

Our Parish Bulletin

December 24th, 2023 **Fourth Sunday of Advent**





. Eustache Church

Blessed Sacrament Church

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Parish Council Members - Lucille Beaudin, Nicole Gillis, Yvonne Fleury, Leo Dufour, Estelle Tanguay, Jocy Gillis

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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

Parish Website: www.blessedsacramentelie.com

Mass Schedule

- Sunday, December 24th -9:00 a.m. - St. François Xavier

Fourth Sunday of Advent 11:00 a.m. – Elie – Mass intention for +Rolly Cyrenne requested by Karen Cyrenne

- Sunday, December 24th -5:00 p.m. –Elie – *Christmas Eve Mass*

- Monday, December 25th -9:00 a.m. - St. François Xavier

Nativity of The Lord 11:00 a.m. - St. Eustache - Christmas Day Mass

- Sunday, December 31st -9:00 a.m. - St. François Xavier

The Holy Family 11:00 a.m. - St. Eustache - Mass intention for +Estelle Beaudette from funeral collection

- Monday, January 1st -9:00 a.m. - St. François Xavier

Mary, Holy Mother of God 11:00 a.m. - Elie

- Tuesday, January 2nd -11:00 a.m. – Mass at Elie Manor

- Wednesday, January 3rd -6:30 p.m. - St. Eustache - Rosary/Confession

Lorraine Bernardin

7:00 p.m. - Mass followed by Adoration - Mass intention for +Estelle Beaudette from funeral collection

Collection Counters: (see Jan. 1)

Ministry Schedule

December 24th - Fourth Sunday of Advent - Elie

Welcoming Ministers: Jocy Gillis and Karen Cyrenne Reader: Grace Petersen

Communion Minister: Vince Gillis **Collection Counters:** (see Dec. 25)

Cleaners: Guy & Brigitte Rivard

Communion Minister:

December 24th - Christmas Eve Mass - Elie

Welcoming Ministers: Ben Bernardin family Reader: Nickole Bernardin **Communion Minister:** Sherry Legault Collection Counters: (see Dec. 25)

December 25th – Christmas Day – St. Eustache

Welcoming Ministers: Ken & Debbie Beaudin Reader: Lorraine Bernardin **Communion Minister:** Lucille Beaudin Collection Counters: Karen and Aline (for Dec. 24 & 25)

Cleaners: Lucille Beaudin and Rachelle Tully

December 31st - The Holy Family - St. Eustache **Welcoming Ministers:** Dean & Shelley Combot Reader: Lucille Beaudin

Cleaners: Lucille Ross and Melissa Porteous

January 1st – Mary, Holy Mother of God – Elie **Welcoming Ministers:** Len & Mona Desilets Reader: Craig Spence

Communion Minister: Karen Cyrenne Collection Counters: Bob and Jeanine (for Dec. 31 & Jan. 1)

Cleaners: Karen Cyrenne and Aline Bernardin

January 7th – Epiphany of the Lord – Elie

Welcoming Ministers: Guy Rivard Reader: Laidee Redondo Communion Minister: Vince Gillis **Collection Counters:** Rick and Judy

Cleaners: Bob & Jeanine Whitechurch

Please pray for those who are sick, awaiting tests or receiving medical treatment. Fernand Menard, Bonnie Norrie, Val T., Andrea W.

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.

Christmas Message

"May the Lord bless you and keep you,
May the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you,
May the Lord look upon you with kindness, and give you peace."

(Numbers 6, 24-26)

Dear brothers and sisters in humanity and faith,

As the year comes to an end, we can still contemplate the wonders of God through this special winter with an unusual temperature in our town. This beautiful weather shows us the presence of the Creator in the world. However, this year, our life was punctuated again by many events, both happy and unhappy. Thank you for the support and services offered. Thanks for the fraternity and commitment that prevailed in our midst.

Very soon we will be celebrating Christmas, the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Saviour of humanity. I pray that Emmanuel, God with us, heals all those who suffer, sustains those who are weak, and fulfills the expectations of each one of us. With God, nothing is impossible.

In communion with our parish communities, I wish you a Merry Christmas filled with love and peace. To each family and each of you, I send my most affectionate thoughts for the holiday season. May this year's celebration be filled with delights and memorable moments with your loved ones.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish you all the best for the new year 2024: joy and good health from God. May the peace of the Lord abide in your families and workplaces. I keep all of you in my prayers.

Happy New Year 2024! Fr Komi Seho Abel Alate, Parish Administrator

To Father Abel, from your parishioners...

Merry Christmas Father Abel! We wish you a blessed holiday season. We thank you for being our Good Shepherd and for keeping us on the right path during this Advent season. Our gift to you will be prayers of thanksgiving throughout the year. We will pray for strength, well being, courage and joy for you.

Thank you, Merci!

