

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### WELCOME TO NOTRE DAME PARISH

To register, please call 306-445-3836.

Make sure we get your email address!

Regular office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday from 9 am - noon and 1 - 4 pm. In case of emergencies when a priest is needed, please call Father Millan at 306-260-7786.

Coffee & Donuts in St. Bernadette Hall,  
after 11:00 am Mass, Dec. 14 & 21.  
No coffee & donuts on Sun. Dec. 28.  
We will resume on Sun. Jan. 4, 2026.

### Marriage Preparation

March 20 & 21, 2026, at St. Vital Roman Catholic Church in Battleford, SK. For details on the agenda and cost, please email Fr. Greg Elder at [gregelder@padiocese.ca](mailto:gregelder@padiocese.ca)

### Chalice Catalogues

Catalogues are available at the back of the church. You may also place orders by phone or online.  
**Chalice: 1-800-776-6855 or [chalice.ca](http://chalice.ca).**

### Advent Food Drive 2025

Here are some suggestions for the Food Bank:

**Week Three: Dec. 14 – Dec. 20**

Cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, instant potatoes, canned vegetables, Christmas treats, cookies, or chocolates

**Week Four: Dec. 21-27**

Spices, crackers, both soda and snack style, diapers of all sizes, socks for all ages, toothbrushes, bar soap

**Nonperishable food items are welcome. These can be dropped off at the parish office, and we will see that families in need receive them.**

The Food Bank is also accepting gently used outdoor winter clothing for the “Share the Warmth” program. Drop off your donations at 1171 101<sup>th</sup> St. North Battleford

**Battlefords District Food and Resource Centre**  
Call 306-937-5505 for more info.



### Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Notre Dame Parish wishes to thank all our parishioners for your prayers and financial support throughout the whole year. Thank you, also, for your service to our parish through all the ministries and volunteer commitments that you undertake. We truly appreciate the work of all the committees and individuals that help out in so many ways! May you have a blessed Christmas with family and friends, and may the New Year of 2026 bring you health and happiness! Thank you for your donations of flowers for Christmas. The parish office will be open next week, Dec. 23 & 24, but closed between Christmas and New Years, except for Dec. 30. Regular hours resume on Jan. 6, 2026.

Please keep up to date with the events that are happening in our parish by visiting our Facebook page or our website at [www.notredameparish.ca](http://www.notredameparish.ca)  
Altar servers, please pick up your Christmas card from the table at the back of the church after Masses this weekend.

### Advent & Christmas Schedule

**Wed., Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Mass**

5:00 pm at St. André - Fr. Millan

7:00 pm at Notre Dame – Fr. Millan;

Please join in the singing with Jaki Esquirol and Princess Acosta. (Children’s Mass)

9:00 pm at Notre Dame – Fr. Greg

Please come at 8:30 for Christmas caroling with Sr. Rita’s guitar group.

**Thurs., Dec. 25: Christmas Day Mass**

11:00 am Notre Dame – Fr. Millan

Please join the singing with Cheryl Kitzan, accompanied by Brendan Legario.

**Wed., Dec. 31: New Year’s Eve Mass**

7:00 pm at Notre Dame – Fr. Millan

**Thurs., Jan. 1: New Year’s Day Mass**

9:30 am St. André – Fr. Millan

11:00 am Notre Dame - Fr. Millan



**Sat. Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm Notre Dame**  
For the intentions of the people, and for † Jerome Bru by Paula & family.

**Simbang Gabi 8:30 pm Notre Dame**

**Sun. Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> 9:30 am St. André**  
For the intentions of the people.

**11:00 am Notre Dame**

For the intentions of the people.

5:00 pm

For † Arnold, † Monnie, & † Kathy Gantefoer by Glen & family.

**Simbang Gabi 7:30 pm**

**Mon. Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> 10 :00 am Harwood**

For † Marlene Bell by Jocelyn & Rick Iverson.

**Simbang Gabi 7:30 pm**

**Tues. Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:00 am Villa**

For † Souls in purgatory by Claire Bergen.

**Simbang Gabi 7:30 pm**

**Wed. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm St. André**

For † Loni Kaye Anderson by Kelye Lavoie.

For † Terry Weber by the Hamel family.

For † Léon Lacoursiere by Albert & Hélène Blais.

For the intentions of Fr. Millan by Patty Fenrich.

**7:00 pm Notre Dame**

For † Jerry and † Kim McGrath by Clem McGrath.

For † Henri and † Elaine Poirier by Terrie Michaud.

For † René Cramatte by Marion Cramatte.

For † Lilian and † Joe Weber by Irene Murphy.

**9:00 pm Notre Dame**

For † deceased members of the Delorme, Campbell, & Loch families by Linda Campbell.

For † Hilda Loch by Albert & Hélène Blais.

For † Aris Guevarra by Iryn Guevarra.

For the intentions of Sister Rita Bisson by John & Shirley Vany.

**Thurs. Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am Notre Dame**

For † Sharon Hogemann by Rose K., Kelen K., and Laura R.

For † Raymond Grosjean by John and Shirley Vany.

For † Marlene Bell by Doreen Dudek.

For the intentions of John Cadrin by Craig Treiber.

**Fri. Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> No Mass**

**Sat. Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm**

For the intentions of the people, and for the Knights of Columbus Council 2094.

**Sun. Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am St. André**

For the intentions of the people.

**11:00 am Notre Dame**

For † Hilda Loch by Walter.

**5:00 pm Notre Dame**

For the intentions of the people.

**Mon. Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> No Mass**

**Tues. Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> No Mass**

**Wed. Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> 7:00 pm Notre Dame**

For † Jennifer and † Hector D'Silva by Glen.

**Thurs. Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 9:30 am St. André**

For the intentions of the people.

**11:00 am Notre Dame**

For the intentions of Ron and Rose Balfour by Glenn & Helen Kayfish.

**Fri. Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> No Mass**

**Sat. Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 pm Notre Dame**

For the intentions of the people, and for † Ron Boechler by Glenn & Helen Kayfish.

**Sun. Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am St. André**

For the intentions of the people.

**11:00 am Notre Dame**

For † Randy and † Agnes by Laura.

**5:00 pm Notre Dame**

For the intentions of the people.

### Closing Jubilee Mass

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert will celebrate the closing of the 2025 Jubilee: Pilgrims of Hope at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Sunday, Dec. 28, 2025, at 11:00 am. All are welcome. The celebration will be live-streamed:

<https://youtube.com/live/WpZ3QV1vd-Y?feature=share>

The recording will be available later on the Diocesan web and Facebook pages. For those who wish to come and join the choir, we will meet at 10:30 am to go through the songs.

### Celebration of the Eucharist

You are invited to attend a Farewell Celebration for Archbishop-Designate Stephen A. Hero, on Jan. 9, 2026, at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Prince Albert, followed by refreshments.

<b>MINISTRY MASS SCHEDULE</b>						
Date	Dec. 20 7:00 pm	Dec. 21 1:00 am	Dec. 21 5:00 pm	Dec. 27 7:00 pm	Dec. 28 11:00 am	Dec. 28 5:00 pm
Captains	M. Isla 445-0581	H. Kayfish 639-218-4031	R. Balfour 446-3063	M. Rousseau 445-4367	H. Kayfish 639-218-4031	R. Balfour 446-3063
Greeters	D. & I. Alcantara	G. Rentz C. Treiber	Rose Balfour	B. Santillan	Charles & Erna Day	Bill Semeniuk
Gift Bearers	D. & I. Alcantara	G. Rentz C. Treiber	Bill S. Eduardo L.	B. Santillan C. McGrath	Charles & Erna Day	Maggie H. Maria H.
Commentary Announcements	Hazel Plaza	Jean Pawlus	Val Yockey	Murielle Rousseau	Hélène Blais	Hazel Plaza
1 <sup>st</sup> R. & Psalm 2 <sup>nd</sup> R. & prayers	Murielle Rousseau	J. Fernandes C. Kitzan	Rose Balfour	Chris Pollard	T. Brost D. MacGregor	Glen Gantefoer
Body of Christ Blood of Christ Blood of Christ	B. Santillan M. Isla M. Rousseau	P. Pielak A. Lacoursiere D. MacGregor	V. Yockey R. Balfour Glen G.	I. Alcantara M. Isla A. Lacoursiere	G. Rentz J. Mathew D. Dudek	M. Isla Glen G. Bill S.
Altar Servers	Dannuel S. Anneia S. Ethan P.	Michaela I. Ariana I. Ellie U.	Tu P. Luke H. Micheal H.	Dannuel S. Anneia S. Nathaniel D.C.	Elisha M. Xavier P. Charlotte P.	Joshua H. Joseph H. Ellianah N.
Ushers	_____	Marie & volunteers	_____	_____	Marie & volunteers	_____
Collectors	volunteers	Laurier, Craig Perry, Larry	Joseph H. Joshua H.	volunteers	Vince, Von Larry, Laurier	Eduardo L. Luke H.
<b>If you are unable to attend when scheduled, please find a replacement, or contact the captain.</b>						

**Vocation Corner**  
**Third Sunday of Advent – A**  
**A Vocation View:** Vocations from God are not always clear. Not all of us are like Joseph who had an angel appear to him saying: "Take Mary as your wife, and fear not."  
**Prayer:** For a deeper trust and docility to the Holy Spirit among persons discerning a call to serve Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.  
**Action:** Prayer is a moving force in vocation development. Prayer is effective; prayer is powerful; prayer is essential. Few are called to priesthood or religious life, but all are called to pray for vocations. "Lord, your Church is in need. Touch the hearts of many within our parish with the desire to serve you. Call forth from this community: sisters, brothers, deacons, priests and lay leaders. Help us to live lives that will nurture childhood trust into adult commitment. May this parish be a source of hope and a source of ministers for your Church, your people and your world. Amen."

**Bishop’s Annual Appeal :**  
**« Planting Seeds of Hope »**  
**Oct. 26, 2025 – December 31, 2025**  
**Every gift is greatly appreciated!** If you have already sent in your pledge for the Bishop’s Annual Appeal, thank you for your generosity. If you haven’t done so yet and are planning to do so, the Appeal Office would like to have all pledges received on or before December 31, 2025. If you aren’t sure how to make your donation, please contact Rose at the parish office for help. **Our goal is \$20,244.00. As of Dec. 17, we have received 49 pledges. The amount pledged so far to the Bishop’s Annual Appeal by parishioners of our parish is \$10,167.00.** More pledges are on their way to Prince Albert this week.

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS**  
**Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
Loose - \$499.40    Envelopes - \$1900.00  
Pre-authorized up to Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> - \$300.00  
Enumerators for Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> & Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>:  
Rose McDonald, Dorothy Manegre  
**Notre Dame Parish thanks you for all your donations! Canadian money only, please!**

**For prayer requests call the Prayer Line:**  
441-4123 or 441-5675

**Notre Dame de Lourdes Parish**  
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Facebook page: [Notre Dame de Lourdes Battlefords](#)



**Dec. 21 & 28, 2025**  
**(2-week bulletin)**

**Pastor: Fr. Millan Sajonas**  
For emergencies call: 306-260-7786  
**Confessions:** before Mass or by appointment  
**Parish Secretary:** Rose Balfour  
**Caretakers:** Tanya & Clint Polnicky  
**Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday**  
**9:00 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 4:00**  
**Parish Council Members:**  
Michelle Prince, John Vany, Varun Chako, Marie Urben, Janice Dela Cruz, Reina Acosta  
Appointed members: Helen Kayfish, Rose Balfour  
**Parish Finance Members:** Cherry Gonzales, Shaun Loepky, Mike Waschuk, Len Pawlus, Jeena Mathew, Rose McDonald, Bernard Bru  
**Book keeper:** Jaki Esquirol  
**Fundraising Chair:** Debbie MacGregor

**December 21, 2025**  
**Fourth Sunday in Advent**  
As our Advent preparations end and Christmas fast approaches, it is fitting that today’s readings demonstrate the intensity of the Father’s perfect and passionate love for each of us, culminating in the gift of His own Son, Jesus Christ, on Christmas Day.  
In response to such an overwhelming gift, what can we do except offer our lives as gift in return, embracing a stewardship way of life with all the love and strength we have to give?  
In our Gospel passage from Matthew, we find an unparalleled example of one who embraced this way of life in St. Joseph, as he obeys God’s call to him through the message of an angel.  
We never hear St. Joseph speak, but the Scriptures tell us he was always listening, attentive to the leading of the Holy Spirit for his family. It was Joseph who found the stable where the baby Jesus would be born. No doubt it was Joseph who cleaned it up and prepared it for Mary and Jesus since we know that Mary was about to give birth. Joseph protected the family, guarded them, and tended to their safety, their comfort, and their well-being at the expense of his own plans and preferences. Though we do not hear any words from St. Joseph his actions clearly show that he offered himself, his whole life, as a gift to his family through his strong guidance, protection, and service.  
Let us imitate St. Joseph, then, as good stewards, giving our very lives to those around us in love and gratitude to God, who has given us everything we have, especially His own Son, Jesus Christ.

