



## BLESSED SACRAMENT

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**WEEKEND MASSES:** Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 9:30 am, 11:30 am, and 5:00pm  
**WEEKDAY MASSES :** Monday to Friday 6:30pm, Saturday 9:30am  
**OFFICE HOURS:** 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday  
(closed from 12:00 to 1:00 for lunch)

## April 19, 2026

### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### *SACRAMENTAL LIFE*

##### **Baptism:**

Contact the office. Baptisms are celebrated during Saturday/Sunday Liturgies.

##### **Reconciliation:**

Please call the office to set up an appointment.

##### **Marriage:**

Please call to check for your particular date and to schedule an initial interview before confirming other bookings. In addition, you must be a registered member of the Blessed Sacrament Parish.

##### **Anointing of the sick:**

If you know somebody who is ill or in need of anointing at home or in hospital, please call the office.



**"Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the Scriptures to us?"**

**-Luke 24:32-**

## THE ROAD TO EMMAUS



Blessed Sacrament Parishioners,  
please pray for peace in Ukraine.



We acknowledge that we are gathered on ancestral lands, Treaty 1 territory, the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Ojibwe-Cree, Dakota and Dene Peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation.

## Liturgical schedule for the forthcoming week (April 18-26, 2026):

### Mass Intentions

Sat.	Apr 18	9:30am	✠ Petra Culig Martinez by Martinez family
Sat.	Apr 18	5:00pm	✠ Anthony Franco by Shannon Gagne Thanksgiving by Warren Simbulan and family For Estrella Gadian's healing and successful treatment
Sun.	Apr 19	9:30am	✠ Lourdes Daleon & Vicenta Zaballero by Zaballero family
Sun.	Apr 19	11:30am	✠ Elsie Mary Bollenback by Darla Sutherland
Sun.	Apr 19	5:00pm	<i>For the needs and intentions of our parishioners</i>
Mon.	Apr 20	6:30pm	♥ Thanksgiving for Gaspar & Mayra Alejo's 30th wedding anniversary
Tues.	Apr 21	6:30pm	✠ Martina Laroza by Grant Laroza and family
Wed.	Apr 22	6:30pm	For Stanley Hamilton's good health and thanksgiving by Nilo Medina For Estrella Gadian's healing and successful treatment For Fr. Gerry's continued good health and strength by Betty & Jack McDowell
Thur.	Apr 23	6:30pm	✠ Petra Culig Martinez by Martinez family
Fri.	Apr 24	6:30pm	Thanksgiving for Larry Flores' birthday by Mhel Flores
Sat.	Apr 25	9:30am	✠ Petra Culig Martinez by Martinez family
Sat.	Apr 25	5:00pm	For Estrella Gadian's healing and successful treatment
Sun.	Apr 26	9:30am	✠ Joe & Jean Marino by Nancy Porco For special intentions of Clint and Christina Miller
Sun.	Apr 26	11:30am	✠ Eduardo & Luisa Sanchez by Sanchez family Ismael 'Aboy' Sanchez Jr. by Celia Fortaleza For Estrella Gadian's healing and successful treatment
Sun.	Apr 26	5:00pm	<i>For the needs and intentions of our parishioners</i>

**MASS INTENTIONS** can be requested not only for someone who has died, but also in thanksgiving or celebration. The offering is \$10 with the money given to the priest for his charities. Please contact the office to make arrangements.

### VISITATION MINISTRY



The Visitation Ministry is a group of dedicated men and women who are here for you. When requested, they pray for you and keep your request confidential. They will visit and bring communion to shut-ins at home or in the hospital. If you would like to speak with someone from this ministry, please call the office at 204-224-1669 ext. 20

### Gospel Verse for the Third Sunday of Easter (Year A)

On the road to Emmaus  
Two people did doubt  
That Jesus had risen...  
And what was about.

When they recognized Him...  
They quickly told others!  
That's our job today-  
To all "sisters" and "brothers"!



ADORATION  
of the  
BLESSED  
SACRAMENT



Come adore and join  
us every Wednesday

for the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help at  
5:30pm, every Friday Novena to the Sacred Heart  
of Jesus

at 5:30pm, and Monday to Friday for the  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
at 6:00pm before the 6:30pm mass.

### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR April 2026

#### For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



### READINGS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FIRST READING	ACTS 2.14A, 36B-41
RESPONSORIAL PSALM	PS 23.1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6 (R.1)
SECOND READING	1 PETER 2.20B-25
GOSPEL	JOHN 10.1-10

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT  
(APRIL 11-15, 2026)

Sunday offerings

\$ 9,400.15



April 19, 2026 – Third Sunday  
of Easter

*“If you invoke as Father Him who  
judges impartially according to  
each one’s works, conduct  
yourselves with reverence during  
the time of your sojourning.”  
1 Peter 1:17*

From the stewardship perspective, our consumer society is in need of an exile in a strange land. Stewardship calls us to resist the "me first" values glamorized by our society.



Please pray for the sick,  
their families and their caregivers:

**Danny Adair, Lucie Bittner, Merl Boutet,  
Shyrel Caron, Clara Chongva,  
Franc Chongva, Danilo Dela Cruz,  
Daniel De Vera, Christina Floirendo,  
Mateo Gosselin, Tom Harding,  
Braedan Johnston, John Kessling,  
Chris Klassen, Linda Lauze, Ellen Mangohig,  
Toni McCoy, B. Medina, Nilo Medina,  
Helen Milks, Fran Moroz, Norma Richard,  
Wanda Sveinson, Marcel Tkachyk,  
Wilfred Trudeau, Frank Torchia, Louie Torres**

Please call the office at 204-224-1669 ext.20  
to add or remove people on our prayer list.



*Marriage Tips*

*What do you get anxious about?*

*Share it with your spouse. Pray together for the gift of peace.*

**BLESSED SACRAMENT SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY**

<https://www.facebook.com/share/168Ru84VQC/>



Our local **Transcona Food Banks**, located at TMUC and the Plessis Community Family Resource Centre are working to provide food security for people living in our community. All donations are appreciated, but our local Food Banks are in short supply of the following items:

**Canned Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Cereal, Canned Pasta and Peanut Butter  
12 Pack Egg Cartons are needed to repackage eggs for distribution.**

**PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN THE 40 DAYS OF LENT  
FOOD BANK CHALLENGE 2026**



**Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2026!**

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the **On Track for Justice** campaign with your Share Lent donation, which will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or donate online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give).

Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.



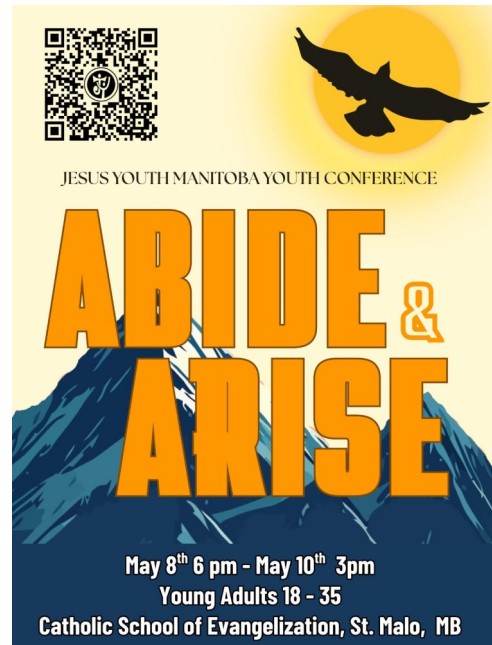


### Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration - May 3, 2026

Are you celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary this year? (1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 years or more) You are invited to participate in the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration, on

Sunday, May 3rd, 2026! A Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Albert LeGatt at the Saint-Boniface Cathedral at 3:30 pm. Couples will be invited to renew their vows and to receive a special blessing. A reception with light refreshments will follow. Celebrating couples will receive an Anniversary Certificate signed by Archbishop LeGatt. Please register by Friday, April 24th. FOR INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/info-anniversary-celebration> Contact person: Grace Dumont, Administrative Assistant; 204-594-0275 / [gdumont@archsaintboniface.ca](mailto:gdumont@archsaintboniface.ca).

[See Poster and QR Code](#)



May 8<sup>th</sup> 6 pm - May 10<sup>th</sup> 3pm  
Young Adults 18 - 35  
Catholic School of Evangelization, St. Malo, MB



### Theology & Dating 4-part Series - May 12, 26, June 9 & 23, 7-9 pm at the St. Boniface Archdiocesan Centre

Are you wondering how to approach Catholic dating with purpose & intention?

The Archdiocese of Saint Boniface, through the Offices of Youth & Young Adult and Marriage, Family and Life, presents this dynamic 4-week series for young adults, designed to challenge and inspire you

to approach dating with purpose, courage, and authenticity- helping you become a true gift of self.

Each session explores real aspects of modern dating, from the challenges of today's dating world to intentional pursuit and discerning the call to marriage. Open to singles and those currently dating, with a practical weekly challenge to help you grow!

**Final Session includes a formal dinner** to wrap up the series (*dress to impress!*) Cost: \$20/person for the last night.

**It's not just about finding the right person - it's about becoming the right person.** All are welcome! [Click here](#) to register by May 4, and for more information. For poster: [click here](#).

Questions? [youth@archsaintboniface.ca](mailto:youth@archsaintboniface.ca) or [mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca](mailto:mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca)



### Marriage Enrichment Retreat 1 & 2 - May 2 to 3, 2026

The Missionary Families of Christ invites couples to a Christ-centered retreat to rediscover the beauty of their vocation, to heal, to listen, and to grow once more in love. Through prayer, reflection, and intentional conversations, husbands and wives are gently led back to the

heart of their marriage-where Christ dwells and strengthens what He has joined.

Whether you are newlyweds, beginning again or longing to go deeper, this is an invitation to recenter your marriage on Christ and be renewed in unity, faith, and purpose.

Come away together and be renewed in the presence of the Lord. Just as Christ revealed His glory at the wedding feast at Cana, He continues to enter into every marriage, ready to transform, restore, and make all things new.

Join us on May 2-3 at Steinbach Bible College. All married couples are warmly invited! For poster, [click here](#). For more information and to register, please visit [bit.ly/ManitobaMER](http://bit.ly/ManitobaMER) or [click here](#). For poster, [click here](#)



## 22<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL VICKAR AUTOMOTIVE GROUP WALK WITH L'ARCHE

SUNDAY, MAY 3<sup>RD</sup> 2026

Park City West Community Centre 2PM | Walk Begins: 3PM  
Adults: \$15 | Children: \$10 | Seniors: \$10



### NEW PARISHIONERS:

Welcome to your new Church Community!

Please pick up a registration form from the Welcome Table at the back of the church or visit the parish website to register online <http://www.blessedsacramentwpg.ca/>.



### \*UPDATED\* Help Not Harm: Support Bill C-218

The Catholic community is encouraged to respectfully contact their Member of Parliament (MP) and urge support for Bill C-218, *The Right to Recover Act*,

currently before the Parliament of Canada.

This proposed legislation would amend the Criminal Code to prohibit Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) for individuals whose sole underlying condition is mental illness, affirming the need for care, treatment, and hope rather than premature death.

#### Why it matters:

- Every human life is sacred, from conception to natural death.
- Suicidal thoughts can be a symptom of mental illness.
- Mental illness is often treatable, and recovery is possible.
- Gaps in mental health care may lead individuals to seek MAiD due to lack of support.

Vulnerable Canadians may face increased risk due to poverty, isolation, or limited access to care.

Bill C-218 is a Private Members' Bill and will require support across party lines. A small number of votes could make the difference. **Learn and take action:** [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca) or for pamphlet: [click here](#).

**NEW** - For a Statement of Support for Bill C-218 from the CCCB, [click here](#).