ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH





Lord's Day Eucharist: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am



Mission: St. Mary's, Tribune – Saturday 7:00pm Reconciliation, SVDP:

Saturday 4:30 – 5:00pm



3rd Sunday of Advent December 14 & 15, 2024



What Do We Do? Scott Hahn Reflects on the Third Sunday of Advent

The people in today's Gospel are "filled with expectation." They believe John the Baptist might be the messiah they've been waiting for. Three times we hear their question: "What then should we do?"

The messiah's coming requires every man and woman to choose—to "repent" or not. That's John's message and it will be Jesus' too (see Luke 3:3; 5:32; 24:47).

"Repentance" translates a Greek word, metanoia (literally, "change of mind"). In the Scriptures, repentance is presented as a twofold "turning"—away from sin (see Ezekiel 3:19; 18:30) and toward God (see Sirach 17:20–21; Hosea 6:1).

This "turning" is more than attitude adjustment. It means a radical life change. It requires "good fruits as evidence of your repentance" (see Luke 3:8). That's why John tells the crowds, soldiers, and tax collectors they must prove their faith through works of charity, honesty, and social justice.

In today's Liturgy, each of us is being called to stand in that crowd and hear the "good news" of John's call to repentance. We should examine our lives, asking from our hearts as they did: "What should we do?" Our repentance should spring not from our fear of coming wrath (see Luke 3:7–9) but from a joyful sense of the nearness of our saving God.

This theme resounds through today's readings: "Rejoice! . . . The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all," we hear in today's Epistle. In today's Responsorial, we hear again the call to be joyful, unafraid at the Lord's coming among us.

In today's First Reading, we hear echoes of the angel's Annunciation to Mary. The prophet's words are very close to the angel's greeting (compare Luke 1:28–31). Mary is the Daughter Zion—the favored one of God, told not to fear but to rejoice that the Lord is with her, "a mighty Savior."

She is the cause of our joy. For in her draws near the Messiah, as John had promised: "One mightier than I is coming."

Upcoming Celebrations ************************************					
Sat	Dec 14	10AM Tatagwa	Ruby Wilke Int.		
		5PM Mass	Mary Lou Audet+		
		7PM St Mary's	Dennis Lefebvre +		
Sun	Dec 15	9AM Mass	Ken Bakken +		
		11AM Mass	Carmen Garing +		
		6:30PM Mass	Bernie Kot Int.		
		Christmas Novena			
Mon	Dec 16	6:30PM Mass	Denis Lefebvre +		
		Christmas Novena			
Tues	Dec 17	10AM School Mass	At STVDP		
		6:30PM Mass	Harvey Lapierre		
		Christmas Novena	Int.		
Wed	Dec 18	6:30PM Mass	Deceased CWL		
		Christmas Novena	Members +		
Thu	Dec 19	10AM Parkway	Bolek Smialek +		
		6:30PM Mass	Bernie and Alice		
		Christmas Novena	Kot Int.		
Fri	Dec 20	6:30PM Mass	Joseph Vilcu +		
		Christmas Novena			
		7PM Adoration	Hope in Advent		
Sat	Dec 21	10AM Tatagwa	Cliff & Adeline		
		5PM Mass	Corbett +		
		Christmas Novena	Kirk Martin +		
		7PM St Mary's	Anthony Matthews+		
Sun	Dec 22	9AM Mass	Brenda Kosior Int.		
		11AM Mass	Karyn Schutz +		
		6:30PM Mass	Hilda McGowan Int.		
		Christmas Novena			

<u>Practice for the Youth Choir</u> will be on Thursday, <u>December 19</u>, at 4:30 pm.

<u>Parish Ministries:</u> You are encouraged to share your talent by joining one or more of our many ministries here at our parish. Also, help is needed in many areas in the parish. Please, prayerfully consider where you can be of service. Call the office to sign up.

<u>Junior Acolyte & Family Christmas Party</u> will be held on <u>Sunday Dec 22nd</u> at <u>12:15pm</u> in the Church Basement. There will be Pizza, Pop and Games for everyone attending.

<u>Parish Advent Mission</u> - Thank you for your participation in the advent mission.

Archbishop's Appeal Reflection (Lk 3:10-18):

When the crowds ask John the Baptist, "What should we do?" he advises them to share with those who have none and act justly. This guidance is timeless, urging us to respond to God's call through generosity and fairness. Supporting the Archbishop's Appeal is a direct way to act on this advice. Our shared contributions fund vital ministries that provide for the less fortunate and promote social justice. In uniting our resources, we answer the question posed to John, actively participating in the joyful preparation for Christ's coming.



Readings for the 3rd Sunday of Advent

Zephaniah 3:14–18 Isaiah 12:2–6 Philippians 4:4–7 Luke 3:10–18

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: **Janice Vilcu, Mary Jarvis, Morley Seitz** and all those facing illness or any of life's struggles.

Our condolences to the families and friends of all the dearly departed. The thoughts and prayers of your church family are with you.

<u>Community Hot Meal Program</u> - Our next commitment for the Community Hot Meal Program is Sunday **January 12**th. 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!

<u>Volunteers' Information</u> - If you have been contacted by the Protocol group for update in information, please get back to us before the end of the year. There will be an audit by the Archdiocese in January. If you no longer wish to be in the ministry, please let the office know.

<u>Laptop Needed</u> - The parish needs a Laptop with an HDMI port which can be used for PowerPoint presentations and for playing Videos. Please, contact the office if you have such a laptop to donate to the Church.

Youth Ministry Workshop – On Saturday, Jan. 25th from 10am-4pm, at the diocesan center, the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry is having a workshop for the training, support and collaboration of those who work in ministering to young people, with lunch provided. To confirm attendance or ask questions, please send email to: oyyam@archregina.sk.ca.

Happy 100th Birthday to Annie Paslawski!

This is wishing Annie Paslawski a very happy birthday as she turned a 100years old on **Dec. 9th**. Wishing you joy and many blessings in the coming years.

Ministries During the Christmas and New Year Masses – Please, sign-up for the various ministries for Masses for Christmas and New Year. Sign-up sheets are available at the church fover.

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: 3rd Sunday of Advent

"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God." (Philippians 4:6)

St. Paul reminds us that God is an abundant God – He is the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. Remember, that we are created in God's image and likeness. We, too, are made to be generous with all of our gifts as well. Placing our trust in God frees us from being a slave to possessions. It allows us to gratefully and generously share ourselves and our goods with others.

James' Pick of the Week

<u>Christ, science and reason: what we can know about</u> Jesus, Mary and miracles by Fr. Robert Spitzer -

This book makes clear that the Catholic Church is not anti-science, but quite the opposite—it is one of the most scientifically aware religious denominations in the world. Science is not anti-God, anti-Christ, or anti-religious. On the contrary, its tools and methods give considerable credible evidence for all of them. Fr Spitzer examines the historical and scientific evidence in support of the Shroud of Turin, Eucharistic miracles, the tilma of Guadalupe, the miracle of the sun at Fatima, and more. Now available at the Parish Library. *Pro Libris!*

<u>CWL fees</u> of \$45 are now due for 2025. Please put fees in an envelope clearly labelled "CWL FEES" and palce them in the collection basket at Church or drop them off at the Church office. Etransfer is also an option. Please send etransfers to camille.goski@sasktel.net

<u>CWL Newsletters</u> can be picked up in the Church Foyer. discover more!



THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

This week on FORMED, we have:

- 1. Adventus: A Spiritual Pilgrimage This Advent, make a spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Uncover the beauty of the place where Christ was born, preparing your heart for Christ's coming so you can enter more deeply into this season.
- 2.Christmas (Part 2) | What Catholics
 Believe Join Dr. Michael Barber as he
 answers some of the Internet's most popular
 questions about Christmas. What are the 12
 days of Christmas? Was Santa Claus a real person?
 What is Advent?

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Novena Mass Times

Sunday, December 15th – 6:30 PM Monday, December 16th – 6:30 PM Tuesday, December 17th – 6:30 PM Wednesday, December 18th – 6:30 PM Thursday, December 19th – 6:30 PM Friday, December 20th – 6:30 PM Adoration after Mass

Saturday, December 21st – 5:00 PM Sunday, December 22nd – 6:30 PM Monday, December 23rd – 6:30 PM

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Christmas and New Year's

Christmas Eve (Tuesday, Dec. 24)
5pm Kid's Mass
9pm Christmas Vigil
Christmas Day (Wednesday, Dec. 25) – 11am
New Year's Eve (Tuesday, Dec. 31) – 5pm
New Year's Day (Wednesday, Jan. 1) – 10am

St. Mary's (Tribune)

Christmas Day (Wednesday, Dec. 25) – 9am New Year's Day (Wednesday, Jan.1) – 12pm

> Advent Reconciliation St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, December 10, 5:30-6:30pm

Stewardship of Time & Talent – December 14 & 15, 2024					
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM		
Readers	Wendy Sidloski, Ingri Roman	Peter Broccolo, Jean	Ingri Roman, Marga Cugnet		
		Woodard			
Eucharistic	Lloyd Zyla, Steve Zackrisson,	Pat Wolensky, Theresa Istace	Carol Toles, Marga Cugnet,		
Ministers	Dave Creurer, Brian Winter		Aime Isabey		
Acolytes	Bruno Tuchscherer,	Frank Porte	Mel VanBetuw, Dave		
	Frankie & Charlie Ernst		Alcalde, Austin Davies		
Power Point		Gerry Langlois	Val Wing		
Hospitality	Brian Winter, Dorothy Gaab,	Rosanne Mantei, Willie &	Judy & Mel VanBetuw,		
	Dave Creurer	Adele Nimegeers, Audrey	Gordon Rutten,		
		Michel, Betty Herlick	Danette & Calvin Tracey		
Children's Liturgy			Dawn Purdue		
Counters	Dave Creurer, Chad Klein, Darren Woodard				
Choir	Youth Choir	9am Choir	11am Choir		
Stewardship of Time & Talent – December 21 & 22, 2024					
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM		
Readers	Merle St. Onge	Pat Wolensky, Terry Biss	Jerome Sidloski		
			Karen Sidloski		
Eucharistic	Mary Ann Piwarski	Susan Kot, Jean Woodard	Shirley Mondor, Gary		
Ministers			Sidloski, Connie Regier		
Acolytes	Stella Hoffart,	Alexander Recto,	Gordon Rutten, Chimdalu		
	Ken & Kurt Beroy	Chris Dayaan	Ejiofor, Kamsi Ejiofor		
Power Point		Gerry Langlois	Val Wing		
Hospitality	Bernice Driscoll, Heather	Frank & Eveline Porte,	Ron Wormsbecker,		
	Fellner, Marilyn Isabey	Harry Jensen, Jim Parsons,	Aime Isabey, Ethan Scrupps,		
	Diane Borys	Ron & Josie Klien	Loretta Benning		
Children's Liturgy			Jessica Dixon		
Counters	Don Kraft, Bev Tourand, Demmy Pinon, Nhar Pinon				
Choir	5pm Choir	9am Choir	11am Choir		

Parish Council Members: Chair - Marga Cugnet, Wendy Sidloski, Bernice Driscoll, Nhar Pinon, Ron Wormsbecker, Jason Vinck, Deanery Rep. - Pat Wolensky, Secretary – Val Wing/Bernard Omem, Parish Finance Chairperson – Pamela Haupstein, CWL Rep. – Velma Hoffman, K of C Rep. - Aime Isabey/Richard Wick, SAFF- Camille Goski, Stewardship- Elaine Nielsen, Social Justice- Wendy Sidloski, Building & Grounds - Mel Van Betuw

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

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<u>Sacraments:</u> Baptism and Reconciliation – Contact the parish office Matrimony – Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior.

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