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PARISH BULLETIN

From December 1 – 31, 2023

MASS TIMES

DATE		FEAST	ST-CÉSAIRE	MONTREAL	SHERBROOKE	ND-DES-BOIS	BRINSTON (RÉGION D'OTTAWA)
Fri.	1	Ferial	18h30 17h55 Benediction	18h00 Benediction after Mass	18h30 Benediction after Mass		18h30 Benediction after Mass
Sat.	2	Saint Bibiana	7h15 Benediction after Mass	10h00 Benediction after Mass	9h00 Benediction after Mass		10h00 Benediction after Mass
Sun.	3	1st Sunday of Advent, 1st cl.	8h00	11h00	10h00	--	10h00
Mon.	4	Saint Francis Xavier, <i>comm. of the ferial</i>	7h15 & 18h30				
Tue.	5	Ferial, <i>comm. of Saint Sabbas</i>	7h15 18h30 Rosary and cat.				
Wed.	6	Saint Nicholas, <i>comm. of the ferial</i>	7h15				
Thu.	7	Saint Ambrose, <i>comm. of the ferial</i>	7h15 & 18h30 17h55 Benediction				
Fri.	8	Imm. Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 1st cl., comm. of the ferial	18h00 (sung)	18h00	18h30		18h30
Sat.	9	Ferial	7h15	10h00	09h00		10h00
Sun.	10	2nd Sunday of Advent, 1st cl.	8h00	11h00	10h00	16h00	10h00
Mon.	11	Saint Damasus, <i>comm. of the ferial</i>	7h15 & 18h30 17h55 Benediction	Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Saint-Césaire: 8h00 to 18h25			
Tue.	12	Ferial	7h15				
Wed.	13	Saint Lucy, <i>comm. of the ferial</i>	7h15				
Thu.	14	Ferial	7h15 17h55 Benediction				
Fri.	15	Ferial	7h15	18h00			
Sat.	16	Ferial, <i>comm. of Saint Eusebius</i>	7h15	10h00			10h00
Sun.	17	3rd Sunday of Advent, 1st cl.	8h00	11h00	10h00	--	10h00
Mon.	18	Ferial	7h15 & 18h30				
Tue.	19	Ferial	7h15 18h30 Rosary and cat.				
Wed.	20	Ember Wednesday	7h15				
Thu.	21	Saint Thomas, <i>comm. of the ferial</i>	18h30 17h55 Benediction				
Fri.	22	Ember Friday	7h15	18h00			
Sat.	23	Ember Saturday	7h15	10h00			10h00
Sun.	24	Vigil of Christmas, 1st cl.	8h00	11h00	10h00	--	10h00
Mon.	25	Christmas, 1st cl.	0h00 & 10h00	0h00 & 11h00	0h00 & 10h00	--	0h00 & 8h30 & 10h00
Tue.	26	Saint Stephen <i>Comm. of the Octave of Christmas</i>	10h00				
Wed.	27	Saint John, <i>comm. of the Octave of Christmas</i>	10h00				
Thu.	28	The Holy Innocents <i>Comm. of the Octave of Christmas</i>	10h00				
Fri.	29	Within the octave of Christmas <i>Comm. of Saint Thomas of Canterbury</i>	10h00				
Sat.	30	Within the octave of Christmas	10h00				
Sun.	31	Sunday within the octave of Christmas	8h00	11h00	10h00	16h00	10h00



“Okay,” said Joe, “I was reading the book that you gave me, and it says that if I want to live a good life, I have to first of all have my sins forgiven. What is that about?” “Well,” I said, stirring my cappuccino, “to have your sins forgiven, you have to go to Confession.”

“Now, hold on a second,” said Joe, “don’t tell me that I have to tell my sins to some dressed up man in a box to have them forgiven! That’s crazy!” I took a deep breath under the cover of drinking my coffee. “Well Joe,” I said, “what is a sin?” “I suppose it is when you do something wrong,” he said. “A sin,” I replied “is an offence against Almighty God. When we offend against His Law, which is written in our hearts, we commit a sin. And tell me Joe, if you offend somebody, who can forgive you except the person whom you offend?”

“That’s the whole point,” said Joe, “you don’t offend that priest in the box. So why should you ask him for forgiveness?” “I’ll tell you why,” I said, “because that is the way that God decided that it would be!” “Oh yeah, of course, that’s very handy. All you Catholics say is that’s the way God decided that it should be. What really happened is that you’ve been tricked all these years, believing every word that those priests tell you. If he told you tomorrow that you had to pray in Greek, you’d go along with it!”

I kept silence for a few seconds and then I fumbled in my pocket and took out the small New Testament that I carry around. All the while Joe was looking alternately pleased with himself then slightly concerned as he wondered what I was doing. At last I found the passage I was looking for and read it aloud. “He breathed on the apostles; and he said to them: Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them: and whose sins you shall retain, they are retained.” (*Jn. 20, 23*)

It was Joe’s turn to be quiet. Then he said: “Alright, but that doesn’t mean that you have to tell the priest your sins, does it?” “If you don’t tell the priest your sins, how else does he know whether to forgive or retain them? That is what Our Lord is saying – the priest has to make a judgment on whether or not we are ready to have our sins forgiven.” “But is that not very difficult – to have to tell even your secret sins to someone else?” “It is and it isn’t,” I said, “mortal sin is like a poison inside you, destroying you, when you are truly sorry and go to Confession, it is removed.”

- Fr. David Sherry

Announcements

- ★ **Confessions 30 minutes before weekday evening Masses, 1 hour before Masses on Sundays and holydays.**
- ★ Weekly catechism at the Saint Joseph Centre on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, with some exceptions. Rosary at 6:30 pm.
- ★ A meeting of the Eucharistic Crusade is foreseen for **December 2nd** in Saint-Césaire.
- ★ Brinston & Sherbrooke will have priority for First Fridays and First Saturdays in **2023**.
- ★ Saint-Césaire & Montreal will have priority for First Fridays and First Saturdays in **2024**.
- ★ To help newcomers and remind some current faithful on the matter of tax receipts
 - To receive donation tax receipts at the end of each fiscal year, you **MUST** ensure we have your current address and contact information. Your name must accompany each donation so it is properly recorded. If you make an individual donation online at ssp.x.ca/en/gifts, you will immediately receive a receipt by email.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

<u>SECOND COLLECTIONS</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Building/renovation projects (2 nd Sunday of the month)	December 10	Renovations to maintain and improve our chapels
For St. Joseph’s Bursary (4 th Sunday of the month)	December 24	Toward the tuition fees of our children in need in our schools

Emergency Phone at Saint-Césaire: You can reach the priests during the day by calling the Centre Saint-Joseph at (450) 390-1323, at night, in case of emergency only, you must call this number: (450) 525 7406.

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