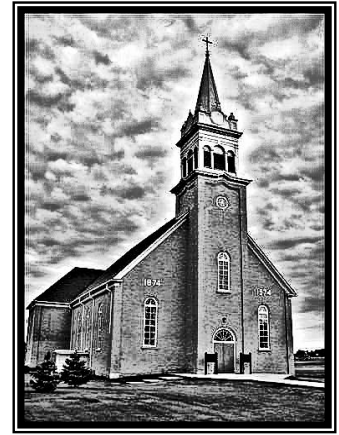


Blessed Sacrament Church

Our Parish Bulletin

Third Sunday of Advent

December 13th, 2015



St. Eustache Church

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Finance Secretary – Cara Gillis

Sharing God's Gifts – Jeanine Whitechurch

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

Parish Website: www.blessedsacramentelie.com

This Week's Mass Schedule

- Sunday, December 13th - 11:00 a.m.** – Elie – Mass intention for **+George Bernardin requested by Claire Bernardin**
- Tuesday, December 15th - No mass today**
- Wednesday, December 16th - 5:00 p.m.** – Blessed Sacrament Church
- Thursday, December 17th - 9:30 a.m.** – Elie Manor
7:00 p.m. – Blessed Sacrament Church – “**Blue Christmas**”
- Friday, December 18th - 2:30 p.m.** – **Blessed Sacrament Church** – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Novena of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
3:30 p.m. – Celebration of the Holy Eucharist – **Mass intention for +Claire Bernardin requested by Aimé & family**
- Saturday, December 19th - 9:30 a.m.** – Blessed Sacrament Church
- Sunday, December 20th - 11:00 a.m.** – St. Eustache – **Mass intention for +Darrell Beaudin requested by the Ross family**

Church Cleaners: St. Eustache (December 6 – December 19) – Noella Ducharme and Betty Menard families
Elie (December 13 – December 26) – Linda Lyons family

Please pray for those who are sick, awaiting tests or receiving medical treatment, especially: Baby Paisley Amyotte, Fr. Marlon Lumanas, Reg Bernardin, Ma. Carlota Bodiongan.

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.

Penitential Service Schedule (all start times 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted):

- Dec. 15th - 10:30 a.m. St. Charles School (for priests of the deanery in the city); 7:00 p.m. Portage la Prairie; Our Lady of Lourdes, Winnipeg
- Dec. 17th - 10 a.m. St. John 23rd; 7:00 p.m. St. Paul the Apostle
- Dec. 18th - St. Edward's (all priests of the deanery)
- Dec. 22nd - St. Anthony of Padua (Hungarian)

“Blue Christmas”
An inter-faith service of remembrance and hope
December 17th, 2015
7:00 p.m.

At the Blessed Sacrament Church in Elie
For more info e-mail Fr. Michel (michelfr@shaw.ca)
Presented by Blessed Sacrament Church and Adam’s Funeral Services

Christmas is a time for memories and remembering. For some, the memories are of their loved ones who have died, and the pain of their loss is real.

For others, the memories of happier times, relocation and poor health cloud this season. We need to remember, and we need the space to acknowledge our sadness and concern; and we need to know we are not alone.

For other reasons, we need a special time to be together to receive the words of hope that speak to us in the midst of sorrow. It is time to acknowledge a “*Blue Christmas*”, a time to hear and share prayers, scripture readings and hymns that help us to know that God’s presence is for those who mourn, and God’s word come to give light to our darkness.

Caisse Populaire Hamper Collection: In case you missed last week’s deadline for donating items to the Cartier Hamper Fund, items will still be accepted at the Elie Caisse Populaire for their hamper **until Friday, December 18th**.

Knights of Columbus Meeting: Wednesday, December 16th in Elie. Mass at 7:00 p.m. immediately followed by the meeting.

SPC Breakfast: The Knights will be hosting their annual pancake and sausage breakfast for the students and teachers at St. Paul’s Collegiate on Friday, December 18th. Volunteers needed. Contact Bob 204-353-2360.

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**Knights of Columbus “Keep Christ in Christmas” Colouring Contest:** The children in our parishes are invited to submit their Christmas drawings to us with a “Keep Christ in Christmas” theme. Prizes to be awarded in various age categories. Contest rules and information sheet are available from Bob Whitechurch 204-353-2360. Entries must be in by December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

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SHARING GOD’S GIFTS
November 2015

Blessed Sacrament Parish Goal	\$ 9,220.00
Monthly Goal	\$ 768.00
Contributions for November	\$ 2,105.35
# Of Household - 12 envelopes	
Loose collection - \$50.35	
To Date	\$ 9,884.00 (\$664.00 over goal)
St. Eustache Parish Goal	\$ 5,690.00
Monthly Goal	\$ 474.00
Contributions for November	\$ 903.85
# Of Households - 10 envelopes	
Loose collection - \$38.85	
To Date	\$ 3,615.95

Please make cheques payable to “Sharing God’s Gifts”

Blessed Sacrament has surpassed its goal by \$664.00 to date. The amount that exceeds the parish goal as of December 31st, 2015 will be returned to the parish 100%.

We will be having a collection every Sunday in December for Sharing God's Gifts. There will two collections in Elie and two collections in St. Eustache.

Thank you to all parishioners that use the designated envelopes, for writing your name on the envelopes and for making the cheques payable to "Sharing God's Gifts".
