

Greetings from Father Sam

A very Blessed and Merry Christmas to all of our families and friends. At this time of the year we make a very special effort to be in touch with our relations and friends and all who are dear to us. The birth of the Lord brings so many memories for us. Many of us love to remember our childhood Christmas celebrations and what joy we had because we were with our families and relatives and enjoyed all the dinners and festivities. Also, at this time, we remember all of our deceased relatives and if this is the first Christmas without them, it is difficult!

May God bless our grieving hearts. May the love we share with each other during this feast strengthen us and help us to live the whole year in the spirit of Christmas.

First Vows

With praise and thanksgiving to God, The Sisters of The Holy Names of Jesus and Mary rejoice that Sr. Michelle Garlinski will make her profession of first vows on January 3, 2018. As sister Michelle is a member of our parish community our prayers are with her the community and the church as she responds to God's call. Deo Gratias

Have you lost a loved one?

There will be four sessions for those who have lost their loved ones.

- 1. Realizing grief 2. Dealing with grief
3. The family, including children 4. Resolution: coping mechanisms

Date: January 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2018 Time: 7-8:30 P.M.

Location: Holy Rosary Church hall

Facilitator: Fr. Gerry Ward.

To register: call Tonina Fiorentino 204 284- 5140

Suggested donation for all the sessions \$20

Women's Auxilliary

The Holy Rosary Church Women's Auxilliary would like to thank all the volunteers who helped with the St. Augustine Christmas Luncheon held in our Church Hall on Sunday, December 17, 2017. This has become an annual event and is held on the Sunday prior to Christmas.

Thank you to our anonymous donor for donating the delicious meal.

Parish Financial Support Weekend Dec. 17, 2017

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Christmas Season Liturgy

December 24, 2017

Sunday masses: 10:30 A.M. Italian 12:00 Noon English

Christmas Eve: English- 5:00 P.M and 8:00 P.M English and Italian -11:00 P.M

Christmas day- December 25, 2017

Italian 10:30 A.M English 12:00 Noon

New Year Day 2018

January 1st English & Italian 11:00 a.m.

Weekly Church Envelopes

The 2018 donation envelopes will be at the back of the Church soon. They will be in alphabetical order.

Please be sure that when you take your envelopes to check BOTH YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS on the box.

Someone will be there to help you find your box of envelopes. If there are no envelopes with your name, Please contact the church office @ 204-284-5140

Buste Settimanali della Chiesa

Le buste per le donazioni del 2018 saranno presto sul retro della Chiesa. Saranno in ordine alfabetico.

Si prega di essere sicuri che quando prendete le vostre buste per controllare, SIA IL VOSTRO NOME E L'INDIRIZZO sulla scatola.

Qualcuno sarà lì per aiutarvi a trovare la vostra scatola di buste. Se non ci sono buste con il vostro nome, per favore contattare l'ufficio della chiesa @ 204-284-5140.

For all parishioners with envelopes numbered

Please include your name, address, postal code and telephone number on the envelope bid. This will make the inclusion of your contribution more efficient. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Saluti da Padre Sam

Un Natale molto benedetto e allegro per tutte le nostre famiglie e amici. In questo periodo dell'anno facciamo uno sforzo davvero speciale per essere in contatto con i nostri parenti e amici e con tutti coloro che ci sono cari. La nascita del Signore porta tanti ricordi per noi. Molti di noi amano ricordare le celebrazioni natalizie della nostra infanzia e la gioia che proviamo perché eravamo con le nostre famiglie e parenti e ci siamo goduti tutte le cene e le feste. Inoltre, in questo momento, ricordiamo tutti i nostri parenti defunti e se questo è il primo Natale senza di loro, è difficile!

Possa Dio benedire i nostri cuori in lutto. Che l'amore che condividiamo durante questa festa ci rafforzi e ci aiuti a vivere l'anno intero nello spirito del Natale.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Winnipeg Jan. 18-25, 2018

City-Wide Ecumenical Worship Service 7:30 p.m., Sun., Jan. 21, 2018 at Westworth United Church, 1750 Grosvenor Ave., Winnipeg. The theme for 2018 is "Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power" (Exodus 15:6). The resources for the 2018 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity have been prepared by an ecumenical team from the Caribbean. Today, Caribbean Christians of many different traditions see the hand of God active in the ending of enslavement. The Caribbean ecumenical team chose the song of Moses and Miriam (Exodus 15:1-21) - a song of triumph over oppression - as the motif of the 2018 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

For those interested in joining the choir contact Michele Barr at 204-453-5016 or contact her via email: mbarr41@shaw.ca.

For more information, please see the Week of Prayer companion poster on the church bulletin board.

Per tutti i parrocchiani con le buste numerate

Si prega di includere il proprio nome, indirizzo, codice postale e numero di telefono sull'offerta busta. Ciò renderà l'inclusione del tuo contributo più efficiente. La tua collaborazione è molto apprezzata..

STAMPS

Please save all your cancelled stamps and deposit them in the stamp box at the back of the church. These are donated to Development and Peace.

St. Paul's High School Information Evening

St. Paul's High School is Winnipeg's only all-male, Catholic, Jesuit high school dedicated to educating Men for Others. St. Paul's strives for academic excellence and the growth of the whole person in preparing young men for post-secondary education and leadership in the community. Our education is enhanced by strong extra-curricular programs combined with exceptional personal development and faith formation. A St. Paul's education forms students into life-long learners who are open to growth, intellectually competent, loving, religious and committed to doing justice.

Please visit stpauls.mb.ca/admissions or call (204) 831-2327 for more information and join us at our Information Evening on Wed., Jan. 17, 2018 at 7 p.m., 2200 Grant Ave., Winnipeg. St. Paul's High School provides financial aid in the form of partial and full bursaries to qualified families.

Beginning Experience

Beginning Experience is a non-profit, peer support, grief resolution program, helping persons dealing with the natural grief process after being Separated, Divorced, or Widowed. It offers an opportunity for turning pain from loss, into an experience of positive growth. The program runs 10 week sessions, three times a year, as well as two retreat weekends that can be taken in the fall or spring. Next weekly sessions, Coping with Life Alone, start Jan. 10, 2018, 6:30 p.m. registration, and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. courses. Next retreat March 2 to 4, 2018. For more information call (204) 275-3090 or visit our website beginningexperience.ca, or email contact@beginningexperience

St. Charles Catholic School Kinder Fair

331 St. Charles Street

St. Charles Catholic School invites you to its Kinder Fair on Tuesday, February 6th at 6:30 p.m. The Kinder Fair will include hands-on activities for your child. We are a K-8 school, offering full day, every day Kindergarten, before and after school care programs with no waiting list, violin enrichment, K-8 French, arts and drama, as well as a hockey skills development program.

For more information, please visit our website at www.stccs.ca. Please call 204-837-1520 or email sec@stccs.ca to R.S.V.P. Quality Education that is Intellectually Challenging and Faith Filled