

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 11th & 12th
 "I am the Good Shepherd. I know my own and my own know me." John 10.14



You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God." 2 Corinthians 9:8-11


Number of Parishioners Contributing to Sharing God's Gifts	Percentage of Parishioners Contributing to Sharing God's Gifts	Sharing God's Gifts Target
125/345	36%	\$ 18,910.00


Target Amount	Collected As of November 5th	Year to Date + / -
\$ 18,910.00	\$ 21,947.60	+ \$ 3,037.60


Collection November 4 & 5	Collections Required Per Week	Weekly Collection + / -	Year to Date Collections + / -
\$ 3,264.60	\$ 3,465.00	- \$ 200.40	- \$ 217.49

NOVEMBER

11/12	Hospitality Workshop after Mass	
14	Lions Prairie Manor Mass	2:00 pm
14	Catholic Women's League Meeting	7:30 pm
15	M.D.C. Mass	10:00 am
16	Ministry of Hope	7:00 pm
18/19	Lectors Workshop after Mass	
19	Community Parish Breakfast - after Mass	
23	Knights of Columbus Social Evening After Mass	
24, 25 & 26	Weekend Retreat	

 **Office will be closed on Wednesday, November 15th.**

 **BUILDING FUND COLLECTION** - will be the second collection on **November 18 & 19.**

 **COMMUNITY PARISH BREAKFAST** will be Sunday, **November 19th** after mass, in the parish hall, hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Menu will include **rice, scrambled eggs, hash brown casserole, baked beans, baked ham & buns.** Suggested donation of \$7.00 per person or \$25.00 for family of 4 or more. Funds raised will go towards the building project. Everyone is invited! Please come and join us.

Archdiocese of Winnipeg Youth and Young Adults' Day
 When: **Saturday, November 25**, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 Where: Immaculate Conception Parish (181 Austin Street)
 \$5.00 fee per participant
 Lunch will be served,
 Please bring your own water tumbler
Registration is due on Sunday to participate, forms will be at back of the church.

November Weekend Retreat

Good Shepherd Parish Hall

"Walk a New and Hopeful Path"

Guest speaker Archbishop Sylvain Lavoie

******Please register by November 21******

By e-mail or sign up in the foyer
 or call Rosey 204-239-1346 or Denise 204-267-2755

Signup sheets in gathering area for

Potluck lunch - on Sunday, November 26th

Please bring your favourite dish - enough for you and your family plus 1

Friday, November 24

7:00 p.m. - Lectio/Visio/Audio Divina

Saturday, November 25

9:00 a.m. - doors open

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - presentations

12:00 - chili lunch provided

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - presentations

5:00 p.m. - dinner break

7:00 p.m. - celebration of the Eucharist (healing mass)

Sunday, November 26

10:30 a.m. - Celebration of the Eucharist

11:45 a.m. - Pot luck lunch Everyone welcome!

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - presentation

3:30 p.m. - closing circle

Good Shepherd Catholic Women's League

Raffle Winners

Quilt - Naomi Cronk

Painting - Antonia Rossnagel

Lap/Baby Quilt - Ken Safruk

Co-op Gift Card - Mike Kelemen

The Catholic Women's League, we would like to thank everyone who sold and bought tickets for our raffle.

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HAPPENINGS IN OUR PARISH

Celebration



The Communion of Saints and Souls



In 2009, upon my arrival at St. John XXIII Parish, I was introduced to a weekly scripture reflection gathering. The purpose of the meeting was to look at the scriptures for the coming **Sunday**. To assist us in our reflection, we were accompanied with "Celebrations", a weekly commentary on the **Sunday** readings. Having just applied for a subscription to the reflection series, I would like to offer an opportunity to parishioners. When? The day would be **Wednesday's**. The time is to be determined. If we offer it in the daytime, it could be set in the morning or afternoon. If it is offered in the evening, it would be at 7:00 pm. Ideally, I will offer the sessions based upon the interest and availability of the largest group of people. Please take note, if 7:00 pm is chosen, with the upcoming penance services in Advent, the start date and time would be delayed until the new year. Please indicate your preference on the sign up sheet in the entrance to the Church. Thanks, Fr. Gerald



MINISTRIES WORKSHOP - we are holding a workshop for everyone involved in the following ministries: lectors, Eucharist ministers, greeters, ushers/collection and gift bearers, after Mass. **We would appreciate everyone involved to attend, your knowledge in each ministry if very important to the new parishioners who have joined these teams.** We have had parishioners retire and are in need of some new faces. These are the following dates for each ministry: **Hospitality** (greeters, ushers/collection and gift bearers) - **November 11 & 12, Lectors - November 18 & 19.** These are the only weekends that we have available before Christmas. **Please make every effort to attend.** If you would like to become involved please come and join us. If you have any questions please contact Terry Giercke at 204-857-3358 or the Parish Office.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (SHOE BOXES) - Once again we have been asked to help out with this program. We have been very generous in the past and donation of shoe boxes is usually around 100 from our parish each year. The Catechism classes will be organizing the collection of the shoe boxes. **There are boxes and information pamphlets in the greeting area for you to pick up.** Please ensure that you read what is acceptable for donations. They request a donation of \$10.00 per box to cover the shipping of the box overseas. Shoe boxes will be collected each week but are due by **November 19th** after mass. If you have any questions please contact Stan



"A FIDDLING CHRISTMAS" - presented by Mark Morisseau - **Saturday, December 2nd at 2:00 pm**, at Good Shepherd Parish. The concert is approximately a 75 minute traditional show with a variety of level of artists from emerging artists to recording artists with Dance and vocal arrangements and a whole lot of fiddle of course! There is a full band backing up about 50 artists that share the stage together for a number of group performances. Everyone is welcome to help us cheer on our rising artists. Refreshments served following the concert. Tickets are available at the door but should guests wish to skip the line the that day, we encourage purchasing an advanced ticket through one of the performers or at the parish office. Tickets-Adult - \$ 12.00 / 12 & under \$ 5.00



Giving Hope Today

HELLO EVERYONE - This is your 2017 Salvation Army Kettle Coordinator , Rose Carriere sending out our request for volunteers who will man the kettles during our Christmas Season. This year the kettles will be in five stores- Walmart, Portage Coop, Sobey's, Portage Supermarket, and Liquor Mart from Thursday November 23rd to Saturday December 23rd, and only on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. The shifts will cover from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 pm and I am looking for any group who would fill a complete day. Please let me know as soon as possible if you can help and what your first and second choice of day would be, as we have about 325 shifts to fill. The sooner I get the names, the better chance I have of giving you that shift as it is first come, first served. **We are hosting a Volunteer information & dessert session on November 16th from 2:30 to 3:30 and 7:00 to 8:00 pm.** Last year the kettles in all 5 stores raised over \$30,000.00 and your dedication to man the kettles helped us raise these funds. It made such a difference in the lives of so many Portage and area residents. Thank you again. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 204 856-7004.

The rosary is recited before every Saturday evening mass starting at 6:20 pm

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Tuesday, November 14th	2:00 pm	Lions Prairie Manor	†Lloyd Maloney by the Family
Tuesday, November 14th	7:00 pm	Good Shepherd	Deceased Members of the Catholic Women's League
Wednesday, November 15th	10:00 am	M.D.C.	†Dave Samolesky by the Dawshka Family
Thursday, November 16th	9:00 am	Good Shepherd	For the Health of Father Thomas by Friends
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, November 18th Sunday, November 19th	7:00 pm 10:30 am 1:00 pm	Good Shepherd Good Shepherd St. Ambrose	†Dal Bilkoski by Edie & Rose Bilkoski †Gisele Wegleitner by the Family †Edward Ducharme, †Don & †Mary McNeill by the Family

Friendly Reminders

Saturday, November 18th

- Greeters** - Mary Bolton, Louis Lasson
- Ushers** - Jo-ann & Karl Voesenek, Bob Dionne, Paul Seguin
- Gift Bearers** - Bob Dionne, Pierre Huberdeau
- Lectors** - Dana & Denise Payment
- Eucharist Ministers** - Jane Hebert, Ron O'Neil, Bernadette Gnanapragasam, John & Doris Nichol

Friendly Reminders

Sunday, November 19th

- Greeters** - Marilyn Spence, Jeannette Houle
- Ushers** - Armand Tanquay, Irene Souque Hewitt, Ron & Julie Prieur
- Gift Bearers** - Bill & Elaine Vint
- Lectors** - Marie Hinagpis, Gayly Reniedo
- Eucharist Ministers** - Stan Lambert, Rose Marie Neault, Gary & Dawn Lernowicz, Sinto Sebastian, Mickey Cuthbert, Evaristo Garcia

MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE - In our Catholic tradition, November is the month of Remembrance. We remember, honor and pray for our deceased family members, friends and loved ones who have influenced and shaped our lives by their love and presence. You are invited to write the name of your loved one in the Book of Remembrance located in our gathering area. At each Mass for the month of November, we will be praying for all those written in our book. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.



NEVER FORGOTTEN - You'll never be forgotten, that simply cannot be. As long as I am living I'll carry you with me. Safely tucked within my heart your light will always shine; a glowing ember never stilled, throughout the end of time. No matter what the future brings, or what may lie ahead, I know that you will walk with me along the path I tread. So rest my angel, be at peace and let your soul fly free. One day I'll join your glorious flight for all eternity.



32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - It's easy to become complacent about life, our faith and our commitments when we are caught up in the demands of daily life. As we approach the end of this liturgical year, we are called to pay attention to what really matters. Today's readings remind us to focus on the bigger picture of eternal life and to question our focus, our energy and how we use our resources. We are called to look away from the superficial and to remember that time is not unlimited. We do not know the day nor the hour when we will be thrust into eternity. How are we preparing for it? If you have a 401(k) retirement plan, you're like one of the five wise virgins who planned ahead and brought extra oil. You're like the loving mother who says: "Better bring a jacket, just in case." Like a good boy scout, you are always prepared. Unfortunately, many of us identify with the other half of the groom's welcoming party. We are unprepared. We frequently find ourselves a day late and a dollar short. At a time when all of us least expect it, our death will come. Today's Gospel is a friendly reminder from Jesus that we still have time to prepare ourselves for the most important event we will ever face. *Deacon Dick Folger*

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