December 4, 2022

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Second Sunday of

Matthew 3.1-12

Advent



Welcome to Our Lady of Peace Parish

We welcome all new parishioners to our parish community. Please call the parish office for information about our parish or to register as a parishioner.

LITURGICAL

WEEKDAY MASS: (Livestream)

Tues - Fri 9:00 AM

WEEKEND MASS:

Saturday at 5:00 PM (Livestream) Sunday at 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET 30 mins before 9:00 AM Mass

ROSARY

25 mins before all Masses

ADORATION

1st Fri of each month 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS

Judith Lewis, Cathy Chukwuma, Andy & Betty Tarr, Cheryl Bell, Anne Gelowitz, Beverly Ratch, Melinda Schmidt, Roger Bertrand, Madeline Daley, Karen & Oliver Fink, Lloyd Stan, Christine & Kenneth Fahlman, Angel Faith, Gordelia Taroja, Phylis Erickson, Yolanda Eckel, Violet Hordos, Jodi Wilton, Grant Playter, Pat Leibel, Paul Yaskowich, Anna Matz & Dennis Sentes, Liz Mus, Yvette Boulet, Fr. Pat Murphy



MASS DATE & TIME	MASS READINGS	Gospel Summary Phrases	MASS INTENTIONS
Monday Dec 5, 2022	Isaiah 35.1-10 Luke 5.17-26	We have seen strang3e and marvellous things today.	NO MASS
Tuesday Dec 6, 2022 St Nicholas, Bishop	Isaiah 40.1-11 Matthew 18.12-14	God does not desire the loss of the little ones.	†Rick Kreutzer
Wednesday Dec 7, 2022 St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor	Isaiah 40.25-31 Matthew 11.28-30	Come to me, all you that are weary.	†Kenton Dobrowloski
Thursday Dec 8, 2022 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Genesis 3.9-15, 20 Ephesians 1.3-6, 11-12 Luke 1.26-38	Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you.	†Mary Buscholl
Friday Dec 9, 2022 St Juan Diego, Cuauhtlatoatzin	Isaiah 29.17-24 Matthew 9.27-31	This generation listened neither to John nor to Jesus.	†Scott Struthers
5 PM Saturday Dec 10, 2022 St. Francis Xavier, Priest	Sirach 48.1-4, 9-11 Matthew 11.16-19	Elijah has come already and they did not recognize him.	Mary Struthers and family
9 AM Sunday Dec 11 2022 11 AM Sunday Dec 11 2022 3rd Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 35.1-6a, 10 James 5.7-10 Matthew 11.2-11	Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.	Melody Miller Missa pro populo

ASK FATHER JAMES:

John the Baptist's role in God's plan

The second Sunday of Advent is usually about John's role in revealing God's plan to the world. He was the last prophet of the Old Testament. All the earlier prophets had prophesied and predicted the coming Messiah, but it was John who finally revealed him: "Repent; The Kingdom of heaven is near." For some thirty years Jesus had waited in Nazareth. Working. Studying. Praying. Waiting for the moment to come and the summons to sound. This was the moment. This was the summon and the secrecy shrouding the messianic secret was lifted and John has this role of the herald of this good news. In today's text, John himself is shocked and surprised that Pharisees and Sadducees rushed to come to him at the Jordan when they received this announcement. It was an indication that they, the religious leaders knew that Israel has "lost its way" and that the status quo (the Jerusalem temple and tradition of the elders) is insufficient to lead anyone to salvation. The past was past. The future beckoned. There was need for a New Covenant – The Testament. John's message speaks to us too today, in this season of Advent, asking us to embrace New lovingly. We light the LOVE candle this Sunday, indicating our loving acceptance of the one who Jesus comes.

Do you have a faith question? Email Father James: frjames@sasktel.net

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

2nd Sunday of Advent

"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." Matthew 3:10

Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer, or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others, or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the Church, or do you buy more things that go unused? Our time, talent, and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?



Charismatic Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays at 10.00 am at Our Lady of Peace Parish. For information Michael at: 306-201-2305 or Denise at: 306-726-5865.

Scripture Study on coming Sunday Readings are Mondays at 10:00 a.m. You may attend in person at 1309 Dover Ave or by telephone conference.

Contact Anita 306-543-0421 if you wish to attend by phone and she will give you the number to connect.

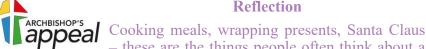
This is beneficial to readers and all who wish to prepare for the readings.





CCCB's Journey Through Advent

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops presents *Journey through* Advent with the Most Rev. Joseph Dabrowski, CSMA, Auxiliary Bishop of London, Ontario. Join us as we reflect on the Scriptures for the Sundays of Advent 2022. A joint initiative of the National Liturgy Office, the Office national de liturgie, and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis. cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/ iournev-through-advent/



Reflection

- these are the things people often think about a couple of weeks before Christmas. But the readings today speak of strong images of the Lord coming a inflicting justice upon the earth, and how we are to repent from things that do not bring us closer to Christ. This is where an essential characteristic of Advent begins to show itself. We often think of Advent as a time of waiting and anticipation, but at its core, Advent calls us to prepare for the birth of Christ through repentance. When we allow ourselves the space to humbly look at our lives and recognize those areas that are stumbling blocks to encountering God, we are preparing ourselves to have a space for Him in our hearts. Christmas is the embrace that God gives humanity, taking us into His heart, and Christ entering the world shows just how far God's love wants to go - to the depths of your soul. Over the last few weeks, we have heard stories about how the appeal has helped our youth, clergy, and families. We have discerned how we can contribute to the works of the Church in the Archdiocese. Your contributions help many people across the diocese in the spiritual and temporal works of the Church. Thank you deeply for your contribution. Let us all join together as we prepare to welcome the newborn King!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

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OFFERING

collections, etrans week of November 27, 2022: \$2,350.00

collections, etrans week of November 28, 2021: \$2,821.00

Bishop's Appeal goal for our parish is \$19, 496 We have raised \$7,420 - 38% of our goal.

Charity unites us to God...There is nothing mean in charity, nothing arrogant. Charity knows no schism, does not rebel, does all things in concord. In charity, all the elect of God have been made perfect.

-St Pope Clement I

Bingo Help

December Dates
Days 7, 14
Evenings 16, 20



Bingo fundraising To Date (2022)

Bingo-revenue to date...worked \$16,094 Less-payments for rental workers -\$3,000 plus. Bingo donations collected +\$915

Net Bingo Revenue to date

\$ 14,009

Thanks to all your help with working bingos or financial support to help pay for rented workers. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. We always need workers. If you can spare a couple of days/evenings (3.5 hour) shifts a month, please give Anita a call @ 543-0421 or email

riegerea@sasktel.net

A NEW *EXCITING* FUNDRAISER FOR OUR PARISH.....

We have been granted an opportunity to volunteer (at minimum wage with funds going to our parish) at one of the Western Pizza booths at Mosaic Stadium. Volunteers must be 19 years of age or older. We cannot undertake this without YOU. We invite you to call the parish office at 543-5355 or call or email Anita at 543-0421

<u>riegerea@sasktel.net</u> for more information and to add your name.

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CWL CORNER

Christmas Party December 6, 11:30 am Finger food potluck



2023 Memberships are \$35 and are due February 1st, 2023.



Watch future bulletins for updates on Knights meetings and events.

55+<u>Senior Grays</u>

Annual Memberships \$10 Next meeting Dec 6 @ 12:30 pm

Forever in Motion/Leader: Brian Leibel: Tuesdays, 9:45 am - FREE



Last class December 13, will resume January 10

Stretch & Relaxation Leader: Alice Samkoe:
Last class, Wednesday, Dec 7, 6:30 pm
GUEST NITE: members bring a friend & drop-ins
welcome! Experience a fun hour of Stretch & Relaxation!
Resumes in January with a time change of 3-4pm.

Knit and Chat - Thursdays, 1:30 PM
Last class December 8, will resume January 12
(Donations of yarn and new craft, knitting and crotchet items to the Christmas craft table appreciated)
Please call Donelda at 306-543-2728 for more information.



Dance with Live Music

1st Thursday of each month 1:30-3:30 PM Coffee and Goodies



Cards and Fellowship
Wednesdays 1:30 PM

For more information on any 55+ events or to donate call Betty 306-545-3402.



55+ Christmas Craft Sale

Home crafted knitted and crocheted items are set up in the hall for purchase. Stop by the table after mass! Lots of great gift giving ideas!

Stewardship Committee

Orders from the Ogies Perogies fundraiser will be ready for pick up on Saturday, December 10, between 1:00 to 5:00 pm at the church. If you have any questions, call Marg at 306-949-8995 (home) or 306-536-6998 (cell) or Brenda at 306-531-7676 (cell).

UPCOMING EVENTS.....a *WINTER WARM-UP* ROAST BEEF SUPPER (Jan 20th) and TURKEY (Jan. 22) SUPPERS are being planned. Please mark your calendars.

An opportunity to participate in a 50/50 ...
draw date January 22 Turkey supper.

2022/2023 Sunday Missals (\$5) and 2023 wall calendars (\$6) are available for purchase in the welcome area. Place money in the envelope provided and place in the collection.







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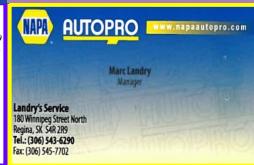
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BUTTERFLIES & LEAVES Memorial/Donation Fund

The Fund is intended to assist with paving down the mortgage. Create a legacy by donating \$500 or more and place a leaf or butterfly on the Memorial Tree.

Contact Parish Office: 306.543.5355





Blessed prayer & lap shawls are available for anyone who may benefit.

> Contact: Donalda for delivery.

Are you a shut in or do you know someone that is a shut in? Please contact the parish office to schedule your requested visit.

Rosary and Collection

Counting schedules for 2023 are being made. Anyone interested and would like to help, please contact Antonette @ 306-545-5397.

National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples

Dec 12th is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, when the Church in Canada celebrates The National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples. This initiative, coordinated since 2002 by the CCCB Advisory group, the Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council, marks this feast as a day of prayer, solidarity and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patron of the Americas, appeared in Mexico in 1531 as an Indigenous woman to St Juan Diego, whose Indigenous name was Cuauhtlatoatzin ("Eagle Who Speaks"), and spoke to him in his Indigenous language of Nahuatl. She is wearing the black sash around her waist, which is an Aztec Maternity Belt that Mexican women would wear to indicate they were with child. At a time when colonizing powers in the Americas were showing little respect for Indigenous ways, language, and culture, the mother of Jesus, comes as an Indigenous woman to this land, affirming her special love, indeed her identification with and embrace of Indigenous Peoples and culture. God walks with Indigenous Peoples, and has always walked with Indigenous Peoples.

Hall Rental of our Facility

The hall is available to parishioners only to rent for family events at a flat rate of \$50/hr. This fee assumes light use of the kitchen. Please call the church office at 306-543-5355 to book or for more information.

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