

Our True Home: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Feast of the Holy Family:

Why did Jesus choose to become a baby born of a mother and father and to spend all but His last years living in an ordinary human family? In part, to reveal God's plan to make all people live as one "holy family" in His Church (see 2 Corinthians 6:16–18).

In the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, God reveals our true home. We're to live as His children, "chosen ones, holy and beloved," as the First Reading puts it.

The family advice we hear in today's readings—for mothers, fathers, and children—is all solid and practical. Happy homes are the fruit of our faithfulness to the Lord, we sing in today's Psalm. But the Liturgy is inviting us to see more, to see how, through our family obligations and relationships, our families become heralds of the family of God that He wants to create on earth.

Jesus shows us this in today's Gospel. His obedience to His earthly parents flows directly from His obedience to the will of His heavenly Father. Joseph and Mary aren't identified by name, but three times are called "his parents" and are referred to separately as his "mother" and "father." The emphasis is all on their familial ties to Jesus. But these ties are emphasized only so that Jesus, in the first words He speaks in Luke's Gospel, can point us beyond that earthly relationship to the Fatherhood of God.

In what Jesus calls "my Father's house," every family finds its true meaning and purpose (see Ephesians 3:15). The Temple we read about in the Gospel today is God's house, His dwelling (see Luke 19:46). But it's also an image of the family of God, the Church (see Ephesians 2:19–22; Hebrews 3:3–6; 10:21).

In our families we're to build up this household, this family, this living temple of God—until He reveals His new dwelling among us and says of every person: "I shall be his God and he will be my son" (see Revelation 21:3, 7).

Upcoming Celebrations ************************************					
Sat.	Dec. 28	10 Tatagwa	John Sidloski Int.		
		1 PM Mass	Martija Anniversary Joseph & Florence Ball +		
		5 PM Mass	Phyllis Borys Int		
Sun.	Dec. 29	7 PM St Mary's 9 AM Mass	Emily Bender Int.		
Suii.	Dec. 29	11 AM Mass	Bernie & Alice Kot Int.		
Mon.	Dec. 30	No Mass			
Tue.	Dec. 31	5 PM Mass	Jim & Merle St. Onge		
			Anniversary		
Wed.	Jan. 1	10AM New Year	Liliane Kot +		
		12PM St Mary's	Dennis & Karen Erickson		
		-	Int.		
Thur.	Jan. 2	9 AM Mass	Ashton Erickson Int.		
Fri.	Jan. 3	12:10 PM Mass	Celine Lockert + & Harvey		
		1PM Adoration	Int.		
		5PM	Faith Clinic		
~			Benediction		
Sat.	Jan. 4	10 Tatagwa	Charles & Betty Simon+		
		5 PM Mass	Hannah Souster Int.		
~		7 PM St Mary's	Vincent Sidloski Int.		
Sun.	Jan. 5	9 AM PM Mass	Cliff & Adeline Corbett +		
		11 AM Mass	Asenio Pacleb + &		
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Mon.	Jan. 6 Jan. 7	No Mass	D V III		
Tues.	o ann i	6:30 PM Mass	Bernie Kot Int.		
Wed.	Jan. 8	9AM	Lay Service		
	T O	10 AM Bison	Lay Service		
Thur.	Jan. 9	9 AM	Lay Service		
D •	T 10	10 Hilltop	Lay Service		
Fri.	Jan.10	9:30 WSCH	Lay Service		
a .	T 11	12:10 PM	Lay Service		
Sat.	Jan.11	10 AM	Lay Service		
	T 10	5PM Mass	Doris Van De Sype +		
Sun.	Jan. 12	5PM Mass	Alberto Siscar +		

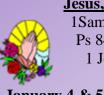
<u>Practice for the Youth Choir</u> will be on Thursday, January 16, at 4:30 pm.

<u>Thank you the Décor Committee</u> and all those who helped make the church so beautiful for Christmas and throughout the year! Your hard work is much appreciated!

The Knights of Columbus- Fifth Sunday Rosary Will be held at 2pm on December 29. Everyone is welcome to attend.



December 28&28-Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph



1Samuel 1.20-22, 24-28 Ps 84.1-2, 4-5, 8-9, 10 1 John 3.1-2, 21-24 Luke 2:41-52

January 4 & 5, The Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60. 1-6 Ps72.1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2.1-12

Heavenly Father,

direct your 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: Mary Jarvis , Morley Seitz, Mara Vinck, Shirley Mondor, Don Kaufmann, and all those facing an illness or any of life's struggles. Our condolences to the family and friends of those who have passed away, The thoughts and prayers of your church family are with you.

A Special Thank You Message: Thank you for all the Christmas gifts, blessings and prayers. From your Pastor and friend, Father Valentine.



CWL fees of \$45 are now due for

2024. 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. E-transfer is also an option. Please send e-transfers to camillegoski@sasktel.net. Also, please remember to hand in your filled out renewing member information forms, either at the office or drop in the collection's basket at Mass.

A Christmas Message from Archbishop Donald

Bolan: can be read on the archdiocese website at archregina.sk.ca. (https://youtu.be/r9d9-o-FtRU)

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.

Stewardship Bulletin Bit; The Holy Family of

Jesus, Mary and Joseph "See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are." (1 John 3:1)

During this season of giving, let us remember a beautiful gift that we have received – being children of God! As God's children, it's in our DNA that we share and express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children, other family members and friends that you love them, every day! Also, pray for those people that are different than you, those that you may not like or those that go out of their way to annoy you. Your prayers may be the start of a new friendship.

Pastoral Care Ministry: What do you think of when you hear these words? This dedicated group of volunteers who provide lay services, the Eucharist and hours of visiting with the members of our parish who are not able to come to the altar of God and join their parish family in the Eucharist. We have 7 different care homes we visit regularly. It is a small commitment because we have several groups. Sadly, our volunteers are diminishing but the need is still there! If you are interested in helping make the load lighter and making some beautiful friendships for a reward that's immeasurable, contact the office

<u>CWL "TALKING POINTS"</u> HUNDREDS OF RESOLUTIONS Over its history Catholic Women's League members have proposed hundreds of resolutions; some become laws, others serve as seeds for change - all serve to educate members. We invite you to discover more!

<u>Senior Acolyte Training</u>; Father Val will be holding a training for new senior acolytes on January 5, after the 11am Mass. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend and bring a friend!



Prayers for Safe Travels for Father Valentine in January! We wish you along and restful holiday with your family so you

can return to us ready to Party!!

Stewardship Bulletin Bit; The Epiphany of the

Lord "... They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." (Matthew 2:11)

What gifts do you give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that these three gifts represent what we should give God every day. Gold – we should reflect Christ's wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense – represents our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh – is a symbol of our daily sacrifices that we unite with Jesus for the sake of others.



.<u>Community Hot Meals:</u> - Our next commitment for the Community Hot Meal Program is Sunday January 12th. We are still in need of 5 tossed

salads (without salad dressing) and 4 or 5 dozen cookies for this event. Please call or text Wendy Sidloski at 306-897-7764 if you can help. God bless our efforts!



Angelo and the McKenna Hall Committee would like to thank all the volunteers who worked so hard throughout the Christmas season. It is all of you who make the parish prosper so harmoniously. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Prayer to St. Christopher for Travelers: Oh, glorious St. Christopher, we implore you to clear the path of travelers everywhere. Give us a steady hand and watchful eye as we move through life's course with excessive speed. Carry us safely away from all evil dangers, protect us with

your close embrace as we pass by, and teach us to act so that none shall be hurt. Grant our faith in you to be rewarded when coming home with everlasting joy and blissful visions of our destined place in this world. May you bring peace to all, amen.

	Stewardship Time & T	Calent- December 28 &	29, 2024			
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	11 AM			
Readers	Cecile Sellinger	Wendy Pitre Stella Omem	Val Wing Jennifer Woodard			
Eucharistic Ministers	Cecile Sellinger Dolores Herring	Marcel Bauche Yvonne Kerr Doreen Verbeurgt	Elaine Nielsen Jeannine Chapman Yvette Bauche			
Acolytes	Armand Delanoy Peter Richards Emma Min	Aime Isabey Ron Klein	Stella Hoffart Gab Reynosa Mark Cristobal Haroun Matthews			
Power Point	Vacant	Gerry Langlois	Val Wing			
Hospitality	Jeff & Mary Ann Flaaten Bonnie & Frank Kaip	Lynn Colquhoun	Charlene Keen Pat Wolensky Greg Brown			
Children's Liturgy	,		Randi Anderson			
Counters		rry Doltor, Pat Wolensky, Richard				
Choir	5pm Choir	9am Choir	Youth Choir			
Stewardship of Time & Talent January 4 & 5, 2025						
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9AM	Sunday 11 AM			
Readers	Paricia Redman Derek Redman	Patsy Ernst	Theresa Istace Ingri Roman			
Eucharistic Ministers	Lloyd Zyla, Dave Creurer, Brian Winter, Steve Zackrisson	Lynn & Kevin Colquhoun	Danette Tracey, Judy Van Betuw Val Wing			
Acolytes	Bruno Tuchscherer Franki & Charlie Ernst	Frank Porte Leon Ligith Christon Ligith	Mel Van Betuw Dave Alcalde, Austin Davies			
Power Point	Vacant	Gerry Langlois	Val Wing			
Hospitality	Yvonne Dzuba Brian Winter Dave Creurer	Lynn & Kevin Colquhoun Ken & Susan Kot	Judy & Mel Van Betuw Calvin & Danette Tracey Gordon Rutten			
Children's Liturgy		Leslie/Maggie	Callie Benko			
Counters	Joanne	Babiarz, Christie McKenzie, Wei	ndy Pitre			
Choir	5pm Choir	9am Choir	11am Choir			
Stewardship of Time & Talent January 11 & 12, 2025						
	Saturday 5PM	Sunday 5 pm (9 am Group)				
Readers	Lloyd Zyla	Stafford Nimegeers Dolores Herring	From January 11 th			
Eucharistic Ministers	Mary Ann Piwarski	Susan Kot, Jean Woodard Chris Marcotte	till			
Acolytes	Stella Hoffert Ken & Kurt Beroy	Gordon Rutten Chim & Kamsi Ejiofor	February 9th , Masses on Saturday			
Power Point		Gerry Langlois	and Sunday would be			
Hospitality	Brian Winter, Dave Creurer Dorothy Gaab	Lionel Wanner Fran Messer Joe Glab Norm Mondor	at 5pm			
Children's Liturgy		Alaina Hilkewich				
Counters	Nick Corolius					
Choir	5pm Choir	9am Choir				

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Sacraments: Baptism and Reconciliation - Contact the parish office Matrimony – Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior.

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