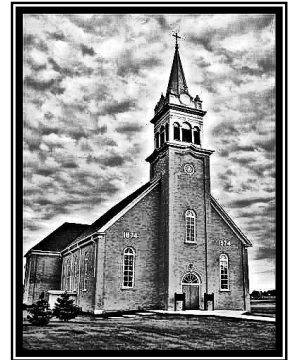


Blessed Sacrament Church

Our Parish Bulletin

3rd Sunday of Lent

March 19th, 2017



St. Eustache Church

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Infant Baptism /Baptism Preparation – Please call the Parish rectory office.
Sacrament of Reconciliation – Before or after weekday Masses; half an hour before Sunday Masses or call when in need.
For the Sacrament of Marriage – Six months notice is required; Marriage Preparation Course is very necessary. Couples may be asked to go where the program is offered.
Sacrament of the Sick / Needing to talk to someone – Please call the Parish rectory office.
Bulletin Announcements: Contact Len Desilets* – phone: (204) 353-2116 email: lenmona@shaw.ca
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This Week's Mass Schedule

Sunday, March 19th - 9:00 a.m. – St. François Xavier
 11:00 a.m. – St. Eustache Church– **Mass intention for Father Michel requested by Gilles & Lucille Beaudin**
no mass today

Tuesday, March 21th -
Wednesday March 22th - 5:00 p.m. – Blessed Sacrament Church
Thursday, March 23rd - 9:30 a.m. - Elie Manor
Friday, March 24th - 2:30 p.m. – Blessed Sacrament Church – **Adoration**
 3:30 p.m. – Mass
 7:00 p.m. – St. Eustache Church – **Stations of the Cross**

Saturday, March 25th - 9:30 a.m. – St. Eustache Church
Sunday, March 26th - 9:00 a.m. – St. François Xavier
 11:00 a.m. –Blessed Sacrament Church – **Mass intention for deceased member of the Piché and Paul families requested by Delores Paul**

Church Cleaners: Elie – (March 13- March 25) – Guy & Brigitte Rivard
 St. Eustache – (March 20 – April 1) – Estelle Tanguay and Joanne Desrosiers-Raimbault families

Please pray for those who are sick, awaiting tests or receiving medical treatment. Paisley Amyotte, Roger Menard, Michelle Beaudin, Danny Gusnowsky, Chris Morse, Linda Stewart, Robert Boudreau and Louise McKay

We encourage everyone in our parishes to pray for those who are sick. If you know of others who may be sick and in need of prayer, please let us know so we can include their names in our Sunday bulletin.

Bulletin Announcements: Effective February 27–April 8, please contact Jeanine Whitechurch 204-353-2360 or email bjwchurch@hotmail.com

Holy Week Liturgy Preparation: Tuesday, March 21st at 4 p.m. – Blessed Sacrament Church

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**PPC Meeting For Elie/St. Eustache:** Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 p.m.

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PPC Meeting for St. Francois: Friday, March 24th at 4:45 p.m.

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### **PENITENTIAL SERVICES SCHEDULE**

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|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| March 23 <sup>rd</sup> , St. Patrick's Church        | 7:00 p.m. | <b>April 4<sup>th</sup>, St. Eustache Church</b> | <b>7:00 p.m.</b> |
| March 29 <sup>th</sup> , St. Anthony's Hungarian     | 7:00 p.m. | April 4 <sup>th</sup> , Our Lady of Lourdes      | 7:00 p.m.        |
| March 29 <sup>th</sup> , St. Mary's Cathedral        | 7:00 p.m. | April 5 <sup>th</sup> , St. Charles Parish       | 7:00 p.m.        |
| March 30 <sup>th</sup> , St. Paul the Apostle Parish | 7:00 p.m. | April 6 <sup>th</sup> , Good Shepherd Parish     | 7:00 p.m.        |
| March 31 <sup>st</sup> , St. Edward's Church         | 7:00 p.m. | (Portage)                                        |                  |

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Thoughts from Pope Francis

Be attentive to the poor and vulnerable

Being a disciple of Jesus means focusing on the people Jesus did: the poor and vulnerable. The Holy Father devotes a whole section of his exhortation to what he titles "The inclusion of the poor in society." Since his papacy began, Francis has emphasized that an essential part of Christian discipleship is devoting attention to those who are weakest and most outcast. Christians are called to work for justice, human rights, and authentic human development for the poor.

Our faith in Christ, who became poor, and was always close to the poor and the outcast, is the basis of our concern for the integral development of society's most neglected members (sec. 186).

Solidarity must be lived as the decision to restore to the poor what belongs to them (sec. 189).

In all places and circumstances, Christians, with the help of their pastors, are called to hear the cry of the poor (sec. 191).

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