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*The Lord God has anointed
me and has sent me to
bring Good News to the poor
to give them the oil of
gladness.*

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DEC. 11, 2011

(Unless otherwise mentioned, all weekday Masses are at 9 AM)

Monday, Dec 12 † MORIN FAMILY DECEASED MEMBERS by Aime Morin
⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ **7:00 P M**

Tuesday, Dec 13 † LOUISE BERGERON by Del Bergeron

Wednesday, Dec 14 THANKSGIVING FOR BLESSINGS RECEIVED
10:30 A M Ross-Payant

Thursday, Dec 15 † JULIET MONTIAGUE by Lynn Rogers
7:00 P M PARISH COUNCIL MEETING to follow

Friday, Dec 16 † Fiset FAMILY DECEASED MEMBERS by Aime Morin

Saturday, Dec 17 † JULIET MONTIAGUE by St. Louis Parish

7:30 PM SUNDAY MASS ~ ASSINIBOIA

Sunday, Dec 18 **9:00 AM SUNDAY MASS ~ MOSSBANK**
11:00 AM SUNDAY MASS ~ ASSINIBOIA

RECONCILIATION : Before Masses or anytime by appointment

MARRIAGES : Contact priest at least 6 months prior

BAPTISMS : Contact priest 2 months prior

House Blessings By Appointment

Advent

Fr. Joy Montiague, Pastor

St. George's Parish Hall

Hall Reservations & Information

Pastoral Care Group Co-ordinator

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Third Sunday of Advent: Dec. 11th

All of the people in today's readings - the prophet Isaiah, the Virgin Mary, St. Paul, St. John the Baptist - seemed to understand clearly and rejoice in what God was calling them to be and to do. Do I?

FOCUS ON OUR FUTURE: Annual Appeal DEC. 11

PLEASE KEEP YOUR PINK COPY WHEN DONATING FUNDS; WRITE CHEQUES TO ST. GEORGE'S PARISH & THANK YOU!

⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ Our Parish Goal Is \$ 18, 706 ; we have now collected \$ 11,745

Enrolment Mass and Group Session for the families of the children in Confirmation / First Communion : Sun, Dec. 18th, 11:00 AM Mass; Confirmation to be Sunday, May 6, 2012

- ⇒ ⇒ CWL NOTES Membership Fees - \$25.00

Due this month Pay to Debbie Buztynski or Pat Piche

CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA

The CMIC 2010 Calendar "Reflections On Dene Land" are now available. There is one on display on the table in the foyer of the church. If you would like to order one, there is a toll free phone number: 1-866-937-2642, speak to Jenny at ext.230 or an e-mail address: calendar@cmic.info. They are \$12.95 each, 2 for \$25, or 5 for \$50. If there were enough that wanted them I (Lynn Rogers) could submit the total order together to get the better deal. If you would like to do this please leave your name on the sheet inside the calendar and I will do it. The sale of these calendars assists mission locations throughout Canada through CMIC. (Once we know how many calendars would be ordered, payment would have to be collected before ordering.)

- ⇒ **2012 Church Envelopes are ready for pickup, Please & Thanks!**

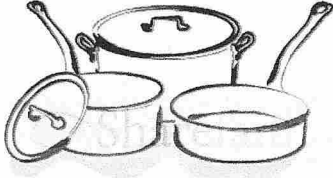
SUNDAY MISSALS – Year B are here \$5.00; also Young Catholics Missals \$5.00

Remember to ask for "Nativity / Christian" postage stamps when you are mailing your Christmas mail and keep Christ in Christmas.

Feel free to bring used postage stamps, all kinds, ie Canadian, International, USA, with ¼ inch border around, on paper, on cardboard, to the back of the church.

Also pop/beer can zip tops / pull tabs. Also Campbells Soup labels.

Please remember to pick up your roasters and cake pans, etc at the coat racks in hall & Thanks for your food contributions !



On behalf of Samaritan's Purse, I would like to thank everyone who participated in Operation Christmas Child. After having personally experienced a shoebox distribution in Uruguay, South America, this past year, I can honestly say that a gift-filled shoebox definitely makes a huge difference in the life of a needy child. Again, please accept my thanks for your support.

Leila Bjornson, Local Coordinator for O C C



Poinsettias In Memory of Loved Ones OR For Special Intentions will be accepted Mon., Dec. 19th and after, to add to the Christmas décor of our church. We will list names in the bulletin and have name cards on the flowers. Anyone wanting to donate flowers, please contact JoAnn at Mom's Florist 642-4777 or Sherryl Lariviere at home 642-3704



FAMILY SEASONAL CELEBRATION OF MUSIC : Sunday, Dec. 11 / 11 7:00 P M
Our Lady of the Assumption
Co-Cathedral of Gravelbourg, Sask.
Sponsored by The Wood River Ministerial Association. For admission, please bring a non-perishable food item.

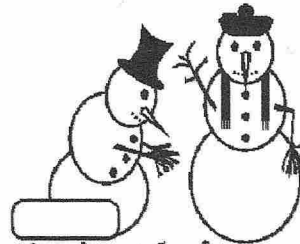
To participate or for more information, contact Wendell Bailey at 648- 2556



Please pray for Dominique Bryenton-Frechette, who was baptized on Sat., Dec. 3rd. May the grace of the Holy Spirit lead this family to eternal life !



Let us hold in prayer the family and friends of the dearly departed, especially Juliet Montague, mother of Fr. Joy.



Christmas Confessions

Mon., Dec. 19 :
7:00 P M
Willow Bunch
Tues., Dec. 20:
7:00 P M
Assiniboia

CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS TIMES :

Sat., Dec. 24.: 5:00 P M Mossbank
Children's Mass : 7:00 P M Assiniboia
9:00 P M Willow Bunch
Midnight Mass : 11:00 P M Assiniboia
Sun., Dec. 25.: 11:00 A M Assiniboia
Sat., Dec. 31.: 11:00 P M Assiniboia
Sun., Jan. 1.: 9:00 A M Lay Service
Willow Bunch
11:00 A M Assiniboia

Saturday / Sunday Ministries

Saturday, Dec 17

Collection	Please Volunteer
Greeters & Offerings	Brad & Debbie Auchstaetter
Rosary Leaders	Cordelia Scheltgen Irene Klein
Readers	Carla Leduc Clarence Maffenbeier
Communion Ministers	Anette Pryce Rita Walters
Cross Bearer	PLEASE
Candle Bearers	VOLUNTEER
Altar Servers	PLEASE

Sunday, Dec 18

Collection	Please Volunteer
Greeters & Offerings	Claudette & Mack Peskleway
Rosary Leaders	Anne Caragata Terry Baker
Readers	Dave Malcolm George Marcenko
Communion Ministers	Claire Schuweiler Ken Schuweiler Brian BeBeau
Cross Bearer	Sarah Feeley
Candle Bearers	Cassidy Fink Kaitlin Feeley
Altar Servers	Carla Schuweiler Shayla Svenson

Church Finances

Saturday Collection Dec 3 - \$369.00

Sunday Collection Dec 4 - \$1420.55

Thank You!

Good News!

December 11, 2011

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11 / 1 Thes 5:16-24 / Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Besides the wild dress and unique locust-and-honey diet plan, one other thing can be said for John the Baptist: He was the least self-centered man around. He spent much of his time deflecting questions about his identity, giving negative responses when asked if he was the Messiah, Elijah, or the Prophet, yet the Church gives us two Sundays in Advent to ponder this man who never wanted anyone to focus on who he was. Clearly we need to learn something important about John.

John the Baptist wasn't concerned whether people knew who he was—he was concerned whether they knew who he was *in relation to Jesus*. He could easily have claimed to be the Messiah—he was surrounded by crowds and could have been swept away with the excitement of power and popularity. Instead, he wanted people to come to know Jesus through him. He identified himself as "the voice of one crying out in the desert"—the one to help people prepare for the coming of Jesus, the true Messiah.

We spend more time than we realize telling people who we are. When we meet someone new or fill out an application, we reveal our occupation, marital status, and hometown. But how regularly do we think about who we are in relation to God? When we introduce ourselves, does "son or daughter of God" come to mind before our name, job title, or address?

On this third Sunday of Advent, we rejoice at the nearness of Christmas. We can also rejoice that we are God's precious children. As those beloved children who live selflessly and generously, we can emulate John the Baptist and lead others to God.

Janel Esker

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