

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 14, 2025

Immaculate Conception

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MASS TIMES: Nov. & Dec.

Major Saturday 5 p.m.

Dodsland Saturday 7:30 p.m.

Luseland Sunday 9 a.m.

Kerrobert Sunday 11 a.m.

Collection: \$820

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Matthew 11:2-11

Last Sunday, we heard John the Baptist preach the coming of a strong Messiah who would restore order and punish evil people, and ensure that justice would prevail. Now Jesus has arrived, and John has doubts while in prison, so he asks Jesus the question: "Are you the one?" Jesus points to what is happening: healing, new life and Good News proclaimed. But this is not what John had envisioned: that salvation is not punitive but salvific. Instead of judgment, Jesus announces God's mercy. Instead of imposing a new world order, Jesus invites people into a new covenant that transforms their lives, and Jesus shows special care to the excluded and the suffering.

1. What do you learn in this reading about the relationship between John and Jesus?
2. How has your life been touched and transformed by Jesus and his message of God's mercy?
3. What are the distinguishing marks of a prophet?

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

5 pm Christmas Eve – Luseland

7 pm Christmas Eve – Kerrobert

9 pm Christmas Eve – Major

10 am Christmas Day – Dodsland

5 pm New Year's Eve – Major

7:30 pm New Year's Eve – Dodsland

9 am New Year's Day – Luseland

11 am New Year's Day – Kerrobert

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK!

We will be decorating the church for the Christmas season following mass on December 20th! After decorating, everyone is invited to join us for a potluck downstairs to celebrate the season. Everyone is welcome!



ADVENT RECONCILIATION

Date	Place - Time	Date	Place - Time
December 16 – Tues.	Luseland – 5 pm	December 18 – Thurs.	Unity – 7 pm
December 17 – Wed.	Kerrobert – 7 pm	December 19 – Fri.	Macklin – 7 pm

CATECHIST CONNECTION

This is a one-hour digital gathering designed to build community and foster connections among catechists throughout the diocese. Each monthly session includes a brief teaching on a relevant topic to enhance the ministry of catechist, followed by open discussion, and the sharing of best practices. There are two times to choose from: noon to 1 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on the following dates: Jan. 14, Feb. 12, March 18, April 23, May 13, and June 11. For more information, contact diocesan Rural Catechetics Coordinator Quin Kleiboer at (306) 659-5857 or qkleiboer@rcdos.ca. (Rural Catechetics supported by gifts to the BAA).

SCAM ALERT

Fraudulent messages continue to circulate via e-mail, as well as via text and message apps, allegedly coming from our priests, bishop, or others in the Catholic community, asking for money, gift cards, or other gifts. DISREGARD all such messages! Do NOT reply or engage with the individuals sending these messages. Do NOT send gift cards, money, or cash transfers if requested to do so over e-mail or via text message.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY IMPLEMENTING A SYNODAL WAY OF PROCLAIMING CHRIST AND GOD'S KINGDOM TODAY

"The synodal form of the Church is at the service of its mission, and any change in the life of the Church is intended to make it more capable of proclaiming the Kingdom of God and witnessing to the Gospel of the Lord to the men and women of our time." – Cardinal Mario Grech, Pathways for the Implementation Phase of the Synod. Find more information about the implementation of the Synod on Synodality at:

<https://rcdos.ca/syond>

ST. PETER'S PARISH ADVENT MISSION

Join St. Peter's in Unity for talks for Colm and Sharon Leyne followed by a time of Adoration with confession and prayer ministry. The cost is a free will offering.

GESTURES AND BODILY POSTURE DURING THE MASS –

The following is from guidelines sent out from Bishop Hagemoen

IV. OTHER NOTES ON BOWING, GENUFLECTIONS, AND POSTURE

Priests and ministers genuflect prior to entering the sanctuary and upon leaving it if the tabernacle is contained within it. If the tabernacle is not within the sanctuary, they make a profound bow to the altar alone prior to entering and exiting. Throughout the Mass and other liturgies such as the Divine Office, all (servers, lectors, etc.) make a profound bow to the altar upon entering and leaving the sanctuary⁶ as it takes precedence as the place of sacrificial worship during liturgies, unless the blessed sacrament is exposed during the Rite of Eucharistic Adoration.

LITURGICAL AND SACRAMENTAL MINISTRIES

I. EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The norms for this Diocese are the following: Extraordinary Ministers Communion are to be annually mandated for each parish at a public liturgy. The mandating ceremony is properly celebrated during a Sunday Mass on the Feast of Christ the King. Names of persons mandated are to be submitted to the Bishop's Office. Commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who fulfill ministry to seniors or shut-ins are to be included in this mandating of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

i. The Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

1. The minister of the Eucharist is a bishop or priest: "The minister who is able to confect the sacrament of the Eucharist in the person of Christ is a validly ordained priest alone." (canon 900 §1). It is most fitting that he distributes Holy Communion to the faithful. The bishop, the priest, and the deacon by virtue of their sacred ordination are the ordinary ministers of Holy Communion (cf. Canon 910). (To Be Continued Next Week)

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Jesus, you make the blind to see. Help us to see our neighbors' needs. You open deaf ears to hear. Please open our ears to hear the cry of the poor. You made clean the lepers. Clean us too, we beg, of the many wrongs we do, and the right things we fail to do. Our mute tongues want to sing your praise. We want to leap in joy like the stag. Heal us, please. AMEN