

The Week at a Glance

Sat Dec 9 7:30pm Mass in Zenon Park **For †Daniel Revoy**
Sun Dec 10 9:00am Mass in Arborfield **For †Aurel Soucy**
11:00am Mass in Carrot River **For the people**
Mon Dec 11 Fr Travis' day off
Tues Dec 12 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park **For †Daniel Revoy**
Wed Dec 13 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park **Pour les moissons**
Thurs Dec 14 6:00pm Adoration in Carrot River
7:00pm Mass in Carrot River **For †Ryan Murphy**
Fri Dec 15 10:00am Mass in Arborfield Care Home
7:00pm Adoration in Zenon Park
8:00pm Mass in Zenon Park **For †Aurel Soucy**
Sat Dec 16 7:30pm Mass in Zenon Park **For †memb. of K of C**
Sun Dec 17 9:00am Mass in Arborfield **For †memb. of K of C**
11:00am Mass in Carrot River **For the people**

Christmas Hampers –If you know someone who would appreciate a hamper or would like to donate to this cause, please contact Daniel Janzen at 306-768-2457.

Christmas Mass Times:

Sunday Dec 24th

Zenon Park – 5:00pm
Carrot River - 7:00pm
Arborfield – 9:00pm

Monday Dec 25th

Zenon Park – 10:00am

Mass Times for November/December

Sat 7:30pm – Zenon Park

Sun 9:00am – Arborfield

Sun 11:00am – Carrot River



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Sunday December 10th Second Sunday of Advent

The common theme in the readings this Sunday is the future. All verbs use this tense and our thoughts focus on what is to come:

Make straight in the desert a highway for our God...then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed (1st Reading: Is 40)

The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase (Ps 85)

In accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth (2nd Reading: 2 P 3).

The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me... He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit (Gospel: Mk 1)

These quotations do not encourage us to cease living in the present and take refuge in a hypothetical future. These words situate us before two principal elements in our lives: Experience and Promise.

Experience and Promise

Take for example a new born baby. The child has no experience: no competencies (can cry but can't speak); no bank account, no furniture, no house... But there is immense promise: a promise that the parents made for this child when he or she was born. They promised: "We will be here to nourish and guide you as you grow and achieve your potential."

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Announcements and Activities

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>December 10</u>	<u>December 17</u>
Hospitality	Bob, Lisa	Brian & Pam
Reader	Jeanne	Mark
Offerings	Brian, Pam	Louis & Jean
Ministers of the Cup	Neil, Sue	Guy & James
Commentator	Liz	Joann

Bishop's Annual Appeal:

Are you willing...to commit yourself to working in the Lord's Vineyard?

October 1- December 31 2017

Every gift is greatly appreciated!

As of **December 4** our parish has had **9** pledges. The amount pledged is **\$4,060.00**

Christmas Hampers

You can request a Christmas hamper or nominate someone to receive one. You can also donate to the hamper program. Contact is Daniel Janzen of Carrot River Mennonite church. 1-306-768-2457. If you are donating to the hamper program, please make the cheques payable to "Carrot River Christmas Hampers". Your cheque can be left at the church or dropped off at the Credit Union-Arborfield or Carrot River branches.

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As the child grows, he or she is exposed to new experiences through parents and schools. The child receives clothes, toys, and often becomes a digital native. Later the young adult begins to work and manage money. Very quickly the assets accumulate: furniture, cars, a home, maybe a chalet, etc. Perhaps also a pension fund, investments...

However, it may happen the more that adults accumulate, the less they remember their promise. Security becomes their priority. These acquisitions, which the adult protects and is fearful of losing, can create many anxious moments.

It is unfortunate when people have no more room for promise in their lives. Their existence shrivels and resides around things that cannot bring happiness or true security and makes their original promise a distant memory.

The horizon of our on-going promise

As believers, we dare to focus on the immense promise that exists in the horizon of our lives. That is what the desert, where St. John the Baptist lived, represents. It is the place where there are no acquisitions, where existence finds meaning in a promise as great as the sky, a promise that is God Himself.

Georges Madore

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli

Last week's collection total: **\$ 530.00 Thank You**

Our three parishes now have a website!

<https://pasquiacatholic.com/>. Check it out!! St Lucy Parish also has a Facebook page: **StLucyArborfield**