

EXPERIENCE  
**PENTECOST**  
3-DAY RETREAT  
NEW  
LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

—Catholic Diocese of St. Paul Initiative—

**MAY 22-24, 2026**  
SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTRE  
4609 - 47 st, St. Paul, AB

Early Bird registration by April 26th:  
\$50/person (including lunch Saturday)  
\$70/person after April 26th.  
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—Featuring Keynote Speakers—

JOHN CONROY      NICK TAYLOR      MARK MALETT

## World Youth Day Information Session-Online

**April 7 at 7:00 pm**

The World Youth Day pilgrimage will be July 29 - August 8, 2027. The Pilgrimage is for all youth ages 18-35.

If you are interested in attending as a pilgrim, a leader, or simply would like more information, join our **online** information session by contacting Monique at [campstlouis@dostp.ca](mailto:campstlouis@dostp.ca)



## Lakeland Live-In

Come and get to KNOW Jesus

**May 1 - 3, 2026**  
**Dr. Brosseau School, Bonnyville**

The Live-In is a weekend retreat rooted in the Catholic faith and supported by the Bishop of St. Paul. The Live-In welcomes everyone 18 yrs and older of any denomination to come and experience a wonderful weekend encounter with Jesus.

All registrants must have a sponsor.

**For information, to register or to find a sponsor, please contact:**  
Monique Morgan 780-812-5879  
Robert Lambert 780-826-0905

### Music Ministry Schedule 10 am

**Join the  
Choir**

Apr 5 – French	May 10 – Youth
Apr 12 – English	May 17 – French
Apr 19 – French	May 24 – English
Apr 26 – English	May 31 – French
May 3 – French	June 7 – English



**Finance Committee Meeting  
Tuesday April 14**

## 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](mailto:officebonnyvillestl@dostp.ca)  
Monday to Friday  
9:00 am to 2:00 pm

### Parish Council Elected Members

Dave Sharun – *Chairperson*  
Members -----

Vince Spila - Knights of Columbus	
Joe Marion - Dr. Bernard Brosseau	
Rachel Reid - Notre Dame Elementary	
Vince MacDonald	Wayne Marks
Leona Bonneau	Marie Southcombe
Audrey Campbell	Gerarda Germain
Jason Morgan	Nathan Gumangan
Maria Shea	Lise Medford
Sheldon Germain	

### Family Committee

Regimbald Family \* Taylor Family

### Finance Committee

Russ Yarnuch \* Luc Vincent \* Lorian Lafrenière \*  
Stacey Taylor \* Carrie Goldsmith \* Isabelle Hetu

### Safe Parish Committee:

Audrey Campbell \* Germaine Prybysh.

### Cemetery Committee

Germaine Prybysh \* Annette Schultz  
Robert Albert \* Paul Husereau \* 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 Coulombe & Joyce Cervinski

**Communion in the Homes** - Call the Parish Office.

**Sacramental Preparation** – Mel Poulin

**Knights of Columbus** -  
Vince Spila

**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

# Paroisse St. Louis de France Parish

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## 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 1 p.m.  
First Friday - After the 6 pm Mass till 7:30 pm

Apr 5 2026



## Weekday Mass Times:

Tuesday: 9:00 am  
Wednesday: 10:30 am Hospital  
Thursday: 9:00 am Bonnylodge  
Friday: 6 pm  
Last Friday : 10:30 am Extencicare

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

By appointment or 30 minutes before Mass

## Easter Sunday

# New Life with Jesus

The Easter story begins very early in the morning of the first day of the week while it is *still dark*. As an old man, John would later write that *'the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining'*. But he links this strictly to one condition: *'Whoever loves his brothers and sisters,'* John says, *'lives in the light.'* On the other hand, *'whoever prefers to hate... is still in the darkness.'* (1 Jn 2:8-11).

On Friday, as we remembered the sufferings and death of the most marvellous human being the world has ever known, we came face to face with the dark side of human nature, the darkness that led the enemies of Jesus to torture, humiliate, and finally murder him on a cross. On that black day in Jerusalem, the capacity of human beings to hate, hurt and harm one another went completely out of control. It's no wonder, then, that *'darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon'*, that *'the sun's light failed'*, and that *'the curtain of the temple was torn in two'* (Lk 23:24).

Between light and darkness, between good and evil, one mighty struggle is still going on. It's going on in the physical cosmos, in human societies, and within our own personalities.

Although the darkness often appears to be stronger than the light, it has not yet triumphed. The light is remarkably resilient. Often in danger of being extinguished, it manages to survive, and even to win many victories. The words of Mahatma Gandhi, the father of modern India, still ring as true as when he spoke them seventy years ago: *'When I despair I remember that all through history the way of truth and love has always won. There have been tyrants and murderers, and for a time they can seem invincible, but, in the end, they always fall.'* The words of the Easter Vigil liturgy express the same truth in an equally appealing way: *'The power of this holy [Easter] night,'* it proclaims, *'dispels all evil, washes guilt away, restores lost innocence, brings mourners joy. It casts out hatred, brings us peace, and humbles earthly pride.'*

Our celebration of Easter reminds us that the darkness of evil and hatred will never have the last say. For the resurrection of Jesus proclaims the ultimate triumph of light over darkness and goodness over evil, both in us and in our world.

Jesus was buried at sunset, as darkness was once again creeping over the earth, to all appearances a victim and a failure.

ANYONE WHO IS JOINED TO  
CHRIST IS A NEW BEING;  
THE OLD IS GONE, THE NEW HAS COME.



But on the third day afterwards the sun came up on him victorious and triumphant, alive, powerful and influential. Once again, *'the true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world'* (Jn 1:9)

So we celebrate his resurrection today by rising from darkness and death ourselves. The Risen Lord himself, represented here by this beautiful Easter candle burning in our midst, is asking us to leave behind the works of darkness, to renounce and reject anything and everything in our lives which is dark, sinister and evil, and as persons connected to him by baptism, to *'walk always as children of the light'*, following in his footsteps.

So we are now invited to renew our baptismal promises. Reject darkness, evil and sin in every shape and form. And promise to follow Jesus Christ from now on, in a life of light, goodness and love, a life shaped by his own powerful example, a life supported and guided by the Holy Spirit, whom he first gave us at baptism and whom he gives us again right now. So together, dear People of God, let us renew our baptismal promises, and renew them as loudly and enthusiastically as we can.

Excerpt from: <https://associationofcatholicpriests.ie/homily-resource/05-april-2026->

Dimanche de Pâques

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia. **1 Corinthians 5:7-8**

## Divine Mercy Sunday, a day of Great Grace

In her *Diary*, St. Faustina records a special promise given to her by Jesus. He told her to communicate it to the whole world:

**My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy (699).**

In three places in her *Diary*, St. Faustina records our Lord's promises of specific, extraordinary graces:

**I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the [Feast of My mercy](#) (1109).**

**Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (300).**

**The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (699).**

To receive these graces, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil celebration) by making a good [Confession beforehand](#) and being in the state of grace and trusting in His Divine Mercy.

By these conditions, our Lord is emphasizing the value of confession and Holy Communion as miracles of mercy. The Eucharist is Jesus, Himself, the Living God, longing to pour Himself as Mercy into our hearts.

*Excerpt from:* <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/celebrate/greatgrace/graces>



In addition, our Lord says through St. Faustina that we are to perform acts of mercy:

**"Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be acts of mercy" (742).**

**"The graces of My mercy are drawn by means of one vessel only, and that is trust. The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive" (1578). The worthy reception of the Eucharist on Divine Mercy Sunday is sufficient to obtain the extraordinary graces promised by Jesus. A plenary indulgence, obtained by fulfilling the usual conditions, also is available.**

**Reciting this prayer is also helpful:**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, You promised St. Faustina that the soul that has been to Confession [I have] and the soul that receives Holy Communion with trust in Divine Mercy [I am] will receive the complete forgiveness of all sins and punishment. Lord, please give me this grace. Jesus, I trust in You**

*Blessings &  
Thanksgiving*

*In Celebration of:*

**OCIA**

Chrysteen Lafrenier  
Cole Leon Thacker - Gibot

**Sacrament of Confirmation  
and Holy Eucharist**

Antonio Ofamin  
Angelo Ofamin

**Sacrament of  
Baptism**

Isaac Thomas  
Taylor  
Anthony Dale  
Lysachok



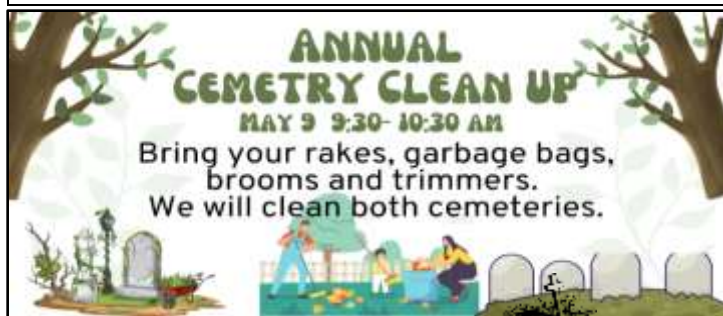
*O God, we thank you for planting the gift of faith in human hearts. We thank you for sending Jesus, Your Son, as the fullness of your love. May His life and mission lead us to share in your divine life.*

*Today, we ask you to bless in a special way all Newly Baptized Catechumens, Candidates, recipients of the Sacraments of Initiation, those who have generously responded to the invitation of Jesus: "Come follow me." We pray that you would work deeply within their heart and soul to renew and refresh them each day. We ask this through your Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ.  
Amen.*

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Day	Time	Place	Mass Intentions		Feasts / Solemnities
Saturday samedi April 4	2:00 pm 7:00 pm	Church	Blessing of the Food Easter Vigil – For Parishioners		Holy Saturday
Sunday dimanche April 5	10:00 am	Church	+Jacques & Marguerite Beauchemin	The Family	Easter Sunday
Monday Lundi April 6			No Mass		
Tuesday mardi April 7			No Mass		St John Baptiste de la Salle
Wednesday Mercredi April 8	10:30 am	Hospital	+Zoe & Bob Bleau	Bleau Sisters	
Thursday jeudi April 9	9:00 am	Bonnylodge	+Leo Strzepek	Jacques & Denise Ouelette	
Friday Vendredi April 10	9:00 am 6:30 pm	Church	+Leo Ducharme	Laurent & Liz Vallee	
Saturday samedi April 11	5:00 pm	Church	+Conrad Romaniuk	Romaniuk Family	St Stanislaw
Sunday dimanche April 12	10:00 am	Church	+Gary Hill	Terry & Paulette Coleman	Divine Mercy Sunday

COLLECTIONS	QUÊTES
Mar 29 Offering	\$3260.00
Building Fund	295.00
St Paul Diocesan Caritas	40.00
Priests Retirement Fund	110.00
Palms	255.80
Camp St Louis (Soup & Bun)	363.50
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Please pray for the grace of healing for all those who are suffering from all types of Cancer, and illnesses and autoimmune diseases.

April 2026  
Pope's Prayer Intention/  
Intention de prière  
du Saint-Père

**For priests in crisis:**  
Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

**Pour les prêtres en crise**  
Prions pour les prêtres qui traversent des moments de crise dans leur vocation, afin qu'ils trouvent l'accompagnement dont ils ont besoin et que les communautés les soutiennent par la compréhension et la prière.

Divine Mercy Sunday  
**Next Week's Readings**  
**April 19**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading**  
Acts 2:14, 22b-28  
*It was impossible for Christ to be held in the power of death.*

**Responsorial Psalm:**  
Ps 16.1-2+5, 7-8, 9-10, 11  
**R:** *Lord you will show me the path of life.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:**  
1Peter 1:17-21  
*You were ransomed by the precious blood of Christ, the Lamb without defect or blemish*

**Gospel - John 20:1-18**  
*According to the Scripture; Jesus must rise from the dead.*