

Advent is Half Over!

Today is the third Sunday of Advent. That means that half the wait is over! If you have an advent wreath, this is the week to light the pink candle. Pink is a symbol of joy we have because we're half-way to Christmas.



In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the people that John the Baptist was a prophet and messenger. A prophet is someone who tells the truth. In the Old Testament the prophets told God's people the truth about God. Saint John was a prophet because he told the people that the Messiah, or saviour, was coming soon, and that they needed to repent of their sins.

Saint John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus by calling people to repentance. You can help prepare for Christmas by thinking and talking about how Jesus came to earth on the first Christmas. Can you tell somebody the story of the first Christmas today?



Answer to front page: St. John was in prison. Answer to match up puzzle: the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them.

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The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday of Advent
December 14th, 2025



Saint John the Baptist was the messenger who prepared the world for Jesus' coming.

*Where was he in today's Gospel reading?
Connect the dots to find out!
Then you can finish colouring in the picture.*

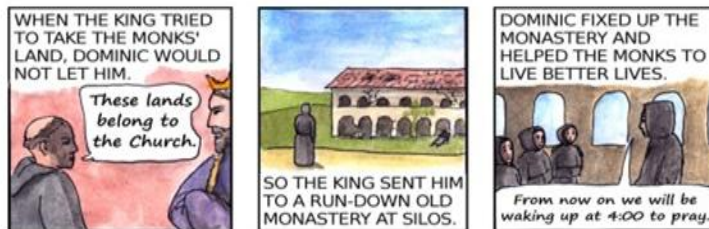
What Happens When Jesus Comes?

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the disciples to tell John the Baptist what He does. What happens to whom? Match up the people with what happens to them.

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| the blind • | • are raised up |
| and the lame • | • have good news preached to them |
| lepers • | • hear |
| the deaf • | • are cleansed |
| the dead • | • receive their sight |
| and the poor • | • walk |



Saint Dominic of Silos December 20



SAINT DOMINIC SHOWED HIS LOVE FOR GOD BY PROTECTING WHAT BELONGED TO THE CHURCH. HE ALSO WORKED TO RE-BUILD WHAT HAD BEEN BEAUTIFUL BUT WAS FALLING APART. WE CAN LEARN FROM HIM TO RESPECT WHAT BELONGS TO THE CHURCH AND HELP MAKE THE CHURCH BEAUTIFUL FOR GOD.

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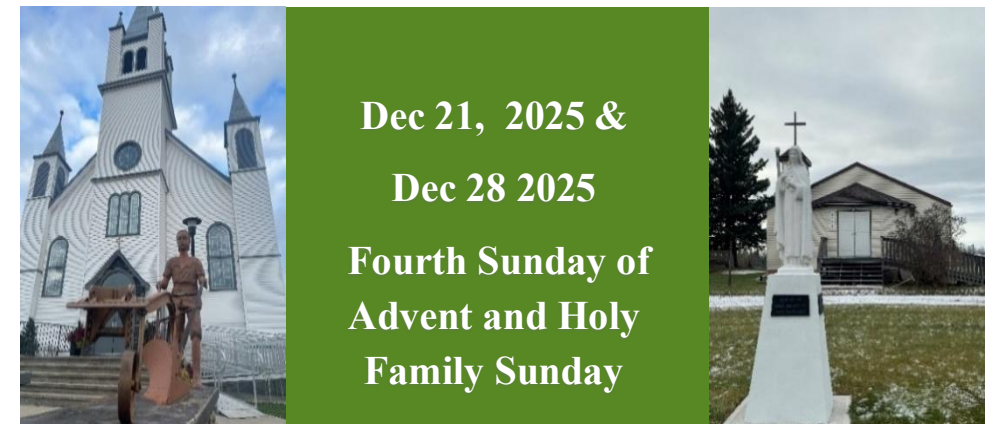
Office Hours
Tuesday and Thursday
8:30-4:30pm

Website: stisidoreparish.ca
with links to St. Thérèse

Sunday Mass
Messes du Dimanche
Breynat – Sunday 9 am
Plamondon - Sunday 11 am

Daily Mass
Messes du Chaque Jour
Plamondon – Tues to Fri 9am
Rosary begins 8:40 am

Adoration & mass
Plamondon – Every first
Friday of the month at 7pm

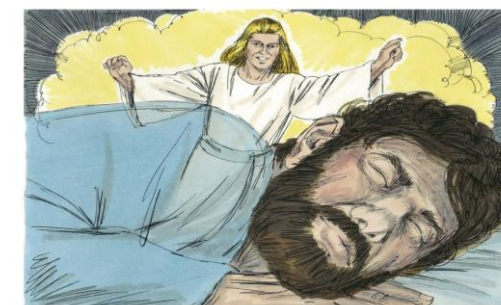


Dec 21, 2025 &
Dec 28 2025

Fourth Sunday of
Advent and Holy
Family Sunday

CALLED TO BE GOD'S PARTNERS

On this Fourth Sunday of Advent, we are invited to follow St. Joseph's example. Like him, we are asked to place ourselves totally at the service of God in the fulfillment of His plan of salvation. It is only by doing so that we will be able to experience real peace and be assured of our final success. The Lord, who created the world without us, could easily bring His plan to completion without us. But this is not what He usually does. He elevates us to the role of "partners" in the fulfillment of His plan, out of appreciation for our dignity, freedom, and other qualities that He has endowed us with. If we say "Yes," His sure success will also be ours.



THE FAMILY WE ALL DREAM OF

Our family is our "little world" – the place where we feel at home. It is the environment where we first feel loved and where we learn to love and care. Unfortunately, in our days, in far too many cases, the dream of a happy and faithful family has been shattered by selfishness, jealousy, pride, irresponsibility . . . Our celebration of the Feast of the Holy Family repropose to all of us both the attractiveness of the dream of a united and happy family and the means to make it a reality by living out the message of God's Word. May the example of Mary Most Holy, Joseph and Jesus and the teaching of St. Paul be our inspiration in making our families what we dream of and what God wants them to be





Announcement Corner

-Get your tickets for the New Years Eve Dance on Dec 31, 2025. Shared proceeds from this event go to St Isidore Parish. 16 Years and up are welcomed accompanied by a responsible adult.
 -Pre-Authorized Bank Debit 2026 forms are available at the back of the church or in your email. Please fill one in for 2026 as we require new ones signed every year.
 -You can still take advantage of making an extra monetary donation to add to your charitable tax receipt for 2025, till Dec 31! If you wish to contribute to our reno fund, just put that in a separate envelope from your Sunday Offering. If you wish to contribute more to Sunday Collection, just add to your Sunday envelope. Please note that the reno donations are separate from our Operating Costs. We are still in great need for the upkeep of our day-to-day expenses for the church and rectory, especially during the cold winter months and snow removal. Thank you for all the wonderful donations made so far and to all the Great Volunteers we have.
 -Parish Office Hours: Monday, Dec 22-8AM-12Noon and Tuesday, Dec 30-8AM-2PM

Prayer Chain

We recommend to your prayers, the healing and recovery of: Laurette Casavant, Jeannette Hebert, Randy Biollo, Chantal Gauthier-Vaillancourt, Lawson Mickiewicz, Mary Jones, Sandra Ball, Muriel Richard McKay, Leonie Germain, Cecile Amiot-Joncas, Leonard Schaub, Marcel Lemay and Darlene Cyre. Father of Goodness and love, hear our prayers for these sick members of our lives, and for all those who are in need of your healing presence.

Everyone can make a difference – Please give generously to the Waskaysoo (Lac La Biche) Food Bank. There is a collection box at the back of the church. Lakeland Out of the Elements Homeless Shelter is looking for warm clothing: gloves, hats, coats, socks. If you have any that are gently used or would like to purchase some, you can call them to make arrangements for drop off: 780-404-7597 or bring to Parish office.

Church Store – there are some beautiful items such as Nativity Scenes, Christmas Cards, etc. December 21 is the last Sunday it will be set up. If you missed it, we can still help you out on Monday, Dec 22, from 8am-12noon. Great Christmas gift ideas! All proceeds go to our Parish.

The word Advent means “coming” – Christ coming to earth as a baby for us, his coming in the believers’ heart today, as his coming again in power and great glory.

Why is the Advent Wreath so special to Christians?

The circle of the wreath reminds Christians of God, His eternity and endless mercy, which has no beginning or end. Candles symbolize the light of God coming into the world through the birth of his son Jesus Christ.

4th Sunday of Advent The Candle of **JOY** – Joy is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at this candle, we celebrate the joy we find in Jesus Christ.

Christmas Eve Mass: We will have a Nativity Scene and the children are invited to join in the procession. If you have any children between the ages of 5-10 who are willing to join us, please be at the hall by 5:30, to dress up! Children Liturgy will follow and we ask if children are younger than 5, to be accompanied by an older sibling or parent. We will also have a special collection box for the children to bring coins up for “Feed The Children”. This donation will be given to Chalice as a donation towards their organization.



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“Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel” which means “God is with us”

Week of December 21-28 – Semaine Decembre 21-28

Sun/Dim Dec 21	9:00 am	[Breynat]
	11:00 am	[Plamondon] Mass of Thanksgiving as offered by the Beland Family +Lindsay Armstrong as offered by the Lacalta Lodge Prayer Group
Sun/Dim Dec 28	9:00 am	[Breynat]
	11:00 am	[Plamondon] +Stephen Lemay as offered by Hal & Paulette Pressling and by the Lemay Family

Parish Volunteers

Date	Lector	Extra Ordinary Minister	Welcoming	Collection
Dec 7 11am English	Caroline Giammarioli Deborah Menard	Franco Giammarioli	Rick and Theresa St.Jean	Alex Richard and Joel Girard
Dec 14 11am French	Crystal Plamondon Etienne Vaillancourt	Rena Braund	Diane and Jerome Cloutier and Family	Steve Plamondon Michael Piontek
Dec 21 11am English	Guy Lambert Kathy Plamondon	Kathy Plamondon	Marlene Ulliac Debra Hrynyk	Lori & Cletus Girard
Dec 24 6pm Bi-lingual	Antonio Giammarioli-Eng Richard Mahe – Fr	Anita Gauthier Bonita Marchand Sylvia Cote	Andrea and Leon Ulliac	Rick & Theresa St.Jean Conrad and Joel Girard Toni and Denis Lord
Dec 25 11am-Bi-lingual	TBD			
Dec 28 11am French	Bonita Marchand Sylvia Cote	Lori Girard	Marilyn & Harold Gauthier	Alex Richard Denis Lord

Collections

	<u>St. Theresa</u>	<u>St. Isidore</u>
Dec 7, 2025	\$ 140.00	\$ 3,152.00 (\$1000 Reno donation)
Dec 14, 2025	\$ 215.00	935.00

Pre-Authorized (month of Dec 2025) \$ 3982.00 including special collections

Pre-Authorized Debit to your bank account is a simple, worry-free way to give to your parish. Ask us how. Please enquire by calling or emailing the parish office.

PLAMONDON ST. ISIDORE PARISH REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES AS AT OCTOBER 31, 2025

	Current Month	Year to Date
REVENUES	\$10,746	\$106,349
EXPENDITURES	\$9,278	\$107,539
SURPLUS (DEFICIENCY)	\$1,468	(\$1,190)

Donations to date for Rectory renovation project are \$5200 (not included)