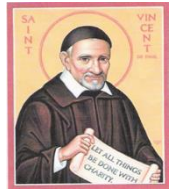


# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH



## **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

### *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!*



**December 8/9, 2018 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

## **Preparing for joy**

The readings for the Second Sunday of Advent remind us that this liturgical season is a time of spiritual preparation: While we're shopping for gifts, decorating, and sending Christmas cards, what are we doing to make Christmas a new rebirth of Christ for our daily lives?

In our responsorial Psalm today, we proclaim: "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!" Do you actually feel joyful when you mouth these words? It takes faith to experience joy in the midst of hardships. Faith grows from knowing that the Lord does great things for us because of his mercy -- not because we have earned it, as we'll never be good enough. Repenting from our sins opens us to become aware of this mercy.

Therefore, Saint John the Baptist is proclaiming to us today: "Prepare the way of the Lord!"

Now is the time to ask: What preparations do I need to make? What am I doing to straighten out the messes in my life, the areas of sin that continually distract me from a close relationship with Christ? What penances will help "make straight" my path?

What depressing or discouraging valley of hardship needs to get filled with the joy of the Lord? If it seems hopeless, what will I do to let Jesus take charge of it? What mountain of debt or difficult obstacle needs to be made low by having faith in the Lord's digging tools?

What's twisted and warped in my thinking, like a road that winds through a jungle of confusion? I pray, Holy Spirit, that you will lead me straight to holiness! What's rough about me? What's edgy and sharp and rubs others the wrong way? Lord Jesus, smooth me like a diamond polisher.

Throughout Advent and the Year of Mercy, let us examine the ways in which we still need to see the salvation of God. Let us make a plan of action to be holier and happier at the end of the Jubilee Year than we are today!

## **Questions for Personal Reflection:**

Which of the above questions stand out most for you? What will you do with this to prepare the way of the Lord so that your holiness grows?

## We are a Scent-Free building.

Our many chemically sensitive parishioners appreciate your thoughtfulness by not wearing perfume, aftershave, scented hand lotion, fragranced hair products, essential oils and/or scented products.



## Facing Cancer with Mary: Reflections, Prayers and Spiritual Practices by Sister Catherine Stewart O.P.

When Sr. Catherine Stewart's life was threatened by stage 3 colon cancer, she turned to Our Blessed Mother and the Rosary for solace and strength. Read her survival story as well as her reflections on the mysteries of the Rosary in this book. For anyone facing cancer, Sr. Catherine offers hope and assurance that Our Lady will walk with you every step of the way. Now available in the Parish Library.

**Our Directory picture sessions are booking up fast! Thankfully, we were able to open up more dates for the pictures to be taken, since our scheduled days filled up so fast! The new dates are December 18 and 19, so make sure to book your appointments before these new days also get filled up! If you are unable to make it to a photo appointment, you can always submit a photo with a small fee, and still get a directory! We would like to have as many families as possible be a part of this, to make our new directory as complete as we can!**

To book, please go to [www.stvincentdepaul.ca](http://www.stvincentdepaul.ca), call the parish office, or talk to our volunteers after the weekend Masses.

**All picture sessions will be held at the church.**

**Choir practice** for the 11 am Sunday Mass Choir will be at the church on **Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 1pm**. Please note the change of time.

**The K of C Christmas Party** is coming up on **December 10**, with social starting at 6pm and supper at 7pm. Price is \$25 per person (Clergy and wives of deceased Brs. are gratis) and alcohol drink tickets are \$2 each. **Please contact Br. Pete Broccolo ([petebroccolo@gmail.com](mailto:petebroccolo@gmail.com) or 306-891-9755) ASAP to reserve your place.**

**Two people are needed** to convene one of our parish's **funeral lunch groups**. The group members are already in place – we just need conveners. Your group would only have to work 3-4 times per year. If you would be interested in this area of stewardship, or if you have any questions, please call Renée at 306-842-7271.

## Upcoming Eucharistic Celebrations

Mon.	Dec. 10	9 AM	Lay Service
Tues.	Dec. 11	9 AM	Harvey Seitz +
Wed.	Dec. 12	8 AM 9 AM	Adoration (until 12pm) James Keller +
Thurs.	Dec. 13	9 AM	Darryl Bauche +
Fri.	Dec. 14	9:30 AM 12:10 PM	@ WSCH Leonard Neumeier & Family
Sat.	Dec. 15	10 AM 5 PM 7 PM (St. Mary's)	@ Tatagwa Edward Wharton + Mariano and Lucia Domael +
Sun	Dec. 16	9 AM 11 AM 5 PM	Fred Caine + Filipino Mass

### Readings – December 15 & 16:

Zephaniah 3.14-18a Philippians 4.4-7 Luke 3.10-18



### YOUTH MINISTRY

**Grade 7-12 Club** will meet weekly on Wednesdays, from **6:30pm – 8pm** in the Youth Room.

**Grade 5-6 Club** will meet weekly on Thursdays, from **6:30pm – 8pm** in the Youth Room.

**This Christmas** the CWL are collecting **cash donations for Sandy Bay**, although anyone that would like to donate is more than welcome to. The donation box can be found in the church entry way.

CWL newsletters can also be picked up in the church entry way.

**Donations envelopes for 2019** are going to be prepared in the near future. Please let the office know if you no longer wish to receive envelopes, want to start using them, or if you would like to switch over to **pre-authorized giving**. It is very easy to set up, and will make donating easier for you and the parish!

### Power in My Hands - Rosary Movie Event

The Spiritual and Adult Faith Formation committee is screening the documentary *Power in My Hands* on **Sunday, December 9 at 7pm** at Lower McKenna Hall. The film uncovers the beauty, history and power of the Rosary. Starring Biblical scholar Jeff Cavins, NFL quarterback Philip Rivers and Rosary expert Fr. Don Calloway, this is not a film to be missed. Snacks and socializing to follow. All are invited!



**Do you hear those bells?** That's the sound of a **Salvation Army volunteer**, ringing in the hopes that the people of Weyburn will donate to this good cause. **The Weyburn Salvation Army Kettle Campaign needs YOU** to volunteer for a two hour shift to help fill the Christmas food hampers! **If interested, please call Helen** at 306-842-6485 or 306-861-4599.

**Congratulations** to **Kathleen and Andrew McMillan** on the baptism of their baby girl, **Riley Melissa McMillan**. We are so blessed and excited to welcome her into our church family!

**Funeral Lunch Groups:** The following groups are next for upcoming funerals: Donna & Renee, Shirley & Theresa, and Marilyn & Ev.



**A Bible Study** will be running weekly on **Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 pm** in the Slezak Room, no cost and no commitment. We will gather to reflect on the readings for the upcoming Sunday in order to be better prepared for the Mass.

**Attention ALL CWL Members:** Nominations for the following 2019-2020 CWL Executive positions are now open: President; Vice-President; 1st Vice-President; Secretary; Treasurer. Nominations are also open for Chairpersons of the following standing committees: Spiritual Development; Organization; Christian Family Life; Community Life; Education; Health; Communications; Resolutions/Legislation. **Nominations forms will be available at the back of the Church after each weekend Mass.** **Nominations close December 10, 2018.** If you have any questions, please contact Camille Goski.

**McKenna Hall** is looking for a phoning coordinator to help out with making phone calls and finding workers for McKenna Hall events. For more information, or if interested, please contact Angelo or Margaret at 306-842-4481.



**Weyburn K of C** membership dues are now payable. Emails and letters are being sent to all Brs. with amounts owing and payment details.

**For CWL Members,** in December, as well as collecting for Sandy Bay, we will also be collecting donations for the Salvation Army. We will be targeting the donations towards teenagers, and are aiming to give them something warm and fuzzy to get them through the winter. Examples include warm blankets, sweaters, and outdoor wear.

**St. Mary's, Tribune:** Our Parish Christmas Social will be on **Saturday, December 15th following 7pm Mass**. Please remember Father Francis's Hamper. As well, \$30 CWL Memberships are now due. Please give to Marie or Bernice. Just a reminder to book your appointment for directory pictures online at [www.st.vincentdepaul.ca](http://www.st.vincentdepaul.ca) or by phoning the parish office at 306-842-2129.

Most of you are familiar with the ongoing roof repair and renovations starting in July and August of this year. **This was a cost of around \$50,000.**

**We are asking the St. Vincent de Paul parish family** to share in the cost of these repairs by donating what you can to the Building Maintenance Fund. We are so grateful for all who have and will donate to this.

**We are all aware that our homes need continuous repair and maintenance to keep our houses in good shape. Our Parish home is no different,** and we must all contribute what we can to see that our church home is kept up to date on the repairs that need doing and that we have funds in place to do this.

Donations can be put in a marked envelope and into the collection basket or left at the parish office. Please make cheques payable to "St. Vincent de Paul Building Fund".

**There is only one month left** for our Archbishop's Appeal. Our goal is \$49,571 and to date we only have \$33,024. Make sure to get your donations in so that we can reach our goal! Thank you for your involvement!



**St. Vincent de Paul Parish Trivia**

The answer is: **B**

Within the first 50 years of our parish's existence, there were 781 marriages celebrated at our church.

**Make sure to watch the projector screens before mass to see next week's question!**

**The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe** is on **Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**. To celebrate, we will have Adoration on that day, beginning with **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 8am**, followed by a rosary and devotion for an end to Abortion and Euthanasia. There will also be Mass at 9am, and Adoration will go until Benediction at 12pm. Everyone is welcome to join!

**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES**

**St. Vincent de Paul Parish**

**Christmas Eve (Monday, Dec. 24) – 5pm and 9pm**

**Christmas Day (Tuesday, Dec. 25) – 10am**

**New Year's Eve (Monday, Dec. 31) – 5pm**

**New Year's Day (Tuesday, Jan. 1) – 10am**

**St. Mary's (Tribune)**

**Christmas Eve (Monday, Dec. 24) – 7pm**

**New Year's Eve (Monday, Dec. 31) – 7pm**

**No Mass for Christmas Day or New Year's Day**

## Stewardship of Time & Talent - December 8 / 9

	SAT 5 PM	SUN 9 AM	SUN 11 AM
<b>Readers</b>	Wendy Sidloski	Claire Kuhn Lynn Colquhoun	Patricia Redman Marga Cugnet
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> First 3 serve bread Last 4 serve cup	Wendy Sidloski Dorothy Lawrenz <b>VACANT</b> Alaina Flaaten Alice Schneider Stella Hoffart <b>VACANT</b>	Susan Kot John Tuchscherer Diane Borys Hilarion Pohl	Gary Sidloski Shirley Mondor Sheldon Leblanc Daryl Fleck
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>VACANT</b>	Don Bohn Frank Porte	Bonnie Sidloski Camille Goski
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Joan Marcotte-Davies	Ingri Roman	Danielle Branvold Janene Hoffmann
<b>Power Point</b>	Fingler Family	Carole Milo	Jennifer Woodard
<b>Hospitality</b>	Brian Winter Jean Reich Rhonda Baudria Dorothy Gaab	Lorne and Colette Horack Willie and Adele Nimegeers Dick Michel	Judy and Mel Van Betuw Gordon Rutten Danette and Calvin Tracey
<b>Counters</b>	Harry Plemel, Nick Coroluick, Terry Biss		

## Stewardship of Time & Talent - December 15 / 16

	SAT 5 PM	SUN 9 AM	SUN 11 AM
<b>Readers</b>	Merle St. Onge	Stafford Nimegeers Cecile Sellinger	Jerome Sidloski Karen Sidloski
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Jo Martin Lloyd Zyla Mary Ann Piwarski Steve Zackrisson Brian Winter Dave Creurer Janice Seitz	Yvonne Kerr Doreen Verbeurgt Marcel Bauche Lynn Colquhoun	<b>VACANT</b> Bonnie Sidloski Yvette Bauche Elaine Nielsen
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>VACANT</b>	Bruno Tuchscherer Richard Wick	Mel VanBetuw Ken LeBlanc
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Deanna Schwindt	Tara Kurtz	Karissa and Autumn Vilcu
<b>Power Point</b>	Randy Schiller	Barry Britz	Roberto Roman
<b>Hospitality</b>	Chad Klein Sean Galvin Steve and Glenda Zackrisson	Frank and Eveline Porte Hilarion Pohl Harry Jensen Elaine Gray	Ron Wormsbecker Aime Isabey Pat and Loretta Benning Lise Soles
<b>Counters:</b>	Jeff and Mary Ann Flaaten, Kevin and Verna O'Neill		

**Parish Council Members:** Pat Wolensky, Sarah Ayeri, Joseph Ball, Brenda Kosior, John Tuchscherer, Val Wing, Vic Messer, Jim Wanner **Parish Finance Chairperson** – Dave Creurer

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

**K of C Faithful Navigator:** Peter Broccolo (891-9755) petebroccolo@gmail.com

**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

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

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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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**Caretaker:** Rani Roettger