	(Aspen) RIP John Louis + Rosana Rosanna Lafferty-Doris
FRIDAY	6-Mar	8:30 AM	Mass of Thanksgiving-Angie
1. Please pray for Gilberte (Rivet) Seguin who passed away February 23, 2020. Her funeral will be held at our parish church on Monday, March 9, 11:00 am.			
2. We congratulate and wish many blessings to Samantha Kluthe & Neil VanBrabant who celebrated the Sacrament of marriage on February 29, 2020.			
3. Collections February 23 is \$3,180.00 ; Restoration \$570.00 ; Catholic missions in Canada \$15.00 Thank you. Merci.			

## Parish Activities

### Youth Committee

We will try to organize a youth group here in our parish. Those that are interested in joining can contact the rectory for more details.

**Mass at the Heritage Lodge** is every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.

### World Day of Prayer March 6

The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement that brings Christians of many traditions together to observe a common day of prayer each year on the first Friday of March.

In this country, it is coordinated by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada. Each year the focus is on a certain country, with women of that country providing art, music, prayer, and other resources to help mark this day. This year's focus will be on Zimbabwe.

World Day of Prayer is at Heritage Lodge 1:00 pm.

### Camp St. Louis is hiring!

If you are a young adult, looking for the best summer job in the world, then you've found it! We are currently accepting applications for 2 male TEAM members.

To download the application package, go to <https://www.campstlouis.ca/apply-for-team/> to download an application form. or contact Aaron at [aarondebusschere@dosp.ca](mailto:aarondebusschere@dosp.ca) for more information. Applications are being accepted until February 29th. So don't delay, apply now!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

DUST ANGELS	MONDAY, MARCH 2, 8:00 AM	PARISH CHURCH
PRAYER GROUP	TBA	RECTORY
CATECHESIS-NEO CATECHUMINATE	EVERY FRIDAY AT 7:30 PM	PARISH CHURCH
	EVERY SUNDAY AT 7:00 PM	PARISH CHURCH

## Pope Francis' intentions for March

**Catholics in China**  
We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

## The Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross

- "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34)
- "This day you will be with me in Paradise." (Luke 23:43)
- "Woman, behold your son." (John 19:26-27)
- "My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?" (Mark 15:34; Matthew 27:46)
- "I thirst." (John 19:28)
- "It is finished." (John 19:30)
- "Into your hands I commit my spirit." (Luke 23:46)

In preparation for the coming Holy Week we will be introducing during Good Friday the meditation of the Seven Last Words of Jesus in the Cross. For those who are interested please approach Fr. Trini or the rectory.

