

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH



Lord's Day Eucharist:

Saturday 5 pm

Sunday 9 am

11 am



Mission: St. Mary's – Tribune – Sat. 7 pm

Reconciliation: Fri. 11:30 – 12:00 Sat. 4:00 – 4:40

December 23 & 24, 2017
4th Sunday of Advent



Good News Reflection – Our personal connection to Mary

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, we're shown how the mission of Christ affected the Virgin Mary even before Jesus was conceived in her womb.

Three decades later, Jesus would become the Savior of the world. However, that is not when his salvation plan began. Jesus is God; he has always existed. He is the uncreated Divine Son, the Person of the Holy Trinity who, as we proclaim in the Nicene Creed during every Mass, was "born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made."

His salvation plan could -- and did -- impact Mary since the moment of her own conception.

In order for God to come into our world in the flesh, "for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man." In other words, his Spirit totally bathed Mary in his pure, holy presence. Therefore, even though she could not understand how the promised Messiah could possibly be conceived within her, since she'd had no sexual relations, by the grace of God's Spirit she could know that God was the one who was asking for it and God was the one who was doing it. That's all she needed.

All of us are called by God to carry the presence of Christ and birth him more fully into the world. What are you doing about it? How much are you fulfilling your divine destiny? Remember, he always empowers us to accomplish whatever he asks us to do. God knows what he's doing when he calls us to continue what Mary began, and he is always trustworthy and dependable. There is nothing to fear, no reason to hold back from fulfilling our true destiny.

Everything that God does is always good, even when his plan for our mission requires a journey through the cross. If we follow Christ, sooner or later we hang with him on the cross, because this is the best, the most effective way to achieve a victorious accomplishment that will make an eternal difference in the lives of many.

With this in mind, when he asks us to do something for his kingdom, of course our answer is yes, right?

Why wouldn't it be? Of course we want to cooperate with his plan, and we say yes to his plan even when we don't understand it nor see how God could possibly do what he says he'll do.

Often, we don't feel like he can do what he's planning to do through us, because we know we are weak, sinful, and unqualified. Don't trust your feelings about it; trust God.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

When was the last time you said to God, "But how can this be? You want me to do WHAT? I don't understand why!" What were you afraid of? How strong was your trust in God? 2017Terry Modica, Catholic Digital Resources, www.catholicdr.com. Printed by permission.

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Eucharist Celebrations Dec. 25 – Jan. 1

Mon.	Dec. 25	10 AM	Nativity of the Lord
Tues.	Dec. 26	-----	
Wed.	Dec. 27	7 PM	Joan Stellick+
Thurs.	Dec. 28	9 AM	Special Intentions
Fri.	Dec. 29	12:10 PM	Ana & Aiden, Sofia Doyle
Sat.	Dec. 30	10 AM	Tatagwa Mass
		5 PM	Jim & Merle St. Onge
St. Mary's	Dec. 30	7 PM	
Sun.	Dec. 31	10 AM	Joy Janeczko+
New Year's Eve	Dec. 31	5 PM	
St. Mary's	Dec. 31	7 PM	
New Year's Day	Jan. 1	10 AM	Mary, The Holy Mother of God



Readings for Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Genesis 15:1-6, 17:3b-5, 15-16, 21:1-7, Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19
Luke 2:22-40

Please call the parish office if you have a family member in the hospital and would like a pastoral visit and/or would like to have them included in the prayers of the faithful read during Mass.

Our sympathy and prayers to Cary Vandesype and family on the passing of his wife **Tanis Vandesype** and to the family of **Yvonne Dechief** on her recent passing.



Decorating for Christmas will be held on **Sunday, December 24th** after 10 am Mass. Many hands make light work!! Please stay and lend a hand!

ST. MARY'S PARISH – TRIBUNE

Please get your Annual Appeal Donation in soon as we are only at 45% of our goal. Our archdiocese needs our financial support.

St. Mary's CWL Memberships are due -\$30. Please pay Bernice or Marie.



CWL Memberships (\$30.00) for 2018 are now due and can be dropped in the collection basket. Please mark envelope **CWL Dues**.

"K of C: Dues for 2018 for Council #1731 and Assembly #1526 MUST be paid by Jan 15; Payment may be by cash (please include a note with your name), **cheque, or by eTransfer to Sir Pete Broccolo** (petebroccolo@gmail.com). You may pay BOTH dues with ONE cheque **or eTransfer**. Cheques are to be made payable to "Weyburn C1731 KofC" (if you only owe to C1731, or to both) or "Bishop Klein A1526 KofC" (if you only owe to A1526). **Please include a note with your cash, cheque, or eTransfer as to how much is for which dues.**

Your **cash or cheque** payment must be in a sealed envelope, addressed to "Weyburn KofC", and placed in the collection basket, dropped off at the Parish office, or given to Sir Pete or Sir Armand Delanoy.

Cards will be mailed to those not living in the Weyburn or Tribune area, or available for pick-up from the "K OF C MAIL" box in the lobby of St Vincent de Paul.

The Parish office will be closed Dec. 25th & 26th and January 1st. Regular office hours will then resume (Tuesday – Friday).

Christmas Mass Times

St. Vincent de Paul

Christmas Eve @ 5 PM & 9 PM

Christmas Day @ 10 AM



St. Mary's

Christmas Eve @ 7:00 PM

Help is needed over the Christmas Season with all ministries! Please see the sign-up sheets and help where you are able!

Thank you!

Here is the link to Archbishop Bolen's Christmas video which is posted on the Archdiocese website.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CQm1VBK4M4Pg>

Donation envelopes for 2018 are now ready for pick up on the back tables. Please do not use them until January 1st! Please note that the church also has the option of monthly preauthorized giving if you would prefer to support the church through this method.



Donations for 2017 should be into the office no later than **Wednesday, December 27th**. Donations received by this date will be issued a tax receipt for 2017.

Keep Christ in Christmas Car Magnets: The Knights of Columbus are selling these magnets during the Advent season. Cost is a donation of \$5.00 or more. They can be found on the back table.



Funeral Lunch Groups: The following groups are next for upcoming funerals: G2 Shirley & Theresa G5 Fran and G4 Donna & Renee.

Religious Art Calendars – \$5 each, on the back table.

Special presentation:
"Why be Catholic?" and Catholicism DVD series

Parishioners Lloyd Zyla and James Richards are hosting a special presentation on **Thursday, January 11, at 7 PM**, in the Church entitled "Why be Catholic?" Lloyd and James will be offering many compelling reasons outlining the truth and beauty of the Catholic Faith. This presentation will be followed by a 10 week DVD study of Bishop Robert Barron's *Catholicism* series beginning on Tuesday, January 16 at 6:30pm. Bishop Barron takes viewers on an intimate and uplifting journey around the world and deep into the Catholic Faith. All are welcome!

Become an Ambassador for Christ!! We are very blessed, by the many people that take part in our groups and ministries at St. Vincent de Paul. We invite those of you not yet actively involved to consider this: We became involved the day we were baptized. On that day we were initiated into a way of life in Christ. Being a baptized Christian means *we're in this* - the only question is HOW??!!

If you are merely seeing yourself as a volunteer in the parish, you are not seeing yourself as Christ sees you. Christ sees us as ambassadors, His representatives—chosen by Him, called by name, and sent to do the tasks He is asking us to do in His name. How can we say "no" to Christ, who has given so much?

Hospitality and Screen System Schedules have been emailed to those whose email addresses we have. Otherwise please check the pamphlet rack at the back of the church.

Stewardship Bulletin Bit
- Fourth Sunday of Advent

"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!"
- Luke 1:28

Faith is a gift from God. Take time in silence and thank Him for all the gifts He has given you. Try to set aside any anger or resentment you have and really open your heart to receive the gift of God's mercy and forgiveness. We can't give what we don't have. We need to receive God's mercy and forgiveness first before we can give it to others.

Archbishop's Annual Appeal: Give the Gift of Hope this Christmas; Hope for the sick, Hope for our youth and Hope for those in prison. These are just a few of the ministries supported by the Archbishop's Appeal. If you have not already donated to the 2017 Archbishop's Appeal, it is not too late! You may donate online at our website - archregina.sk.ca, give at your parish, or call our office at 306.352.1651 ext. 210. We are so grateful to those who have already given. Thank YOU! SVDP is now at **78%** of our goal of \$52,703.00 Collected to date - \$41,299.00 St. Mary's, Tribune Goal - \$1,662 Collected to date - \$775

Please see where you can assist with
New Year's Masses Ministries!
Sign-up sheets are in the foyer.
We are most appreciative of you signing up, as it saves many phone calls!

Welcome Visitors & New Parish Members!

New parishioners are asked to please be sure to fill out a new parishioner form - located on the table in the foyer!



Thank you for finding a sub when you cannot be here!!

Stewardship of Time & Talent - December 23 & 24		
	SAT 5 PM	SUN 10 AM
Readers	Glenda Zackrisson	Lynn Colquhoun Wendy Pitre
Eucharistic Ministers First 3 serve bread Last 4 serve cup	Wendy Sidloski Dorothy Lawrenz Joyce Reiser Alaina Flaaten Alice Schneider Stella Hoffart Carol Anderson	Aime Isabey Stella Hoffart Richard Wick Susan Kot Gary Sidloski John Tuchscherer Shirley Mondor
Acolytes		Aime Isabey, Stella Hoffart, Richard Wick
Children's Liturgy	Deanna Schwindt	Christie McKenzie
Power Point	Roberto Roman	Jennifer Woodard
Hospitality	Brian Winter, Jean Reich, Rhonda Baudria, Dorothy Gaab, Steve & Glenda Zackrisson	Willie & Adele Nimegeers, Lorne Horack, Dick Michel
Counters : Joanne Babiarz, Wendy Pitre, Dwayne Hoffman		
Stewardship of Time & Talent - December 30 & 31		
	SAT 5 PM	SUN 10 AM
Readers	Lloyd Zyla	Claire Kuhn, Colleen Gallinger
Eucharistic Ministers	Jo Martin Lloyd Zyla Mary Ann Piwarski Steve Zackrisson Brian Winter Dave Creurer Janice Seitz	Aime Isabey Don Bohn Diane Borys Marcel Bauche Yvette Bauche
Acolytes		Aime Isabey, Don Bohn
Children's Liturgy	Lise Soles	Carol Storey
Power Point	Chad Fingler	Carole
Hospitality	Chad Klein, Shane Williams, Sean Galvin, Chad & Claire Fingler	Ron Wormsbecker, Harry Jensen Pat & Loretta Benning
Counters: Harry Plemel, Nick Coroluick, Shirley Mondor		

Parish Council Co-Chairpersons – Lynn Colquhoun and Ken Kot **Parish Finance Chairperson** – Marcy Labbie
Parish Council Members: Pat Wolensky, Don Vatamaniuck, Sarah Ayeri, Joseph Ball, Brenda Kosior, Vic Plante, John Tuchscherer
Parish Council meets on the last Thursday of each month, excluding July.

K of C Grand Knight: Randy Schiller (861-1863) schrjt@sasktel.net

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Weyburn K of C Meetings: (Sept.-June) Exec & Directors – 2nd Mon. of month, Gen Mtg. – 4th Mon. of month

CWL President: Fran Messer (842-6259) **CWL Meetings: (Sept. – June)** Exec Mtg. – 2nd Mon of month **Gen Mtg.** – 3rd Mon of month