# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH





### Lord's Day Eucharist:

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am 11:00 am



Mission: St. Mary's, Tribune - Saturday 7:00pm

**Reconciliation, SVDP:** Saturday 4:30 – 5:00pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent March 22 & 23, 2025





## Fruits of the Fig: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Third Sunday of Lent

In the Church, we are made children of the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—the God who makes known His name and His ways to Moses in today's First Reading.

Mindful of His covenant with Abraham (see Exodus 2:24), God came down to rescue His people from the slave drivers of Egypt. Faithful to that same covenant (see Luke 1:54–55, 72–73), He sent Jesus to redeem all lives from destruction, as today's Psalm tells us.

Paul says in today's Epistle that God's saving deeds in the Exodus were written down for the Church, intended as a prelude and foreshadowing of our own Baptism by water, our liberation from sin, our feeding with spiritual food and drink.

Yet the events of the Exodus were also given as a "warning"—that being children of Abraham is no guarantee that we will reach the promised land of our salvation.

At any moment, Jesus warns in today's Gospel, we could perish, not as God's punishment for being "greater sinners" but because, like the Israelites in the wilderness, we stumble into evil desires, fall into grumbling, forget all His benefits.

Jesus calls us today to "repentance"—not a one-time change of heart, but an ongoing, daily transformation of our lives. We're called to live the life we sing about in today's Psalm, blessing His holy name, giving thanks for His kindness and mercy.

The fig tree in His parable is a familiar Old Testament symbol for Israel (see Jeremiah 8:3; 24:1–10). As the fig tree is given one last season to produce fruit before it is cut down, so too Jesus is giving Israel one final opportunity to bear good fruits as evidence of its repentance (see Luke 3:8).

Lent should be for us like the season of reprieve given to the fig tree, a grace period in which we let "the gardener," Christ, cultivate our hearts, uprooting what chokes the divine life in us, strengthening us to bear fruits that will last into eternity.

<b>Upcoming Celebrations</b> ************************************				
Sat.	Mar. 22	10amTatagwa	Charles & Betty Simon +	
		5 PM Mass	Olisedumme Omem Int	
		7 PM St Mary's	No Mass	
Sun.	Mar. 23	9 AM Mass	Special Intentions	
		11 AM Mass	Fran & Vic Messer Int.	
Mon.	Mar. 24	10:30 Funeral	Donald Kaufmann+	
Tues.	Mar. 25	6:30 PM Mass	Pope Francis Int	
Wed.	Mar. 26	9 AM Mass	Alice DeLaet Kot Int	
		10 AM Bison	Wade & Mandy Kot Int.	
Thur.	Mar. 27	9 AM Mass	Brett & Stephanie Kot Int.	
		10AM Midtown	Ron Miller +	
Fri.	Mar. 28	9:30 WSCH	Adam Tuchscherer +	
		6:30 PM	Stations of the Cross	
		Mass(to follow)	Jason, Mara & Miriam	
			Vinck Int.	
Sat.	Mar. 29	10amTatagwa	Mary Barnes +	
		5 PM Mass	Florencio Cuevas Jr +	
		7 PM St Mary's	Dennis Zackrisson +	
Sun.	Mar. 30	9 AM Mass	John Nikolejsin +	
		11 AM Mass	Lilia Gonzales +	

<u>Practice for the Youth Choir</u> will be held on Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.

The next classes for Sacramental Prep will be held Mar. 23<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

CWL / Southeast Newcomers

Services: Furniture needs: We have a new family needing some furniture items. Kitchen table and chairs, bed, towels, sheets, dresser, desk and chair,

pots and pans. Once again, thank you so much for help finding some needed items. Call Fran 306-861-6900

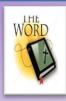
Parish Lenten Mission

March 23 & 24

7:00pm -8:30pm

Everyone is invited to join in our annual Parish Lenten Mission on Mar 23 and 24, 7:00pm-8:30pm. Our guest speaker will be Kevin Phillip of *Boats on Fire* Catholic Ministries. Kevin will be speaking on the 2025 Jubilee Year theme: "Pilgrims of Hope". We'll be reflecting on our Lenten pilgrimages as we journey towards Easter, as well as our earthly pilgrimage towards Heaven. See you there.

Almighty and everlasting God; You have given the human race, Jesus Christ our Savior as a model of humility. He fulfilled Your Will by becoming Man and giving His life on the Cross. Help us to bear witness You by following His example of suffering and make us worthy to share in His Resurrection. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son. Amen



#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15
Psalm 103:1-4, 6-8, 11
Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12
Luke 13:1-9

#### 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: Ev Corbin, Owen Klein, Eszter Lamy, Mary Jarvis, Reece Gordon Maxwell and all those facing an illness or any of life's struggles.

Our condolences to the family and friends of **Donald Kaufmann**.

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

<u>Community Hot Meal Program:</u> The last Sunday in March will be a pizza party to wind up the year. Our

volunteers are invited to come, please, let Wendy Sidloski (306-897-7764) know by **March 27th** if you want to attend and commune with the guests on March 30th.



Huge thank you to all our volunteers who graciously gave of their time, talent and treasure to make this program a success! We appreciate you! God sees you! God Bless you!

Knowing the Catholic Faith: Are you free Wednesday evening? Wondering what to do with yourself? Join us downstairs at the church for a video about the Catholic Faith. We will begin with the Sacraments on **Wed. Mar. 26** at **7pm**. Drop in for coffee when you can or mark every Wednesday at 7:00 on your calendar. You are always welcome.



The archdiocese is organizing a rally for young people in Grades 9-12 on **March 29**<sup>th</sup> from **9am** – **Midnight** at Archbishop M.C. O'Neil Catholic High School in Regina. It is free but donations are appreciated. Please, visit www.mygenrally.ca for information and to register.

#### **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:** March 23, 2025 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none." - Luke 13:7

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous; we are called to develop and nurture our gifts; and return them with increase. We are called to be generous with all of gifts; especially the one that means the most to you.



#### **CWL "TALKING POINTS"**

LOVE Love is more than a feeling, it's a decision. It requires practice, focus, patience and faith. Come join the Catholic Women's League and share the love.

<u>CWL Giving Campaign:</u> We invite everyone to join us by contributing. We are currently seeking donations of **HYGIENE PRODUCTS**; Most needed are shampoo, bars of soap, body wash etc. There is a tote near to door in the church foyer. All donations go to the Salvation Army, Weyburn.



#### Tax Receipts are ready for pickup:

The Hospitality Ministers will be handing them out in the foyer after mass during the weekend masses.

<u>Stations of the Cross</u> will be held every Friday evening at 6:30PM during Lent, followed by Mass. There will not be a noon mass. A sign-up sheet for ministries to lead is at the back of the church.



#### THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

This week on FORMED, we have:

- 1. A Bible Study on the Annunciation In this video, Dr. Ben Akers leads us through a brief study of Luke 1:26–38, highlighting some of the key Old Testament passages evoked by Gabriel's words. The reflection concludes with some thoughts on how we can imitate Mary's Yes in our own life, especially in this time of suffering.
- 2. The Annunciation | Sacred Art Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they discuss the spiritual and theological significance of the Annunciation over a piece of Sacred Art by Elizabeth Zelasko that depicts this incredible scene.
- 3. The Annunciation: Hail Mary Join Ms. Kim as she discusses devotion to Mary and the significance of Mary's "yes." All the while, you will learn new drawing techniques as you draw the Annunciation.



<u>Lenten "Souper" Friday</u> 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 and sandwich donated by the participating churches. Everyone is welcome. There will be a basket for a free will offering.

Friday, March 28 - Zion Lutheran Friday, April 4 - Grace United Friday, April 11 - Ecumenical



Stewardship Time & Talent - March 22 & 23, 2025					
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM		
Readers	Lloyd Zyla	Wendy Pitre	Ingri Roman		
		Stella Omem	Marga Cugnet		
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Dorothy Lawrenz	Susan Kot, Jean Woodard	Danette Tracey		
	Derek Redman	Chris Marcotte	Val Wing, Judy Van Betuw		
Acolytes	Armand Delaney,	Aime Isabey	Stella Hoffart, Gab Reynosa,		
	Ken Beroy,	Ron Klein	Mark Cristobal		
	Kurt Beroy		Haroun Mathews		
Power Point		Gerry Langlois			
Hospitality	Yvonne Dzuba	Ken & Susan Kot	Lionel Wanner,		
	Danielle Smith	Lynn & Kevin Colquhoun	Joe Glab, Norm Mondor,		
			Fran Messer		
Tatagwa Pastoral	Group 3	Children's Liturgy	Alaina Flaaten		
Care	-				
Counters	Pat Wolensky, Kerry Dolter, Richard				
Choir	5pm Choir	9am Choir	11am Choir		
Stewardship of Time & Talent - March 29 & 30, 2025					
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM		
Readers	Wendy Sidloski,	Patsy Ernst	Jerome Sidloski		
	Ingri Roman	Lynn Colquhoun	Karen Sidloski		
<b>Eucharistic</b>	Lloyd Zyla, Dave Creurer,	Pat Wolensky, Theresa Istace	Carol Toles, Marga Cugnet,		
Ministers	Brian Winter, Steve		Aime Isabey		
	Zackrisson				
Acolytes	Bruno Tuchscherer, Frankie	Frank Porte, Leon & Christon	Mel VanBetuw, Dave		
	& Chalie Ernst	Ligith,	Alcalde, Austin Davies		
Power Point		Gerry Langlois			
Hospitality	Brian Winter, Dorothy Gaab,	Rosanne Mantei, Willie &	Judy & Mel VanBetew,		
• •	Dave Creurer	Adele Nimegeers, Audrey	Gordon Rutten, Danette &		
		Michel, Betty Herlick	Calvin Tracey		
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Care	Group 4	Children's Liturgy			
	•	Vendy Pitre, Christie McKenzie, Youth 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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Sacraments: Baptism and Reconciliation – Contact the parish office **Matrimony** – Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior.

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