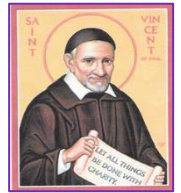


ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH



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!



March 9 & 10, 2019 – 1st Sunday of Lent

Good News Reflection - Union with Christ

Jesus' life is our life if we're sincere about our faith. We unite ourselves to him by receiving his body and blood in the Eucharist. We meet him in the scriptures and walk with him on the path to heaven.

During Lent, the readings that the Church provides for Sunday and daily Mass will help us with this journey if we listen with an ear that recognizes our personal connections to Christ. In this Sunday's Gospel passage, we journey with Jesus into the desert. Consider your own struggles with temptation; reflect on how sin makes your life feel barren and dry like a desert.

When we walk with Jesus, we unite ourselves to his struggle with the devil and to his victory over the devil. Our temptations become his temptations, and in our efforts to remain united to him, we reject Satan and choose the life of holiness. The Church helps us do this by giving us ways during Lent to improve our self-discipline and conquer the self-centeredness that makes us vulnerable to sin: fasting and abstinence, alms-giving, reconciliation services, faith formation events, reading materials, and more.

Every meal and meat that we give up for Lent, every sin that we confess in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, every sacrifice of time that we make to add more prayer and spiritual reading to our daily life, and every other Lenten activity is a practice of self-denial that unites us to Jesus in the desert. Jesus fasted from food and other physical comforts during his battle with the devil, and this strategy strengthened him and prepared him for the ministry that came afterward. This is what Lent should be for us, too.

Satan is not someone to fear. Jesus already defeated all demons on our behalf, first in the desert and then on the cross. Our battle is really only against temptation and our personal weaknesses that make us vulnerable to succumbing to sin.

We don't always want to follow Jesus. This is what we must surrender to God during Lent. Then Easter will be far more meaningful, because we will emerge from Lent much stronger in our faith.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

What are the temptations that are most pressing in your life? Be honest with yourself! How are you succumbing to the devil, even though he really has no power over you? Don't be ashamed. Guilt is not what Jesus wants from you. What he does want is your desire to receive his help in overcoming temptation. He's waiting for you in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

We want to celebrate your milestones! Send us the dates of milestone Birthdays or Anniversaries of either you or your loved ones, and we will announce the special occasion in our parish bulletin!



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.



On behalf of St. Michael's School, thank you to all who participated in our amazing Ash Wednesday Celebration that was on March 6th. The music was great, the kids were engaged, and overall it was a huge success. Thank you also to Father Francis for coming over and leading us in this beautiful celebration. Lastly, thank you to the Knights of Columbus for kicking off Lent with their pancake lunch at the school on Shrove Tuesday. These recent celebrations and activities at the school will be sure to lead us into a deeper and more meaningful Lenten season.

The "My Gen. Youth Rally" is coming soon on March 30-31! Our theme is "Open the Door", and we need all youth to be there! Online registration for the rally is now open at www.mygenrally.ca, and it will not be the same without you. The rally will be held at **O'Neill High School for Grades 8 to 12**. Please plan to attend, and spread the word!!

Tax receipts for 2018 are now ready. Please make sure to pick yours up from the tables in the church foyer. ***Donation envelopes for 2019 are also in the church foyer. Please be certain to use these envelopes for donations as opposed to the 2018 ones, as the numbers associated with your account change every year.***

Thank you to Br. Michael Perras for facilitating our retreat in preparation for Lent and Easter last week! He did such a great job of challenging the participants to invest in their Lenten covenant, and we are very thankful that he could come and lead such a fulfilling couple of evenings!



Join us after the 11am Mass this Sunday, March 10th for a **Family and Youth Fun Day!!** It will be in the Youth Room in the basement at around noon, and will include fun activities and *delicious* pancakes!

Funeral Lunch Groups: The following groups are next for upcoming funerals: Marilyn and Ev, Fran, and Donna and Renee.

Upcoming Eucharistic Celebrations

Mon.	Mar. 11	-	-
Tues.	Mar. 12	9 AM	William Krainyk +
Wed.	Mar. 13	9 AM 10 AM	Anna Gaab + @ Bison Manor
Thurs.	Mar. 14	9 AM	Isla Horvath
Fri.	Mar. 15	6:30 PM 7 PM	Stations of the Cross Nick Van Staveren +
Sat.	Mar. 16	10 AM 5 PM 7 PM	@Tatagwa- Dwight Thompson+ Souls in Purgatory + @St. Mary's- Pamela Lewry +
Sun.	Mar. 17	9 AM 11 AM 5 PM	Len Ernst + Filipino Mass

Readings – March 16 & 17 Genesis 15.5-12,17-18
Philippians 3.17-4.1 Luke 9.28b-36



Lenten "Souper" Fridays, sponsored by the PLURA churches of Weyburn, will be held at the **Grace United Church every Friday at noon** throughout Lent. There will be a brief worship service with singing and meditation. Following the worship there will be a fellowship meal of soup and sandwiches, donated by the participating churches. A free will offering will be taken. **Everyone is welcome.** Meal is served by:
March 15 – Knox Presbyterian Church
March 22 – Zion Lutheran Church
March 29 – St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
April 5 – Anglican Church
April 12 – Grace United Church

Family and Life Week was a success!

The Spiritual and Adult Faith Formation committee hosted the first ever Family and Life Week at St. Vincent's. It occurred February 24-28 with guest speakers Colm Leyne (Youth Ministry Coordinator of the Diocese of Saskatoon), Brett Salkeld (Theologian for the Archdiocese of Regina), our very own parishioner, Tristen Crooks, as well as a documentary on the damage of the sexual revolution. There were 97 people in attendance in total, and it was a very educational and spiritually enriching week. The SAFF committee enjoyed hosting these events, and would like to thank everyone who participated.

The Holy Family Catholic School Division is now accepting Kindergarten Registrations for children who will be 5 years old by December 31, 2019. For more information, please contact St. Michael School at 306-842-2860, or if you would like to consider a different school in this division, please contact the division office at 306-842-7025 or check out their website at www.holyfamilyrcssd.ca.





Stations of the Cross will take place every **Friday during Lent**. The Rosary will be said at 6pm, the Stations of the Cross will be at 6:30pm, and Mass will follow. Any groups that would like to lead the Stations of the Cross are welcome to sign up on the sheet in the church foyer. *Please note that there will no longer be a Mass at 12:10pm on Fridays for the duration of Lent.*

Thank you to all who made the World Day of Prayer Service that was hosted here such a success. Thank you to Velma Hoffman and Theresa Istace for their devotion to organizing this event, and to Lynn Kot, Jean Wagner, Gloria Miller, and all the members of the choir who provided such beautiful music to complement the service. Thank you also to Fran Messer for looking after the food, to Mary Janeczko for supplying items for the display, to the ushers, and all who donated or contributed in any way. Lastly, thank you to all who joined us for this year's World Day of Prayer. May God bless you all!

Join the Knights of Columbus! Become an online member today at www.kofc.org/joinus. The benefits are a monthly Columbia Catholic magazine, free accidental death benefits, insurance and other financial products, scholarships for your children, faith formation, charitable service, and much more.

Prayer Shawl Ministry – We have a beautiful assortment of prayer shawls that have been lovingly made by members of our parish. Prayer shawls are meant to be given to others to comfort them in times of pain, loss, stress, healing; or simply to be a symbol of prayers and love for anything else that may be happening in the recipient's life. **If you would like to choose a prayer shawl to give to a loved one, please come see us at the parish office.** Once chosen, we can get the prayer shawl blessed by Father, and it can be gifted to offer comfort for those who need it.

Join the "Call for Conscience"! We are asking the Saskatchewan legislature to create and support a bill which would deal with conscience rights for doctors, nurses and healthcare professionals who cannot participate in euthanasia/assisted suicide in good conscience. To learn more, please visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca/saskatchewan, and write directly to your Health Ministers, asking them to support to push for legislative protection for Saskatchewan healthcare professionals. **If you still want to sign a letter, please visit the link shown above.**

The Archdiocese of Regina has released a letter addressed to **victims of clergy sexual abuse**. If you would like to read this letter, you can find some copies in the church foyer, or you can see it online at www.archregina.sk.ca.

Recently we had our parish Lenten retreat: **"Beloved – Baptism – Bacon"**. **BACON = Be Awake Christ Opens New ways.** Let's focus on **Be**.

Be this Lent. **Be** still and quiet enough to spend time with God. Where can I find time for intentional quiet with God each day? **Be** present – make Sundays Sabbath Sundays by reading scripture, reading about a saint, or by lingering at a table with loved ones and neighbours. **Be** prayerful – this Lent, pray for those preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter (RCIA) and children preparing for Baptism and Confirmation/First Communion. Together we are the Body of Christ, and so we are asked to pray for the parish communities of St. Pius in Windthorst, St. Anne in Kipling, St. Ann in Kennedy, and St. Francis Xavier in Wawota.

Scripture: This week read *Matthew 25. 31-40*. How can this scripture help shape your journey to Easter?

Pray: How am I being a part of the Body of Christ? How am I loving others? My family? Neighbours? The ill? The stranger? Creation?

We are always in need of volunteers. Do you see those **VACANT** spaces on the back page of this bulletin? Those are all spots that we would like to see filled. **If you are interested in serving your church through the small commitment of volunteering for one of these ministries,** please let the parish office know as soon as possible. *And as always, thank you to all who have already devoted their time to aiding in these important ministries.*



Receipts for CWL membership payments are ready and can be picked up from the small, bright green basket in the church foyer.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Trivia
The answer is: B
 St. Vincent de Paul's first parish hall was built in the year 1925.

Make sure to watch the projector screens before Mass to see next week's question!

Stewardship of Time & Talent - March 9 / 10

	SAT 5 PM	SUN 9 AM	SUN 11 AM
Readers	Camille Goski	Stafford Nimegeers Cecile Sellinger	Doris Aasen Glenda Shupe
Eucharistic Ministers First 3 serve bread Last 4 serve cup	Jo Martin Lloyd Zyla Mary Ann Piwarski Steve Zackrisson Brian Winter Dave Creurer Janice Seitz	Yvonne Kerr Doreen Verbeurgt Marcel Bauche Lynn Colquhoun	VACANT Bonnie Sidloski Yvette Bauche Elaine Nielsen
Acolytes	VACANT	VACANT Richard Wick	Mel Van Betuw Ken LeBlanc
Children's Liturgy	Deanna Schwindt	Tara Kurtz	Karissa & Autumn Vilcu
Power Point	Labbie Family	VACANT	Roberto Roman
Hospitality	Chad Klein Sean Galvin Steve & Glenda Zackrisson Raeanne Leffler	Frank & Eveline Porte Hilarion Pohl Harry Jensen Elaine Gray	Ron Wormsbecker Aime Isabey Pat & Loretta Benning
Counters	Jeff & Mary Ann Flaaten, Kevin & Verna O'Neill		

Stewardship of Time & Talent - March 16 / 17

	SAT 5 PM	SUN 9 AM	SUN 11 AM
Readers	Glenda Zackrisson	Delores Herring Theresa Istace	Shirley Mondor Connie Regier
Eucharistic Ministers	Rose Loos VACANT VACANT VACANT VACANT VACANT Roberto Roman	Chris Marcotte Jean Woodard Susan Kot Shannon Tuchscherer	Judy Van Betuw Val Wing Helene Gordon Danette Tracey
Acolytes	VACANT	Aime Isabey Ron Klein	Stella Hoffart Gordon Rutten
Children's Liturgy	Karla Ernst	Nataliya & Rosanne Mantei	Dawn Purdue
Power Point	Roberto Roman	James Richards	Don Kraft
Hospitality	Jeff & Mary Ann Flaaten Bonnie & Frank Kaip Doreen Franko Bernice Driscoll	Yvonne Kerr Omer & Chris Marcotte John & Shannon Tuchscherer	Terry Lonoway Emily Stadler Ron Miller Charlene Keen
Counters:	Dave Creurer, Rob Labbie, Darren Woodard		

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Weyburn K of C Meetings: (Sept.-June) Exec & Directors – 2nd Mon. of month, Gen Mtg. – 4th Mon. 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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