

# ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES of

**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (Hungarian)** 371 Burnell St.  
**OUR LADY OF LOURDES (Slovenian)** 95 MacDonald Ave.

## Baptism of the Lord

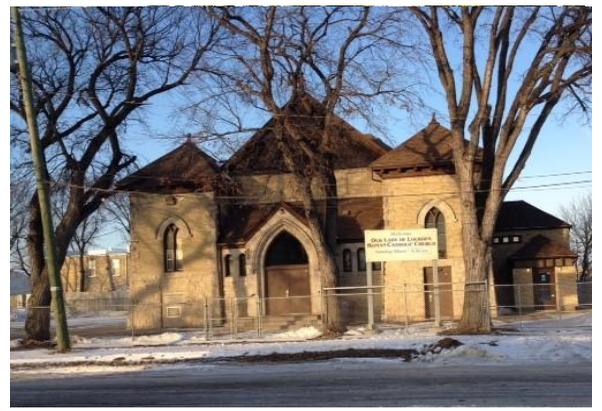
**January 13, 2019**



*O bless the Lord, my soul!*  
[Psalm 104: 1a]

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*Sacrament of Penance (Confessions):* Before the Weekday or Saturday PM Mass or upon request. *Sacrament of Baptism:* pre-arrangement in time to allow for preparation. *Marriage arrangements:* Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance.



*You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.* [Luke 3:22]

### The saving love of the Blessed Trinity

Last week we celebrated the Epiphany. The Church actually sees the Epiphany as three events that manifest the divine glory of Christ. They are the appearance of the magi at the time of Jesus' birth [Matthew 2:1-12], the Baptism of the Lord at the Jordan [Luke 3:15-22], and the sign Jesus worked at the wedding feast at Cana at the beginning of his public life [John 2:1-12].

The Baptism of the Lord is "*an epiphany of the mystery of the Holy Trinity*". God the Father reveals that Jesus is his beloved son and that he is well pleased with him. The Holy Spirit descends in the bodily form of a dove as confirmation.

This "*epiphany of the mystery of the Holy Trinity*" is one of the ways that God has revealed that he is both one and triune. This epiphany also reveals something of God's inner self. Why is the Father "*well pleased*" with the Son? Jesus did not need John's baptism because he had nothing of which to repent. Rather, he wanted to stand in solidarity with us sinners. "What pleases the Father is precisely the Son's willingness to stand in solidarity with sinners. In this way Jesus shows himself to be the Son of this Father, this Father '*who so loved the world that he gave to it his only Son*' (John 3:16). In the same instant, the Spirit appears like a dove, descending upon the Son, functioning as a sort of accreditation or authorization of the whole unexpected scene." So, in the heart of the Blessed Trinity is not wrath but tender mercy toward us sinners.

<http://www.doctrinalhomilyoutlines.com/2016/01/catholic-homily-outline-for-the-baptism-of-the-lord/>

## **Baptism of the Lord, Year C, 13 January 2019**

Reading 1: Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11; Psalm 104.1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27+28, 29-30[R.1a]

Reading 2: Titus 2.11-14; 3.4-7; Gospel: Luke 3.15-16, 21-22

**Prayer:** *Father of the Beloved Son, speak your words of affirmation and love in and through us. Help us to see your beloved children and to speak your love and affirmation into your people.*

*Amen.* [ccb.ca/life\\_and\\_family](http://ccb.ca/life_and_family) CCCB: National Pastoral Initiative for Life & the Family

### **Catechism of the Catholic Church**

**CCC Paragraph 535:** Jesus' public life begins with his baptism by John in the Jordan. John preaches "*a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins*". A crowd of sinners - tax collectors and soldiers, Pharisees and Sadducees, and prostitutes- come to be baptized by him. "*Then Jesus appears.*"

The Baptist hesitates, but Jesus insists and receives baptism. Then the Holy Spirit, in the form of a dove, comes upon Jesus and a voice from heaven proclaims, "*This is my beloved Son.*" This is the manifestation ("Epiphany") of Jesus as Messiah of Israel and Son of God.

## **Events in and around the Archdiocese**

### **Synod Implementation Commission's work begins in prayer**

Jan 3, 2019

<https://www.archwinnipeg.ca/news.php#81>

**St. Ignatius, Winnipeg** – On December 16, 2018, members of the Archdiocese of Winnipeg Synod Implementation Commission (SIC) took part in a half-day retreat that was facilitated by Ruth Chipman. The purpose of the retreat was to recall how the Spirit moved through the entire Synod process and to ready the commission members' hearts to be led by the Spirit in moving forward with the implementation phase of the synod. Archbishop Richard Gagnon had just returned from Rome for the annual visit of the CCCB Presidency with the Holy Father and a number of Vatican dicasteries.

After a period of hospitality and welcome, the retreatants pondered T.S. Elliot's "Journey of the Magi". They spent time in silence, then gathered as a group to share the fruits of their discernment and prayer. Following the same rhythm, another segment of the retreat was devoted to a reflection of "Draw Me Into Your Friendship" by David Fleming, SJ. It was a helpful guide that allowed the SIC members to recall the joys, challenges, and lessons our archdiocesan community received through the two-year synodal journey. While brief, the participants all mentioned that the time they spent together in prayer was fruitful and well-appreciated. A commission member said that it "was a good start to our work." More updates regarding the synod implementation will be shared in due course.

### **Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle launched its inaugural website**

Jan 7, 2019

<https://www.archwinnipeg.ca/news.php#83>

**Ottawa, Canada** - December 12 is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patron of the Americas, and the National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples. On this date, the Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle launched its inaugural website; <http://ourladyofguadalupecircle.ca/>. **Founded in 2016**, the Circle is a Catholic coalition of Indigenous people, bishops, other clergy, representatives of lay movements and members of institutes of consecrated life, engaged in renewing and fostering relationships between the Catholic Church and Indigenous Peoples in Canada. The website contains numerous resources, including a timeline of actions by Catholic groups in Canada promoting reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples. It also provides information on Indian residential schools, Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the 94 Calls to Action. Readers wishing to receive information on the actions for reconciliation are invited to add their email address to the Circle's online directory. - *article from the CCCB website*

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES:

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**Sun 9:30 am** (E) English; (S) Slovenian; (Euc) Eucharist  
Jan 13 Mary Sobocan (E), Vladka Mohoric (S), Boris Poredos (PF)  
Lojze Stegne (Euc)

**Thank you to Fr. Sean Cahill** for helping us celebrate the Mass last Sunday, Jan. 6th..

**CWL** will hold their general meeting January 20<sup>th</sup>/2019, at 11:15am in the church hall. All members invited to attend.

**World Day of Prayer**, Friday, March 1st, @ NKMB Church on Springfield Rd.

*Thank you also to parishioners who donated through Pre-Authorized Payment [PAP] Program.*

# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

**Sat 5:30 pm** Jan 12 Angie Navarro (1), Bibian Contreras (2)  
Christianne Blanco & Arabella Quezon (PF)

**Sun 11:00 am** (H) Hungarian, (E) English  
Jan 13 Ilona Popesnyak (H), Nida Villanueva (E)

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**Identified with victims:** When leprosy broke out among the people of the Hawaiian Islands in the middle of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, the government authorities responded by establishing a leper colony on the remote island of Molokai. The victims were snatched by force from their families and sent to this island to perish. However, moved by their terrible plight, a young Belgian priest, *Saint Damien De Veuster*, asked permission from his superiors to minister to them. Straightaway he realized that there was only one effective way to do this, and that was to go and live among them. Having got permission, he went to Molokai. At first, he tried to minister to the lepers while maintaining a certain distance. But he soon realized that he had to live among them in order to gain their trust. As a result, he contracted leprosy himself. The reaction of the lepers was immediate and wholehearted. They embraced him and took him to their hearts. He was now one of them. There was no need, no point any more, in keeping his distance. The lepers had someone who could talk with authority about leprosy, about brokenness, about rejection and public shame.

Today's Gospel [Luke 3] tells us how, by receiving the baptism of repentance, Jesus became identified with the sinners whom he had come to save (Flor McCarthy in *Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies*).

<http://frtonyshomilies.com/2019/01/07/baptism-of-the-lord-jan-13th-sunday/>



<https://awwmemes.com/t/funny-catholic> →

Noah in the ark at the end of the great flood....[Genesis 8.6-11]



**Thank you for the flowers donated to beautify the sanctuary.  
We appreciate your kindness in enhancing our church celebrations!**

## OL Collections Jan 6, 2019

Env - \$680; SGG - \$55

Jan 1st & Initial Env - \$80

**Thank you for your financial support of our Parish!**

## SA Collections Jan 6, 2019

Sat/Sun Env-\$1,253

Loose-\$116; Jan 1st - \$75

Initial Env - \$77

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# MASS SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Jan 12 - **5:30 pm SA** - *Sunday Vigil Mass* - Thanksgiving to Señor Santo Niño,  
req. by the Aklan Association of Manitoba

Sun. Jan 13 – **Baptism of the Lord, Year C**

**9:30 am OL** - RIP Mila Simonic, req. by Marko & Beneta Simonic

**11:00 am SA** – RIP Fernando, Luciano & Judith Ibero, req. by Victo & Evelyn Ibero

Mon. Jan 14 - NO MASS

Tue. Jan 15 - 10:00am **OL** - RIP Neska Suhodolnik, req. by Frank & Ivanka Remic

Wed. Jan 16 - 9:00 am **SA** – RIP Olive Moises and Bernie Pajar, req. by Florita Pacle

Thu. Jan 17 – 9:00 am **SA** – Special intention, req. by Rod & Tessie Layco

Fri Jan 18 – **10:00 am OL** - RIP Josie Gempelj, req. by John & Maureen Gempelj

Sat. Jan 19 - **5:30 pm SA** - *Sunday Vigil Mass* - RIP Giovanni di Pietro by Mimmo and Adelma

Sun. Jan 20 – **Baptism of the Lord, Year C**

**9:30 am OL** - RIP Franc & Franciska Tésovnik, req. by Frances Pikel

**11:00 am SA** – RIP Sandor es Rozsa Koloszar, req. by Minklos & Ilona Popesnyak & family

**OL** – *Our Lady of Lourdes Church* **SA** – *Saint Anthony of Padua Church* **RIP** - *Rest In Peace*



<https://www.rainbowtoken.com/the-baptism-of-jesus.html> ↑

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## Being prophets of Belovedness brings life.

At the beginning of Jesus' ministry, God blesses his Son with a message of His belovedness. [Luke 3.22]. If Jesus needs this, then so do we. Since God is only very occasionally breaking through the clouds with audible messages, most of us rely on hearing these words through the words of others.

So, when was the last time you were a messenger of God's belovedness for someone else? How often do you have a reputation for speaking about how others are pleasing to God? We are often quick to see what is wrong, where we and others are failing.

This week, make a point of looking for God's beloved children and catching them in love. Then speak out loud the words that God whispers to them: You are His Beloved. I am so well pleased with you. And I believe God too is pleased!

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CCCB: Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

Our parish bulletin is also available online in the OLL website:  
[ourladyoflourdeswinnipeg.com](http://ourladyoflourdeswinnipeg.com) and click on "Our Community" then "Weekly Bulletin".