# JOIN THE YOUTH CHOIR

Are you a youth aged 10 - 18? Do you like to sing or play an instrument? Would you love to join a youth group that does just that? We are recruiting youth to join us in providing music for our youth masses.

The commitment would be attendance at 2 practices prior to the youth masses listed in the church bulletin, and of course attendance at the youth mass.

Please contact
Patrice at
780-293-7767
to join!







### Next Week's Readings Sept 14

1st Reading: Numbers 21:4 - 9
Everyone who is bitten shall look
at it and live.

### Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 78:1-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 R: Do not forget the works of the Lord!

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 2:6-11 Christ humbled himself, therefore God also exalted him

Gospel John 3:13-17
The Son of Man must be lifted up.



# SEPTEMBER 2025 POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION / INTENTION DE PRIÈRE DU SAINT-PÈRE

For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that inspired by Pope Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect,

Pour notre relation avec toute la création

Prions pour qu'inspirés par le pape François, nous puissions faire l'expérience de notre interdépendance avec toutes les créatures aimées de Dieu et dignes d'amour et de respect.

### PARISH CONTACTS

Fr. Rene Realuyo, *Pastor*Dave Scott, *Maintenance* – part-time
Jojo Policarpio, *Secretary*Parish Office
Tel: 780-826-3010
OR email officebonnyvillestl@dostp.ca
Monday to Friday

9:00 am to 2:00 pm

**Parish Council Elected Members** 

Dave Sharun – Chairperson Members -----

Ed Hourd – Knights of Columbus Vince Spila – Notre Dame High Schol

Joe Marion - Dr. Bernard Brosseau Rachel Reid – Notre Dame Elementary Vince MacDonald Wayne Marks

Richard Cameron Leona F Audrey Campbell Marie S Sheldon Germain Gerarda

Dame Elementary
Wayne Marks
Leona Bonneau
Marie Southcombe
Gerarda Germain

### **Family Committee**

Regimbald Family \* Taylor Family

### Finance Committee

Russ Yarmuch \* Luc Vincent \* Loriann Lafrenière \* Stacey Taylor \* Carrie Goldsmith \* Isabelle Hetu \* Brad Ollen

### **Safe Parish Committee:**

Audrey Campbell \* Germaine Prybysh.

### **Cemetery Committee**

\* Robert Albert \* Paul Husereau \* Germaine Prybysh \* Annette Schultz \* Yvonne Primeau.

Adoration – Janet Anctil – 780 826-1085 Adult Servers – Dan Dugas

**Baptism Preparation** - JoJo Policarpio **Bldg & Maintenance Concerns** -

Roger Lafreniere

Camp St. Louis: 780-645-3277

Collections - Joanne Way and Joyce Cervinski

Communion in the Homes -- Call the Parish

Sacramental Preparation - Monique Morgan Knights of Columbus -

Dan Dugas - 780 826-7422

### **Liturgical Scheduling**

Fran Kusch – 5 p.m. Mass Audrey Campbell – 10:00 a.m. Mass Marriage Preparation – Call Fr. Rene 6

months in advance.

Music Ministry

Saturday: Patrice MacDonald Sunday: Margaret Borders Dimanche: Anna Laplante

Pastoral Care - Call Parish Office

RCIA – Call Parish Office

Sacristan - Janet Anctil

Sunday School – Natasha Miller Suzanne Antoniuk

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Sep 7 2025

Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. English

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Alternates Eng/French

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesdays 9:30 a.m.to 10:30 a.m.



Sacrament of Reconciliation: By appointment or 30

minutes before Mass

### Ordinary Time – Week 23

### **Half Hearted Christianity**

This gospel sets the homilist a real challenge. The listeners need no explanation of Christ's words about carrying the cross, but they will be repelled by the words about "hating father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters" – a teaching that seems to fly in the face of natural affection. One of the following experiences might help.

- (I) A priest went to Taizé with a group of young people. Among the many tales he brought back was this. One evening as the English-language visitors gathered for a general meeting he was asked to reserve two seats beside him. After repeatedly telling others that those seats were occupied, he finally gave in and told the next pair: "Yes, these seats are free. Take them away with you," which they did. From that moment he had peace. Eventually his companions returned to find their places vacant but without seats. They had no bother finding seats for themselves and returning to their reserved places. Everybody was happy with this arrangement. Sometimes we are so concerned with holding on to what we might need that we fail to see other's needs and our opportunity to help.
- (2) Another afternoon at Taizé the whole group had planned an outing. The rain poured all that day and there were many glum faces looking out from the various tents. Making the most of things, they decided to come together for an extra session of prayer and discussion. This turned out to be the most memorable event of the whole trip. Learning to adjust to unfulfilled plans, waning strength, failing health and uncertain fortunes, is a key to happiness and contentment. We are not masters of all we possess, e.g., talents, health and even life itself.

Excerpt from: https://associationofcatholicpriests.ie/homily-resource/07-sept-2025-23rd-sunday-c/

- ((3) Again at Taizé, two of the group were deaf. Not being able to hear is a great handicap, a barrier to be overcome. These two could have missed so much of the experience at Taizé, the music, the bells, the prayers, the sincerity of the group discussions. However, for the whole week they were able to participate through the help of their friends who relayed everything to them through signs and lipreading. There was a modern miracle of the deaf hearing, and the others discovered so much about themselves in the process.
- (4) Many of the saints discovered their true freedom in the practice of voluntary poverty. Francis of Assisi comes to mind as the example par excellence. By renouncing all earthly possession, he discovered how much he possessed and shared with all of God's creatures. All the teaching of Jesus is marked by this same spirit of freedom. Like praver. voluntary poverty is a gift to be savoured and treasured.



O Divine master, grant that
I may not so much seek
To be consoled, as to console;
Not so much To be
understood as to understand,
not so much To be loved
as to love;
For it is in giving
that we receive;
It is in pardoning,
that we are pardoned.

St. Francis of Assisi

(5) One of the two parables in the gospel, found only in Luke, might provide the basis for a homily. Building a tower is not a useless exercise in vanity. It had a practical use in the vineyard. A modern parallel might be a grain silo or shed. It is ironic that Luke and Jesus pick an example of progressive investment in farming to illustrate a lesson on detachment from property. Obviously, they approve of the venture as it shows where half measures will not do. Half-hearted Christianity is not a profitable affair either.

### September 8

## Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



We can see every human birth as a call for new hope in the world. The love of two human beings has joined with God in his creative work. The loving parents have shown hope in a world filled with travail. The new child has the potential to be a channel of God's love and peace to the world.

This is all true in a magnificent way in Mary. If Jesus is the perfect expression of God's love, Mary is the foreshadowing of that love. If Jesus has brought the fullness of salvation, Mary is its dawning.

Birthday celebrations bring happiness to the celebrant as well as to family and friends. Next to the birth of Jesus, Mary's birth offers the greatest possible happiness to the world. Each time we celebrate her birth, we can confidently hope for an increase of peace in our hearts and in the world at large.

Source: https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-marv/









Imagine you're hospitalized & lack capacity to make decisions about your care. Are you prepared?



How to improve your planning for future health care: Tips from a physician, lawyer & the Office of the Public Guardian and Trustee

September 11, 2025, 12:00 - 1:30 PM, on-line

Meeting Registration - Zoom

Please call or email the parish office if you want the zoom link sent to you.

### Join panelists:

Dr. Charlie Chen, AHS Palliative Care Consultant
Shelly Chamaschuk, Reynolds Mirth Richards & Farmer LLP
Sara O'Dea, Office of the Public Guardian and Trustee
Melanie Blackwell, Office of the Public Guardian and Trustee

Members of the public, professionals & others have been collaborating to strengthen Albertans' planning for their future health care & incapacity.

Hear their stories & ask your "burning" questions.

We'll provide resources and specific tips (including scripts for conversations with your agent, lawyer and health care team)

- to increase the likelihood your wishes will be honoured.

"I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12

Day	Time	Place	Mass Intentions		Feasts / Solemnities
Saturday samedi Sep 6	5:00 pm	Church	+Hector & Marguerite Plante	Ernie & Pauline Chartrand	
Sunday dimanche Sep 7	10:00 am	Church	Thanksgiving for all Blessings received	Georges & Grace Lambert	
			Sunday School		
Monday lundi Sep 8	No Mass			The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Tuesday	9:00 am		+Louise Wispinski	Frances & Vince MacDonald	Saint Peter Claver
mardi Sep 9	After mass till 1 pm	Church	Eucharistic Adoration		
Wednesday mercredi Sep 10	10:30 am	Hospital	For Parishioners		
Thursday jeudi Sep 11	9:00 am	Bonnylodge	+Stuart Curzon	The Family	
Friday Vendredi Sep 12	9:00 am	Church	+Marie Claire Champagne	Claudette & Clermont Roy	The Most Holy Name of Mary
Saturday samedi Sep 13	5:00 pm	Church	+Jeannette Rabi	Renée & Sons	Saint John Chrysostom, bishop and doctor of the Church
Sunday dimanche	10:00 am	Church	Lionel & Maria Lafond	Terry & Colette Coleman	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Sep 14			Introduction of ENDHS Staff / Sunday School		

COLLECTIONS		QUÊTES
August 31, 2025 Offerings*	\$4338.00	Offrandes 31Août , 2025
Building Fund	205.00	Amélioration des bâtiments
Candles	210.15	
*Does not i	nclude e-tra	nsfers



First Friday Mass

October 3

6:00 pm @ St Louis Parish Church

Music

Sep 7 - French Oct 26 -Youth Sep 14 - Youth Nov 2- French Sep 21 – French Nov 9- English Sep 28 – English Nov 16 -French Oct 5 -French Nov 23 – English Oct 12 -English Nov 30- French Oct 19-French Dec 7 - Youth

Please pray for the grace of healing for all those who are suffering from all types of Cancer, and illnesses and autoimmune diseases.



# Discern. Serve. Lead.

Consider Becoming a Catholic School Board Trustee

"Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire." St. Catherine of Siena



Are you passionate about Catholic education? Do you feel called to serve your faith community in a leadership role? The 2025 Alberta Municipal Election is

#### Why Become a Catholic School Trustee?

your opportunity to make a lasting difference.

Catholic school trustees are stewards of a sacred mission - to ensure that our children receive a faith-filled, academically excellent education rooted in the Gospel. Trustees help guide the direction of Catholic education, uphold constitutional protections, and ensure that Christ remains at the center of our

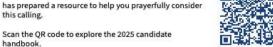


If you are a practicing Catholic, committed to your faith and to the value of publicly funded Catholic education, your voice is needed. Trustees come from all walks of life — no prior board experience is required, just a heart for service and a willingness to learn.



#### Want to Learn More?

The Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association (ACSTA) has prepared a resource to help you prayerfully consider this calling.





Are you called?