

# 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!*



## Epiphany of the Lord

January 2 & 3, 2021



### **Good News Reflection; Gifts of new birth**

Epiphany is a celebration of the adoration of magi from the East who sought and found Christ the newborn king.

The Greek word "magi" meant oriental scientists. Also called astrologers, their worship of Jesus does not validate astrology, which assigns power over us to stars and planets; rather, it validates that Jesus was born to bring salvation to all, Gentiles as well as Jews. Their arrival at the manger demonstrates that Jesus was born for the sake of all who recognize that only God should have power over us. Jesus was born to free us from sin and all other forces that control us.

The magi also demonstrate that gift-giving is a normal part of worship. Their gift of gold honored Jesus as king. Their gift of incense honored Jesus as God. And their gift of myrrh honored the gift that Jesus would eventually give to us: his death. He was born to sacrifice his life for us. He took to the cross our sins, and then his resurrection destroyed the power of sin and the power of demons who tempt us to sin.

The gifts of the magi become gifts that we all give to Jesus: Gold represents our righteousness, which Christ's kingship over our lives makes possible so that we become more and more saintly each day. Incense represents our prayers going up to God - prayers that involve giving God the gift of our trust. And myrrh is the gift of suffering for Christ: the sacrifices we make for the sake of his ongoing mission of transforming our world.

The word "epiphany" means a moment of discovery, a revelation that changes our lives. Did the magi have an epiphany about Jesus when they came into his presence? Did they realize that they were looking at the Savior of the world? Did they want this little baby to save them from their own sins?

We can safely assume that they never forgot about their trip to Bethlehem. Surely they kept their ears open for news about him as the years went by. Probably they heard about the King of the Jews who was crucified. We know that they in fact became very saintly Christians; their relics still exist and have been venerated since very early times.

What about you and me? Will we remember Jesus in some new way this year? Will our worship of him transform us? Will the power of sin be defeated by our faith in Christ when we face temptations? Hopefully, we have been changed this Advent and Christmas Season by a new rebirth of Jesus into our lives and - through our lives - out into the world.

### **Questions for Personal Reflection:**

What's the gold you're giving to Jesus? What is your incense? What is your myrrh?

### Upcoming Eucharistic Celebrations

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Jan. 04</b>	No Service	
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>Jan. 05</b>	9 AM Mass	Marion Brown +
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>Jan. 06</b>	9 AM Mass	Francis Krainyk ++
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>Jan. 07</b>	9 AM Mass	Clara & Peter Unger +
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>Jan. 08</b>	12:10 PM Mass Adoration 5 pm Benediction	Cole Crooks +
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Jan. 09</b>	5 PM @ SVDP 7 PM @ St. Mary	Lloyd Zyla Anthony Matthews +
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Jan. 10</b>	9 AM SVDP 11 AM SVDP 3PM	Doris Van de Sype + Orlando Dizon + Josie Church +



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

Our condolences to anyone in our church family who may have lost a loved one recently. The thoughts and prayers of your church family are with you all.



### A Huge Thank you to all the volunteers in the ministries over the holidays!

The challenges with the extra masses to accommodate the diminished capacity has been monumental. Thank you for your patience with me on the phone and

for your understanding. Thank you Father Francis for trying to make it easier for everyone to attend services over the holidays, we hope we didn't wear you out. God willing things will get easier in the New Year.

**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.

**Readings for January 9 & 10**  
*Baptism of the Lord*  
 Isaiah 55, 1-11  
 1 John 5.1-9  
 Mark 1.7-11



**2021 Envelopes are ready for pick up.** There is still the option for those wishing to sign up for Pre-Authorized giving. Just call the office if you need the form 306-842-2129

For your tax receipts to be accurate please only use envelopes for **the current year, 2021**. Your envelope numbers can change from year to year.

### **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!

### **Archbishop's Annual Appeal** **Thank you for your generous donations thus far!**

**St. Vincent de Paul – 72%**  
 Goal - \$47, 413.00 Collected to date \$33,605.00

**St. Mary's – 57%**  
 Goal-\$1890.00 Collected to date \$1150.00



### **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.

## **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

Please consider participating in Saskatchewan's first ever Week of Prayer for Christian Unity virtual 8-day Bible study sponsored in partnership with The Prairie Centre for Ecumenism and the Regina Council of Churches

This year, due to the pandemic, we are not able to hold our regular events and so the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism and Regina Council of Churches have decided to partner and hold an 8-day virtual Bible study series based on the themes for Week of Prayer 2021 which will run Monday January 18th- Monday January 25th from 12:15-1:00pm daily over Zoom.

The theme for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2021 is "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit" (John 15:5-9) and materials have been prepared by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. This theme is developed through a series of reflections which extend over eight days and will be the basis of the Bible study. Each day will be led by a different denominational leader.

### **The daily themes are as follows:**

Day 1 - Monday, January 18th: Called by God: "You did not choose me but I chose you" (John 15:16a)

Day 2 - Tuesday, January 19th: Maturing Internally: "Abide in me as I abide in you" (John 15:4)

Day 3 - Wednesday, January 20th: Forming One Body: "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12b)

Day 4 - Thursday, January 21st: Praying Together: "I do not call you servants any longer...but I have called you friends" (John 15:15)

Day 5 - Friday, January 22nd: Letting Oneself Be Transformed by the Word: "You have already been pruned by the word..." (John 15:3)

Day 6 - Saturday, January 23rd: Welcoming Others: "Go and bear fruit, fruit that will last" (John 15:16b)

Day 7 - Sunday, January 24th: Growing in Unity: "I am the vine, you are the branches" (John 15:5a)

Day 8 - Monday, January 25th: Reconciling with all Creation: "So that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete" (John 15:11)

Further details and registration information will be released early in January.



**Thank You!** I would like to express my total gratitude and appreciation yet again, to my incredible family of St. Vincent de Paul Church, at the time of this heartbreaking loss of my son Derek. Your words of condolence, cards, food, Mass requests and especially your prayers are such a huge support to me and my family. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. May God bless you abundantly in 2021 and always. Janice Seitz and Family

## **Stewardship Bulletin Bit: January 3, 2021**

### **Epiphany of the Lord**

"...they fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh..." - Matthew 2:11

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!

### **Traveling Statue of Our Lady is a statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

that travels from Convention to Convention. She is passed from the previous hosting CWL Region to the present hosting Region. At the Regina Diocesan CWL Convention held in Weyburn in 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.

## Stewardship & Talent - January 2 & 3, 2020

	SAT 5 PM	SUN 9 AM	SUN 11 AM	SUN 3 PM
<b>Readers</b>	Merle St. Onge Janice Seitz	Pat Wolensky	Glenda Shupe	Theresa Istace
<b>Acolytes</b>				
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>				
<b>Power Point</b>	Roberto Roman	Vacant	Jacob LeBlanc	
<b>Hospitality</b>	Yvonne Dzuba Denis Tremblay Jim Wanner	Frank & Eveline Porte Harry Jensen & Elaine Gray Jim Parsons	Ron Wormsbecker Aime Isabey Pat & Loretta Benning	Elaine Nielsen Jean Wagner
<b>Counters</b>	Harry Plemel, Nick Coroluick, Terry Biss			

## Stewardship of Time & Talent - January 9 & 10, 2021

	SAT 5 PM	SUN 9 AM	SUN 11 AM	
<b>Readers</b>	Camille Goski Connie Regier	Wendy Pitre Colleen Fellner	Shirley Mondor Connie Regier	Merle St. Onge
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>				
<b>Power Point</b>	Randy Schiller	Candice Casio	Don Kraft	
<b>Hospitality</b>	Dorothy Gaab Dave Creurer	Yvonne Kerr Omer & Chris Marcotte Richard & Celine Wawro	Terry Lonoway Ron & Josie Klein Charlene Keen	Elaine Nielsen Jean Wagner
<b>Counters</b>	Jeff & Mary Anne Flaaten, Kevin & Verna O'Neill			

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

**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

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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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