



**Canadian Martyrs**  
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 Pastor: Fr. Travis Myrheim

**Mass Times for Nov/Dec**  
 Sat 7:30pm – Arborfield  
 Sun 9:00am – Carrot River  
 Sun 11:00am – Zenon Park

**Sunday Dec 16, 2018 – Third Sunday of Advent**

- Sat Dec 15 7:30pm Mass in Arborfield For Souls in Purgatory  
**Sun Dec 16 9:00 am Mass in Carrot River For †August & Sophie Taming**  
 11:00am Mass in Zenon Park For the people  
**2:00pm Carrot River Health Centre service**  
 Mon Dec 17 *Fr Travis' day off*  
 Tues Dec 18 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park For Deceased Family Members  
 7:00pm Confession in Zenon Park  
 Wed Dec 19 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park For †Paul Lacroix  
**Thurs Dec 20 6:00pm Adoration in Carrot River**  
**7:00pm Mass in Carrot River For †Margaret & Paul Nesdoly**  
**7:30pm Prayer Group**  
 Fri Dec 21 7:00pm Adoration in Zenon Park  
 8:00pm Mass in Zenon Park For †Gilles Favreau  
 Sat Dec 22 7:30pm Mass in Arborfield For Residents of Arborfield Care Home  
**Sun Dec 23 9:00 am Mass in Carrot River For the people**  
 11:00am Mass in Zenon Park For Special Intention

Date	Commentator	Readers	Communion	Hospitality	Proc. Of Gifts	Welcoming
Dec 16 <sup>th</sup> 3rd Sunday	Perry Mamer	Marguerite T Doug Senko	Bob & Suzanne Gagne	Rene Loran Herb Baskey	Eva Loran Anne Mazurek	Volunteers
Dec 23 <sup>rd</sup> 4th Sunday	Dan Oakes	Sharon Cross Perry Mamer	Allan & Aline Malfair	Milton Wood Larry Trew	Connie Wood Fredel Trew	Volunteers
Dec 24 <sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve	K of C	K of C	K of C	K of C	K of C	K of C
Dec 30 <sup>th</sup> 5th Sunday	Shirley Zeller	Wilma Wheeler Marguerite T	Dan & Myrna Oakes	Leo Brochu Ted Myslicki	Jolene Brochu Rose Myslicki	Volunteers

**Collection:** Dec 9, 2018 \$817.35

***Vocation Corner*** ~ Third Sunday of Advent – C

**A Vocation View:** Have you ever asked: "What ought I do?" Simply, tell the Good News to people. Nothing else matters.

**Prayer:** For men and women called by the Lord to be messengers of salvation as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, that Christ's peace will guard their hearts and minds as they proclaim the good news of salvation, we pray to the Lord.

**Action:** Being a disciple means being constantly ready to bring the love of Jesus to others, and this can happen unexpectedly and in any place: on the street, in a city square, during work, on a journey. *Evangelii Gaudium, "The Joy of the Gospel" (127)*

**Announcements:**

**"What Must We Do... to Build the Kingdom of God?"** We are just days away from the end of the 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal. As of December 12, 2018 parishioners have pledged \$343,676.15 towards the goal of \$425,000 for the Diocese of Prince Albert. If you have already sent in your pledge for the Bishop's Annual Ap-

peal, 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, 2018. 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 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal. For further information contact Andrea Langlois, Director of the Bishop's Annual Appeal at 306-922-4747 ext. 234, [baadirector@padiocese.ca](mailto:baadirector@padiocese.ca) or Louis Hradecki, Data Administrator of the Bishop's Annual Appeal at 306-922-4747 ext. 233, [bishopsappeal@padiocese.ca](mailto:bishopsappeal@padiocese.ca).

**Bishops Annual Appeal Update:** 14 pledges for total of \$2800.00.

**Bishop's Annual Appeal**  
**"What Must We Do... to Build the Kingdom of God?"**  
 October 14 – December 31, 2018  
 Every gift is greatly appreciated!

**Diocesan announcements:**

- Dec. 16, 2018 - Family Advent Retreat - St. Odilon Parish, Rosthern, SK
- Dec. 22, 2018 - A Trudel Family Christmas with Friends! - St. James Parish, Albertville, SK
- Jan. 16, 2018 - Cree Language Study-Muskeg Lake First Nation, Parish Church, Muskeg, SK
- Jan. 18-28, 2019 - NET (National Evangelical Team), Billets needed
- Jan. 20-27, 2019 - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019
- Jan. 22, 2019 - École St. Mary High School, 'Swish For A Cure' - Prince Albert, SK
- Jan. 26, 2019 - WYD@Home (World Youth Day) - St. Joseph Parish, Prince Albert, SK
- Jan. 28, 2019 - Barry Tkachuk (Diaconate) - St. Vital Parish, Battleford, SK

**Advent Penitential Services 2018 Deanery #2**

Tuesday Dec 18<sup>th</sup> - Zenon Park 7:00pm Priest from Nipawin

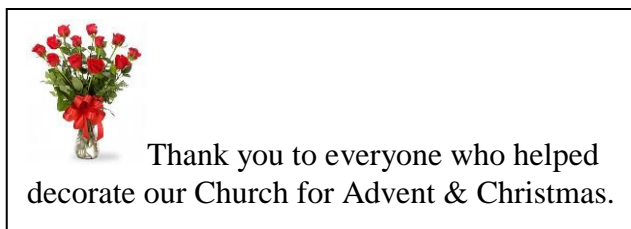
**Christmas Mass Schedule:**

**December 24<sup>th</sup>** 5:00pm – Arborfield, 7:00pm – Zenon Park, **9:00pm – Carrot River**

**December 25<sup>th</sup>** 10:00am – Zenon Park

**Mass Times for Jan/Feb 2019**

- Sat 7:30pm – Zenon Park
- Sun 9:00am – Arborfield
- Sun 11:00am – Carrot River



Sunday, December 16:	Third Sunday of Advent (C) - violet or rose
Monday 17:	Ferial - violet
Tuesday 18:	Ferial - violet
Wednesday 19:	Ferial - violet
Thursday 20:	Ferial - violet
Friday 21:	Ferial - violet
Saturday 22:	Ferial - violet
Sunday 23:	Fourth Sunday of Advent (C) - violet



## Characteristics of Conversion

St. John the Baptist is a leading figure in the Gospels during the Advent season. His personality reminds us of the Old Testament prophets. St. Luke's references to St. John are a contrast to those found in St. Matthew's Gospel. St. John's calls for conversion were adapted to answer those who requested baptism as they prepared for the imminent coming of the messiah. When they asked: *What should we do?* ... St. John's responses could be incorporated into their lives and professions. St. John promoted practices of justice and peace. Ordinary people were advised to share their goods with the poor; tax collectors to conduct business fairly and honestly; and soldiers to use non violent measures.

St. John preached that our intentions and actions must be embodied in the fabric of our everyday lives. Conversion is not just an interior process; it must be part and parcel of our lives. The Christian approach to conversion consists in experiencing an inner "re-creation" by turning to Jesus Christ and his evangelical message. There is a way to lead one's life and complete one's tasks that is common to all people, but one that is particular to Christians is inspired by the Gospels. The need for conversion usually arises from the recognition that one has moved away from *Jesus' way* of living and must take steps to return. It is not a question of living a life similar to Christ's, but of being inspired by Him.

When preaching about conversion, St. John invited Christians to follow *Jesus' way*. Today this means that kindness and compassion will be practiced by those working in the fields of health, education and social assistance; there will be solidarity between the impoverished and those who are comfortable; altruism and respect for the common good for everyone; respect for the dignity of others by those in authority; and selflessness and forgiveness within families. To summarize St. John's message, each of us must hear the call for conversion and act accordingly.

***Yves Guillemette, priest***

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