# PAROISSE SAINT-FRANÇOIS-XAVIER PARISH



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# 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS OF OUR PARISH:

John & Marguerite Peters, Joan Regnier, René & Lori-Ann & the future of our church. **St. François-Xavier**, **priez pour nous/pray for us. Lord, thank you for your constant watchful eye over us. Praise God!** Anyone wanting to add or remove a name please contact Odile (204-864-2367).

## Please add Anne Lamothe to your prayers. She is now at River View and she asked for your prayers. Also please pray for Tania, Anne's daughter, who will be devastated at the passing of her mother.

### **MINISTRY LIST:**

November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Welcoming Ministry: Diane Kendall & Robert Huston; English: Patrick Hill; French: Odile Thibert: Clean the church: LeGras

November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Welcoming Ministry: Stan Breland & Mike McCaughan; English: Elaine Senecal; French: Lise Cyr; Clean the church: Senecal

#### **MASS INTENTIONS:**

November 3, 2024: For the deceased beloved members of the Perchotte & Thibert family.

November 10, 2024: For deceased beloved Albertine McCaughan requested by Robert & Léona

# CHATHOLICS PRAY FOR THE DEAD! WHY?

## Where in the Bible does it say it is good to pray for the dead?

We find a clear scriptural reference on the praiseworthiness of praying for the dead in the Old Testament's second book of Maccabees. For context, the books of 1 and 2 Maccabees provide a historical narrative of the Jewish people's fight to maintain their faith and culture in the face of Greek conquerors, and eventual military liberation by the Maccabees and their leader, Judas. In chapter 12 of 2 Maccabees.

Upon learning this, Judas the Maccabee "then took up a collection among all his soldiers, amounting to two thousand silver drachmas, which he sent to Jerusalem to provide for an expiatory sacrifice. In doing this he acted in a very excellent and noble way, inasmuch as he had the resurrection in mind, for if he were not expecting the fallen to rise again, it would have been superfluous and foolish to pray for the dead. But if he did this with a view to the splendid regard that awaits those who had gone to rest in godliness, it was a holy and pious thought."

In the Roman Catholic Church we pray and honour our deceased beloved one by praying for them and adding their names in "The book of the Names of the Dead." Please add the names of your deceased beloved family members and friends.

**PEER EVANGELIZATION WORKSHOP** – November 23, 2024: How to have effective faith building conversations with friends, co-workers, acquaintances, and random people! Presented by the Catholic School of Evangelization, Catholic Christian Outreach, CCRS of Manitoba. Saturday November 23, 9 am - 12 noon. St. Timothy's Church Hall. 135 John Forsyth Rd, Winnipeg. Free. No registration required. See you there!

**Louis and Mary Richard** 

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## **SHARING GOD'S GIFTS**

St. François Xavier Parish appeal target for 2024 is \$3,679.00

- Donations may be made by pre-authorized debit, Visa/MasterCard, or cheque. Cheques are to be made payable to Sharing God's Gifts. Pamphlets which include a donation section and **postage paid envelopes** can be found at the back of the church.
- On-line donations may also be made via the Archdiocese of Winnipeg Website. Click on donation, select Sharing God's Gifts, select St. François Xavier Church on drop down menu then complete the amount and your information.

Archdiocese of Winnipeg will send out the tax receipts for these donations in January of 2025.

Thank you for participating in this year's Annual Appeal.

## The Pope's Prayer Intention:

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We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

## THE LIGHTER SIDE:

- 1. I keep hearing music coming from my printer. I think the paper is jamming...
- 2. A new TV was on sale for only \$90, so the man asked why the price was so low. When told the volume was stuck at max, he said: "Well, at that price, I can't turn it down."
- 3. A climber fell off a cliff, and, as he tumbled down, he caught hold of a small branch. "Help! Is there anybody up there?" he shouted. A majestic voice boomed through the forge: "I will help you, my son, but first you must have faith in me." "Yes, yes, I trust you! cried the man. "Let go of the branch", boomed the voice. There was a long pause, and the man shouted up again, "Is there anybody else up there?"

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

The baptized should consider that it is in the womb of the Church where they are transformed from a child of Adam to a child of God. (St. Vincent Ferrer)