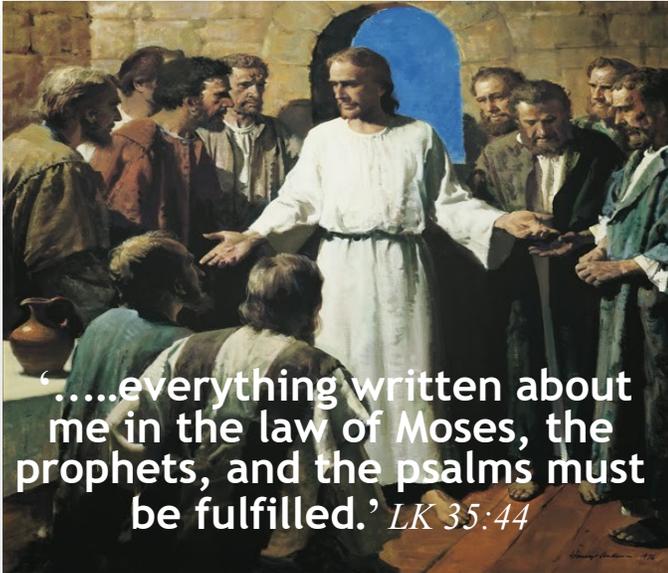




Our Lady of Peace Parish

**Third Sunday of Easter
April 15, #19/2017-2018**



‘.....everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.’ *LK 35:44*

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass:

Tue- Fri-9:00 a.m.

Weekend Mass:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

ROSARY

20 Minutes before our Weekend Masses

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Mass: 9:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration until Noon

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday's: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday's: 8:30 a.m.

Feasts of the Week

Tue 17: St. Kateri Tekakwitha

Wed 18: Blesses Marie-Anne Blondin



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Welcome to Our Lady of Peace Parish!

We welcome all new parishioners to our parish community. We are happy to assist you at our Information Desk before or after Mass. Here you can register at our parish, notify us of change of address, sign up for collection envelopes, get a Mass Card, notify the office of someone in the parish who needs prayers or a need that you may have. Someone will be at this table at least 15 minutes prior to Mass, and after as well.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:-Call the Parish Office if you need anointing at home or in the hospital.

Check the bulletin for upcoming anointing schedules.

BAPTISM: Please call the office to register/information.

MARRIAGE: Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the wedding date to begin the necessary preparations.

RCIA/RCIC: - Call the Parish Office for information.

Stewardship:

“Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ But they were startled and frightened...” - Luke 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to “see the face of Jesus” in others and to “be the face of Jesus” to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide “peace” to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength to live a “God-centered” life and not a “self-centered” life.

PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

-Early fall we will be having a pictorial directory made of all families in our parish. More information as to times available for sittings and details will follow. Your family photos will be available as Christmas gifts.

Ask Fr James

What is the difference between saying prayers, meditation and contemplation?

What are we doing when we pray? It is an opening of the "whole self" to God; that is, our physical, intellectual and emotional dimensions, not merely the expression of wishes or the rote repetition of words. It is talking to God either privately or in a group/congregation or as in a worship. In Matthew 18:20; Jesus says, "Where two or three are gathered, Jesus promises to be there, to be present for them..." in the community, the gathering that is called Church. The is the reason Jesus taught his disciples to pray (Matthew 6:9-13).

Many of us grew up thinking that prayer was all about words—lots of words offered to God on a daily basis—pious words, begging words, prayer-list words. Certainly prayer is not word alone, it involves a waiting or a silence wherein we listen attentively for God's voice. This form of praying is called meditation. Meditation is a reflective focusing on the spiritual content in a Devotional prayer. For instance, meditating on the mysteries of the Holy Rosary. During meditation, in place of words we focus on images, imagination, and interior prayerful feelings.

Contemplation is silence in the presence of God with the intention of being present before God. Meditative contemplation is sitting in the loving presence of God in silence. St. Teresa says, "the wild beasts of our wild thoughts make the soul close her eyes to everything but them." Thus what we need to do is to tame our wild thoughts so that we can become ever more conformed to the mind of Christ (Galatians 4:19). Often this requires very technical skill and discipline of concentration. Thomas Keating provides four guidelines to help us consent to God's presence and remain with this engagement:

1. The first is "choose a sacred word as the symbol of your intention to consent to God's presence
2. The second guideline is "sitting comfortably and with eyes closed, settle briefly and silently introduce the sacred word as the symbol of your consent to God's presence
3. "When you become aware of thoughts, return ever-so-gently to the sacred word."
4. Conclude the prayer by remaining "in silence with eyes closed for a couple of minutes."

Contemplation is praying without words like Mary did by her Sacred Gaze at Jesus from under the cross. Gazing at the face of Christ is perhaps the most direct and intensive form of praying. It also opens the way to contemplation. How could one spend time gazing on the beloved face of Christ without realizing how greatly loved we are, and how powerful God's mercy is? This was what Mary did at the foot of the cross. We too can develop this practice by gazing at the crucifix, at Jesus during adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and gazing on sacred icons in silence. This is what we are called to do as we kneel at every Mass during the prayer of consecration.

Gazing includes far more than simply looking at something, even with love and attention. Our gazing has to lead us below the surface, so that we are able "to penetrate with the heart what is ordinarily missed by the eye." There is power in prayer and God can and does answer prayers to help accomplish goals and bring about a variety of desired outcomes.

You may email/send your faith questions to Fr. James and he will answer them in our Sunday Bulletins.

Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

Mass	Readings	Mass Intention
Mon Apr 16: No Mass	Acts 6.8-15 John 6.22-29	
Tue Apr 17: 9AM -Mass	Acts 7.51-8.1a John 6.30-35	† Julia Puhl Fred & Donald Exner
Wed Apr 18:9AM -Mass	Acts 8.1b-8 John 6.35-40	†Mary Repplinger by Anita Rieger
Thurs Apr 19:9AM -Mass	Acts 8.26-40 John 6.44-51	†Joan Mitchell by Anita Rieger
Fri Apr 20:-9:00AM- Mass	Acts 9.1-20 John 6.52-59	Thanksgiving Teresa Rodrigues
Sat Apr 21- 5:00PM-Mass	Acts 9.31-42 John 6.53,60-69++	For victims & families of Humboldt Broncos tragedy by Vick & Edna Pankratz
Sun Apr 22- 9:00AM & 10:30am mass 4th Vocation Sunday	Acts 4.7-12 1 John 3.1-2 John10.11-18	All Parishioners

Please **Pray** for our Sick Parishioners

- ◆ Terry Bedard
- ◆ Betty Sparrowhawk
- ◆ Antonette Rothecker



Parish Events & Meetings

Apr 16-22, 2018

Mon Apr 16	10am-Bible Study 1309 Dover Ave.
Tues Apr 17	6:30pm-CWL Socials 7:00pm CWL Meeting
Wed Apr 18	6PM-RCIA
Thurs Apr 19	9:40AM- Forever in Motion 1:30PM-Knitting & Chat
Fri Apr 20	2:15-Strecth & Relaxation
Sat Apr 21	5pm-Mass
Sun Apr 22	Vocation Sunday

Mass Collections for 1st quarter, 2018

<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
\$34,549.00	\$35,747.00

Thank you! For your generosity

Upcoming Parish Events

- ◆ April 22nd -AGM
- ◆ Garage Sale - April 26 to 28th. Donations of articles accepted Monday to Wednesday, April 23 to 25 from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday until noon.
- ◆ July 16 -20 Vacation Bible School

OUR LADY OF PEACE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & K OF C PANCAKE BREAKFAST AFTER THE TWO MASSES

APRIL 22, 2018- 11:45AM (Following the 10:30am Mass) All Parishioners are encouraged to attend. We are looking to fill the vacancies and positions below on the Parish council:

Vacancies: Ecumenism, Social Justice, Vocation Awareness and Youth. If you or someone you know has interest to serve our Parish in any capacity listed above, Please contact Brian Martens @ bmartens@netresults.ca 306 757 9600 or the Parish office @ 306 543 5355. *"Your talent is a gift from God, What you do with it is your gift to him"*

- Police services now charges \$10 for volunteer record checks. Our Lady of Peace will reimburse the \$10 with a valid receipt.
 - We are looking for a wheelchair for the parish. If you have one that is not in use or know of someone that has one, please contact the parish office.
 - Please pick up annual reports for the Parish Annual General Meeting on Sunday, April 22, immediately following mass.
- Vacation Bible School- Dates are July 16-20, 12:30PM-4:30PM. Please register early.



Memorial/Donation Fund --- An opportunity to

assist with our building renovation project. Anyone can donate, or a make donation in memory of a loved one. Names of donors of \$500.00 or more will be displayed on a tree painted in the gathering area of our church. Information letters with donation envelopes can be found at the information table or more information obtained by calling the office. Tax deductible receipt is issued. Until our "tree" is being designed and completed, we are utilizing the bulletin. We have received the following:

In Memory of:

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Mervin Rieger
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Fr. Peter Nguyen
Anita Rieger
John & Joanne Hartney

To date \$22,785 has been achieved.

Tuesday April 17, 2018 CWL socials @ 6:30pm followed by General meeting @ 7:00PM

CWL Corner

Everyone Welcome to join

- Forever in Motion Thursdays @ 9:40AM
- Knitting & Chat Thursdays @ 1:30Pm
- Stretch & Relaxation Fridays @ 2:15
- Next 55+ Dance May 10th 1:30-3:30. Coffee & sweets. Live music. \$5.00. Everyone Welcome.

55+ Corner

GARAGE SALE - April 26 - 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., April 27 - 2:00 to 7:00 p.m., April 28 - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Peace Parish Hall, 425 Broad St. North. Lots of wonderful bargains, Concession, Free Admission. Donations of articles accepted Monday to Wednesday, April 23 to 25 from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday until noon. Call office at 543-5355 or Anita 543-0421 if more information required.



We just received \$1,353.90 for the 4 bingos we worked in January. Thank you to our dedicated workers. April Bingos will be all day bingos, April 17....can anyone help?? Just call the office. Training provided.



Vacation Bible School July 16-20. This year's theme: "A WILDERNESS ADVENTURE THROUGH THE SACRAMENTS" Keep the Children busy during the Holidays and register them for this enriching program



Our Home made Perogies available, Please call Anita @ 306 543 0421 or the Parish office.



Join the Knights of Columbus for the Pancake Breakfast on Sunday April 22, after 9:00AM and 10:30AM Masses

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

TF82: Placuit Deo, The CDF, and Smacking Down Salvation Heresies

Does Brett have a clue how to pronounce Latin? What the heck is a CDF and what is its natural habitat? How do you get neo-Pelagianism out of your drapes? What is an acceptable substitute for neo-Gnosticism when baking? And what does any of this have to do with our eternal salvation?

You really don't want to miss this week's Thinking Faith! <http://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/tf82-placuit-deo-the-cdf-and-smacking-down-salvation-heresies>

Camp Monahan New Board of Directors

Camp Monahan Association extends a warm welcome to the newest members of its Board of Directors: Mary Campbell, Darren Fisher, George Kress, James Lipoth and Tasha Toupin. Camp is looking for volunteers to assist with camp clean-up, minor repairs, etc. as we get ready for the 2018 camping season. Please contact Bob Kowalchuk, Archdiocesan Representative to the Board, for more information: BKowalchuk@archregina.sk.ca or 306-352-1651 Ext 236.

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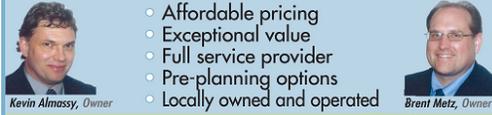
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