

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**

4th Sunday in Lent
March 29 & 30, 2025



Reflection for the Fourth Sunday of Lent

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So, to them Jesus addressed this parable. Luke 15:1-3.

This is good news! Our Lord "welcomes sinners and eats with them." For that reason, there is room at His table for you!

Sometimes it's hard to admit that we are sinners. Of course, we know in our minds that we are. But our pride can easily lead us to justify our sin, downplay it and conclude that we are not that bad after all. If you find yourself thinking this way, be careful. Doing so will make you like the Pharisees and scribes in the passage above. Clearly, they did not see themselves as sinners, which is why they condemned Jesus for welcoming sinners and eating with them.

The passage above comes from the beginning of Chapter 15 of Luke's Gospel and serves as an introduction to three subsequent parables. First, our Lord tells the Parable of the Lost Sheep, then the Parable of the Lost Coin, and then the Parable found in the rest of today's Gospel passage, the Parable of the Lost Son. In the first parable, the shepherd who finds his lost sheep rejoices. In the second parable, the woman who finds her lost coin rejoices. And in the parable we read today, the father who finds his lost son rejoices and throws a party to celebrate.

Return, again, to the passage above that introduces these three parables: "Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus." Once they drew near, Jesus spoke to them about the joy of finding that which was lost. Perhaps as Jesus initially spoke about the finding of the lost sheep and lost coin, this would have resonated with these tax collectors and sinners to a certain degree. But then our Lord tells them the long and detailed story about this boy who disrespects his father, takes his inheritance, squanders it on illicit living, and ends up with nothing. The story expresses the confusion of this boy, his desperation, his guilt and his shame. We learn of his interior thinking, reasoning, fears and anxiety.

As you ponder this parable, try to understand the effect that it would have had upon the tax collectors and sinners who all drew near to our Lord. They were spiritually hungry, just as the prodigal son was. They had a past full of regret, just as this boy. They were unsatisfied in life and were looking for a way out, just as this son of the loving father was. For these reasons, those tax collectors and sinners who drew near Jesus would have been mesmerized by all that Jesus taught them and filled with hope that they, too, could share in the joy that was so generously bestowed upon this wayward son.

Reflect, today, upon the touching image of these tax collectors and sinners drawing near to Jesus. Though they may have had a certain fear and caution, they would have also had hope. Try to understand what they must have thought and felt as they heard this story of the father's abundant mercy. Think about how they would have related as they discovered that there was hope for them, too. If you struggle with being like the scribes and Pharisees, reject that temptation. Instead, see yourself as one of those sinners who drew near to our Lord, and you will be the cause of joy in the Heart of the Father in Heaven.

Upcoming Celebrations

Sat.	Mar. 29	10amTatagwa 5 PM Mass 7 PM St Mary's	Mary Barnes + Florencio Cuevas Jr + Dennis Zackrisson +
Sun.	Mar. 30	9 AM Mass 11 AM Mass	John Nikolejsin + Lilia Gonzales +
Mon.	Mar. 31	10:30 Funeral	Jim Mantei+
Tues.	Apr. 1	6:30 PM Mass	Layne Kot Int.
Wed.	Apr. 2	9 AM Mass	Eric Chapman Int
Thur.	Apr. 3	9 AM Mass	Frank Garretty +
Fri.	Apr. 4	9:30 AM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM Mass(to follow)	St. Mike's Chapel Rosary & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Stations of the Cross Don & Val Frey Int.
Sat.	Apr. 5	10amTatagwa 5 PM Mass 7 PM St Mary's	Gary Erickson + Shawn Ferguson + Charles & Betty Simon+
Sun.	Apr. 6	9 AM Mass 11 AM Mass	Anne Gutzke Int. Adolph Hoffart +

Practice for the Youth Choir will be held on **Thursday, April 3rd**.

The next classes for Sacramental Prep will be held **Apr. 6th & 7th at 6:30pm.**



CWL / Southeast Newcomers

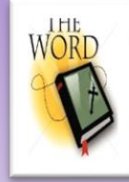
Services: Furniture needs: We have a new family needing some furniture items. Kitchen table and chairs, bed,

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.

Fifth Sunday Rosary: The Knights of Columbus will be leading the recitation of the Rosary after the 11am mass on **Sunday, March 30th**. This program encourages devotion to Mary, the patroness of our Order, and emphasizes the importance of prayer in community and as a family.



Prayer: Most loving and compassionate Lord, tax collectors and sinners were drawn to You. They found in You someone Who could free them from the burdens they carried within. Please help me to see myself as one of those humble souls in need of You and Your mercy. I reject my pride that leads me to self-justification and pray for humility so that I can come to You and gladden the Heart of the Father in Heaven. Jesus, I trust in You.



4th Sunday of Lent

Joshua 5.9a,10-12
Psalm 34:1-6, 8
2 Corinthians 5: 17-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32



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 **Jim Mantei**. The thoughts and prayers of your church family are with 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. This week's topic is "The Eucharist". Drop in for coffee when you can or mark every **Wednesday at 7:00** on your calendar. You are always welcome.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday

Saturday, April 12, 5pm
Sunday, April 13, 9am & 11am

Holy Thursday: April 17, 7pm

Good Friday: April 18,
10 am Stations of the Cross
3pm Passion of Christ

Holy Saturday: April 19
Blessing of the Food, 1pm
Vigil 8pm

Easter Sunday: April 20,
10am, St. Vincent de Paul
1pm, St. Mary's Tribune

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 27, 9am, Regular Mass
11 am Divine Mercy Sunday Mass,
Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Adoration,
Reconciliation 1pm
Benediction 2pm

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: April 6, 2025

5th Sunday of Lent

"...For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ."
(PHILIPPIANS 3:8)

The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Sharing all of our gifts - our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works, and our treasure to support the Church helps us keep God first in everything. It helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us from becoming a slave to our possessions. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for the glory of ourselves.

CWL "TALKING POINTS"

MEANING Life has meaning when you recognize your God-given gifts and share them with others. Join the Catholic Women's League and celebrate the meaning of life as you share your gifts.



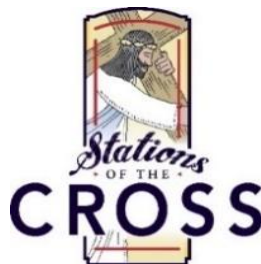
CWL Giving Campaign: We invite everyone to join us by contributing. We are currently seeking donations of **CANNED FRUIT & VEGETABLES**; There is a tote near the door in the church foyer. All donations go to the Salvation Army, Weyburn.



Tax Receipts are ready for pickup:

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

Stations of the Cross 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. The Boy from Milan - You may have heard of him, the sneaker-wearing, computer-loving "gamer saint" of our time. But beyond the headlines and hashtags, the real story of Carlo is something deeper, something the world desperately needs to hear. Known for his deep love of God, devotion to the Eucharist, and quiet acts of charity, Carlo's life was a testament to everyday holiness.



2. Metanoia - In the Gospel of Mark, the first words of Jesus are an invitation to metanoia, to repent, to change, to be converted. Join Fr. Dave Pivonka in this incredible series as he preaches on conversion.



3. Lent and New Life in Christ - What is the importance of almsgiving? Dr. Michael Barber discusses the transformative power of almsgiving for your life.



Stations of the Cross for Homeschoolers and Others with Preschool Kids: will be held on **Fri., April 4th at 2pm**. All with children at home are welcome.



Lenten "Souper" Friday 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, April 4 - Grace United

Friday, April 11 - Ecumenical



Stewardship Time & Talent - March 29 & 30, 2025

	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Readers	Wendy Sidloski, Ingri Roman	Patsy Ernst Lynn Colquhoun	Jerome Sidloski Karen Sidloski
Eucharistic Ministers	Lloyd Zyla, Dave Creurer, Brian Winter, Steve Zackrisson	Pat Wolensky, Theresa Istace	Carol Toles, Marga Cugnet, Aime Isabey
Acolytes	Bruno Tuchscherer, Frankie & Chalie Ernst	Frank Porte, Leon & Christon Ligith,	Mel VanBetuw, Dave Alcalde, Austin Davies
Power Point		Gerry Langlois	
Hospitality	Brian Winter, Dorothy Gaab, Dave Creurer	Willie & Adele Nimegeers, Audrey Michel, Betty Herlick	Judy & Mel VanBetuw, Gordon Rutten, Danette & Calvin Tracey
Tatagwa Pastoral Care	Group 1	Children's Liturgy	Callie Benko
Counters	Joanne Babiarz, Wendy Pitre, Christie McKenzie		
Choir	5pm Choir	Youth Choir	11am Choir

Stewardship of Time & Talent - April 5 & 6, 2025

	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Readers	Merle St. Onge, Danielle Smith	Stafford Nimegeers, Dolores Herring	Jennifer Woodard, Val Wing
Eucharistic Ministers	Mary Ann Piwarski	Susan Kot, Jean Woodard	Shirley Mondor, Gary Sidloski, Connie Regier
Acolytes	Stella Hoffart, Ken Beroy, Kurt Beroy	Alexander Recto, Chris Dayaan	Gordon Rutten, Chimdalu Ejiofor, Kamsi Ejiofor
Power Point		Gerry Langlois	
Hospitality	Bernice Driscoll, Dianne Borys, Heather Fellner, Marilyn Isabey	Frank & Eveline Porte, Harry Jensen, Jim Parsons, Ron & Josie Klein	Ron Wormsbecker, Aime Isabey, Ethan Scrupps, Loretta Benning
Tatagwa Pastoral Care	Group 2	Children's Liturgy	Dawn Purdue
Counters	Nick Coroluick, Terry Biss		
Choir	5pm Choir	9am Choir	11am 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 Hauptstein, **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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Weyburn K of C Meetings: (Sept.-June) Exec & Directors – 2nd **Tuesday** of the month, Gen Mtg. – 4th **Tuesday** of the month

CWL President: Wendy Pitre (861-3473) **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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