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Fr. Chinh Vu (Pastor)

The Roman Catholic Parishes
of
St. Joseph & St. Agnes
“HEAVEN BEGINS IN THE EUCHARIST”
(POPE FRANCIS)



SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT
December 10, 2023

Hall rental contact: Margaret Kiel
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Parish Council

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| Chair Person | Lila Schneider |
| Vice Chair | Vacant |
| Deanery Rep | Bob Kardash |
| Ecumenism | John Dean |
| Liturgy | Cheryl Behrns |
| School of Religion | Bill Rieger |
| Social Justice | Jodi Eberle |
| Stewardship | Gwen Herman |
| Pastoral Care | Ken & Diane Fahlman |
| Parish Council Sec | Roseann Anderson |
| Youth Ministries | Vacant |
| Parish Coordinator | Vacant |

- Finance Council**
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| Chairperson | Bob Kardash |
| Accountant/Treasurer | Cathy Poelzer |
| Building & Grounds | Mike Schneider |
| Members at Large | Russel McCallum |

- Representatives**
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| CWL President | Lynne Kardash |
| Knights of Columbus | Pat Leibel, GK |



*Pope Francis' December 2023 Prayer Intention:
For persons with disabilities: We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation.*



ADORATION

6:30 to 7:30 on Thursdays
St. Agnes Pilot Butte
Everyone Welcome

MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED
SATURDAY @ 7:00 pm
SUNDAY @ 10:30 am



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

*Welcomes all
Parishioners & Visitors*

School of Religion
Classes 9:15 am
 Contact for more information
 Bill Rieger 306-539-8781
st.j.catechism.balgonie@gmail.com
 Or
stjoseph1@sasktel.net 306-771-2387
Your support is greatly appreciated!

Dear Friends in Christ

We are quickly approaching the beginning of a new liturgical year. Advent is a time of year to prepare our hearts and homes for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a time for Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love. We would like to take this opportunity to share our regular Mass times and our Christmas and New Years Mass Schedule.

**St. Joseph's Parish: Saturdays @ 7PM
Sundays @ 10:30 AM**

Sunday December 24th 4th Sunday of Advent

- 9 AM St. Agnes Pilot Butte
- 10:30 AM St. Joseph Balgonie

Christmas Eve Mass

- 8 PM St. Joseph

Monday December 25th

- 9 AM St. Agnes
- 10:30 AM St. Joseph

Sunday December 31st

- 9 AM St. Agnes
- 10:30 AM St. Joseph

Monday January 1st

- 9 AM St. Agnes
- 10:30 AM St. Joseph

May your heart be lifted in praise this Christmas for the wonderful gift of Jesus and the Joy he brings to our lives. May you have the gift of faith, the blessing of hope and the peace of His love at Christmas and always.

Many Blessings,
 Father Chinh and St. Joseph's Parish Council

**Welcome to
Children's Liturgy**

at the 10:30 am Mass

Catechism lessons
 First Holy Communion AND Confirmation will begin in early January 2024.

Anyone interested in preparation for these sacraments, please contact Bill Rieger at st.j.catechism.balgonie@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Calling all ladies!
 St Joseph CWL council calls on you!! If you are a member, fees are due. They are \$40.00. eTransfer is available using:
stjosephcwlbalgonie@gmail.com
 (Please do not send payment to St. Joseph's Church)

Please contact Membership Executive Joanne Donais at 306-526-5577 or our President Lynne Kardash at 306-530-6328 with any questions you have. We are always looking for new members. We welcome all ladies 18 and over to join this wonderful organization! Looking forward to meeting new members.

Stewardship Bulletin Bites

December 10, 2023

2nd Sunday of Advent

"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - Mark 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. How are you helping others get to Heaven?

Altar Servers - Youth and Adult

St. Joseph's is accepting applications for adult and youth altar servers. Please note, proof of confirmation is required to be included with the application and adults applying will require a Criminal Record Check to be completed. Attendance at training sessions is required prior to serving. If you or your child(ren) are interested in becoming an altar server at St. Joseph's please contact Ken Fahlman at (306) 552-9044 or Bill Rieger at (306) 539-8781 to receive an application form or if you have any questions.

Advent Recollection: Reconciliation, Adoration, and Healing

December 17, Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

5:00 to 7:30 p.m.

St. Cecilia Parish, 5020 – 7th Avenue, Regina

In the holy Advent season, experience a time of enlightenment through adoration and healing with Jesus who brought light to the world. During this busy time of preparing for Christmas, pause and take advantage of this recollection opportunity.

Led by Fr. Sathi Antony, St. Gerard Parish, Yorkton

- Holy Mass – 5 pm.
- Adoration and individual Reconciliation – 5:45 pm.
- Release prayer for personal healing, from darkness to light – 7 pm.
- Refreshments and fellowship – 7:30 pm.

CWL

The CWL supported the following organizations totalling \$7,150 in 2023:

Catholic Missions of Canada, Marian Centre, Saskatchewan Pro-life, Regina Pro-life, Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, Archbishop's Annual Appeal, CWL Scholarship Program, St. Joseph Church Building Fund, Catholic Health Association of SK, St. Theresa Institute of Faith and Missions, Myriam Family and Visitation House.

The Myriam Family of the Prairies invites you

To a Live-in-Day retreat

With Fr. Scott Lewis SJ

What? A day retreat including talks with Father Scott Lewis, Mass and adoration. Lunch will be provided.

When? December 16th from 10h00 to 4h00

Where? At our house of prayer in McLean, SK,

Cost? free will donation

Fr. Scott Lewis S.J. is Associate Professor Emeritus of Regis College at the University of Toronto and is currently on the faculty of Campion College in Regina, Saskatchewan. He served in the U.S. Navy for several years and entered the California Province of the Society of Jesus in 1979. After ordination in 1987, he studied Scripture in Rome, obtaining the Licentiate in Sacred Scripture from the Pontifical Biblical Institute and the Doctorate in Sacred Theology from the Gregorian University. He taught and worked for two years in Jerusalem before coming to Toronto in 1997. From 2008 to 2014, he was director of the Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre in Pickering (Manresa) in addition to his teaching duties at Regis. Fr. Lewis presents insights on the Sunday Gospel readings each week in the Catholic Register. His expertise is in the Gospel of John, the Letters of Paul, the Bible and Religious Violence, and the history of exegesis. Fr. Lewis lectures on Scripture and gives retreats both in Canada and internationally. His latest publication is 'How Not to Read the Bible', Novalis Press.

For registration, please contact Sr. Stéphanie Beaulieu at 306-761-0528

or email pss.prairies@famillemymriam.org

Directions to our location will be given at the moment of registration.

GriefSHARE Sessions at Christ the King

3239 Garnet Street, Regina SK

Sessions 2 – 4 p.m.

Jan 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, Mar. 5, 14, 19, 26, Apr 9, 16

Registration open now.

Please contact lucyklindaann@gmail.com

Do You Want To Help?

The Cuernavaca Project can benefit from your donation of SARC� recyclables at any Sarc� location in Regina. Please remember the key word "project" when you use the Drop & Go option.

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Regina will gather in joy and thanksgiving for the Ordination of

Daniel Malone

TO THE
Transitional Diaconate

By The Most Rev. Donald J. Bolen
Archbishop of Regina

On
Monday, December 18, 2023
1:00 PM

At
Holy Rosary Cathedral
Regina, SK

Livestream: youtube.com/ArchdioceseRegina

Donating Note:

St. Joseph Parish, 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

- 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:

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

PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATIONS

Is Pre-Authorized Donations (PAD) an option for you? You may choose a monthly automatic debit to your bank as an alternative to the weekly Sunday Collection & Building Fund donation envelopes. PAD forms are available in the church foyer or at the parish office.

If your preference of payment is PAD - submit your form in a sealed envelope and drop it in the collection basket or directly at the parish office - Attention: Cathy Poelzer
For more info contact Cathy Poelzer 306-533-7002

St. Joseph is seeking a KITCHEN COORDINATOR to provide general oversight of the kitchen and management of the kitchen facilities. Delegation of food preparation duties to cooks, the purchase of food and maintain kitchen cleanliness.

For more details
email stjoseph1@sasktel.net or
contact Lila Schneider or Bob Kardash

Requests for an announcement to be included in the bulletin, please email the information to ppcsecretary@gmail.com prior to Wednesday @ 5:00 pm.



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