

[Jesus said,] “Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent.”

LUKE 21:36



Birth Day

Our *birth day* is not the anniversary of our birth—that is our *birthday*. Our birth day is the actual day of our birth. However, we do have a second birth day and it is this day to which this Sunday’s readings refer. We might call it our final birth day, the day when we are born into fulfillment. Jeremiah assures us that will be the day when God’s promises will be fulfilled in us. We will finally have a righteous leader; the nation will be safe, and the place where God dwells amid the people will be secure.

In the Gospel, Jesus is probably speaking figuratively about the end of the world—at least the end of the world as it is known to humans. However, it is not the end of everything, for after cosmic destruction takes place, “then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory” (Luke 21:27). After suffering the so-called birth pangs of the Messiah (see Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time), something new will appear; we will see that our redemption is at hand. We will be born into a new life in a new world.

Advent is the time to look forward to this new birth day of fulfillment. We do not simply await the anniversary of Jesus’ human birth day, for that day announced the coming of the final birth day of each of us. *His* birth announces *our* new birth.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *How are you preparing for your final birth day?*
- ★ *What do you find most striking in today’s readings? Why?*

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St. Brieux Parish Office Hours

Fr. Tru Le: is available all week (except Monday-Father’s day off)

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Bulletin and information is available on the website: stbrieuxparish.ca

St. Brieux Parish Mass Times:

Tuesday-Friday: 10:00 a.m.

Saturday: 7:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Time

Sunday: 4:00 p.m.

Reconciliation (St. Brieux):

Fr. Tru is available to hear Confession:

-Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. before 7:00 p.m. Mass

-during the first Friday of the month Adoration Hour from 9-10 a.m.

-Confession is also available by appointment.

Mass Requests: When making a Mass request, Fr Tru asks that it be for a single person, couple or family unit, or, for a single reason. On Sundays, Fr Tru is only allowed to say one requested Mass. The other Mass will always be for “All Parishioners”. Requested dates will try to be accommodated where possible. Mass requests are not accepted for dates that are a Monday, which is his day off.



EVENTS THIS WEEK

Nov. 30- Dec. 3: Weekday Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Dec. 1: Fr Tru is attending the Deanery meeting in Melfort at 3:00 p.m.

Dec. 1: Advent Penitential Service at Our Lady of Consolation parish church in Melfort at 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 3: First Friday of the month Adoration from 9-10 a.m. St. Brieux

Dec. 4: 2nd Sunday of Advent Mass at 7:00 p.m. St. Brieux

Dec. 5: 2nd Sunday of Advent Mass (Youth Mass) at 10:00 a.m. St. Brieux

Dec. 5: 2nd Sunday of Advent Mass at 4:00 p.m. Kinistino

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 7-10: Weekday Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Dec. 11: 3rd Sunday of Advent Mass at 7:00 p.m. St. Brieux

Dec. 12: 3rd Sunday of Advent Mass at 10:00 a.m. St. Brieux

Dec. 12: 3rd Sunday of Advent Mass at 4:00 p.m. Kinistino

Dec. 14: Advent Penitential Service 7:00 p.m. St. Brieux

Dec. 17: Advent Penitential Service at 7:00 p.m. Kinistino

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Mass at 6:30 p.m. Kinistino

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Mas at 8:30 p.m. St. Brieux

Dec. 25: Christmas Morning Mass at 11:00 a.m. St. Brieux. (No Saturday Mass at 7:00 p.m.)

Dec. 26: Mass of The Holy Family at 10:00 a.m. St. Brieux

Dec. 26: Mass of The Holy Family at 4:00 p.m. Kinistino

St. Brieux Parish Social Justice is accepted donations for the Food Bank at the back of the church. Thank you!

St. Brieux Parish Mass Intentions

Tues. Nov. 30	10:00 a.m.	+Rodney Ferster by Terry Valmont
Wed. Dec. 1	10:00 a.m.	For the repose of the souls of family & friends by Richard Coquet & Marthe Rohel-Coquet
Thurs. Dec. 2	10:00 a.m.	Lois Punga (birthday) by Percy & Roseann King
Fri. Dec. 3	10:00 a.m.	Marius Fiolleau (birthday) by Percy & Roseann King
Sat. Dec. 4	7:00 p.m.	+Helen Ferster by Terry Valmont
Sun. Dec. 5	10:00 a.m.	+Joan Oracheski by Janet Creurer

Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Intention

Sun. Dec. 5	4:00 p.m.	For All Parishioners
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Collections

St. Brieux: Nov. 21: \$790.00

Mary, Mother of God: Nov. 14: \$355.00

Nov. 21: \$130.00

2021-2022 Missals are now available! \$5.00 each

**Bishop's Annual Appeal:
"To Serve and Give His Life"**

October 17, 2021 – December 31, 2021

Every gift is greatly appreciated!

Bishop's Annual Appeal Prayer of the Faithful:

That we may see the work of the Bishop's Annual Appeal as an opportunity to extend ourselves in love and service beyond the boundaries of our local parish. Let us pray to the Lord...

O my God, teach me to be generous, to serve you as you deserve to be served, to give without counting the cost, to fight without fear of being wounded, to work without seeking rest, and to spend myself without expecting any reward but the knowledge that I am doing your holy will.

- St. Ignatius of Loyola

Our Prayer for the Week:

Saving Jesus, work out your grace and glory in our lives. Prepare us to welcome you here and now so that we will be ever ready for the ways you are coming among us, building your kingdom in our homes, neighbourhoods, communities, and world. Make us ready for you, we pray.
<https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/life-family/suggestions-for-homilies-intercessions/>

Prayer of the Faithful:

For hearts made ready for Jesus to come, we pray to the Lord.

<https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/life-family/suggestions-for-homilies-intercessions/>

Vocation Corner: First Sunday of Advent

A Vocation View: Make your decision to follow Jesus during this Advent Season. Delaying until "one" of these days is "none" of these days. Follow now.

Prayer: That all those now discerning their vocations will be alert and responsive to the invitation of Christ, we pray to the Lord.

Action: What opportunity is life offering me, right now, for doing what makes me come joyfully alive?

Stewardship: First Sunday of Advent

"But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." (Luke 21:28)

We celebrate Advent each year in preparation for the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await His second coming. What will you do differently this Advent season to grow in friendship and love with Jesus? How will you inspire others to do the same? Start by sharing your God story with others, especially those closest to you. Invite and accompany them on their faith journey this Advent. <http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>

The III & Elderly ministry : Marthe Rohel-Coquet

accepted to continue this card ministry and would appreciate being informed of anyone who would be touched by receiving a card in the name of our St. Brieux Parish.

Pray It Forward Prayer Group: to join this ministry, or have an Intercessory Prayer Request contact Terry Valmont by text or call at 306-920-8771. Prayer requests can be submitted either anonymously or with information.

Join Pope Francis in Prayer Every Day

www.clicktopray.org

Dear Padre,

What do Advent-wreath candles signify?

Most Advent wreaths have three purple candles and one rose candle to echo the liturgical colors of the Church's Advent celebrations.

Whether the wreath is being used at home or in a church, the lighting of the candles should follow the liturgical colors of the Sundays of Advent. The vestments at Mass are purple during the first two weeks of Advent, so we light a purple candle on the first and second Sundays of Advent.

On the third Sunday, the Church celebrates *Gaudete* Sunday or Rejoice

Sunday, named after the first word of the day's traditional entrance verse (Philippians 4:4-5). The priest wears rose vestments at Mass as a sign of our brightening hope and joy, and on the Advent wreath we light the rose candle to reflect the theme of the liturgy. The fourth Sunday of Advent sees the lighting of the last purple candle.

Some churches and families add a fifth candle to their Advent practices by placing a white candle in the center of the wreath. They light this at Christmas, again echoing the Church's liturgical color for the season and rejoicing in Christ our

Lord, whose birth brings light and life to our world.

Fr. Matthew Allman, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Advent is a continuous call to hope: it reminds us that God is present in history to lead it to its ultimate goal, to lead it to its fullness, which is the Lord....God is not distant, he is always with us, to the extent that very often he knocks on the door to our heart.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, NOVEMBER 29, 2020



Calendar

Monday

NOVEMBER 29
Advent Weekday

Is 2:1-5

Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 30

St. Andrew,
Apostle

Rom 10:9-18

Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday

DECEMBER 1

Advent Weekday

Is 25:6-10a

Mt 15:29-37

Thursday

DECEMBER 2

Advent Weekday

Is 26:1-6

Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday

DECEMBER 3

St. Francis Xavier,
Priest

Is 29:17-24

Mt 9:27-31

Saturday

DECEMBER 4

Advent Weekday

Is 30:19-21, 23-26

Mt 9:35-10:1,
5a, 6-8

Sunday

DECEMBER 5

Second Sunday
of Advent

Bar 5:1-9

Phil 1:4-6, 8-11

Lk 3:1-6

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