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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am; 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 8:30 am
Wednesday & Friday: 7:30 pm

DEVOTIONS

ROSARY

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday:
@ 8am before morning Mass

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

First Friday: 7:00 pm

ADORATION AND DIVINE MERCY

Every Friday after evening Mass

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Registered parishioners are invited to pick up a Baptism information package from the Parish Office.

COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Please contact Parish Office for program start dates.

MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the Parish Office ONE year in advance. At least one party must be a registered and practicing member of St. Boniface.

PARISH SCHOOLS

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Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners

A very warm welcome to all new parishioners and those who are visiting St. Boniface Parish this weekend. New parishioners are asked to fill out registration form below and put it in the collection basket or drop-off at the office.

PARISHIONER INFORMATION SHEET

MR. & MRS. MR. MRS. MISS MS.

Last Name

First Name(s)

STREET# AND NAME/APARTMENT# OR UNIT #

CITY

POSTAL CODE

TELEPHONE#

EMAIL ADDRESS

NAME(S) AND DATE(S) OF BIRTH OF CHILD/CHILDREN:

NAME(S)

DD/MM/YEAR

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? WOULD YOU LIKE ENVELOPES?
YES NO YES NO

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE CONTACTED ABOUT PARISH INVOLVEMENT?
YES NO

**ONCE REGISTERED, ENVELOPES WILL BE AVAILABLE BY
ENTRANCE OF CHURCH.**



DECEMBER 1, 2024
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CYCLE C (LUKE)

Heads Up: Scott Hahn Reflects on the First Sunday of Advent

Readings:

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalms 25:4-5, 8-10, 14

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Every Advent, the Liturgy of the Word gives our sense of time a reorientation. There's a deliberate tension in the next four weeks' readings—



between promise and fulfillment, expectation and deliverance, between looking forward and looking back. In today's First Reading, the prophet Jeremiah focuses our gaze on the promise God made to David, some 1,000 years before Christ. God says through the prophet that He will fulfill this promise by raising up a "just shoot," a righteous offspring of David, who will rule Israel in justice (see [2 Samuel 7:16](#); [Jeremiah 33:17](#); [Psalm 89:4-5](#); [27-38](#)). Today's Psalm, too, sounds the theme of Israel's ancient expectation: "Guide me in your truth and teach me. For you are God my savior and for you I will wait all day." We look back on Israel's desire and anticipation knowing that God has already made good on those promises by sending His only Son into the world. Jesus is the "just shoot," the God and Savior for Whom Israel was waiting. Knowing that He is a God who keeps His promises lends grave urgency to the words of Jesus in today's Gospel. Urging us to keep watch for His return in glory, He draws on Old Testament images of chaos and instability—turmoil in the heavens (see [Isaiah 13:11, 13](#); [Ezekiel 32:7-8](#); [Joel 2:10](#)); roaring seas (see [Isaiah 5:30](#); [17:12](#)); distress among the nations (see [Isaiah 8:22](#); [14:25](#)) and terrified people (see [Isaiah 13:6-11](#)). He evokes the prophet Daniel's image of the Son of Man coming on a cloud of glory to describe His return as a "theophany," a manifestation of God (see [Daniel 7:13-14](#)). Many will cower and be literally scared to death. But Jesus says we should greet the end-times with heads raised high, confident that God keeps His promises, that our "redemption is at hand," that "the kingdom of God is near" (see [Luke 21:31](#)).

Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at www.stpaulcenter.com

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

NOVEMBER 30TH TO DECEMBER 7TH 2024

Sat	Nov 30th	5:00pm - Socorro & Donato Quebral †
Sun	Dec 1st	7:30am - People of the Parish 9:00am - Alana Maurica Gerardine 10:30am - Cybil Green † 12:00pm - Susana Atchico †
Mon	Dec 2nd	8:30am - Mary Bishop †
Tue	Dec 3rd	8:30am - Special Intention for Veyann Noel
Wed	Dec 4th	7:30pm - Thanksgiving for Melinda Ymbong and family; Thanksgiving to St. Anthony; Olga †; and Anna Lorusso †;
Thur	Dec 5th	8:30am - Mr. and Mrs. Felix's family
Fri	Dec 6th	7:30pm - Josefina Dollete †
Sat	Dec 7th	8:30am - Ofir Giraldo † ; Ruth & Francis Coghlan †; and Aida Cancio Royas †

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE



CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH



7:00PM — Mass with Children's Pageant
9:00PM and 11:30pm CAROLS; Mass 12 MIDNIGHT
(NO MORNING MASS)

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

9:00AM and 11:00AM
(NO EVENING MASS)

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

5:00PM
(NO MORNING MASS)

**NEW YEAR'S DAY
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1ST**
9:00AM and 11:00AM
(NO EVENING MASS)



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Lay Pastoral Associate, Part-time (15-19 hours per week)
St. Boniface Parish, Scarborough, Ontario
Deadline: Friday, January 9th 2025
Eastern Pastoral Region

The Lay Pastoral Associate (LPA), under the direction of the Pastor, is responsible for religious education initiative in the parish including RCIA, Sunday school, and sacramental preparation for Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. The Lay Pastoral Associate also serves as a liaison to three parish schools and is a member of the Pastoral Team.

Those wishing to be considered for the position should submit a resume and cover letter to Fr. Alex Osei, CSSp. Pastor, at **st.boniface@rogers.com** or **stbonifacesc@archtoronto.org** by **Friday, January 9th 2025**.

Applicants with formal pastoral education preferred. The successful applicant will be required to submit to a police background check.



OUR SICK:

Anne Dyer, Jocelyn San Juan, Amy McCordy, Roberto Ressa, Tonya Nedelkovski, Evelyn Santiago, Edgardo Ramos, Dina Sorbera, Joan Fitzgibbon, Virginia Johnson, Derek John Taylor, Oliver Malinowski, Derek Rosario, Maria Theresa,

Maria Johanna Tizon, Linda Morgan, Sally Benadetto, Maverick Valle, Richard Stockman, Don O'Shaughnessy, Alana Maurica Gerardine, Bette McDermott, Josephine Lavecchia, Romeo Dimalanta, Mara Ezgeta, Fredrick Martyn, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achaibar, Cheryl Garisto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi, Anna Tomasi, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Estela Pett, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Holly Macinnis, Ursula Solomon, Jennifer Solomon, Randeer Kumar Hulooman, Norma Dulnuan, Bill Filipchuk, Kathleen Filipchuk, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Ecclejtton, Kathleen Copeland, Conchita Estolano Paran, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Carla Di Cecco, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Marie Dignum, Ahilla Kissoon.

CONFIRMATION 2024-2025



Our Last Confirmation Registration is on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th from 10:00am - 12:00pm in the church hall

Please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate as well as the fee of \$60.00. Thank you!

ST. BONIFACE SANCTITY OF LIFE GROUP MOVIE NIGHT—Jesus of Nazareth

To add to the joyous season of Christmas, The Sanctity of Life Group will show in the church hall on Saturday, December 7th after the 5:00pm Mass, a portion (1 1/2 hrs) of the movie Jesus of Nazareth which portrays His birth, infancy and bar Mitzvah up to the finding of the Boy Jesus in the temple.

Light refreshments will be served. All our welcome!

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE (CWL)



The CWL is organizing an Angel Tree for Christmas giving starting November 30, 2024. CWL will be working with the

Society of St Vincent de Paul - St Boniface to help with Christmas gifts for some of our parish families. Our focus this year will be youths 12 - 17 years of age.

We are inviting parishioners to join us by taking an Angel tag from the Christmas Angel Tree and sponsoring a teen with a gift card. Please see gender and age written on the reverse side of the tag. We suggest gift cards such as a Mall card, Walmart, Best Buy, among others. Please return your Angel tag and Gift card in an envelope addressed to "CWL" and place it in the collection basket during Mass. **Deadline for collection is December 14.** Thank you for your support and participation.

CHRISTMAS CARDS ON SALE—DECEMBER 7TH & 8TH

Christmas cards to support Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College will be sold at the entrance of the church after each mass on the weekend of December 7/8. Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College is a small private Catholic university located in Barrys Bay Ontario which receives no government support and relies on tuition fees and donations for its operation. Information about its programs of study will be available. Thank you for your support.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S PAGEANT



Parents with children age 4 and up, who would like to participate in this year's Children's Christmas Pageant on Christmas Eve at the 7pm Mass are invited to attend rehearsals after the 12 noon Mass on the following dates:

- Sunday, December 1st; Sunday, December 8th; Sunday, December 15th; and a dress rehearsal on Sunday, December 22nd

For more information, please contact Trinity Carlos at **trinitycarlos0610@gmail.com**.



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