

**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**  
*Michelle in office*  
 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 †members of K of C**  
 Sun Dec 17 9:00am Mass in Arborfield For †members of K of C  
 11:00am Mass in Carrot River For the people

\*\*\*\*\*Come pray the rosary in Zenon Park 1/2 hour before mass begins\*\*\*\*\*

<b>Responsabilité</b>	<b>9 décembre</b>	<b>16 décembre</b>	<b>23 décembre</b>
Accueil	Denise/Vincent M	Gilles P / Louis-Arthur L	Clem P / Jeannine C
Lectures	Clem D / Colette P	Jacqueline C / Monica F	Diane L / Ron W
Offrandes	Jacqueline/Martin C	Vincent / Denise M	Michel / Beatrice F
Communion	Louise S / Monica F	Clément D / Colette M	Colette P / Ashley M
Servants	Pascal / Moise	Luc / Pascal	Luc/ Moise
Quête	Gilles F / Joel M	Denis M / Simon P	Vincent M / Martin C

*Last week's collection total: **\$501.00***

*Thank-you / Merci!!!*

**Christmas Mass Times**

**Sunday Dec 24<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Monday Dec 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Zenon Park 10:00am**

**Annonces et Activités**

**Did you know???** You can view the Sunday bulletin online? Check it out!!

<http://www.zenonpark.com/index.php/en/village-services/church>

Our three parishes now have a website! <https://pasquiacatholic.com/>



Check it out!! Google: *Find A Grave Zenon Park*

**Please remember that this is a work in progress...** There is still more information to be inputted in this project but please check your families' memorial page and send any corrections or additions by email to [ddlang@sasktel.net](mailto:ddlang@sasktel.net).

**“Are you willing... to commit yourself to working in the Lord’s vineyard?”** We are now past the half way point of the goal of \$425,000 for the Bishop’s Annual Appeal 2017. As of November 14, 2017 parishioners have pledged \$247,612.60 towards the goal for the Diocese of Prince Albert. If you have already sent in your pledge for the Bishop’s Annual Appeal, thank you for your generosity. If you haven’t done so yet and are planning to do so, the Appeal Office would like to have all pledges received before December 31, 2017. If you have lost or misplaced your Appeal information, additional pledge cards are available from your Parish Office. Please continue to pray for the success of the 2017 Bishop’s Annual Appeal. Paroisse Notre Dame de la Nativite’s total as of Dec 6<sup>th</sup> is **\$5275.00**.

**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.

**LITURGY OFFICE**

<http://liturgy@padiocese.ca>

Advent is beginning on Sunday December 3! Please check out the Liturgy page of the website to see the theme and suggestions for this coming year. There will be Sunday Handouts for Advent and Christmas time; these include short articles, games, family ideas and a feature Saint.

<https://www.padiocese.ca/2017-lent-easter-theme-for-year-2>

Please contact Heidi in the Office, or at the above email address, if you have any questions about any of these items.

**CALVARY UNITED CHURCH - Prince Albert, SK**

<https://www.padiocese.ca/news-articles>

A reading of Charles Dickens A Christmas Carol will take place at Calvary United Church on Saturday **December 16 @ 7:00 p.m.** Tickets are \$10.00 at the door with all proceeds going to the Prince Albert Share-A-Meal Food Bank. Patrons are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item as well. Join us for an evening of storytelling and singing in support of the Food Bank this Christmas season!

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019**

Are you interested in being part of a pilgrimage to **World Youth Day 2019** in Panama? If so, please contact Louis at the Pastoral Centre for more information at 306-922-4747 ext. 233.

## RESOURCE CENTRE

<https://www.padiocese.ca/resource-center>

**Just in time for Christmas**, Limited quantities of Matthew Kelly's books for sale. "Resisting Happiness", "Rediscover Jesus", "A Call to Joy", each book \$5.00. We also have a great selection of Christmas Cards and gift ideas. Visit us today, give Debbie McHarg a call @ 306-922-4747, ex. 229, or email to the above link.

We are located at the Roman Catholic Diocese (1415-4th Ave. West), Prince Albert. We offer a selection of resources and gift ideas for your parish and family.

## ST. JAMES PARISH - Albertville, SK

A TRUDEL FAMILY CHRISTMAS, **Friday Dec. 22** at 7:00 p.m. There is no cover charge, but donations to the Prince Albert Food Bank will be gathered and there will be a special collection with proceeds going towards Ronald McDonald House-Family Room, Prince Albert--located on the Pediatric floor of the Victoria Hospital. Please give generously, our goal for the food bank this year is 1000 pounds.

## WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT - Queen's House of Retreat, Saskatoon, SK

[twaslen@sasktel.net](mailto:twaslen@sasktel.net)

Saskatoon and Regina Sections of Regnum Christi are hosting a Women's Silent Retreat, **March 9-11, 2018. 'Ignatian Spiritual Exercises'**. Cost is \$325.00: Students \$150.00. **Earlybird \$250.00** by Jan. 15. If you have questions, or wish to register contact: Tanya Waslen at 306-343-1915, or email to the above link.

## PRAIRIE CENTRE FOR ECUMENISM - Saskatoon, SK

<http://pcecumenism.ca/content/week-prayer-christian-unity-2018>

Each year, the World Council of Churches develops a new set of lessons for use during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year the Week of Prayer Events will be held from **Jan. 21-Jan. 28, 2018**. For more information follow the above link.

## CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES - 'Live Free for a Year'

<http://www.cfspa.ca>

**TICKETS: \$100.00 EACH ONLY 2000 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD**

**CHRISTMAS BONUS DRAW** for **\$1000.00** on Dec. 15, 2017. The winner's ticket will be included in the big draw on July 1, 2018.

**BONUS DRAWS** of **\$500.00** on the 15<sup>th</sup> of Jan., Feb., March, April, & May, 2018. All winning tickets will be included in the big draw on July 1, 2018.

**Available at:** CFS Office @ 1008 - 1st Ave. West, Prince Albert  
306-922-3202 or 1-800-992-3202

Ticket also available from Harold's, Crescent Heights Pharmacy

**DRAW DATE:** 6:00 p.m., **July 1, 2018** at KINSMEN PARK, Prince Albert, SK



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**Le 10 décembre, 2017 - Deuxième dimanche de l'Avent**  
**December 10<sup>th</sup> – Second Sunday of Advent**

### **Croire en la promesse**

Toutes les lectures de ce dimanche ont un point en commun: le futur, l'avenir. Les verbes sont au futur, et on appelle les regards

à se tourner vers l'avant :

- *Préparez à travers le désert le chemin du Seigneur. La gloire du Seigneur se révélera* (1<sup>re</sup> lecture).
- *Le Seigneur donnera ses bienfaits, notre terre donnera son fruit* (Psaume).
- *Ce que nous attendons, selon la promesse du Seigneur, c'est un ciel nouveau et une terre nouvelle* (2<sup>e</sup> lecture).
- *Voici venir derrière moi celui qui est plus puissant que moi. Il vous baptisera dans l'Esprit Saint* (Évangile).

Il ne s'agit pas ici de fuir le présent pour se réfugier dans un hypothétique futur. Ces paroles de Dieu nous situent devant les deux éléments constitutifs de nos vies : l'acquis et le promis.

#### **L'acquis et le promis**

Prenez un petit bébé qui vient de naître. Il n'a aucun acquis : ni compétence (il ne sait même pas parler), ni compte de banques, ni meubles, ni maisons... Mais il a un immense promis: c'est le promis de ses parents qui l'ont désiré et qui, en le mettant au monde lui font une grande promesse: « Nous allons être là pour te nourrir et te guider jusqu'à ton plein accomplissement. »

Puis le bébé grandit. Il commence à accumuler des acquis: il s'enrichit de compétences à travers ses parents et les écoles qu'il fréquente. Il reçoit des vêtements, des appareils électroniques. Plus tard, il commence à travailler, il met de l'argent en banque. Rapidement, son acquis grossit : meubles, voitures, maison, chalet, etc... Compte de banque, fonds de pension, placements boursiers...

Très souvent, plus son acquis augmente, plus son promis diminue. De sorte que sa sécurité réside de moins en moins dans le promis et de plus en plus dans l'acquis. Cet acquis qu'il protège, qu'il craint de perdre, qui lui crée bien des soucis...

Malheur à celui ou celle qui n'a plus de promis dans sa vie. Son existence se ratatine autour des choses qui ne peuvent apporter ni le bonheur ni la vraie sécurité, des choses qui laissent un goût de poussière dans le cœur.

#### **L'horizon de la promesse**

Être croyant, c'est oser croire dans une immense promesse qui remplit tout l'horizon de notre vie. Tel est le sens de ce désert où se tient Jean le Baptiste : le désert est le lieu où il n'y a pas d'acquis, où l'existence trouve sens dans un promis grand comme le ciel, un promis qui s'appelle Dieu lui-même.

**Georges Madore**