

Good News Reflection: The joy that comes from being rescued by Christ.

Joy is the theme of the Third Sunday of Advent. As it says in the first reading, "Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication to rescue you!" This is the reason for our joy. We have been ransomed from sin and its destruction; Jesus paid the price through his terrible sacrifice on the cross. This is why Jesus came to earth to be born as one of us: to rescue us from the horrors of an eternal separation from God and his love.

Compared to eternity, our current problems are little, very little indeed.

Joy comes from realizing that, because of Jesus, no sins against us and no destructive forces can do us permanent harm. In fact, God will make good use of everything for our benefit! He defeats evil by making blessings come from it.

Even the worst of times become huge blessings if we let them unite us to Jesus. With Christ and in imitation of how he suffered for the sake of others, we offer to others what our hardships have taught us, and thus our sufferings become ministries. Our sorrows find valuable meaning, which produces a joy that gets multiplied beyond measure.

In Christ we are crowned with everlasting joy. We feel his joy and gladness because of the good that will come and is already starting. Sorrow and mourning will flee away as we rise above our pain to rejoice in the goodness of joining in the ministry of Christ. And we are lifted up by a faithful and compassionate God.

As the second reading points out, we must be patient while we wait for the Lord to convert our trials into triumphs. To maintain an attitude of joy, we must remain firm in our faith, not doubting that the Lord is concerned about us. And we must not complain, because complaints mean that we think we know better than God does about how our problems should be resolved and how long it should take.

Joy comes from rejoicing in the good news that God really does care and is of course working on our behalf to produce many wonderful blessings from our sufferings, just like Jesus says in the Gospel reading: "Blessed is the one who takes no offense in me."

Questions for Personal Reflection: What are you unhappy about? Can you find joy in the trial? God will make good come out of the suffering if you want to use it for the benefit of others. Talk to Jesus about that today. What is he telling you? What hug is he giving you?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing: Describe a time when you saw blessings come from your sufferings. If you could do it all over again, with the option of avoiding those particular troubles, would you? Why or why not?

Upcoming Eucharist Celebrations ************************************					
Sat.	Dec. 10	10 Tatagwa	Lydia Hewitt Int.		
		5 PM	Sumner Family Int.		
		7 PM	Les Hill +		
Sun.	Dec. 11	9 AM	Robert Gutzke +		
		11 AM	Karyn Schutz +		
Mon.	Dec. 12	No Mass			
Tues	Dec. 13	6:30 PM	Aileen Hall Int.		
Wed.	Dec. 14	9 AM	Lucy Senek +		
		10 AM Bison	Josephine Plonka +		
Thur	Dec. 15	9 AM	Graham Dean +		
		10 AM Parkway	Florencio Cuevas +		
Fri.	Dec. 16	12:10 PM	Janice Seitz Int.		
Sat.	Dec. 17	10 Tatagwa	Jean Janoski +		
		5 PM	Randy & Janet Schiller Int.		
		7 PM St Mary	Joseph Caballero +		
Sun.	Dec. 18	9 AM	Thanksgiving		
		11 AM	Joe Ortman +		

<u>The St. Vincent de Paul</u> <u>Religious Articles Shop recently</u> received new stock. We are pleased to once again have a nice selection of statues, chistmas cards and crucifixes. We will be hosting a lobby sale on **December 10th** and **December 11th**. The office staff can also assist you with your shopping during regular office hours.



The List of winners from the 2022 CWL Annual Raffle are:

\$300. Giftcard-Prairie Sky Co-opCindy Bachman				
\$100 McKenna Giftcard for 4 Turkey Dinners &				
\$75 Giftcard – BrothersCarina Sinclair				
\$160. Necklace- York Jeweller- Yvonne Paulhus/Kittleson				
\$160. Lamp/Planter-Peavey MartNeil Rederburg				
\$100. Giftcard-Maurer's Meats &				
\$60. Christmas Décor –Gail Bartlett				
\$100. KidsPack-Pharmasave &				
\$50. Gift Certificate- Boston PizzaCeline Wawro				
\$100 Purse-Expressions &				
\$50. Gift Certificate – Rolling Pin Deanna Mainil				
\$100 Lotion pack- Evelyn Lane &				
\$40. Crochet Santa- Audrey NerbusEster Sturgeon				
\$100 Gift Card- RCWC &				
\$30. Giftcard- Swan PizzaFrank Kaip				
Thank you for your generous support!				



<u>Heat The Feet!</u> Peavey Mart has the Heat the Feet campaign on again. This year it includes socks, mitts and toques for \$1.25 each. Buy a pair and donate a pair at the store. All items gathered will

be shipped to Sandy Bay.



<u>4th Sunday of Advent</u> <u>December 17 & 18, 2022</u> Isaiah 7: 10-14 Romans 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-24

Heavenly Father, we thank you for all the Blessings in our lives; for the very world in which we live and for the health and strength you have bestowed upon us.
The suffering Christ endured provided healing and power over illness. Lord, direct that healing toward our loved ones who suffer and who believe that you can and will restore them to full health.
We call them by name: Benedict Vinck, Dennis Mainil, Margy Woodard, Dick Michel, Stanley Miller, Stella Hoffart and all those facing an illness or any of life's struggles.
Our condolences to the family and friends of Susan Schmidt. God rest her soul. The thoughts and prayers of your church family are with you.

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CWL fees of \$40 are now due for 2023.

Please put fees in an envelope clearly labelled "CWL FEES" and place them in the collection basket at Church. Fees can

also be dropped off at the Church office. Etransfer is also an option. Please send etransfers to Wendy at 306-861-3473. CWL newsletters/membership lists are ready and can be picked up at the church.

We will be printing a new Readers, Hospitality and Screen Projector Schedules next week; If you have any changes in your information or if you took a look in the pamphlets handed out last week and have decided you would like to read at mass please call the office and we will get you on our list.



"Keep Christ in Christmas" (and

all year long) with this booklet of 12 Permanent domestic rate stamps celebrating the Nativity. Celebrate Christmas in 2022 with this booklet of domestic rate stamps from our

Christmas Nativity stamp issue. This stamp issue features a creative rendering of the Nativity, with an emphasis on the star that led the Magi to the infant Jesus. The Faithful are encouraged to purchase these stamps to ensure their continued production. These stamps are available in Canada Post outlets.

Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners!

Our Parish family warmly welcomes new members. Please fill out a New Parishioner form at your earliest convenience. The forms are located on a table in the foyer! As well, if any parishioner has changed their address, phone number etc., please inform the office.

Nativity Scene at River Park: Check out the Nativity Scene established by St. Vincent de Paul Parish at River Park. The scene will be on display from Dec 3 until early January. The scene has received a few enhancements from last year so please come see what's new. A project of the Spiritual and Faith Formation Committee and the Knights of Columbus. Have a merry and blessed Christmas!

Discovering Catholicism in Middle Earth - The Lord of the Rings movie and discussion event

J.R.R. Tolkien, the author of The Lord of the Rings, was a devout Catholic. He was inspired by his faith and worked many Catholic Christian themes and symbols into his literary masterpiece. The Lord of the Rings. Join us as we uncover some of these themes and symbols while watching clips from Peter Jackson's movie trilogy (rated PG-13). Friday January 20, 7pm, Lower McKenna Hall. Free popcorn and pop. A project of the Spiritual and Adult Faith Formation Committee.

"You step into the road, and if you don't keep your feet, there is no knowing where you might be swept off to." - Bilbo Baggins

Lectio Eucharist: Discovering the Mass in the Bible; The Body and Blood of Christ, The Lamb of God and The Bread of Life.....These are the phrases we know from the Mass. But do we understand what they mean in the greater and deeper context of the Scripture and the Church teaching? We'll discover firsthand how Christ's Body and Blood are an integral and wondrous part of God's plan for our salvation. Acclaimed author and teacher Dr. Brant Pitre digs down to the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament. Join us for a ten-part video series study. Jan.5 - Mar.9, 2023.from 6:30-8:30pm. Registration sheets are at the back of the Church. Brought to you by a subcommittee of the SAFF Committee.

May you have the gift of faith, the blessing of hope, and the peace of His love at Christmas and always.

Stewardship Bulletin Bits: 3rd Sunday of Advent

"You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm because the coming of the Lord is at hand." James 5:8. Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule; we like things to be convenient. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer, God reveals to us what He wants us to do with the gifts He has given us. We are able to better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own

Hot Meal Program: Our Church's 555 turn is coming up again Jan 12. Donations of soup, buns and cookies/squares are needed. Required: 7 pots of soup, 7 dozen buns, 7 dozen cookies/squares. Christmas baking would be a nice treat this month! We also need 3-4 workers at each program. Please call or text Wendy Pitre @ 306-861-3473 if you can help.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

from St. Víncent de Paul Parísh

Christmas Eve (Sat., Dec. 24) - 5pm and 9pm Christmas Day (Sunday, Dec. 25) - 11am New Year's Eve (Saturday, Dec. 31) - 5pm New Year's Day (Sunday, Jan. 1) - 10am And

St. Mary's (Tríbune)

Christmas Day (Sunday, Dec. 25) - 9am New Year's Eve (Saturday, Dec. 31) - 7pm

Help is needed over the Christmas season with all ministries! Please see the sign-up sheets and sign-up to help wherever you are able! Thank You!



Stewardship of Time & Talent - December 10 &11						
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM			
Readers	Lloyd Zyla	Stafford Nimegeers	Shirley Mondor Connie Regier			
Eucharistic	Rose Loos	Pat Wolensky	Carole Toles			
Ministers	Mary Ann Piwarski	Theresa Istace				
Acolytes	Peter Richards	Roel Dayaan	Mel Van Betuw			
	Maggie Richards	Richard Wick	Ken LeBlanc			
Power Point	Lloyd Zyla	Gerry Langlois	Jennifer Woodard			
Children's Liturgy			Joan			
Hospitality	Yvonne Dzuba	Frank & Eveline Porte	Ron Wormsbecker			
	Jim Wanner	Harry Jensen & Elaine Gray	Aime Isabey			
	6	Jim Parsons, Ron & Josie Klein	Pat & Loretta Benning			
Counters Joanne Babiarz, Wendy Pitre, Christie McKenzie						
Stewardship of Time & Talent - December 17 & 18						
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM			
Readers	Wendy Sidloski	Dolores Herring	Ingri Roman			
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Eucharistic	Mary Janeczko	Susan Kot	Shirley Mondor			
Ministers	Betty Van Staveren	Jean Woodard	Sheldon LeBlanc			
	Roberto Roman					
	Bruno Tuchscherer	Aime Isabey	Gordon Rutten			
Acolytes	Zeus Hinlayagan	Ron Klein	Haroun Mathew			
	Charlie Ernst					
Power Point	Roberto Roman	Gerry Langlois	Roberto Roman			
Children's Liturgy			Karla			
Hospitality	Brian Winter Dave Creurer	Yvonne Kerr	Charlene Keen			
	Dorothy Gaab	Omer & Chris Marcotte	Terry Lonoway			
-	Pat Wolensky	Richard & Celine Wawro	Stewart & Marilyn Ferguson			
Counters Harry Plemel, Nick Coroluick, Terry Biss						

Parish Council Members: Chair - Marga Cugnet, Sarah Ayeri, Brenda Kosior, Jim Wanner, Wendy Sidloski, Deanery Rep. - Pat Wolensky, Secretary – Val Wing, Parish Finance Chairperson – Pamela Haupstein

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