St. Alphonsus Parish Update

November 8, 2026



The Church season of Advent begins in a matter of weeks. Advent, from the Latin adventus, means "the coming" or "the arrival."
At Christmas, this "coming" refers to the birth of God into our world in the person of Jesus. The second meaning of Advent is about the Holy Spirit, who comes into our hearts. The final coming of Advent takes place when we die. The Lord comes to judge us...with much love. May we be open to the many ways that God comes into our lives, with abundant courage, love, and joy. Let us prepare for this in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
Fr. Greg

Here is the schedule:

Confession Opportunities this Advent

Thursday	December 3 at Blessed Sacrament	7.30 pm
Friday	December 4 at St Alphonsus	7.30 pm
Wednesday	December 9 at St Gerard	7.30 pm
Thursday	December 10 at Holy Redeemer	7.30 pm
Friday	December 11 at St Joseph the Worker	7.30 pm

2026 Good Shepherd Campaign

During this second week of the Good Shepherd Campaign, we invite you to visit the archdiocesan website to watch the video of Archbishop LeGatt and several of our seminarians.
The cost of maintaining a seminarian is about $50,000 per year. This includes room and board, tuition, medical insurance, and a monthly stipend. For international seminarians, it also includes legal fees and transportation to bring him from abroad. At least twice during his studies, we pay for a trip home to see his family.
The cost of an international priest's arrival is about $20,000. This cost includes legal fees, travel, two and a half months' salary paid by the Archdiocese during his inculturation, language classes if necessary, and a stipend to allow him to buy warm clothes for his first winter here.

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We invite you to discern in prayer to support the Good Shepherd Campaign 2026, as priests play an essential role in the life of the Church. It is important that we continue to support international seminarians and priests in their vocations.
We invite you to pray for our seminarians as they continue to discern God's will in their lives and their journey to the priesthood.
Please note that the collection for the Good Shepherd Campaign will take place on the weekend of November 14 and 15.

Collection of Cold Weather Items for the Homeless - Parishioners are invited to participate. Please pass on items to a CWL member or drop them off at the hall prior to the CWL meeting December 5 at 1 pm. Items most needed are warm socks, long underwear, mitts and toques.

Christmas Cards - will again be available beginning Nov 14. See the CWL table at the parking lot entrance.

Christmas Hamper (gift card) Collection - will begin the weekend of November 21/22 and end the weekend of Dec 12/13. If in need of a hamper, please call the parish office at 204-667-9580 with the names of all family members, your address and phone number, and the gender and ages of any children.

Dying with Christ – Living with Hope: Fall 2026 Series. Join us online this fall for Dying with Christ – Living with Hope - a powerful, hope-filled course that explores suffering, grief, dying, and our Christian call to care. Led by theologians and healthcare professionals, this series offers deep insight into how we can all approach death with faith, compassion, and hope. Whether you're attending for personal growth or looking to bring the program to your own church or community, this is a meaningful opportunity to be equipped and encouraged. For full detail poster: Click here.
2 Fall Date Series Options:
• November 17, 24, and December 1 at 5:30 pm CST Location: Online via Zoom (2-hour sessions) .
Register or Learn More: https://cmdacanada.org/event/dying-with-christ-living-with-hope-fall-series/



"I Will Give You Rest:" A Women's Advent Retreat – November 28, 2026
Jesus says "Come to me all who are weary and heavy burdened and I will give you rest." Our current culture glorifies productivity above rest. The world wages war against our peace of mind, our wellness of body, and our contentment of heart. But Jesus is our rest. Let's take time to orient ourselves towards this truth during the Advent season with singer/songwriter and music therapist Danielle Savard and author Hannah Chartier.
Location: St. Timothy's Parish, Winnipeg MB.
Date: Saturday November 28th, 2026
Time: Registration begins at 9 am, retreat begins at 9:30 am, concluding with the option to attend Saturday Mass at 4 pm. Open to all women ages 15+ (under 18 must be accompanied by a chaperone or guardian) Babies in arms welcome.
Cost: $50 per person + $12.50 for catered lunch (optional).
To register email: hannahlindele@gmail.com use the registration link
For poster, click here.

Marriage Tips
In moments when your spouse may feel discouraged, offer him/her words of affirmation.

Praying for Our Parish Family

We hold in prayer all members of our parish community who are sick, along with their families and caregivers.

For Evelyn Mikolash, Eva Krasowski, Frank Pisa, Dan Jabungan, Isabel Karran, Marisa Durighello, Rose Small, Norma Isaacson, Estelita Taganap, Frances Skrepetz, Louise Beaudry, Gabriel Moses and Walter Schau.

If you have an update on the health of anyone on this list, or would like to add someone to our prayer list, please contact the parish office. Thank you for keeping our parish family in your prayers.

Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.
Matthew 11:28



Thank You for Your Contributions

October 31 & November 1, 2026

Regular donations	$	4,989.15
Online donations	$	80.00
Building fund donations	$	1,892.35
Online building fund donations	$	215 .00
Total to the Parish	**$**	**7,176.50**

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Mass Intentions

November 7 at 9 am	*Lillian Kulczycki+*
November 7 at 5 pm	*Parishioners of St. Alphonsus*
November 8 at 9 am	*Norma Isaacson*
November 8 at 11 am	*Jessica Felbel House+*
November 10 at 8 am	*Raquel Albaran Soriano+*
November 11 at 8 am	*Angela Simmonds*
November 12 at 8 am	*Rosemary, Thomas & family*
November 13 at 8 am	*Eduardo Balbin+*
November 14 at 9 am	*Rui Assumption+*
November 14 at 5 pm	*Domingo Borges+*

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

Divine Mercy at 3 pm
followed by Vespers

Reconciliation
Confession is available Saturdays at 4.15 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.

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

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Bulletin submissions deadline is Monday at 4 pm.

Office Hours:
Monday to Friday:
8.30 am to 12 noon
& 1 pm to 4.00 pm

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Caretaker: Ernie Samiana
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Come and see – Saturday, November 28th, 2026.
The Archdiocese of Saint Boniface and the Archdiocese of Winnipeg Marriage & Family Life Ministries invite you to attend COME and SEE, an afternoon gathering for young married couples. Meet other newly-married couples, take part in a special time of enrichment as a couple, and discover how you and your spouse can continue to grow in your relationship with each other and with God.
Held on Saturday, November 28th from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm at the Saint Boniface Cathedral.
Registration is required and will be open until November 20th.
There is no cost to attend this event. Although we are not able to provide childcare at this event, babies in arms are most welcome.
Register at https://form.jotform.com/262106683369261
For more information, please contact Marie at the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface Office of Marriage, Family & Life at mfl@archsaintboniface.ca / 204-594-0274.
For poster, click here

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