

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH



Lord's Day Eucharist:

Saturday 5 pm
Sunday 9 am
11 am
3 pm



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

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

Welcome Visitors & New Parish Members!

Our Parish family warmly welcomes new members. Please fill out a new parishioner form at your earliest convenience. The forms are located on the table in the foyer! As well, if any parishioners have changed information regarding their address, phone number, etc., please let the parish office know!

Third Sunday of Advent *December 12 & 13, 2020*



Good News Reflection; Testifying to the Light

This Sunday's Gospel reading tells us that John the Baptist came to "testify to the light." What does this mean?

We know that Jesus is the Light of Truth that shines in the darkness to draw us to eternal life. And we know that his Spirit enlightens us in the truth so that we can be saved from the destructive forces of our sins and follow our Savior to heaven. But what was the testimony given by John? How did he testify to the light? And how does this affect our lives today?

John's testimony was: "I am not the Christ. I am a voice. A voice in the wilderness. A voice in the desert." And his testimony brings us to the Light of Christ by challenging us with: "Where is your life arid and dry? Listen! Christ is coming to meet you there! Make a bee-line to him! Stop wandering around! Repent, change, do whatever is necessary to look for Jesus so that you can find him. He is coming to you!"

We've all experienced times when Jesus seems distant, unavailable, not present to us when we need him. What has opened your eyes to his presence? Whose voice has turned you back to God? It's time to do the same for others, to bring glad tidings to the poor (as it says in the reading from Isaiah), to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to those who are held captive in their sins, and to announce how to be blessed by a close friendship with the Lord.

We all have the same testimony and the same calling as John had: We are all supposed to be voices crying out loud enough to be heard above the din of the world. Many souls are lost in the wilderness of confusion, hopelessness, pain, heartache, and despair, not to mention sinfulness. Can we rightfully ignore their needs? Is it loving to be so quiet that they cannot hear the truth? Certainly not! Someday we will have to explain to Jesus why we ignored our baptismal calling to be the voice that could have helped others find him.

What kind of a voice do you have? Because we have Christ within us, our very lives are the voice. How we handle trials, revealing our faith in Jesus, is a voice that's audible to those who are lost in the wilderness. The more peace we have and the more love that we give, the louder is our cry.

Even if our vocal chords do not utter a single word, the way we live in the light is how we speak the truth of the light. The better we live the truth, the louder and clearer is our message. What people choose to do with our message is up to them, but it's up to us to speak it so that they're given that choice.

Questions for Personal Reflection: How has your life been changed by your faith in Jesus? What evil has been conquered, what darkness has been overcome? This is your testimony! Write a couple of pages about it to become more familiar with it. This will prepare you so that you can explain it to others when they ask you why you have faith...

Upcoming Eucharistic Celebrations

Mon.	Dec. 14	6:30 PM Mass	Gail Silljer +
Tues	Dec. 15	9 AM Mass 6:30-8:30 PM	Theresa Lemay + Reconcillation
Wed.	Dec 16	10 AM Mass 7 PM SimbangGabi	Leonard & Beatrice & Family Anthony Matthews +
Thur	Dec. 17	9 AM Mass 7 PM Simbang Gabi	Tony Frischoltz + Alberto Siscar +
Fri.	Dec. 18	12:10 PM Mass 7 PM Simbang Gabi	Lucien Sylvestre + Clara & Pete Unger +
Sat.	Dec. 19	5 PM Simbang Gabi 7 PM @ St. Mary	Josie Church + Leo Leydon +
Sun.	Dec. 20	9 AM SVDP 11 AM SVDP 3PM Simbang Gabi	Florence Ball + Wilma Reitler + Cole Crooks+



Readings for December 19 & 20
4th Sunday of Advent
 2 Samuel 7.1-5, 8b-12, 14a-16
 Romans 16.25-27
 Luke 1.26-38

Our condolences are with Janice Seitz, and her family, in the loss of her son, Derek. May you find comfort in the thoughts and prayers of your church family.



God of love and hope be with us as we ask for your blessing on those who are in need of our prayers, especially: Sabrina Mainil, Allison Johnson and Laurretta Schzmidt and all those facing an illness or any of life's struggles.

The St. Vincent de Paul Religious Article Shop



will not be hosting a lobby sale this Christmas season due to Covid safe practices. Our Christmas merchandise, including Christmas cards, is on display in glass cabinet in the lobby.

You may purchase items from the Church Office Staff during regular hours. In addition, you can call us and we will be happy meet with you to arrange a time to meet with you at the Church.

Judy Van Betuw 306-861-3241
 Or Eveline Porte 306-842-1444



We will also be happy to assist you, before or after Mass.

Thank you for supporting this Parish Shop.

A Big Thank You from the CWL for all the donations of hats, scarves, mitts and toques that we received from our parishioners. We gathered monetary donations as well as pyjamas, toys, games and more! Your generosity is overwhelming. Everything has been delivered to the Salvation Army for those in need. There will be a meeting on December 14, beginning with a mass at 6:30pm.



Sacred Images Giveaway: The Spiritual and Adult Faith Formation Committee is pleased to offer framed portraits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and the Divine Mercy to our parishioners. Images are free, please take one and enshrine it somewhere prominent in your home: the kitchen, the living room, near the front door, etc. "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24:15. Limit one per household please, while supplies last.

Make Your Voice Heard: Urgent response requested The provincial CWL and our local CWL have initiated a letter writing campaign to protest the proposed legislation Bill C-7 expanding medical assistance in dying (MAiD). The government is planning to push through this legislation by the end of the current session. Information including letters to be signed and sent are available in the foyer of the church.



December 16 – 23, at 7:00pm.

Please join us as we will be holding Phillipino, Simbang Gabi masses. This is a series of devotional masses in anticipation of Christmas. **Call ahead to register.**

River Park Nativity Scene: A Nativity Scene has been created for the Weyburn Tourism, "River Park Sparkles" project with the message,

"**Keep Christ in Christmas**". It will be on display November 30 - January 2.

A project of the Spiritual and Adult Faith Formation Committee, CWL and K of C.



Stewardship Bulletin Bit: Second Sunday of Advent
“Prepare the way of the Lord...” - Mark 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well.

Sandy Bay Mission: We will be accepting donations for our Mission Family at Sandy Bay with a special collection on the weekend of, December 11 & 12.

Our mission is struggling during the pandemic so please remember them in your prayers as well. Please put your donations in an envelope marked Sandy Bay or you can e-transfer, (with a memo, for Sandy Bay) to secretary@stvincentdepaul.ca



CWL 2021 MEMBERSHIP FEES NOW DUE

The CWL fee for 2021 is \$35.00. In light of the restrictions and safe guards in place for the Covid – 19 pandemic, we are offering a few ways to send your payment in to the executive.

- Put your fees in an envelope clearly labeled “CWL FEES” and place it in the collection basket at Mass or drop it off at the Church Office during regular business hours.
- Mail your fees to: Judy Van Betuw
1834 Warren Ave.
Weyburn, SK S4H 3B6
- Call Judy at 306-861-3241 or Fran at 306-861-6900 to arrange a pickup of your fees.

Thank you for your continued support of the CWL.
Your money will definitely be put to good use!

Christmas & New Year's

You must register by phone for all services below

St. Vincent de Paul

Thursday, December 24 @ 5:30, 7:30 & 9:30 PM
Friday, December 25 @ 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
Saturday, December 26 @, 5:00 PM
Sunday, December 27 @ 9:00 & 11:00 AM, 3:00 PM
Thursday, December 31 @ 7:00 PM
Friday, January 1 @ 10:00 AM

St. Mary's

Thursday, December 24 @ 4:00 PM
Saturday, December 26 @ 7:00 PM
Thursday, December 31 @ 5:00 PM
Saturday, January 2, 2021 @ 7:00 PM

Advent Reconciliation St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, December 15 @ 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Help will be needed over the Christmas Season with ministries! Please watch for sign-up sheets and help where you are able! Thank you

May of 2019, the Weyburn Regional CWL Council received the Traveling Madonna from the Yorkton Regional Council. The Madonna then travelled to each CWL Council within the Region and stayed in the homes of its members for a period of time. Each member was asked to set up a special place in her home for Our Lady and to pray the Rosary.

Our Lady returned to Weyburn shortly after Easter and was to have visited homes of our St. Vincent de Paul Council members. Unfortunately, at that time, we were in the middle of a provincial health state of emergency dealing with CoVid-19, and we were staying close to home and were social distancing. Since it did not seem like the right time to be passing the Traveling Madonna from home to home, Fr. Francis graciously agreed to have Our Lady placed in front of the Ambo (lectern) and stay in our Parish until she will be transferred to the Estevan CWL Regional.

Please come to the Church any time you and pray with Our Lady. May Our Lady keep us safely in her care.

The Advent wreath is typically created with evergreens and candles: Each candle has a special meaning. The first candle symbolizes hope, the second love, the third joy and the fourth peace.

Stewardship & Talent December 12 & 13, 2020

	SAT 5 PM	SUN 9 AM	SUN 11 AM	SUN 3 PM
Readers	Patricia Redman Derek Redman	Stafford Nimegeers Cecile Sellinger	Val Wing Jennifer Woodard	Theresa Istace
Acolytes				
Eucharistic Ministers				
Power Point	Roberto Roman	Candice Casio	Roberto Roman	
Hospitality	Brian Winter Dorothy Gaab	Harry Jensen & Elaine Gray Frank & Eveline Porte Jim Parsons	Terry Lonoway Charleen Keen Ron & Josie Klein	Elaine Neilsen Jean Wagner
Counters	Don Kraft, Bev Tourand, Demmy & Nhar Pinon			
Stewardship of Time & Talent - December 19 & 20, 2020				
	SAT 5 PM	SUN 9 AM	SUN 11 AM	
Readers	Glenda Zachrisson Lloyd Zyla	Delores Herring Theresa Istace	Ron Wormsbecker Ingri Roman	Merle St. Onge
Eucharistic Ministers				
Power Point	Randy Schiller	Vacant	Austin LeBlanc	
Hospitality	Heather Fellner Ev Corbin Bernice Driscoll	Yvonne Kerr Omar & Chris Marcotte Richard & Celine Wawro	Norm Mondor Al Pitre Sheldon LeBlanc Joe Glab Roberto Roman	Elaine Neilsen Jean Wagner
Counters	Sherry Dreis, Kerry Doltor, Richard Wick			

Parish Pastoral Council Members: Fr. Francis Plaparampil, Marga Cugnet (chair), Pat Wolensky, Sarah Ayeri, Brenda Kosior, John Tuchscherer, Vic Messer, Jim Wanner, Val Wing, Wendy Sidloski
Parish Finance Chairperson – Pam Haupstein

Parish Pastoral Council Meetings - the last Thursday of each month.

K of C Grand Knight: Aime Isabey (861-3535) aime@sasktel.net

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

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)
Executive Meeting – 2nd Mon. of month General Meeting – 3rd Mon. of month

Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday - 8:30-4:30

Phone: 306-842-2129 **Fax:** 306-842-7818 **Website:** www.stvincentdepaul.ca

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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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