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**CWL Gift Cabinet**

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# PAROISSE ST. EMILE PARISH

5005-46 Street  
Box 90, Legal AB T0G 1L0

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 21, janvier 2024  
3<sup>e</sup> dimanche du temps  
ordinaire

*Welcome to all  
new  
Parishioners!! 😊*



**Donation Envelopes, Pre-Authorized Debit form &**

**Bulletin**

If you would like to register for donation envelopes, to receive a pre-authorized debit form or would like to receive the bulletin by email, please contact the office.

**Natural Family Planning**

Jaclyn Sandmaier  
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**Liturgy Coordinator**

Lorretta Chauvet  
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**Maintenance**

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**Young Women's Book Study**

Samantha Beier  
780-903-2220

**Church Environment/Décor**

Cathy Proulx 780-961-4180  
Pauline Prefontaine 780-868-4112

**Baptism**

Contact the parish office for information and to register.

**Sacramental Preparation for children**

Kathy Kieser – 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation, Confirmation, and 1<sup>st</sup> Communion 780-206-6630

**Marriage/Wedding**

Please contact the office at least 6 months in advance of your wedding date.

**Sacrament of the Sick**

Please call the office or in urgent cases, if the priest is absent, the nearest parish priest.

**Funerals**

Please make an appointment with Father **before** other arrangements are made.

**Altar Serving Facilitator**

Samantha Beier 780-903-2220

## Gospel Reflection:

The calling of the brothers in today's Gospel evokes Elisha's commissioning by the prophet Elijah (see [1 Kings 19:19–21](#)).

As Elijah comes upon Elisha working on his family's farm, so Jesus sees the brothers working by the seaside. And as Elisha left his mother and father to follow Elijah, so the brothers leave their father to come after Jesus.

Jesus' promise—to make them "fishers of men"—evokes Israel's deepest hopes. The prophet Jeremiah announced a new exodus in which God would send "many fishermen" to restore the Israelites from exile, as once He brought them out of slavery in Egypt (see [Jeremiah 16:14–16](#)).

By Jesus' Cross and Resurrection, this new exodus has begun (see [Luke 9:31](#)). And the apostles are the first of a new people of God, the Church—a new family, based not on blood ties, but on belief in Jesus and a desire to do the Father's will (see [John 1:12–13](#); [Matthew 12:46–50](#)).

From now on, even our most important worldly concerns—family relations, occupations, and possessions—must be judged in light of the Gospel, Paul says in today's Epistle.

The first word of Jesus' Gospel—repent—means we must totally change our way of thinking and living, turning from evil, doing all for the love of God.

And we should be consoled by Nineveh's repentance in today's First Reading. Even the wicked Nineveh could repent at Jonah's preaching. And in Jesus we have "something greater than Jonah" ([Matthew 12:41](#)). We have God come as our savior, to show sinners the way, as we sing in today's Psalm. This should give us hope—that loved ones who remain far from God will find compassion if they turn to Him.

But we, too, must continue along the path of repentance—striving daily to pattern our lives after His.

[Following Him: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – St. Paul Center \(stpaulcenter.com\)](#)

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## GENERAL COLLECTION

**Jan 14, 2024**

New Year's Collection - \$20.00

General Collection – \$1558.40

Thank you so much for your generosity/ Merci pour votre générosité.

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**RECONCILIATION** – Available on Saturday mornings after 9:30am, weekdays and Sundays after mass. Fr. Ambrose is also available during office hours for those that cannot make the other scheduled times.

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## MASS INTENTIONS for January 20 – January 26, 2024

Château	Sat.	6:30 pm	Jan 20 – For our parish community
Church	Sun.	9:30 am	Jan 21 – Blessings for Ernie Chauvet – Darrell Hopegood
Church	Tues.	9:00 am	Jan 23 – RIP Joanne D'uval – Yvonne Hunting
Church	Wed.	9:00 am	Jan 24 – RIP Cheryll Simoni – Fred Simoni
Church	Thur.	9:00 am	Jan 25 – Blessings for Bert & Angie Jodoin – Gerald & Pat Letourneau
Church	Fri.	9:00am	Jan 26 –

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### Sidewalk Cleaning

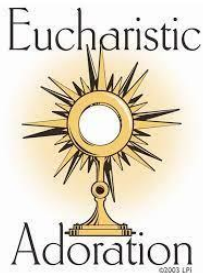
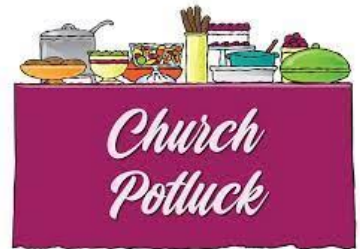


We'd like to thank those who have stepped up to help with the clearing of snow, especially the young people, and would encourage others to do this as well. Please consider putting your name on the list so that we can share the load with others. The list is located at the back of the church.

### Parish Potluck

Our next Parish Potluck is this Sunday!! Please bring a dish to share and stay to visit and grow in community! We will provide tea, coffee, and juice. Contact Ruth for more information – 780-977-4284

**If possible, bring your own utensils as well, please.**



### **ADORATION!!!**

Wednesday, January 24 at 7pm. This will be an evening of adoring Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament with music and silent meditation. For everyone! Please feel free to invite others. Contact Michelle for more information 587-335-0345.

*“Come let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our God, our Maker.”*

Psalm 95



"It's that time again! Youth group is this Friday, January 19th at 7:00 pm at the Legal School. We will be exploring what it means to Worship. Put your thinking caps on and join us and don't forget to bring a friend!"

Please bring \$2.00 to cover the cost of snacks and supplies.

Contact Samantha at [samantha.beier@yahoo.ca](mailto:samantha.beier@yahoo.ca) or 780-903-2220 for more details!"

## **CWL News – Faith, Service, and Social Justice**



Faith  
(hearts in prayer)

CWL Councils at all levels are encouraged to provide opportunities for members to experience spiritual growth through: prayer, recognizing the sanctity of life, the study of Catholic teachings, encouraging vocations, ecumenism and interfaith endeavours, and circulating information that enhances church teachings. The St. Emile CWL council is excited to share the core value of **Faith** with our parish.

If you are interested in joining our council and in helping our church and our community, our next meeting is January 23 at 7:00 at the rectory. For more information contact Kathy at [klkieser4@gmail.com](mailto:klkieser4@gmail.com).



*Do not wish to be anything  
but what you are, and try  
to be that perfectly.*

St. Francis de Sales (bishop, doctor) – feast day January 24