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Our mission statement: LOVE GOD - LOVE OTHERS - TRAIN DISCIPLES

Eucharistic Celebrations: **St. Claude – Haywood - Pavilion**

Sat. May 18th	5:00 pm	+ Parishioners – Fr. Peter
		+ Louis Sibilleau – Rolande Sibilleau & family
Sun. May 19th	9:00 am H	+ Parishioners – Fr. Peter
		+ Ted Barylski – Gilbert & Lorraine Gaudet
Sun. May 19th	11:00 am	+ Parishioners – Fr. Peter
		+ Deceased members Dondo/Debusschere–Roland & Alice Dondo
Mon. May 20th	private	+ All souls – Fr. Peter
Tue. May 21st	private	+ Edouard Adam – Godard family
Wed. May 22nd	2:30 pm P	+ Deceased Viallet family members – Thérèse Debusschere
Thu. May 23rd	9:00 am	+ Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions
	Mass 10:00 am	+ George Le Floch – funeral offerings
Fri. May 24th	9:00 am H	+ Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions
	Mass 10:00 am	+ Émilienne Mangin – Kathy Mangin
Sat. May 25th	5:00 pm	+ Parishioners – Fr. Peter
		+ Patricia Genest – Genest family
Sun. May 26th	9:00 am H	+ Parishioners – Fr. Peter
		+ Fr. Rhéal Forest – Charlene & Jeff Lucier
Sun. May 26th	11:00 am	+ Parishioners – Fr. Peter
		+ Deceased Plamondon / Sorin family members – Joseph Sorin

<u>Ministries:</u>	<u>May 19th</u>	<u>May 26th</u>	<u>June 2nd</u>
Readers:	Judith Robidoux	Simone Lambert	Annette Bernard
Collection:	Raymond & Gérald	Jean & Janice	Marcel & Dorothee
Counters:	Denise & prtnr.	Michelle & prtnr.	Raymond & prtnr.
Cross bearers :	Albert Furet	Gérald Poirier	Eugene Bazin

God's Share: May 12th - \$340.00 (15) + \$26.00 (loose) + \$30.00 (2-DD) = **\$396.00**

Sanctuary lamp: week of May 12th - Maurice Poirier
week of May 19th – Simone & André Lambert

Pentecost Sunday - B - May 19th, 2024

Prayer intention for May 2024 - For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that they grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Let us pray: For the conversion of Christians, especially those of our parishes.

For peace among all nations.

Parish life:

We recommend to your prayers Louise (Bonnefoy) Rosset who passed away on Wednesday morning, May 15th at Villa Youville in Ste. Anne at the age of 91 years. Funeral arrangements are pending. Our condolences go out to her family, relatives and friends who are grieving.

First Communion meeting – Saturday, May 18 at 6:00 pm after holy mass in the church.

Invitation: The members of the Parish Pastoral Council and the Financial Council Invite all the parishioners of St. Denis and St. Claude to a dinner on **Sunday, June 2nd, 2024, at 12:30 pm** to celebrate the **5th Anniversary of Priesthood of Father Peter Le** at the St. Claude Community Centre. All are welcome!



* **Priestly Ordination of Jean-Marcel Kabongo - June 1, 2024**

All are invited to attend the presbyteral ordination of Jean-Marcel Kabongo on June 1st at 10 AM at Saint-Boniface Cathedral.

The celebration will be webcast on the Cathedral parish YouTube channel: live.cstboniface.ca



* **Ordination of Peter Trần to the Transitional Diaconate – May 31, 2024**

We are pleased to inform you of the ordination of Peter Thanh Duân Trần to the diaconate. The ordination will take place on Friday, May 31 at 7 PM at St. Emile Parish, 556, St. Anne's Road in Winnipeg. All are welcome!

* **Marriage Tips**

The early years of marriage require adjustments and compromises. "My way is the right way" will only lock you into fights. Make sure it's not always you or your spouse yielding to the will of the other.

On Giving to the Church - By James Kautz
Director of Pastoral Services for the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface

Writing on the topic of giving to the Church is difficult for me. I give, and have for most of my adult life, but Jesus commanded us to give in secret, so I rarely talk about this openly. But we parishioners have just been challenged by the admin board to increase our giving and that's a hard message to hear (and to deliver!), so perhaps my experiences may be helpful to some if I share them in general terms.

The idea of giving to support your church and its ministries is as ancient as the Scriptures. When Israel reached the Promised Land, eleven of the twelve tribes were given territories to claim as their own on which to build homes, farms, and businesses. But the twelfth tribe of the Levites was not given any land. They were not to be economic producers, but rather would be workers for the Lord, building up the faith of the people by facilitating their Temple sacrifices and worship. Their support was to come from the other eleven tribes (Deut. 18:1-8).

That was the attitude my parents had in their giving to support their church, and they gave generously. They were far from wealthy, but dad would always give us coins to put in the offering basket on Sunday, in addition to the folded up cheque he placed in it.

After I finished high school, I enrolled in the Bible college they had attended. When I was home for spring break, I was surprised to see the college's president show up at my door one day. But I wasn't in trouble. He was looking to talk to my parents, not to me. He said he was on a cross-country fundraising tour, visiting the college's top 100 donors to ask them to increase their giving. I was surprised that my parents, who endured many years of financial struggle, were in the top 100 donors for the college, which had been around for fifty years and had seen thousands of students go through its programs. That left a deep impression on me.

One of the many things that attracted me to the woman who would become my wife was that she had the same attitude towards giving to the Church. As we built our family, we made a commitment to give a set portion of our income to several charities dear to us, with our parish always getting the largest portion of that amount. We have made it the top priority of our family's spending, and we pay for groceries, mortgage, utilities, vehicles, savings, and recreation with what's left over. God has absolutely kept the promise in Malachi 3:10-12, that if we fully support our place of worship, he will open the floodgates of heaven and bless us in return. We've seen this in so many ways in our family that I can't begin to count or name them.

So I challenge all who read this, especially young people and young families, to think about how you prioritize your financial support of our parish. If you have regular income but don't give regularly, start now. No excuses. Find a way to make it happen, even if it's just a little bit. Make that gift your priority, and then cover the rest of life's expenses with what's left. You will be surprised at how God responds to your generosity, I promise you.

Pentecost Sunday- B - May 19th, 2024



The giving of the Spirit to the new people of God crowns the mighty acts of the Father in salvation history.

The Jewish feast of Pentecost called all devout Jews to Jerusalem to celebrate their birth as God's chosen people in the covenant Law given to Moses at Sinai (see Leviticus 23:15–21; Deuteronomy 16:9–11).

In today's First Reading, the mysteries prefigured in that feast are fulfilled in the pouring out of the Spirit on Mary and the Apostles (see Acts 1:14).

The Spirit seals the new law and new covenant brought by Jesus, written not on stone tablets but on the hearts of believers, as the prophets promised (see Jeremiah 31:31–34; 2 Corinthians 3:2–8; Romans 8:2).

The Spirit is revealed as the life-giving breath of the Father, the Wisdom by which He made all things, as we sing in today's Psalm.

In the beginning, the Spirit came as a "mighty wind" sweeping over the face of the earth (see Genesis 1:2). And in the new creation of Pentecost, the Spirit again comes as "a strong, driving wind" to renew the face of the earth.

As God fashioned the first man out of dust and filled him with His Spirit (see Genesis 2:7), in today's Gospel we see the New Adam become a life-giving Spirit, breathing new life into the Apostles (see 1 Corinthians 15:45, 47).

Like a river of living water, for all ages He will pour out His Spirit on His body, the Church, as we hear in today's Epistle (see also John 7:37–39).

We receive that Spirit in the sacraments, being made a "new creation" in Baptism (see 2 Corinthians 5:17; Galatians 6:15).

Drinking of the one Spirit in the Eucharist (see 1 Corinthians 10:4), we are the first fruits of a new humanity—fashioned from out of every nation under heaven, with no distinctions of wealth or language or race, a people born of the Spirit.

- **Scott Hahn** – *St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology* - stpaulcenter.com