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**The Roman Catholic Parishes
 of
 St. Joseph & St. Agnes**

**“PEACE BEGINS WITH A SMILE”
 (Mother Teresa of Calcutta)**

1st SUNDAY of ADVENT

A WAKE-UP CALL

NOVEMBER 27th, 2022

Parish Council

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Pope Francis' November Prayer Intention:

For children who suffer - We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

From today's Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5/ Romans 13:11-14/ Matthew 24:37-44

The chief function of the season of Advent is to prepare us for Christmas. However, to understand Christmas we have to start at the beginning with the history of salvation.

God's plan of salvation is centered in Christ and realized through him. Advent looks back at the promise of his first coming, when the plan was announced. And it looks forward to his second coming, when the plan will reach its complete fulfilment. And, of course, it celebrates his actual coming in time.

The first Readings of the Advent Sundays (from Isaiah) are concerned with the Messiah and the messianic times. Isaiah kept the hopes of the people alive in very dark times. In today's reading we have the theme of universal peace and salvation. The Gospel and the Second Reading deal with the Lord's second coming, which the first Christians believed was imminent. Both readings convey a sense of urgency through phrases such as, 'Wake up—stay awake—Stand ready.'

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS

Catholic chaplains visit patients and their families to address any spiritual needs, to pray, to provide a friendly face and comforting presence, to talk about people's fears and concerns, to bring Communion, and to contact a priest for anointing of the sick.
 Pasqua Hospital, (306) 519-1380 General Hospital (306) 519-1405
 Wascana Rehabilitation Centre (306) 530-6511



ST JOSEPH PARISH

**Welcome all
Parishioners & Visitors**

Please Note: Parishioners follow many coming events at
<https://stjosephbalgonie.ca>
Or phone the office @ (306) 771-2387

***Confession is available up to 15 Minutes before Mass
or by appointment***

**MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED
SATURDAY @ 7:00pm**

SUNDAY @ 10:30am

**MORNING MASS: 8:00 am Tuesday to Thursday
7:00 pm Every Friday—Mass & Adoration
9:00am First Saturday of the month with Adoration**

December 10th, 2022

Everyone welcome at
Reconciliation @ 11:00am
at St. Joseph Parish
in Balgonie.

December 15th, 2022

Reconciliation @ 6:30pm at St. Agnes in
Pilot Butte

PPC meeting

Tuesday November 29, 2022
Mass at 7:00pm
Meeting to Follow

K of C meeting

Wednesday November 30, 2022
At 7:30 pm
Church Basement

Donating Note: Acceptable cheque payee names on
donation cheques are as follows:

**St. Joseph Parish, or St. Joseph RC Church,
or St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church.**

Please use one of these acceptable payees when
writing your donation cheques to the Parish. Thank
you for your continued generosity to St. Joseph.

New Options For Donating to St. Joseph Parish
Please visit our parish website:

www.stjosephbalgonie.ca

Under Giving and Sharing button, click on Donate
button for

Donation Options:

Paypal or Credit Card or Debit Card.

Please indicate if Donation is for Operating or
Building Fund

We now offer E-transfer

Please email donation to:
Stjosephbalgonie@gmail.com

SOCIAL JUSTICE NOTE:

**Thank you to all who donated to
the Regina Food Bank.**

Please continue to pray for those
experiencing food insecurity in our
communities.

Stewardship Bulletin Bits

November 27, 2022

1st Sunday of Advent

"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." Matthew 24:42

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily, and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day for all that we have been given.

Archbishops Appeal

Pulpit & Bulletin Announcement

We are so grateful for your generous support. In the coming weeks as our Archbishop's Appeal comes to a close, we ask the you prayerfully consider making a one-time donation, or consider giving monthly.

Bulletin Reflection

Today is the first Sunday of Advent, the time of anticipation to celebrate the birth of Jesus. The readings are full of the language of anticipation. Isaiah's vision shows the coming of the Lord, and challenges us to walk in the light of life. Saint Paul's letter to the Romans shows us that to properly prepare for the coming of Christ is to live in the ways of the Spirit.

Jesus tells us in the Gospel that He is indeed coming, and we should have the spirit of awareness and preparation in our lives: aware of our relationship with Christ and preparing our lives in such a way that whenever we see Jesus, we will be ready.

The Annual Appeal directly supports catechesis and education. These offices provide resources to parishes and schools to have the skills and tools to prepare us to know Christ deeply and enable us to prepare ourselves in the best way we can. As we prepare to welcome the Child Jesus, let us support the appeal's commitment to education with our contributions.

Prayer of Intercession

That through our personal generosity to the Annual Appeal, we may provide hope to thousands of people throughout our diocese who look to us for assistance, we pray to the Lord.

Advent Calendar

Looking for ways to prepare your hearts for Christmas? Let your family journey along this path towards a meaningful Christmas with this year's Advent Calendar and its daily activities. Available in English and French. Download, share, and print! archregina.sk.ca/group/retreats-and-spiritual-resources/ Remember it's not about the presents, but His presence!

Journey Through Advent

Sign up for a weekly Advent series with Reflections by Fr. Christian Lindenbach, music, prayer, resources and other activities to enhance your Advent Journey. These weekly reflections will be emailed each week during Advent. To sign up, email mgurash@archregina.sk.ca

Write for the Archdiocese of Regina

Archdiocese of Regina News (archregina.sk.ca/news/)

welcomes article submissions from a variety of sources and locations, with preference given to Saskatchewan voices. We are seeking;

- Good news stories on parish events and activities.
- Stories featuring Catholics making a difference in their communities both within and outside of the parish.
- Stories that help people experience God at work in their lives deepen their spiritual life and broaden people's understanding of sacred scripture.
- Articles introducing and explaining the richness of our Catholic tradition and faith.

Contact Director of Communications, Deacon Eric Gurash, at egurash@archregina.sk.ca for a copy of our submission guidelines.

CWLF Leadership Program 2023

We are pleased to announce that we are **accepting applications for the 2023 cohort** of our Leadership Program, scheduled to begin in June 2023 at the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa.

The program is open to all Canadian Catholic women, from all walks of life who have a genuine interest in making a difference in their communities and places of work. For more information or to apply, visit form.jotform.com/222445350741248

Discovering Light Amidst Darkness

Campion College Campus Ministry is offering a three-session, non-credit, online Advent scripture course called 'Discovering Light Amidst Darkness'. Presented by Professor Fr. Scott Lewis SJ over Zoom on Tuesday mornings from 10:00-11:00 am from November 29th - December 13, 2022. The course is free for Campion students, staff, and faculty. Others: Suggested donation \$20

To inquire or register, contact: Kelly Bourke in Campus Ministry at kelly.bourke@uregina.ca or text/call (306) 550-5293

LESSON SIX The Catechism: It's no secret!

Does the Catechism contain a methodology for its use by the faithful?

No. The *Catechism* does not include a methodology. It is a complete and accurate explanation of Catholic doctrine. The *Directory for Catechesis* provides an over-all guide, but the procedure for transferring the faith depends on a variety of factors and it should be customized to reflect the circumstances and culture and local needs of those engaged in catechesis. Many diocese have created local guidelines for instruction.

What are miracles?

3 Minute Video: archregina.sk.ca/group/catechetical-support-parishes/

Text: read, CCC#'s 547-50

Sacred Scripture: with numerous accounts of miracles performed by Jesus and the Apostles, Sacred Scripture describes miracles as those which glorify God, come from a righteous source and is of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8.9, Matthew 24.24, Acts 13.10).

Pope Francis: that persistent prayer can lead to miracles "because prayer goes directly to the heart of the tenderness of God." General audience May 12, 2021

TF324: The Feast of Christ the King with Brett Fawcett - Part 1

Thinking Faith welcomes returning guest Brett Fawcett to discuss what has been called the "Crowning Glory of the liturgical year"; the Feast of Christ the King.

Show Snippet "When he (Pope Pius XI) talks about nations and societies and peoples recognizing the Kingship of Christ, it's really important to know what he meant by that and what he didn't mean by that, and one of the things we can see he meant by it is some of the things he recommends for the economy..."

thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/the-feast-of-christ-the-king-with-brett-fawcett-part-1

First Friday Adoration

The First Friday/First Saturday vigil in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be held December 2nd and 3rd at St. Mary's Church in Regina. Priests will be available for confession at 6:30 P.M. before Holy Mass as well as after Holy Mass. Holy Mass will occur at 7:30 P.M. followed by the all-night vigil ending with Holy Mass at 8:00 A.M. on Saturday morning.

Keeping Watch In Advent

Advent is a time that asks us to step back from our regular routines and reflect on those spaces both internally and externally, in need of Christ's transforming grace. You are invited to join this two-part Advent Mission taking place at St James Parish in Southey, SK on Thursday December 8, and Friday, December 9 from 7:00pm-8:30pm. Through scripture, storytelling, and guided prayer Deacon Eric Gurash will examine how we can foster a more contemplative life in the midst of a busy world. To register, contact gerard.mont@yahoo.com

Ecumenical Advent Series: What Are We Waiting For?

As Christmas and the holidays approach, Christians experience the season of Advent as a time of expectant waiting and preparation. This year, there will be a special ecumenical series of Advent meditations and conversations on the question: "What are we waiting for?," with Canadian church leaders, including:

- Rev. Dr. Robert Faris, Moderator, The Presbyterian Church of Canada
- Rev. Susan C. Johnson, National Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada
- Right Rev. Dr. Carmen Lansdowne, Moderator, The United Church of Canada
- Most Rev. Linda Nicholls, Primate, Anglican Church of Canada

On each Thursday in Advent (Dec. 1, 8, 15, and 22), listeners are invited to join a live discussion at 6:00 pm SK time, via Zoom, with one of the leaders on that week's Advent theme. Attendees will be able to ask questions during the online conversation.

Also, each Monday during Advent, the church leaders will release an ecumenical Advent meditation focused on one of the four Advent themes and will address challenges and opportunities facing the Canadian churches.

Find out more and register at

<https://presbyterian.ca/2022/11/08/ecumenical-advent/>

NEW PARISHIONERS/ CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please complete this form and place in the collection basket

Name(s) _____ Phone: _____ Email _____

Address _____ Date _____

New Change of Address Wish to have Church Envelopes Wish Home Visit