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INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? God is calling. We are here to help you respond to God's call and journey with you. Contact Clark at the parish centre to open the conversation.
BAPTISM Expectant parents please contact the parish office to arrange for baptism preparation and for the celebration.
MARRIAGE Arrangements for marriage can be made by contacting the parish office six months prior to the date of the marriage.

NEW IN THE PARISH? MOVING? Please help us keep parish records up-to-date. It assists us to serve you. Please complete the following and return to the parish office by mail or in the weekend collection basket.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION/CHANGE OF ADDRESS

FAMILY NAME _____

MALE HEAD _____ **FEMALE HEAD** _____

CHILDREN'S NAME & BIRTHDATES:

ADDRESS _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

POSTAL CODE _____ **TELEPHONE** _____

WOULD YOU LIKE A VISIT? ()

PARISH OFFERING ENVELOPES? () **OR PRE-AUTHORIZED DEPOSIT (PAD)?** ()



SAINT ANNE'S

PARISH CENTRE

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Weekend Mass Times: Saturday, 5:00 pm
Sunday, 9:00 am & 11:00 am
Weekday Mass Times: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 8:30 am



First Sunday of Advent
December 2nd, 2018

Sunday Readings: Jeremiah 33:14-16 *I will make a just shoot spring up for David; he shall do what is right and just in the land. / 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2* *May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all. Luke 21:25-28, 34-36* [Jesus said,] *"They will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory."*

Many good things require waiting and planning: a wedding celebration, the birth or adoption of a baby, running a marathon. For such events, we enter into a mode in which much attention is focused on the preparation, even while the obligations of our daily life continue.

This kind of preparation is needed to have a good Advent. It may be hard to imagine even more preparation when already there are presents to be bought and wrapped, a tree and lights to be put up, cookies to be baked, and cards to be written.

Preparing for Advent is not hard work; it is a work of the heart. There are many ways to prepare our hearts—attending daily Mass, reading and reflecting on each day's readings, praying Morning and Evening Prayer, praying the Rosary, and meditating in silence for fifteen minutes each day.

The work of the heart we choose keeps our eyes fixed on the miracle that in God's plan, he spoke his Word and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. Jesus is the Word expressed in flesh and blood, to allow us to draw closer to the God of infinite mystery. Jesus gives his very flesh and blood to us—once in history on Calvary, and for all time in the Eucharist.

While we await his return, we have good reason to "stand erect and raise [our] heads," as today's Gospel counsels. We cannot become too fatigued or too anxious to remember that "[our] redemption is at hand."

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 2018

11:30 am - Mass @ St. Angela Merici Residence
 4:00 pm - RCIC
 4:45 pm - Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet
 6:00 pm - Discovery

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 2018

6:00 am - That Man is You
 8:30 am - Mass († *Merv Todos*)
 11:30 am - Mass @ St. Angela Merici Residence
 6:00 pm - Parish Advent Dinner

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH, 2018

8:30 am - Mass (*SI Rosemarie Todos Family*)
 11:30 am - Mass @ St. Angela Merici Residence
 6:00 pm - (9:00) choir practise
 7:00 pm - RCIA
 7:00 pm - Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation
 7:00 pm - Justice & Peace Meeting
 7:30 pm - Adoration

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 2018

8:30 am - Mass († *Manuel & Marie Sabella*)
 11:30 am - Mass @ St. Angela Merici Residence
 5:00 pm - (5:00) choir practise
 6:30 pm - St. George School Advent Liturgy
 7:00 pm - Pastoral Council Meeting
 7:30 pm - (11:00) choir practise

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 2018

8:30 am - Mass († *Emile & Marian Issa*)
 11:30 am - Mass @ St. Angela Merici Residence
 2:00 pm - Mass at Primrose Chateau

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH, 2018

10:00 am - Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation
4:00 pm - Reconciliation
5:00 pm - Mass

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 2018

9:00 am - Mass
11:00 am - Mass
 2:00 pm - Volunteer Commissioning Event



Cardinal Luis Tagle, president of Caritas Internationalis, says, "We are all migrants in this world. We are all just passing through." Each time we pray the Cardinal's prayer, found on the prayer card in today's bulletin, let us be united in mind, heart and prayer with all the refugees, asylum seekers and internally displaced people in our troubled world.

BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

The Knights of Columbus at St. Anne's Church now have a "Building the Domestic Church Kiosk" with booklets available for the parishioners. It is located on the cupboard in the entrance to the Fr Donlevy Hall (opposite the water fountain).

Since 1948, CIS (Catholic Information Services) has been the major evangelical arm of the Knights of Columbus. Though multiple booklet series and related media formats (CIS makes our Catholic faith accessible and continually provides tools for catechesis and faith formation. Please help yourself to the available booklets or they can be viewed online at kofc.org/CIS

Fr. Matthew is participating in a self evaluation of his ministry. For part of this evaluation, he'll be asking for some parishioner feedback. If you receive an email asking you to fill out an online form for Fr. Matthew, know that this is not spam, and please fill it out honestly and prayerfully.



Donations are being accepted to purchase poinsettias for the Christmas season. A charitable tax receipt will be provided. Envelopes are available in the welcome area.

Prepare The Way Of The Lord**Monday, December 3 St. Francis Xavier, Priest**

Prophets know that God's saving work is not just for the Jewish people. Isaiah calls his countrymen to "walk in the light of the Lord," anticipating the day when "all nations shall stream toward [Jerusalem]." Jesus meets a Roman centurion whose faith amazes him compared to many "children of the kingdom." As Advent begins, we might ask ourselves whether we, who have had the benefit of hearing the Word of God and receiving sacraments, have weak or strong faith.

Today's Readings: Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Matthew 8:5-11.

Tuesday, December 4 Blessed Are We

Isaiah speaks of a time when the earth will be filled with knowledge of the Lord, and there will be peace among nations and even animals. These events await the fulfillment of God's plan when Jesus returns in glory. Yet Jesus knows how blessed his disciples are to see him in the flesh and hear his words. When we take the Risen Christ into our body in the Eucharist and listen to the Word, we are blessed with a foretaste of the time when we will know him fully.

Today's Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Luke 10:21-24.

Wednesday, December 5 Making God Known

For the third day, we hear Isaiah describe a mountain where all will come to know God as he provides rich, plentiful food and destroys death. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus feeds more than four thousand people and heals all who are sick. Surely, God is making himself known in their midst! When we prepare food for others or tend them when they are sick, are we aware that we are making God known?

Today's Readings: Isaiah 25:6-10a; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Matthew 15:29-37.

Thursday, December 6 St. Nicholas

Advent is a good time to evaluate whether our religious practices are built on the rock-solid foundation of Jesus or a lack of trust. Isaiah says that peace will reign when we fully trust God. St. Nicholas, who remains a revered saint 1,800 years after he lived, is remembered for his generosity to the poor and the secrecy of his good deeds. He heard the words of Jesus and acted on them.

Today's Readings: Isaiah 26:1-6; Psalm 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Matthew 7:21, 24-27.

Friday, December 7 St. Ambrose

When Jesus heals two blind men, they tell everyone they know. In the fourth century, St. Ambrose was renowned for both his preaching and his arguments against heresy while bishop of Milan. People loved him best for his first act as bishop: selling all he had and giving to the poor. During this holy season we beg Christ to remove our blindness to our sins, open our lips to tell others about him, and open our hearts to care for the poor among us.

Today's Readings: Isaiah 29:17-24; Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14; Matthew 9:27-31.

Saturday, December 8 Immaculate Conception

During Advent, while the whole Church waits with Mary, we ponder her special role in salvation history and celebrate that she, the perfect vessel who would give birth to the Savior, was conceived without sin. The angel who brought her the news called her "favored one." The Church echoed those words when, in 1854, it proclaimed as doctrine the Immaculate Conception.

Today's Readings: Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12; Luke 1:26-38.



Let Us Pray

To the Lord God who always helps us, let us pray in the name of Jesus...

- ♦ **Let us pray** that Christ may visit his holy Church and keep watch over it always.
- ♦ **Let us pray** that we remember often to join our minds, hearts and prayers to those of the refugees, asylum seekers and internally displaced people with whom we are sharing the journey.
- ♦ **Let us pray** as a diocesan family for all participants and leaders of the Lay Formation program. May Emmanuel – “God with us” – bless their time of prayer, learning and community.
- ♦ **Let us pray** for all who wait for the coming of the Lord with expectant hearts, that they will spend this time of waiting committed to works that bring justice to the oppressed.
- ♦ **Let us pray** for the sick and suffering. We pray for **Shirley Escanlar, Elizabeth Bowlby Umali, Larry Hanna, John Wiggs, Jordyn Thibodeau, Kerry Anderson, Maki Zeroun, Jerry Weyer, Oliver Laviolette, Patti Pasloski, Greg Baranieski, Leon Janvier, Marlene Neil, Gene Swejda, Dwight Gervais, Ben Sawatzky, Claudie Dick, Marcia Urban, Sarah Denis, Ryan Lafleur, Gary Stimson, Lynn Graver.** May they be healed in body, mind and spirit.
- ♦ **Let us pray** for those who have died and for those who are mourning. May they be with their Savior in paradise.



God of mercy, you know our crosses. Grant us grace to bear them and to generously help others bear theirs. We ask this, as we ask all things, in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord.

OFFERING NOVEMBER 24TH/25TH	
Loose	\$ 609.20
Envelopes & PAD	<u>9,868.80</u>
	\$ 10,478.00

Please pick up your **2019** offertory envelopes as soon as possible.

- ♦ Thank you to those who donate by pre authorized debit. Please look for a brown box that holds envelopes for special collections throughout the year.
- ♦ In order to run our parish effectively (utility bills, programs, salaries, etc) \$12,000.00 must be brought in weekly.
- ♦ How much should I give to my parish? **Some** parishioners are able to give their first hour of wages each week to their parish. In other words, calculate what you earn in one hour and use this amount to judge your weekly offering.



CORRECTIONAL CENTRE CHRISTMAS

Please bring spare change next Sunday Dec 8/9 for gifts for inmates and guards to be distributed Christmas Day. Every little bit is much appreciated.

CWL Clothing Depot—619-20th Street W.—Donations for Christmas Sale

The non-profit CWL Clothing Depot is seeking donations of new items for its annual Christmas sale. Needed items include toys, socks, underwear, gloves, toques, sheets, comforters, towels, jewelry, health and beauty products, or individually wrapped candy. **Donations help those who are struggling to make ends meet in our city, giving them a joyous chance to shop for Christmas gifts for their loved ones.** Items can be dropped off from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday to Friday, or arrange for pickup by calling (306) 242-5042. **The CWL Clothing Depot also accepts used clothing and household gifts** for their store located on the lower level of Saskatoon Friendship Inn at 619-20th Street West. **Volunteers are also needed** – inquire at (306) 242-5042.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

St. Anne's Parish is assembling Christmas hampers for those in need in our community. Applications are available in the office and must be returned by **Dec. 6th.**



When families request a Christmas hamper, we do our best to meet their needs with regards to the food we include, and also the gifts we provide for their children. Food slips for non-perishable items and envelopes for monetary donations to purchase perishables will be handed out this weekend. The requested non-perishable food items include: canned cranberries, boxed stuffing, coffee, black tea, hot chocolate, white sugar, brown sugar, peanut butter, quick oats, mixed nuts, cake mix and boxed chocolates. These items may be brought to the church at any time during the week or when you attend weekend mass. If you wish to purchase a gift for a child, personalized gift tags will be available in the coming weeks. Thank you for your prayerful generosity.

From our St. Anne's BAA Coordinators:

Armand & Claudette Thibodeau, Jerome Chomos, Ann Manz, Cliff & Blanche Wolfe:

The 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal is coming to an end. We have almost reached our goal of \$114,777.00 by raising **\$112,633.29.** Thank you to all who donated. Donations are still being accepted, if you have not yet had the opportunity to donate, please drop your donation off at the parish office as soon as possible.

We had a team of amazing people to make phone calls to remind and encourage parishioners to respond to the Bishop's invitation. Thank you for your "yes".

Please take a minute to personally thank as many of the following people as you can for their dedication.

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| Anne Ashcroft | Mary Babiy | Emily Bajbula | Pat Ballantyne |
| Dan Beck | Celine Bergeron | Murray Blanch | Randy Bokshowan |
| Denise Bremner | Len Britton | Bev Canaday | Greg Cherewyk |
| Loraine Churko | Joel Denis | Nick Fanner | Garry Fix |
| Christina Florizone | Dorothy Fraser | Mel Gerspacher | Brian Gilje |
| Robert Graham | Mona Guillou | Lance Hartman | Lisa Holst |
| Courtney Jaman | Shirley Jasper | Wade Kindrachuk | Arlene Klassen |
| Carman Koss | Edna Kyryzk | Wayne Kzyzyk | Charlene Lavier- |
| Caroline Laviolette | Annie Llamanzares-Abad | | Margaret Lyons |
| Edie McDonough | Jacquie Mehler | Al Merkowsky | Yvonne Parker |
| Ron & Yvonne Pellegrini | | Ed & Marcella Pirot | Ann Schiebelbein |
| Gene & Debbie Shwydiuk | | Nancy Sparling | Lois Spizawka |
| Val Stone | Gene Swejda | Marion Tremblay | Teresa Varty |
| Taygan Van de Woestyne | | Garry & Rose Viden | Arianna Ward |
| John Wolchak | Elaine Zakreski | | |

Thank you to Armand & Claudette Thibodeau and their team who jointly coordinated this year Bishop's Appeal. Your hard work and dedication is greatly appreciated



St. Anne's Knights of Columbus will have Nativity scenes on display for sale during the next 3 weekends at St. Anne's Parish after the masses. Nativity scene proceeds will be donated by the Knights of Columbus for maintenance and renovation projects at Blackstrap Youth Camp. You can choose to purchase one of the few remaining Nativity scenes that have already been painted (\$125) or you can order an unpainted Nativity scene (\$65) that you can choose to paint as you wish. For further information please speak to a Knights of Columbus Council member after mass or the parish office can provide you with a contact. For more information please call John at 306-978-8882 (H) or email jnmarsh3@sasktel.net

What's Happening in the Diocese

****61st Annual Knights of Columbus Carol Festival "Sing to the Newborn King" 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3 & 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4** TCU Place, 35-22nd St. E, *Prelude by Alexa Saleski and Katelyn Sirman at 6:30 p.m. Rush Seating Only* Tickets are available at participating Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools and at TCU Place (www.tcutickets.ca) Adults \$12 / Children 5-14 years \$3 / Under 5 years Free.

****Candlelight Service of Remembrance** will be held **Wednesday, Dec. 5** at 7 p.m. at Knox United Church, 838 Spadina Cres. East., Saskatoon. For those who have lost a loved one, the holiday season may bring many difficult challenges along with feelings of despair and loneliness. Join in this community memorial event at no charge. Those in attendance will be given the opportunity to light a Memorial Candle in memory of loved ones. Sponsored by the Edwards Family Saskatoon Funeral Home, Westwood Funeral Chapel, Prairie View Chapel and Crematorium. For more information, call (306) 244-5577.

****"Building bridges across the divides in families, of old hurts and broken relationships"** will be addressed by author and story teller Megan McKenna at 7 p.m. **Sunday, Dec. 9** at St. Philip Neri Parish. Meet-and-greet to follow. Donations accepted for St. Philip Neri Parish Nursing Ministry.

****Advent Parish Mission: Waiting in Hope** will be held **Dec. 10-12** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 1235-12th Street E, with Fr. Ben St. Croix, Mother Mary Bernadette, Sr. Nicole Mireau. Fr. Ben St. Croix will also preach at weekend Masses Dec, 8-9, and there will be a meeting with Sr. Nicole Mireau for youth from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 9, (all are welcome). On Monday, Dec. 10, Tuesday, Dec. 11, and Wednesday Dec. 12, the Mission will run from 7 - 9 p.m. each evening, with praise songs, a talk, Eucharistic adoration and a social. Daily Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 10 and Tuesday, Dec. 11, and a closing Mass will be celebrated at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12. This Mission is for all ages, children, youth, and adults alike. Please invite friends and pray for this mission to be a true preparation for Christmas.

****Running to meet Christ: An Advent Mission with Fr. Stefano Penna** will be held **Dec. 10-12** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Cr., Saskatoon. Fr. Stefano will lead three reflections inspired by the Collect prayer of the First Sunday of Advent: "Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ..." "Forgiven & Healed of Paralysis," "Eyes Blessed - Desire Fulfilled," and "Our Lady of Guadalupe sets the Pace and Path." To fit into busy lives these talks will be repeated twice a day: at 1:30 p.m. (after 12:10 p.m. Mass, bring a bag lunch!) and at 7:00 p.m. (with Benediction).

****Campaign Life Coalition Saskatchewan** is selling Christmas Fruit Cakes as their yearly fundraiser. The fruit cakes are \$25 for the large 2.5 lb and \$15 for the small 1 lb cakes. We offer free delivery in Saskatoon and very reasonable delivery options for people outside of Saskatoon. For more information call Louis 306-249-2764

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR: Second Sunday of Advent - December 8th/9th			
Liturgy Coordinator	5:00 pm Wayne/Joanne Kzyzyk	9:00 am Tillie Aessie	11:00 am Darlene/Len Britton
Lectors	Nicole Tremblay Joanne Driedger Laura Kennedy	Lisa Holst Diane Jasnoch Helen Andersen Natalia Stinn	Melvin Gerspacher Leatta da Terra Mark Gryba Jocelyne Senecal
Communion Ministers	Lois Spizawka Chantelle Kane Maurice Janex Rita Seipp Brett Berry Kerrie Anderson	Cathy Gilje Anja Gilje Helen Engel Nadine Rosen Shawna Arnold	Caroline Laviolette Philip George Cecelia Jurgens Armand Thibodeau Mirela Dunca Iasmina Dunca
Ushers	Reuben Dela Cruz Jack Moldenhauer Paul Donovel Dean Schmidt	Ray Longmuir Jerome Engele Doug Medernach	Neil Mooney Garry Viden Zeny Pangilinan
Greeters	Fred Graver Lynn Graver Taygan Van de Woestyne Andrew Van de Woestyne	Isaac Gartner Edna Kzyzyk Cameron Jackson Valerie Jackson	Ryan Wolfe Tanya Murfield-Wolfe Joseph Amodia Sr. Gail Savage
Servers	Maya Lavier Sarah Lavier Jacinta Leyne	Liam Burgess Jaxon Peterson	Eleanor de Carle Adelin Dunca Amber Sorensen
LWC	Ashton Andre	Maria Korol Arianna Ward	Rebekah Klein
Gift Bearers	Hobman Family	Art/Janet Postle Carmen Koss	Poelzer Family



ST. ANNE'S YOUTH MINISTRY

- **Senior Sports Nights:** The last high school sports night of 2018 will be on Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00-8:30pm at Sr. O'Brien Elementary (451 Silverwood Rd). See you in the new year!
- **Junior Youth:** Our next Junior Youth night will be a Family Trivia Night on Tuesday, December 11th at 7:00-8:30pm in the church hall. The whole family is invited (parents and siblings) and there will be snacks provided. Please join us!
- **Grade 8s:** Our last grade 8 sports night of 2018 will be on Wednesday, December 5th at 7:00-8:30pm at St. Anne's Elementary (102 Ravine Ct). All grade 8s are welcome

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: For job descriptions go to: <https://rcdos.ca/employment>

- **Full-time Manager of Spiritual Care** - St. Paul's Hospital, an Emmanuel Health facility in Saskatoon
- **Half-time Administrative Assistant & Bookkeeper** - St. Francis Xavier Parish **Educational Assistants Required** - Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools (GSCS) On-line application: www.applitrack.com/gscs/onlineapp or (306) 659-7042 or glaliberte@gscs.ca
- **Development and Peace Animator** - Location: Regina Go to: rh.hr@devp.org