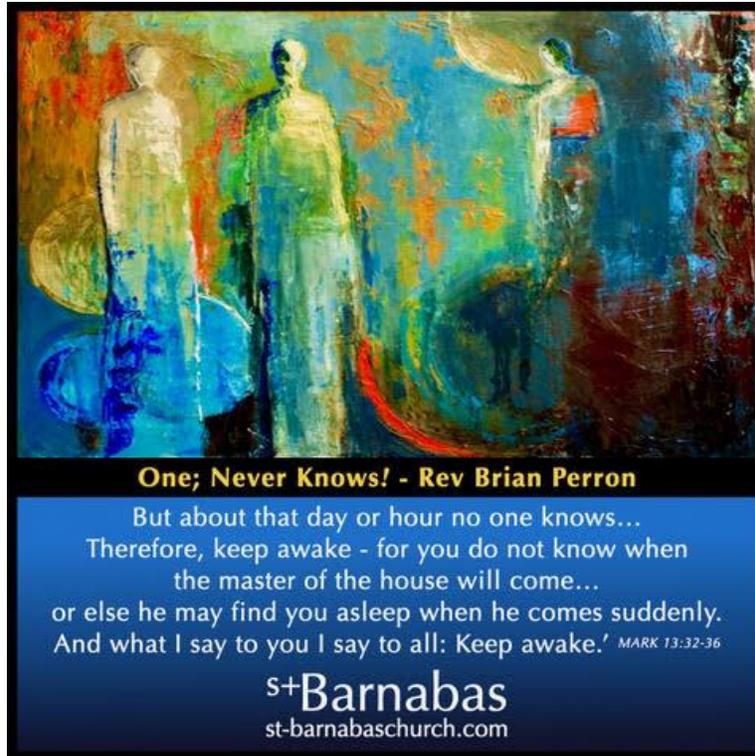


Sunday, November 29, 2020 | dimanche, le 29 novembre 2020

*We encourage you to follow along with the service bulletin that continues below.  
Announcements and updates follow at the end of the service.*



But about that day or hour no one knows...  
Therefore, keep awake - for you do not know when the master of the house will come...  
or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly.  
And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.' Mark 13:32-36

Quant au jour et à l'heure, personne ne les connaît...  
Restez donc vigilants, car vous ne savez pas quand viendra le maître de la maison...  
Qu'il ne vous trouve pas endormis quand il arrivera tout à coup!  
Ce que je vous dis, je le dis à tous: Restez vigilants. Marc 13:32-36

**Welcome:**

**Church Offering Envelopes:** St-Barnabas Giving Envelope boxes are being reordered. Recently, many parishioners have decided to give to our church using online technology and no longer require a box of envelopes. However, everyone who gives will retain a designated number, although in some instances, your number may change.

**Please let us know if you no longer require a box of envelopes,** otherwise we will order a box for you and we expect to distribute your new box at the end of the year. Thank you to all who continue to support our church financially.

**Process of reopening:** St-Barnabas was open again today, November 29<sup>th</sup>, for our 10 am

service. We were pleased to welcome our maximum of 25 parishioners and guests.  
**Please let us know preferably by email: [barnabas@bellnet.ca](mailto:barnabas@bellnet.ca), if you plan to attend our December 6th service. Include a list of the people who will be attending with you; remember to bring your masks. We have room for you...**

*In the meantime, for reasons of safety, there should be no entry into our church facilities without prior agreement from management.*

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### Advent One - LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE: HOPE

This first Sunday of Advent we begin a time of preparation, we begin a process through the liturgical season of Advent. Through the lighting of the 5 candles represented in the advent wreath, we will acknowledge 5 important words: **Hope, Faith, Joy, Love, and Jesus, the Christ**

Hope is an essential element of our Christian character. It is joined to faith and love which allows for the joy of peace. Let us give praise to God for a Living Hope:

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy, he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.** 1 Pet 1:3

We light this candle in the hope of the promises written and delivered to us by the prophets in the word of God.

*Let us pray in hope:*

**Lord God creator, strengthen our faith, that in joy with hope we may be prepared to love one another, and come to know your peace in the return of our Lord, Jesus the Christ.**

Opening Hymn - Come, thou long expected Jesus: St John's College Choir, Cambridge  
<https://youtu.be/JEEd0uWnDGs>

Come, thou long expected Jesus  
Born to set Thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us;  
Let us find our rest in Thee

Come, thou long expected Jesus  
Born to set Thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us;  
Let us find our rest in Thee

Israel's Strength and Consolation  
Hope of all the earth Thou art;  
Dear Desire of every nation  
Joy of every longing heart

Born Thy people to deliver  
Born a child and yet a King  
Born to reign in us forever  
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring

By Thine own eternal Spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone;

By Thine all sufficient merit  
Raise us to Thy glorious throne

### THE PENITENTIAL RITE

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. *2 Cor 5:17-19*

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### MORNING PRAYER -

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;

**Show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

Will you not give us life again,

**That your people may rejoice in you?**

Show us your mercy, O Lord,

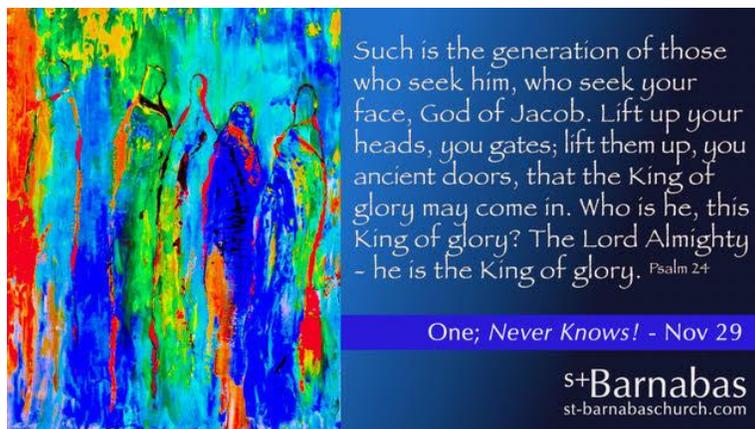
**And grant us your salvation.**

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

**Peace in heaven and glory in the highest**

### THE INVITATORY

The kingdom of God is at hand: O come, let us worship.



Psalm 24 *The King of glory*

**Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place? The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god. They will receive blessing from the Lord and vindication from God their Savior. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, God of Jacob. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is he, this King of glory? The Lord Almighty - he is the King of glory.**



Proclaiming the Word - A reading from Isaiah 64:1-9

<sup>1</sup>O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence – <sup>2</sup>as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil – to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! <sup>3</sup>When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. <sup>4</sup>From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. <sup>5</sup>You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. <sup>6</sup>We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. <sup>7</sup>There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. <sup>8</sup>Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. <sup>9</sup>Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity for ever. Now consider, we are all your people.

*The word of the Lord*

**Thanks be to God**



Restore us, O God; let your face shine,  
that we may be saved. O Lord God of hosts,  
how long will you be angry with your  
people's prayers? You have fed them with  
the bread of tears, and given them tears to  
drink in full measure. You make us the scorn  
of our neighbours; our enemies laugh among  
themselves. Restore us, O God of hosts;  
let your face shine, that we may be saved.  
Psalm 80

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*Psalm 80 Prayer for Israel's Restoration*

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!

**You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.**

Stir up your might, and come to save us!

**Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

O Lord God of hosts, how long will you be angry with your people's prayers?

**You have fed them with the bread of tears, and given them tears to drink in full measure.**

You make us the scorn of our neighbours; our enemies laugh among themselves.

**Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

They have burned it with fire, they have cut it down; may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance.

**But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one whom you made strong for yourself.**

Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name.



...for in every way you have been  
enriched in Christ Jesus, in speech  
and knowledge of every kind—  
just as the testimony of Christ has  
been strengthened among you—  
so that you are not lacking in any  
spiritual gift as you wait for the  
revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
1 CORINTHIANS 1:5-7

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**A READING FROM 1 Corinthians 1:2-9**

<sup>2</sup>To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that

has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind - <sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you - <sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The word of the Lord*

### **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn - Ye Servants of the Lord <https://youtu.be/8rfvFVInrs8>

Ye servants of the Lord  
Each for your Master wait,  
Observant of his heavenly word,  
And watchful at his gate.

Let all your lamps be bright,  
And trim the golden flame;  
Gird up your loins as in his sight,  
For awful is his name.

Watch! 'tis your Lord's command,  
And while we speak, he's near;  
Mark the first signal of his hand,  
And ready all appear.

O happy servant he,  
In such a posture found!  
He shall his Lord with rapture see,  
And be with honour crowned.

Christ shall the banquet spread  
With his own royal hand,  
And raise that faithful servant's head  
Amidst the angelic band.



'But in those days... Then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.  
Mark 13:24-27

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## The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to MARK 13:24-37

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### MARK 13:24-37 *The Coming of the Son of Man*

<sup>24</sup>But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, <sup>25</sup>and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>26</sup>Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup>Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

### *The Lesson of the Fig Tree*

<sup>28</sup>From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. <sup>31</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

### *The Necessity for Watchfulness*

<sup>32</sup>But *about that day or hour no one knows*, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup>Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup>It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. <sup>35</sup>Therefore, keep awake - for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, <sup>36</sup>or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. <sup>37</sup>And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.'

*The Gospel of Christ.*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon: One; Never Knows! – The Reverend Brian Perron

Anthem of Reflection: Comfort, Comfort Ye My People <https://youtu.be/2sfDESOjN0I>

Comfort, comfort ye my people,  
speak ye peace, thus saith our God;  
comfort those who sit in darkness  
mourning 'neath their sorrows' load.  
Speak ye to Jerusalem  
of the peace that waits for them;  
tell her that her sins I cover,  
and her warfare now is over.

Hark, the voice of one that crieth  
in the desert far and near,  
calling us to new repentance  
since the kingdom now is here.  
O that warning cry obey!  
Now prepare for God away;  
let the valleys rise to meet him  
and the hills bow down to greet him.

Make ye straight what long was crooked,  
make the rougher places plain;  
let your hearts be true and humble,  
as befits his holy reign.  
For the glory of the Lord  
now o'er earth is shed abroad;  
and all flesh shall see the token  
that the word is never broken.

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles' Creed** *Let us confess our faith, as we say,*  
**I BELIEVE in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**  
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**  
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**  
**He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.**  
**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**  
**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,**  
**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,**  
**the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### **INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS**

**“O Lord, you have taught us that without *hope*, whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever. Amen.”**

#### **GREETING OF PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,  
to which indeed you were called in the one body.* Colossians 3:15

#### **THE COLLECT**

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *Rejoicing in the presence of God, let us pray as Jesus taught*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### BLESSING

God Creator, allow our being to be always full, full of Hope in Jesus the Christ, always ready to bring Hope for our neighbor; always awake and rejoicing for ever in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn - O Day of God Draw Nigh <https://youtu.be/Oe1n5xSQ3Z4>

O Day of God, draw nigh  
In beauty and in power;  
Come with thy timeless judgment now  
To match our present hour.

Bring to our troubled minds,  
Uncertain and afraid,  
The quiet of a steadfast faith,  
Calm of a call obeyed.

Bring justice to our land,  
That all may dwell secure,  
And finely build for days to come  
Foundations that endure.

Bring to our world of strife  
Thy sovereign Word of peace,  
That war may haunt the earth no more,  
And desolation cease.

O Day of God, draw nigh  
As at creation's birth;  
Let there be light again, and set  
Thy judgments in the earth.

### DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord.

#### **Thanks be to God.**

The Lord bless us and keep us.

The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us.

The Lord look upon us with favour and grant us peace.

**Amen.**

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And a Postlude - O come, O come, Emmanuel - *The Piano Guys* <https://youtu.be/iO7ySn-Swwc>

*This is a time for us to meditate in quiet reflection and prayer.*

O come, O come, Emmanuel  
And ransom captive Israel  
That mourns in lonely exile here

Until the Son of God appear

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel

O come, O come, Thou Lord of might  
Who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height  
In ancient times didst give the law  
In cloud, and majesty and awe (Refrain)

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free  
Thine own from Satan's tyranny  
From depths of hell Thy people save  
And give them victory o'er the grave (Refrain)

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer  
Our spirits by Thine advent here  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
And death's dark shadows put to flight (Refrain)

O come, Thou Key of David, come  
And open wide our heavenly home  
Make safe the way that leads on high  
And close the path to misery (Refrain)

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high  
And order all things, far and nigh  
To us the path of knowledge show  
And cause us in her ways to go (Refrain)

Our lectionary readings for next week, Sunday December 6th: "The Way; Prepared!"  
[Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15; Mark 1:1-8](#)

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### Announcements

#### Ecumenical Community Services – 40<sup>th</sup> ECS Christmas Baskets Campaign:

This year, more than ever, please help St-Barnabas as we host the preparation and distribution of all ECS baskets from our Memorial Hall. Due to pandemic restrictions, we ask you to consider a financial contribution at this time, that will be especially and gratefully accepted this year; payable to **St-Barnabas St-Lambert RE: ECS** by cash, cheque or online: [St-Barnabas on-line Donations Page](#). Thank you for your support!

### Your Tithes and Offerings

At the end of each Service we ask you to remember your church with your offerings to God. We thank each and everyone one of you who have found a way that is comfortable for you to give. We understand these are new and different ways, and yet we are pleased to say that St-Barnabas has been able, because of you, to maintain itself financially during these difficult times. May you be blessed as you continue to safely give to God by supporting the work of your church by donating online through links found on the [St-Barnabas on-line Donations Page](#). It's easy; by [e-Transfer](#), [St-Barnabas CanadaHelps](#), or our [PayPal link](#), or as always through Canada Post to: **95, avenue Lorne, Saint-Lambert, QC J4P 2G7**. Your ongoing donations are critical at this time.

### Process of reopening

Please let us know preferably by email: [barnabas@bellnet.ca](mailto:barnabas@bellnet.ca) or by phone: (450) 672-5560, **if you plan to attend our December 6<sup>th</sup> service, include a list of people who will be attending with you and remember to bring your masks.** Visit our website for more information, guidelines & updates: [http://www.st-barnabaschurch.com/st-barnabas\\_home](http://www.st-barnabaschurch.com/st-barnabas_home)

*"Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished" Matthew 12:44*

### Les Jardins Intérieurs

We are now broadcasting twice a week on the corporate TV Channel of Les Jardins: Wednesday afternoons at 3:00pm and Saturday mornings at 9:15am.

The work of the church continues well beyond the Sunday morning as we the Church reach out to our neighbours

### Speaking of Neighbours...

**The ECS Food Bank** operates out of St-Andrews Church is still operating but could use some help with donations of food distributed to the needy in St-Lambert and Ville Lemoyne. At the moment Anita and Reverend Barry are filling the needs as best they can with a few other helpers. As the buildings are closed at this time, they are not receiving food directly from our churches in St-Lambert. At your discretion and always with safety in mind first, here is how they would like you to help. **If you can help, please call** the church at (450) 671-1862 or the Presbytery at (450) 923-0794 and leave a message. Donations should be brought on Thursday and/or Friday between 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm to the side door of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (corner Green and Birch). It is the door with a small porch (overhang). Please ring the bell, leave the food on the stoop, social distance; Anita and/or Barry will retrieve the food. Each delivery of food to the recipients includes a pamphlet and card that Anita produced with a message saying that 'this food is being delivered by volunteers and is from our 5 ecumenical churches with love'. Please spread the word to our parishioners who are able to help.

### Stay connected through our social media links:

Listen to our on-line messages posted on our [St-Barnabas website](#) and [Facebook](#) page, as well as in the emails that we send twice a week. I encourage you to share these posts and this bulletin with your families and friends, as words and thoughts of encouragement. Also, if you hear of individuals in need of something, let us know; we will see what we can do with members who have put their names forward to help in a safe and manageable way.

### Share your stories

Send us an email at [barnabas@bellnet.ca](mailto:barnabas@bellnet.ca) of what you have been up to, and to share your experiences of getting through this isolation. Share your stories with us to brighten the lives of others, and stay safe.

### Keep in touch

So stay tuned and reach out to members you feel concern for, allow the Holy Spirit to speak to you and to minister to those shut-in and alone at this time. Be safe, 'Stay Home', for your sake and for the well being of others, and... wash your hands!

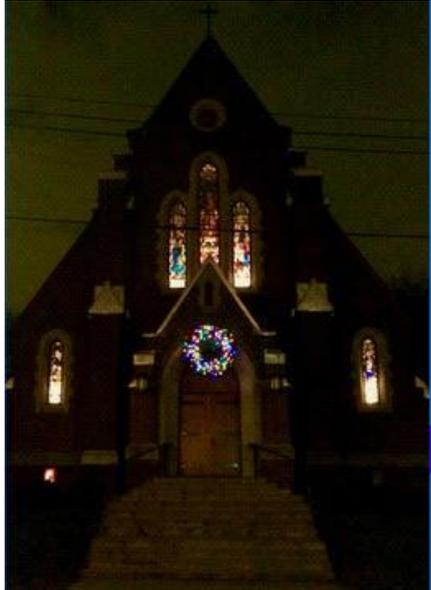
God bless you and thank you for your thoughts and prayers,

### *Brian and Joyce*

The Reverend Brian Perron  
*St-Barnabas St-Lambert*

A Word of Happiness for 2020

I myself am God, your God: Keep my statutes and live by my laws.  
Keep my Sabbaths as holy rest days, signposts between me and you,  
signalling that I am God, your God. *Ezekiel 20 :20*



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for our St-Barnabas...

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