

DECEMBER 17TH, 2023

**3rd Sunday
of Advent**

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ST. BONIFACE -GOODSOIL ST. ANTONINUS-PIERCELAND SACRED HEART -LOON LAKE

	TIME	LOCATION	MASS INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
Mon. Dec. 18			No Mass Scheduled	
Tues. Dec. 19	7:00pm	Pierceland	+Jim & Rose Murphy	Murphy Children
Wed. Dec. 20	10:00am 7:00pm	Care Home Goodsoil	+Florian & Isabella Schewalje Advent Penitential Service	Vince & Dorothy Schewalje
Thur Dec. 21	9:00am	Goodsoil	+Tony Schreiber	Darrell & Sylvia Jones
Fri. Dec. 22	9:00am	Goodsoil	In Thanksgiving for Life	St. Boniface C.W.L.
Sat. Dec. 23	5:00pm 7:30pm	Loon Lake Pierceland	For All Parishioners +Leonard Niedermaier	Colleen Niedermaier
Sun Dec. 24 4th Sun of Advent	9:00am	Goodsoil	For All Parishioners	
Sun Dec. 24th Christmas Eve	5:00pm 7:30pm	Loon Lake Pierceland	+Sandy & Mary Dunbar +Harold Foss	John & Ada Strakov Gail Foss
	9:30pm	Goodsoil	+John & Veronica Doerr	Leo & Louise Hetlinger
Mon. Dec. 25th Nativity of the Lord	9:00am	Goodsoil	+Tony Hinger	Bertha Hinger

ST. BONIFACE DEC. 24 MINISTERS LIST- 4TH SUN. OF ADVENT ST. ANTONINUS DEC. 23

Commentator- Isabelle W.	Eucharistic Minister- Pam
Readers- Louise H. Larry N.	Readers - Audery Shannon
Greeters - Ted/Carmen Stremick	Music- Aguilar Mono- Keri
Gift Bearers - Bob/Yvonne R.	Gifts - Audery Shirley
Eucharistic Minister- Lucille M.	Servers- Roy Rider
Servers— Nadyne Kate Dom	Greeters- Eileen
Rosary- Barb N.	Rosary - Barb

MINISTERS LISTS

ST. BONIFACE DEC. 24 EVE	DEC. 25 DAY	ST. ANTONINUS DEC. 24
Commentator- Gail B.	Gloria F.	Eucharistic Minister- Audery
Readers- Joan H. Bonnie H.	Theresa S. Rita S.	Readers - Shirley Pam
Greeters - Dennis/Marty H.	Ernie/Terry H.	Music- Anita Mono- Shannon
Gift Bearers - Joe/Jeanette M.	Wes/Lorraine D.	Gifts - Wes and Eileen
Eucharistic Minister- Brian S.	Barb N.	Servers- Marla
Servers— Bob R. Kate Mary	Ted Henry Dom	Greeters- Leona
Rosary- Community singing	Louise H.	Rosary - None

GOODSOIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent Penitential Service—Wednesday December 20th at

7:00 pm St. Boniface Church

Knights of Columbus—Door of Hope collection during the month of December. Please donate non-perishable items

Shopping List—all sizes and types of Pasta, Rice, Soup, Crackers, Cookies -Canned Fruit -Canned Veggies-Boxed Cereal Oatmeal

One Warm Coat Drive —Clean gently used items .. Jackets ..Mitts Toques . Scarves .. Drop off at the church or Larry’s Place

2023 Bishop Annual Appeal—St. Boniface Parish pledges as of **Dec 11th** - 32 pledges totalling **\$10,230!!**

Dec. Cleaners—Ian & Raquelle Sonntag, Pat & Rita Sonntag, Tony & Joanne Stoebich Nick & Kristie Stoebich
Cleaning duties are posted on the back bulletin board

PIERCELAND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cleaners for December—Pam Johnson 306-839-2167 Colleen Nault, Angie Gelowitz, Susy Hetlinger, Sharon Rawlake

A Christmas Letter from Jesus

*When you look for me at Christmas,
You won't need a special star.
I'm no longer just in Bethlehem,
I'm right here where you are.
You may not be aware of me
amid the celebrations.
You'll have to look beyond the stores,
and all the decorations.
But if you take a moment
from your list of things to do,
To close your eyes and say a prayer,
I'm waiting here for you.
You're the one I want to be with,
You're the reason that I came!
And you'll find me in the stillness
Where I'm whispering your name.*

NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES	LOON LAKE	PIERCELAND	GOODSOIL
Sat Dec 30th Feast of the Holy Family	5:00 pm		
Sun Dec 31st Feast of the Holy Family New Year's Eve	5:00 pm	11:00 am	9:00 am
Mon. Jan 1st New Year's Day		11:00 am	9:00 am

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Last date to donate is **December 31st**.

Tax receipts will be issued from the Diocese of Prince Albert in the new year.

Thank you for your continued support for the Bishops Annual Appeal



Rejoice always. (1 Thessalonians 5:16)

When St. Paul tells us to *“rejoice always”* (1 Thessalonians 5:16), it might seem that he is asking the impossible. How can we always feel joyful?

Isn't this too much to ask, even today, on Gaudete (or “Rejoice”) Sunday?

Not according to St. Thomas Aquinas! He taught that *“joy is caused by love”*.

As we experience God's love for us, we grow in love for Him—and this exchange of love is what produces joy in us. St. Paul also knew that God's love was the secret to joy, which is why he follows up his exhortation to *“rejoice always”* with specific steps that we can take to experience His love more deeply:

First, **pray without ceasing** (1 Thessalonians 5:17). When we open our heart to God throughout the day, He fills it with His very self. The experience of His unconditional love and unending mercy ignites our love in return.

Second, **in all circumstances give thanks** (1 Thessalonians 5:18). Gratitude also deepens our love for God, especially when we reflect on who He is and what He has done for us. And in this Advent season, whatever our circumstances, we can thank God for sending His Son to earth to become one of us.

Finally, **do not quench the Spirit** (1 Thessalonians 5:19). In his Letter to the Romans, St. Paul tells us that *“the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit”* (5:5).

If we want more joy in our lives, we can ask the Spirit to stir up the love of God in our hearts.

And when he does, we can express it by praising Him—which will, in turn, increase our joy.

Joy is not just for Gaudete Sunday; it's for every day. So each day, follow Paul's advice: turn to the Lord in prayer, thank Him for all He has done for you, and ask Him to fill you with more of His Spirit.

Then praise Him—and let your spirit soar!

“Lord, shower me with your love today so that my heart swells with joy!”