



Blessed Sacrament Church

# Our Parish Bulletin

## February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent



St. Eustache Church

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**Parish Council Members** – Nicole Gillis, Yvonne Fleury, Leo Dufour, Estelle Tanguay, Jocy Gillis  
Robert Gaudrault, Amanda Gaudrault

**Finance Committee** – Marieanne Fitzgerald, Antony Vitayathil, Craig Spence, Lorraine Bernardin

**Cemetery Directors** – Blessed Sacrament Parish: Brigitte & Guy Rivard (204) 479-8133

St. Eustache Parish: Ken Beaudin (204) 353-2043 or (204) 795-2229

**Administrative Secretary** – Estelle Tanguay

**Infant Baptism /Baptism Preparation** – Please call the Parish rectory office.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** – Before or after weekday masses; half an hour before Sunday masses or call when in need.

**For the Sacrament of Marriage** – Six months notice is required; Marriage Preparation Course is very necessary.

**Sacrament of the Sick / Needing to talk to someone** – Please call the Parish rectory office.

**Bulletin Announcements:** Contact Len Desilets – phone: (204) 353-2116, cell (204) 797-3934 or email: [lenmona@shaw.ca](mailto:lenmona@shaw.ca)

**Parish Website:** [www.blessedsacramentelie.com](http://www.blessedsacramentelie.com)

#### Mass Schedule

- Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> - 9:00 a.m. – St. François Xavier  
*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent* 11:00 a.m. – St. Eustache– **Mass intention for +Glen McKay from funeral collection**
- Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 a.m. – Mass at the Elie Manor
- Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 p.m. – St. Eustache – Rosary/Confession  
7:00 p.m. –Mass followed by Adoration – **Mass intention for +Rose Girard from funeral collection**
- Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 p.m. – Way of the Cross
- Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> - 9:00 a.m. – St. François Xavier  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent* 11:00 a.m. – Elie – **Mass intention for +Laurent & +Laurette Allard requested by the Allard family**
- Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> - 11:00 a.m. – Mass at the Elie Manor
- Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 p.m. – St. François Xavier  
7:00 p.m. – St. Eustache – **Mass intention for +Yvette Houde from funeral collection**
- Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 p.m. – Way of the Cross

#### Ministry Schedule

##### February 22<sup>nd</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent – St. Eustache

**Welcoming Ministers:** Dean & Shelly Combot

**Communion Ministers:** Gilles Beaudin and Garth Bullock

**Reader:** Estelle Tanguay

**Collection Counters:** Len and Mona

##### March 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent – Elie

**Welcoming Ministers:** Vince & Nicole Gillis

**Communion Ministers:** Craig Spence and Vince Gillis

**Cleaners:** Antony Vitayathil family

**Reader:** Jocy Gillis

**Collection Counters:** Rick and Judy

##### March 8<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent – St. Eustache

**Welcoming Ministers:** Estelle Tanguay and Lucille Ross

**Communion Ministers:** Lorraine Bernardin and Helena Vitayathil

**Cleaners:** Judy Breland and Lucille Combot

**Reader:** Melissa Welles

**Collection Counters:** Tim and Desirée

*Cleaning is to be done in the week prior to the mass date shown. Cleaners' duties include sweeping, vacuuming, cleaning of entrance area and upkeep of washroom facility. If you are unable to perform your ministry on the date shown, we ask you to please find a replacement.*

**Please pray for those who are sick, awaiting tests or receiving medical treatment.**

Bonnie Norrie, Kim C., Paul Lachance, Mira Lachance, Ben Bernardin, Hans Petersen, Lucille Beaudin, Ken Roberts

*We encourage everyone in our parishes to pray for those who are sick. If you know of others who may be sick and in need of prayer, please let us know so we can include their names in our parish bulletin.*

**Lent - 40 Days Before Easter**

**A time to prepare for the celebration of the Gift of Salvation**

We start with Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday is our Invitation from God. Calling us to turn from our worldly lives, distractions and self-centeredness and return to him. The Ashes represent our mortal condition and brokenness and our need for God's healing redemption. The Cross placed on the forehead with the Ashes assures us of the salvation he won for us. It's always there, all we need to do is return to Him. How do we do that? Well the same way we would with any other relationship! Spend time with Him. The Lenten Season is all about doing just that. So take advantage of opportunities. Add more prayer time, use a daily devotional, attend the week day masses on Wednesdays, rosary on Fridays at 6:30 p.m. These are not big commitments, but will make a big difference. Fasting, turning away from worldly distractions, alms giving of our time, talent and treasures. Be merciful to those around us. Go to you tube and search Lent 2026 and you will get the choice of those many options. Make the effort and God will do the rest. May God bless you on your Lenten Journey.

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**A Mini-Retreat on the Transfiguration of the Lord**

On the Second Sunday of Lent, in the Gospel we hear proclaimed the mysterious encounter witnessed by the Apostles Peter, James and John. On the mountain, Jesus reveals the fullness of his identity to his three closest disciples. That encounter is the subject of this retreat.

Date and location: Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at Saint John XXIII Roman Catholic Church, 3390 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg. Website: [www.johnxxiii.ca](http://www.johnxxiii.ca).

*(For further information, please see poster at church entrance.)*

**Lent Pray 40 Challenge**

For a limited time, it is **free for 90 days** when you register at: <https://hallow.com/pray40/>. Our parishes, **Blessed Sacrament** and **St. Eustache**, have a Hallow group ready to welcome you. Join us as we enter into this sacred season together through daily prayer, reflection, and renewal. Let us walk this Lent with intention and unity.

**Easter Flowers**

There will be a basket at the back of the church for anyone wishing to make donations toward flowers for Easter.

**Making Mass Matter - A Lenten Retreat**

Join us for a meaningful morning of reflection and renewal. Men and women are invited to a Lenten Retreat at St. Charles Parish, 320 St. Charles Street, Winnipeg, on Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Led by Father Eric Giddins. Cost: \$20. Register by February 25<sup>th</sup>: phone Irene 204-837-3291 or Anna 204-895-2420 or email [annadesilets@gmail.com](mailto:annadesilets@gmail.com)

**Thank You!**

To everyone who helped make our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner such a meaningful and joyful evening.

To our volunteers, your time, energy, and generosity were deeply appreciated. From preparation and cooking to serving, welcoming guests, and cleaning up afterward, your commitment ensured that everything came together smoothly.

To all who attended, thank you for coming and sharing in fellowship. It was a blessing to see our parish family gathered around the table in warmth and community.

To those who graciously contributed to the goodwill basket, please know how sincerely your generosity is valued. Your support is always greatly appreciated.

As we begin this season of Lent, this gathering was a fitting reminder of gratitude, service, and community.

**E-transfers:** Donations can be made to our parishes via e-transfers. For Blessed Sacrament, the email address is [bsteutreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:bsteutreasurer@gmail.com). For St. Eustache, the email address is [steustachep@gmail.com](mailto:steustachep@gmail.com). In the message area, please indicate what the donation is for, i.e. "regular donation", "cemetery fund", etc.