ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH





Lord's Day Eucharist:

Saturday 5 pm Sunday 5 pm



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

Reconciliation:

- <u>Saturday.</u> 4:30-5 pm

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 13 & 14, 2024

Good News Reflection; What are you looking for?

Like Jesus did to Andrew, who became one of his first disciples, in this Sunday's Gospel passage, he says to you and to each of us: "What are you looking for?" When you pray, and when you look at a crucifix, or when you see a picture of Jesus, what exactly are you looking for?

Jesus says: "Come and see!" Come and see what? His love? His healing power? His supernatural ability to answer our prayers? Whatever we're looking for, the reason we're seeking it is because we don't yet have it.

Jesus is the fulfillment of every promise by God the Father. Jesus is the fullness of love, the provider of mercy, the divine healer, the perfect mediator of all our prayers and concerns and everything else we truly need. So, why does it feel like something is still missing? Why do our lives feel incomplete? Why do our prayers seem unanswered? The answer is revealed in what happened after Andrew began to follow Jesus. We read about it in Samuel's response to God's invitation. We proclaim it in the Responsorial Psalm: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

Andrew, his brother Simon Peter, and the other disciples were privileged to witness first-hand the wondrous miracles of Jesus. They personally experienced God's love through the gentle eyes of Jesus, the tone of kindness in his voice, and the forgiveness that was visible in his smile.

Yet with all of this, they did not really find all that they were looking for (remember how easily Peter felt afraid or confused or uncertain) until they were on the giving end of it. They didn't discover the fullness of Jesus until Jesus was no longer present in the flesh and they accepted their calling to continue Christ's earthly ministry.

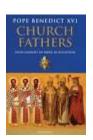
The same is true for us who have never seen Jesus' actual eyes or heard his actual voice. We find what we're seeking when we give it to others. Why? Because then we discover that we really had it all along! This is the miracle of "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

Questions for Personal Reflection: What do you need from Jesus that he doesn't seem to be providing yet? At the core of your prayer requests, what is it you're really seeking? How can you find it by doing the will of God? Contemplate this question until you figure out something to do. Then do it and see what happens.

Questions for Community Faith Sharing: Describe a time when you gave away what you thought you didn't have. Perhaps it was money or time. Perhaps it was patience or hope or love itself. How were you doing the will of God? What happened to your own needs afterward?

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Upcoming Celebrations ************************************					
Sat.	Jan. 13	10 Tatagwa	Lay Service		
		5 PM Mass	Lay Service		
Sun.	Jan. 14	5 PM Mass	Eliseo Casacop +		
			& Thanksgiving		
Mon.	Jan. 15	No Mass			
Tues.	Jan. 16	No Mass			
Wed.	Jan. 17	9 AM	Lay Service		
Thur.	Jan. 18	9 AM	Lay Service		
Fri.	Jan. 19	12:10 PM	Lay Service		
			Lay Service		
Sat.	Jan. 20	10 Tatagwa	Lay Service		
		5 PM Mass	Arsenio Pacleb +		
Sun.	Jan. 21	10 AM Mass	Bernie Kot Int.		



Church fathers: from Clement of Rome to Augustine by Pope Benedict XVI

This book by Pope Benedict presents the early Church fathers in all their humanity, faithfulness and uncompromising love of God. Through the lives of these early Church

fathers, Pope Benedict describes the Catholic Church's against-all-odds conversion of the pagan Roman Empire to Christianity. This triumph of the Church was in no small part due to the heroic witness of men such as Clement, Tertullian, Jerome, Augustine, John Chrysostom, Ireneaus, Ignatius and Justin Martyr. Join Pope Benedict to learn about these, and other, heroes of the Catholic Church. Now available in the Parish Library. Pro libris!

A New "Alpha" Program will run

Jan. 10 to Mar. 20! Wednesday
evenings at 6:30pm. Free suppers
included. Alpha helps create a space
where people can explore basic questions
about Christian faith. Open to all Faiths. Please
contact the office (306) 842-2129 to register!

general meeting will be held at McKenna Hall on Tuesday, January 16 at 7pm.reminded there will be no Mass before the meeting.

The new schedule for the Monday CWL Rosary at Hill Top manor is ready to be picked up in the pamphlet rack at the church. Contact Marilyn Schuck if there are any questions. 306-842-6410

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19
Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10
1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20
John 1:35-42

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: Ella Neuberger, Jim Mantei, Yvonne Hall, Amanda Kopec, Angie Kater, Alice Kot, John Tuchscherer, Verna Reiss and all those facing an illness or any of life's struggles.

Our condolences to the family and friends of Cliff Corbett and Sharon Purdue, mother to Sean Purdue

The thoughts and prayers of your church family are with you.



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.



Everyone is welcome to Father Valentine's Father Birthday Party! On Sunday, February 11, We will be having a lasagna dinner directly after the 11 am Polka Mass! Birthday cake, coffee, tea and juice will be provided. A collection will be taken from adults and Children are FREE! Richard Wick will provide some entertainment after lunch and the Step's will be playing at Mass and from 2-4pm. Please come, have some fun, teach your children to dance, or learn yourself! It can will be a great time to spend with your family!! You can sign up in the church foyer or call the office so we have numbers for set up. Let's get everyone out for some winter fun!!



CWL fees of \$40 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. Etransfer is also an option. Please send e-transfers to Wendy Pitre at 306-861-3473. 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

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is asking for support of Bill S-210: Protecting Young Persons from Exposure to Pornography Act. This Bill would make it an offence for organizations to allow young persons access to sexually explicit material on the internet. The bill would require these organizations to implement meaningful age verification measures on This Bill is before the House of their websites. Commons which resumes sitting on January 29, 2024. Time is of the essence to encourage MPs to support Bill S-210. The Catholic Women's League has placed a petition in the Church Lobby, which will be given to our MP with a request that he present it to the House of Commons and vote in favour of Bill S-210. petition will be in the lobby until January 23 to allow time for delivery to our MP. Please take the time to sign this petition. Thank you.

Stewardship Bulletin Bit; Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time "Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?'" - John 1:38 When we recognize who we are, it's easier to find what we are looking for. Once we see ourselves, and others, as children of God, we spend less time looking for the material comforts of the world. Instead, our hearts long for something deeper that can only be filled by God. Ask God daily how He wants you to live the life He intended for you.

<u>Pray:</u> Your calling, Jesus, is irresistible. When You show Yourself and come to meet me, Your love exceeds everything else, and I cannot resist You. Thank You for calling me by name! Amen.



Community Hot Meal: SOUP MAKERS NEEDED!! We still need 3 pots of soup for our turn on January 14th. If you can help, please call, or text Wendy Pitre at

306-861-3473. Thank you!



The 2024 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is on the theme "You shall love the Lord your God...and your neighbour as yourself" based on Luke 10:25-37. This year's theme was prepared by an ecumenical

team in Burkina Faso. The week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place from January 18-25th. There will be a prayer service at St. Vincent de Paul on January 19th at 7 pm and **the churches with Weyburn Ministerial will hold an ecumenical service on Sunday Jan 21st at 2pm at Grace United Church. Please plan to attend.** Watch for further details about ecumenical prayer services throughout this week. For more information, please contact Velma Hoffman at (306) 861-6105.

<u>The Religious Articles Shop</u> has received more olive wood Comfort Crosses from Bethlehem. See Val or Tiffany, in the office if you are interested in purchasing one.

Stewardship Time & Talent- January 13 & 14, 2024

	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 5 PM	
Readers	Derek & Patricia Redman	Dianne Vilcu Marilyn Schuck	
Eucharistic Ministers	Steve Zackrisson	Susan Kot Jean Woodard Chris Marcotte	
Acolytes	Bruno Tuchscherer	Ken Leblanc Chimdalu & Kamsi Ejoifor	
Power Point	Vacant	Gerry Langlois	
Hospitality	Brian Winter Dorothy Gaab Dave Creurer	Frank & Eveline Porte Harry Jensen Jim Parsons Ron & Josie Klein	
Children's Liturgy		Karla Ernst/Emily Stroeder	
Committees	Dava Craurer Pob Labbia Darran Woodard		

Thanks to all our volunteers for the extra work in the Holiday season!

Counters Dave Creurer, Rob Labbie, Darren Woodard

Counters

Stewardship of Time & Talent January 20 & 21, 2024

	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 10 AM
Readers	Lloyd Zyla	Carol Toles Glenda Shupe
Eucharistic Ministers	Rose Loos Mary Ann Piwarski Kim Haupstein	Carole Toles Marga Cugnet Aime Isabey
Acolytes	Stella Hoffart Ken and Kurt Beroy	Stella Hoffart Gordon Rutten Haroun Mathews
Power Point	Vacant	Gerry Langlois
Hospitality	Yvonne Kerr Omer & Chris Marcotte Richard & Celine Wawro	Terry Lonoway Charlene Keen Pat Wolensky
Children's Liturgy		Tiffany/ Maggie

Don Kraft, Nhar & Demmy Pinon, Bev Tourand



Parish Council Members: Chair - Marga Cugnet, Sarah Ayeri, Brenda Kosior, Jim Wanner, Wendy Sidloski, Bernice Driscoll, Deanery Rep. - Pat Wolensky, Secretary — Val Wing/Tiffany Bohn, Parish Finance Chairperson — Pamela Haupstein, CWL Rep. - Judy Van Betuw,- K of C Rep. - Aime Isabey/Richard Wick, SAFF- Camille Goski, Stewardship-Elaine Nielsen, Social Justice- Wendy Sidloski, Building & Grounds - Mel Van Betuw, Liturgy - Jean Wagner

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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

CWL President: Judy Van Betuw (861-3241) CWL Meetings: (Sept. – June) **Exec Mtg.** – 2nd **Tuesdav** of month Gen Mtg. – 3rd **Tuesdav** of 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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