

4th Sunday
of Advent

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	TIME	LOCATION	MASS INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
Mon. Dec 19			No Mass Scheduled	
Tue. Dec 20	7:00 pm	Pierceland	+Roger Soucy	Theresia Grundner
Wed. Dec 21	7:00 pm	Goodsoil	For Our Children	Wes & Lorraine Dombroski
Thur. Dec 22	9:00 am	Goodsoil	+Herb Klarenbach	Blair & Marg Klarenbach
Fri. Dec 23	9:00 am	Goodsoil	+Erick Kretzer	Martin Family
Sat. Dec 24 Christmas Eve	5:00 pm 7:30 pm	Loon Lake Pierceland	+Terry Bauer +Ghislaine Lefebvre	John & Ada Setrakov Mathilda Baker
	9:30pm	Goodsoil	+Tony Schreiber	Gail Budd
Sun. Dec 25 Christmas Day	10:00am	Goodsoil	For All Parishioners	

ST. BONIFACE	MINISTERS LIST	ST. ANTONINUS
December 24th	December 25th	December 24th
Commentator- Isabelle W.	Barb N.	Eucharistic Minister - Trisha
Readers - Gloria F. Jeanette M.	Regina F. Nadyne G.	Readers - Pam Shirley
Greeters - Theresa S.	Wes & Lorraine D.	Music- Folk Mono- Shannon
Gift Bearers - Josh & Nadine K.	Patrick & Rita S.	Gifts - Merlin & Chris Wild
Eucharistic Minister—Lucille M.	Brian S.	Servers - Andrea
Rosary - None	Adam & Regina F.	Greeters - Marvel
Dec. Cleaners—Pat & Carey S.		Rosary- None

"Walking Together in Hope".

We are now in the last two weeks of the 2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal. As of Dec 12, parishioners have pledged \$335,190.35 towards the goal of \$450,000. 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, the Appeal Office would like to receive all pledges on or before Dec 31, 2022. If you have lost or misplaced your Appeal information, additional pledge cards are available from your Parish Office or contact the Appeal Office at 306-922-4747 ext. 234. Please continue to pray for the success of the 2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal.



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A Vocation View: Vocations from God are not always clear. Not all of us are like Joseph who had an angel appear to him saying: "Take Mary as your wife, and fear not."

Prayer: For a deeper trust and docility to the Holy Spirit among persons discerning a call to serve Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Action: PRAYER is a moving force in vocation development. Prayer is effective; prayer is powerful; prayer is essential. Few are called to priesthood or religious life, but all are called to pray for vocations.

GOODSOIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Carol Festival—Sun. Dec. 18th at 6:30 pm at St. Boniface Church. **Everyone is welcome!**

Santa. Refreshments and goodies. Please bring a non-perishable food donation.

Door of Hope Food Drive— Donations accepted for non-perishable food items. Boxes are available at the back of the church for your donations. Knights of Columbus will deliver to the Door of Hope at the end of the month

Bishops Annual Appeal—Thank you from the Diocese to all who have returned their pledges. As of **December 12th** the Diocese has received **35** pledges, with the amount of **\$11,055.00** from St. Boniface.

December Cleaners—Pat & Carey Stoebich, Tony & Joanne Stoebich, Nick & Kristie Stoebich

PIERCELAND ANNOUNCEMENTS

December Cleaners—Keri Kohut 839-4424 Theresia Grundner, Maureen Currie, Marvel Taphorn, Melissa Frolick, Tracy Lodoen, Eileen McRae, Wendy Aguilar, Melissa Stacey

Advent is a time for visiting:

While pregnant with Jesus, Mary visits her cousin, Elizabeth, mother of John the Baptist (Luke 1:39) and the Magi visit the new parents, Mary and Joseph (Matthew 2:1-13).

Every Advent, millions of children look forward to waking up in the morning and opening that little cardboard door to reveal a little chocolate.

That sense of joy and anticipation is holy! What if we could reignite that childhood joy? *Better yet, what if we could BECOME that joy for someone else?*



This Christmas Season, consider sitting down on your own or with your family. Make a list as long as you can—not of “who’s naughty and nice”—but of all the people who might appreciate a visit, a phone call, an e-mail or a Christmas letter.

We all know someone in a special care home, whether a family member or a neighbor, who we have not seen in a long time. Maybe someone from town is in the hospital; they don’t expect a call or a text, but they might appreciate it. Maybe you can think of only a few. That’s fine. Put them on a rotation. Call them, write them a Christmas letter, visit or Zoom with them, drop cookies on their doorstep.

Have fun with it and **Become someone’s joy this Christmas Season**

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When Joseph awoke, he . . . took his wife into his home. (Matthew 1:24)

Joseph was a “righteous man,” a faithful Jew who knew the history of his people (Matthew 1:19). He knew that God had miraculously freed the Israelites from slavery and had rescued them time and again over the centuries. He knew the many signs that God had performed and the many battles he had won for them.

So when an angel told Joseph that it was through the Holy Spirit that his wife, Mary, had conceived a child, he must have recalled the many great things God had done in the past. If God could do all that, then surely this was possible as well.

Joseph was able to trust because he believed in God’s power and goodness. Though he probably considered himself an ordinary man, Joseph knew that God could act just as marvellously in his own life as he had in the lives of his forefathers. That helped him believe that God had brought him and Mary together for a special purpose, one that would unfold day by day. So he agreed to take Mary into his home and prepare to be a father to her child.

Trust: this is our call as well. It’s not easy, especially when there is no angel or dream to guide us! But unlike Joseph, we know the purpose behind God’s great plan for us: Jesus, God incarnate, died and rose from the dead so that he could give us new life.

This knowledge can be our strong foundation when we are tempted to doubt. When we are walking in the dark, when we don’t see a way forward or a way out, we can choose to believe that God will find a way for us. He has a good plan for us, and he will carry it out in his own perfect time. And when our trust is flagging, let’s remember Joseph, the righteous man whose trust in God helped bring salvation to the world.

“St. Joseph, pray for me to trust in God as you did.”



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