

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH



Lord's Day Eucharist:

Saturday 5 pm
Sunday 9 am
Sunday 11 am



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

Reconciliation: Friday 11:30-12:00 pm
Saturday 4:00– 4:40 pm

3rd Sunday in Lent
March 11 & 12, 2023

Good News Reflection: What's your spiritual thirst?

What are you thirsty for? Thirst is what happens when we lack something vital. Water is essential for our physical survival, and our bodies signal us when it's time to drink fluids to stay healthy.

Likewise, water is necessary for our spiritual survival, albeit a different sort of water -- the living water, which we first received from the baptismal water that purifies us for eternal life. This living water is a holy water that enables us to have abundant life in Christ.

The Holy Spirit is the Giver of Life. One of the biblical symbols that represents the presence of God's Spirit is life-giving water. Therefore, we can surmise that Jesus wanted to give the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Samaritan woman. Why? It would still be a while before the Holy Spirit descended upon everyone at Pentecost.

She needed the truth; the Holy Spirit is Truth, and Jesus wanted to give her whatever she needed to repent and receive salvation and then share this new life with the people around her.

We only get thirsty when we haven't had enough to drink. Spiritual thirst shows itself in many forms: addictions, loneliness, despair, frustration, self-indulgence, or any other feeling or behavior that's triggered when we lack something that we need or want.

And why would we lack anything spiritually? Because, like the woman at the well, we sometimes fail to realize that Christ is with us. We need to receive a spiritual healing.

How does God give us this healing? He pours his love into us with all sufficiency, but to drink of it, we have to listen openly, like that woman, ready to be changed by the truth.

Questions for Personal Reflection: What sin or unhealthy habit do you need to overcome so that Jesus is free to quench your thirsts? What will you do this week to hand it over to Christ?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing: 1. In the first reading, why did a physical thirst turn into a sin? How does this still happen today?

2. In Romans 5, grace and hope are mentioned as gifts we receive when we have been "justified by faith" (i.e., when we've repented of our sins and sought forgiveness through Jesus). How do grace and hope quench our thirsts? How do they help us resist sin?

Upcoming Eucharist Celebrations

Sat.	Mar. 11	10 Tatagwa 5 PM Mass 7 PM St. Mary	Antony Matthews + Brian & Donna Winter Int Joe & Florence Ball +
Sun.	Mar. 12	9 AM Mass 11 AM	Charles & Betty Simon+ Richard Bauche +
Mon.	Mar. 13	No Mass	
Tues.	Mar. 14	6:30 PM	Terry Giroux +
Wed.	Mar. 15	9 AM 10 AM Bison	Lucie Nickel Int. Elsie Miller +
Thur.	Mar. 16	9 AM 10 Hilltop	Julian Goski +
Fri.	Mar. 17	9:30 WSCH 6 PM 6:30 PM 7 PM Mass	Anthony Matthews + Rosary Stations of the Cross Special Int.
Sat.	Mar. 18	10 Tatagwa 5 PM Mass 7 PM	Ethan Scrupps & Family Int Janice Seitz Int, Joe & Florence Ball +
Sun.	Mar. 19	9 AM Mass 11 AM Mass	Alice Kot Int. Emile Istace +

Upcoming Events:

Mar. 12 & 13, 7pm, Lenten Mission with Hudson Byblow, at the Church

Apr. 21, 5:30pm, Volunteer Appreciation Supper and Social, McKenna Hall

May 7 & 8, CWL Convention, Regina, SK

May 13, 9:30am-4:30pm – Trauma Informed Workshop, at St Vincent de Paul

May 16, CWL Meeting , Guest speaker Gordon Petruick, Director of Regional Affairs for the Minister of Indigenous Services, Canada

More information will be forthcoming in the future.

Are you someone interested in the History of our Church?

We are looking for an Archivist. Archives are records in many formats, used in the day-to-day running of the Parish that are no longer in current use but merit preservation because of their significance for administrative, legal or historical use. If you are someone interested please contact the office for more information. 306-842-2129



There will be a Liturgy meeting on March 14 at 2pm to prepare for Holy Week. Music, Hospitality, Acolytes and Readers are asked to be represented.

The CWL next General Meeting will be held on March 21, in Lower McKenna Hall. Our guest speaker will be Theresa Girardin who will be speaking to us on good mental health.

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Exodus 17:3-7

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

John 4:5-42

Heavenly Father, we thank you for all the Blessings in our lives; for the very world in which we live and for the health and strength you have bestowed upon us.

The suffering Christ endured provided healing and power over illness. Lord, direct that 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: **Archbishop Donald Bolen, Lawrence Fellner, Bonnie Kaip, Benedict Vinck, Linda Kot, Greg Hooper, Dick Michel**, and all those facing an illness or any of life's struggles.

Our condolences to the family and friends of **Lana Mantei**, the thoughts and prayers of your church family are with you.

Tax receipts are ready for pick up. They can be picked up in the foyer.

The Sacramental Preparation Classes for First Eucharist and Confirmation, have begun again downstairs in the Church Youth room.

Remaining Sessions are:

March 12 & 13

March 26 & 27

April 16 & 17

April 30, May 1

May 14 & 15



Lenten Reconciliation will be held on

March 15th

10:00am for the students, at St. Michael's School

6:30-8:00pm at St. Vincent de Paul Church

Get ready for our Volunteer Appreciation Supper on Friday, April 21, at McKenna Hall. The Social will start at 5:30 and supper at 6pm. Parish Pastoral Council, Father Valentine and Angelo want to show everyone who volunteers in any way, big or small, how much your service to the Parish is appreciated and how much you are all valued and loved!

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.

Lenten Mission with Hudson Byblow. Exploring our Faith: Making Sense of Suffering.



Hudson will share a portion of his personal testimony of how he found himself back in the Catholic Church after years of searching for peace, with same-sex attractions and transgender inclinations being a part of his story. He will share about how the transformative love of Christ wrote into his heart a deepening desire to surrender to God's love throughout it all - but not without fighting back to remain in familiarity. Through that battle, however, Hudson is now able to describe a more profound love, through which suffering may be understood in a far more fruitful way, and he hopes to now share about how we can courageously navigate any suffering that comes, for the sake of building the Kingdom of God. Session one will be Sunday March 12 at 7pm, Session two is Monday March 13, 7pm. Hudson will be joining us in the Church via Zoom.

Stewardship Bulletin Bit: 3rd Sunday of Lent

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." John 4:13. Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us over the long run. When we build our lives around material possessions we will always want more and no amount will ever satisfy our desire. True joy and peace only comes when we follow Jesus - when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered."



Community Hot Meals Program:

Our last date is March 12. Wendy would like to thank everyone for all the donations of food and the help they provided this winter!

St. Vincent de Paul Book Club will meet on Sunday, March 12 at 3pm. Please join us for spiritually motivated conversations about the books we read followed by tea and refreshments.



Salvation: what every Catholic should know by Michael Barber.

In the Nicene Creed we declare that Jesus came down from heaven "for us men and for our salvation." But what does that mean exactly? Has a Protestant friend ever asked you "Are you saved?" This book provides a deeply Biblical and thoroughly Catholic answer to these questions by unpacking what the New Testament teaches about salvation in Christ, defining what exactly salvation is and what it is not. This book shows you what Jesus Christ came to save us from, as well as what He came to save us for. Pro Libris!



March 26 is a Special Collection for Development and Peace:

To delegates at the 4th World Meeting of Popular Movements, Pope Francis said, "...you have the ability and the courage to create hope where there appears to be only waste and exclusion."

These are the words that inspired the choice of "Create Hope" as a five-year guiding theme at Development and Peace — Caritas Canada.

The courage to Create Hope is rooted in actions big and small. For to drive away anguish and despair, it is best to act. Every action we take has a positive effect on us, our neighbours, our great human family, our children and their descendants. What will you do this Lent to Create Hope? Join our campaign at devp.org/lent.



Lenten "Souper" Fridays Services:

Sponsored by PLURA churches will be held at Grace United Church, every Friday at 12:00 noon. There will be a brief worship with singing and meditation. Following the worship there will be a fellowship meal: soup & sandwich donated by the participating Churches. Everyone is welcome. There will be a basket for a freewill offering. Friday March 17, will be sponsored by the Lutheran Church.

Stewardship of Time & Talent - March 11 & 12

	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Readers	Wendy Sidloski Ingri Roman	Patsy Ernst Lynn Colquhoun	Theresa Istace Ingri Roman
Eucharistic Ministers	Rose Loos Mary Ann Piwarski	Pat Wolensky	Carole Toles
Acolytes	Zeus Hinlayagan Charlie Ernst Bruno Tuchscherer	Aime Isabey Ron Klein	Stella Hoffart Gordon Rutten Haroun Mathews
Power Point	Vacant	Gerry Langlois	Jacob LeBlanc
Children's Liturgy			Jade
Hospitality	Jeff & Mary Ann Flaaten Frank & Bonnie Kaip	Lynn & Kevin Colquhoun Amanda Kopec Susan & Ken Kot	Roberto Roman Joe Glab Norm Mondor Sheldon LeBlanc
Counters	Harry Plemel, Nick Coroluick, Terry Biss		

Stewardship of Time & Talent - March 18 & 19

	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Readers	Merle St. Onge	Pat Wolensky	Dianne Vilcu Marilyn Schuck
Eucharistic Ministers	Mary Janeczko Betty Van Staveren	Susan Kot Jean Woodard	Shirley Mondor Sheldon LeBlanc
Acolytes	Bruno Tuchscherer Zeus Hinlayagan Charlie Ernst	Don Bohn Frank Porte	Mel VanBetuw Ken LeBlanc
Power Point	Lloyd Zyla	Gerry Langlois	Jennifer Woodard
Children's Liturgy			Natalya
Hospitality	Yvonne Dzuba Jim Wanner Margaret & Bruno Tuchscherer	Roseanne Mantei Willie & Adele Nimegeers Betty Herlick	Judy & Mel VanBetuw Gordon Rutten Calvin & Danette Tracey
Counters	Jeff & Mary Ann Flaaten, Frank & Bonnie Kaip		

Parish Council Members: Chair - Marga Cugnet, Sarah Ayeri, Brenda Kosior, Jim Wanner, Wendy Sidloski, **Deanery Rep.** - Pat Wolensky, **Secretary** – Val Wing, **Parish Finance Chairperson** – Pamela Hauptstein

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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 **Tuesday** of month Gen Mtg. – 3rd **Tuesday** of month

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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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