



St. Alphonsus Parish Update

November 19, 2023

2023 Good Shepherd Campaign - Forward! With Hope

This weekend is the special collection for the 2023 Good Shepherd Campaign. We graciously welcome your gifts in support of the formation of seminarians and priests, as well as our diocesan efforts to foster an awakening in each of our parishes. Kindly submit your donation in the campaign envelope today or at a future Mass collection. You can also mail it directly to the Archdiocese or donate online at donate.archsaintboniface.ca. Your donation is very much needed to reach our campaign goals and we will be happy to accept your gift to the Good Shepherd Campaign today or in the weeks to come. Please continue to pray for all the faithful of the Archdiocese of St. Boniface.

Harvest Donations

On behalf of Manitoba Harvest, I would like to thank all the parishioners that have donated food, your contribution has been spectacular. Now that Christmas is near, the homeless still require our help, especially the children, we cannot let them go hungry.

Thank You, Ashley Routhier, Community Drives & Events Associate

Youth Group Announcement

The next Youth Group meeting will be on December 1st at 7 pm in the parish office. Hope to see you there and remember . . . bring a friend or two !



Advent Retreat

On Saturday December 2 at 1 p.m. in the parish hall we will hold a Mini Retreat. This is a time of communal prayer and faith sharing. We will use the process called Household's of Faith which the Archdiocese of St. Boniface is presently promoting. The retreat will last for approximately 1.5 to 2 hours max, and will be concluded with snacks and drinks. People from 18 years of age and older are encouraged to join us. Please call Maria at the office to register. Or, see Fr. Greg and sign up at the church after Mass. Thank you, Fr. Greg 204 782 3135

Pancake Breakfast

Thank you to the St Alphonsus Knights of Columbus for a yummy Pancake Breakfast on November 5th. Stay tuned for Coffee Sunday on December 3 hosted by our African brothers and sisters.

Pancake Breakfast Buddies

Sunday Missals 2023-2024

are now available to purchase at the church and at the parish office. The missals are \$6 each.

Christmas Card & Advent Candle Sales - CWL

The sale will start Sunday November 12 to Sunday December 17 after Mass (5 pm, 9 am & 11 am).

CWL Meeting - The next CWL General meeting will be on Saturday, November 18th from 1 to 3 pm.

Christmas Hampers

Our Parish Christmas Hamper collection will begin the weekend of November 11/12 to Dec. 16/17 after all Masses. If anyone knows of a family or single person in need, please contact Maria in the office 204.667-9580 ext.0. Please continue your generosity, Thank you.

St. Alphonsus CWL membership for 2024

is due-\$45. This may be placed in the offering baskets, or dropped off at the office. Please mark the envelope "Attention to CWL"

Diocesan Study Days : Save the Date – November 29 & 30, 2023

This year our Diocesan Study Days will take place on Wednesday, November 29 (English) and Thursday, November 30 (French), at Mary, Mother of the Church (85 Kirkbridge Drive), 9 am to 4 pm. The morning topic will be: Authentic Catholic Care for the Dying in the Era of MAID. The afternoon topic will be: An introduction to the reconciliation process offered by Returning to Spirit. Clergy, parish staff and volunteers, and all the lay faithful are encouraged to attend. The cost is \$65 for the day, with a lunch included. To register, [click here](#).

Grief - we all experience it - so what do we do with it?

Loss of a loved one, a job, a relationship, bad decisions or health news... how do we feel if we live through such experiences? Father Eric Giddins, Pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish will be giving a workshop on grief and what we do with it, at Holy Redeemer, on Saturday, November 25th, from 9 am until 12 noon. Father Eric will offer a biblical and Catholic faith grounded perspective on grief and loss, perhaps a perspective that will be very new. Coffee and snacks provided. Freewill offering accepted.

Advance registration preferred. Please contact the Holy Redeemer Parish office at 204-669-0501, or Garry Strick at 2gstrick@gmail.com for info or to register.

Cinema Divina – viewing movies through the eyes of Scripture and Tradition. Sunday, November 19 at Holy Eucharist Parish Centre, 460 Munroe Ave. 6:00 pm – Potluck supper, 7 pm – Movie. This month's selection – St. Nektarios, Man of God. Contact cinemadivinahe@gmail.com or 204-881-3150.

L'Arche Winnipeg presents "God is here"

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Handel's Messiah

A community choir of 90 singers, with musicians and soloists presents Handel's Messiah at Covenant Christian Reform Church, 653 Knowles Ave (near Gateway). Friday and Saturday Dec 15-16 at 7pm, tickets \$30. Sunday afternoon shortened concert for families at 3pm tickets \$15, under 13 free. All proceeds for Harvest. Tickets - follow the link at covenantcrc.ca

Mass Times

Mass Schedule

Saturday evening 5 pm
 Sunday 9 am & 11 am
 Tuesday to Friday 8 am
 Saturday 9 am

Adoration

First Friday of the month
 8.30 am to 3 pm, Vespers at 3 pm

Reconciliation

Confession is available Saturdays at 4.30 pm before the 5 pm mass or by appointment. To arrange for Confession, please call Father Greg at 204-782-3135.

Baptism

Please see Father Greg after Mass or contact the office.

Marriage

Please contact the office to make an appointment with Fr. Greg. Please contact us at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

Contact Information

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 Bulletin submissions deadline is Monday at 4 pm.

Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday:
 8.30 am to 11.30
 & 1 pm to 4.30 pm
The office is closed on Friday.

Staff:

Pastor: Fr Greg Mulligan
 Parish Office: Maria Cox
 Catechetics: Fr Greg Mulligan
 Caretaker: Ernesto Samiana
 Bookkeeper: Maria Lei Domingo

New Video - Archbishop LeGatt: A Reflection on Powerlessness While Facing War

Considering the immense suffering that people across the world are experiencing, through war, famine, and catastrophe impacting all corners of our planet, Archbishop Albert shares with us a reflection on how we can respond. Truly, it could be all too tempting to become apathetic in the face of our own helplessness regarding worldwide crises. However, we are not helpless, and must all be actively committed to peace and unity, abroad as much as here at home. Truly, let us pray: God, without you, we can do nothing. But, give us the strength, then, to be your servants, here, now, where we are. Lord, may your Kingdom come.

Marriage Tips

"Come to me, all you who labor and are overburdened, and I will give you rest." (Mt 11:28)
 You may not need this Scripture right now, but you'll need it sometime. Hang on to these words of comfort when you're feeling overwhelmed. Be Jesus's comfort to your spouse.

Thank You for Your Contributions

November 11 & 12

Regular donations	\$ 5204.20
Online Regular donations	\$ 240.00
Total Regular Donations	\$ 5444.20

Building fund donations	\$ 1364.00
Online Building fund donations	\$ 85.00
Total Building Fund Donations	\$ 1449.00

Total to the Parish	
\$5444.20 + \$1449.00 =	\$ 6893.20

November 1, 4 & 5

Regular donations	\$ 4932.85
Online Regular donations	\$ 2649.00
Total Regular Donations	\$ 7581.85

Building fund donations	\$ 4657.00
Online Building fund donations	\$ 2250.00
Total Building Fund Donations	\$ 6907.00

Total to the Parish	
\$7581.85 + 6907.00 =	\$ 14,488.85

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