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

“CONVERSION TO THE EUCHARIST”
 (POPE FRANCIS)

31th Sunday on Ordinary Time

THE TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS

November 3, 2024

Church Hall Bookings

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Parish Council

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| Chair Person | Lila Schneider |
| Vice Chair | Vacant |
| Deanery Rep | Lila Schneider |
| 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 |
| Kitchen Coordinator | Lisa Fuchs |
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- Finance Council**
- | | |
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| Chairperson | Roseann Anderson |
| Accountant/Treasurer | Cathy Poelzer |
| Building & Grounds | Mike Schneider |
| Members at Large | Russel McCallum
Bob Kardash |

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

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

**Daily Mass at 8:00 am**  
**Tuesday to Friday**

**First Friday and Saturday Mass**  
**8:00 am followed by adoration**



*Pope Francis' October 2024  
 Prayer Intention:*  
**For anyone who has lost a child**  
*We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a  
 son or daughter find support in their community  
 and receive peace and consolation from the Holy  
 Spirit.*

**From the readings:**  
 By rabbinical count, ‘the Law’ consisted of some 613 commandments. The Scribe’s question as to which commandment was the greatest was one frequently discussed among the rabbis. Jesus was asked to name one, but responded by naming two. Both are found in the Old Testament; the first in Deuteronomy 6:4, the second in Leviticus 19:18. What Jesus did was to put the two together, thus emphasizing the essential relatedness of them. No rabbi had previously done this. The emphasis on love became for Christians the identifying characteristic of their religion.

The Scribe agreed fully with Jesus, and went on to declare that true love of God and the loving service of others are more important than elaborate cult. Nowhere else in the Gospels does a Scribe emerge in such a favourable light.

**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*



**DONATING NOTE:**

*Thank you for your  
Continued generosity to St. Joseph*

For Options for Donating to St. Joseph Parish

Please visit our parish website: [www.stjosephbalgonie.ca](http://www.stjosephbalgonie.ca)

Under Giving and Sharing button, click on Donate button for

**Donation Options:**

**Credit Card, Debit Card or eTransfer**

Please email donation to: [Stjosephbalgonie@gmail.com](mailto: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 –

For more info contact Cathy Poelzer 306-533-7002

Calling all ladies! St Joseph CWL council calls on you!!

Our council is always looking for new members. We welcome all ladies 18 years and over. CWL is the largest Women's Organization in Canada. Our CWL donates funds to other organizations in our community to help those in need. We have a new membership drive at this time, if you join our counsel your fee for the year 2025 will be just \$20.00. Please consider joining us.

If you are already a member our yearly fees for 2025 are due. The fee is \$40.00 for the year. Please etransfer all money to [stjosephcwlbalgonie@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephcwlbalgonie@gmail.com). Cheques please make them out to St.Joseph CWL. Joanne Donais will be at the back of the church on Sundays to take any money.

**Baking donations**

St. Joseph's is hosting the November 11 service. We are asking for baking donations of cookies and muffins for the service.

If you can donate, please contact Lisa Fuchs at [lisafuchs1969@gmail.com](mailto:lisafuchs1969@gmail.com) by Nov 3. Thank you.

**Catechism Classes**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION**

**began on October 6, 2024**

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER!!!**

Anyone interested in preparation for these

**SACRAMENTS,**

please contact Bill Rieger at 306-539-8781

**AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> – Vestments/Liturgy

Nov 17<sup>th</sup> – Angels/God's Army

Nov 24<sup>th</sup> – Celebration/Mercy

Dec 7<sup>th</sup> – Retreat/Rehearsal

Dec 14<sup>th</sup> – Reconciliation

On the Catechism dates noted above:

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 9:00am followed by adoration.
- Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 9:45am

All parishioners are welcome to join in the Exposition, adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

**Praying the Rosary**

Please join us at 6:30 pm each Saturday and 10:00am each Sunday in October and November to pray the Rosary before Mass.

For the month of October, the CWL will be leading the Rosary on Sundays.

**Stewardship Bulletin Bit**

**November 3, 2024**

**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“And ‘to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself’ is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices.” (Mark 12:33)*

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it’s more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

**Advent Reflection at St. Joseph’s Parish**

**Date: Sunday Dec 8<sup>th</sup>**

Start at 9:20 am Coffee and Muffins in the hall  
Reflection from 9:30 am to 10:00 am  
Regular Sunday Mass at 10:30 am

**Guest Speaker: Fr Frank Obrigewitsch**

Please join us to help prepare for the upcoming Christmas Season!

**TF #424: A New Approach to Youth Ministry  
Marrick Reeve and Michelle Braden**

This week on Thinking Faith, Deacon Eric Gurash welcomes Marrick Reeve of Christ the King parish in Regina and Michelle Braden of the Archdiocese of Regina's Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry to discuss a new youth ministry pilot project. They'll share the ways that moving youth ministry from the parish and into a unique partnership with local Catholic schools has created exciting opportunities for conversation, relationship building, and conversion.

<https://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/a-new-approach-to-youth-ministry-marrick-reeve-and-michelle-braden>

**Archbishop’s Appeal  
Bulletin Reflection**

Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34

When asked about the greatest commandment, Jesus emphasizes love—love for God and love for neighbour. This dual command is the cornerstone of our faith, calling us to live in harmony with one another. Contributing to the Archbishop’s Appeal is a tangible expression of this love. Our donations support initiatives that care for the needy, educate the youth, and strengthen our parish communities. By uniting our resources, we demonstrate that love is not just a feeling but an actionable commitment to the well-being of others, fulfilling God's greatest commandment.

**Prayer of Intercession**

That our Lay Formation program would strengthen our lay leaders in the Church, empowering them to live out a call to discipleship; to build vibrant, loving communities throughout our Archdiocese.

**Vatican II and Synodality with Dr. Catherine Clifford**

Dr. Catherine Clifford is a Canadian laywoman appointed as a delegate to the XVI Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. She is a professor of theology and director of the Centre for Vatican II and 21st Century Catholicism at the Université Saint Paul in Ottawa. A specialist in ecumenism and ecclesiology (the theology of church), Dr. Clifford has over two decades of experience as a member of Anglican-Roman Catholic and other ecumenical dialogues. Dr. Clifford will be visiting Regina soon after returning from the Synod. She will be speaking on how a renewed attention to the ancient practice of synodality is giving a renewed attention to the teaching of the Second Vatican Council. Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00 pm at Campion College. All are welcome!

For further information, contact Nick Jesson, Archdiocesan Synod Coordinator, [njesson@archregina.sk.ca](mailto:njesson@archregina.sk.ca)

**The Chosen at Little Flower Parish**

Little Flower Parish invites you to join them in watching the The Chosen Series which is based on the true stories of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Season One Tuesday nights at 6:30 pm, November 5, 12,19 and 26. Little Flower Parish 430 College Ave. For further information please contact Cindy Walker at 306 510-1610 or Norine Schmalz 306 737-2140.

Our Lady of Peace Parish is hosting a Celebration of Canadian Freedom and Cultural Diversity, November 10 from 2-6PM. There will be a short Remembrance Day Service, entertainment, a Meal of Ethnic foods, 50/50 draw and door prizes. Entrance by donation with part of the proceeds going to the Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Fund.

**MONDAY MEETS - CONVERSATIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL STAFF**

It begins this Monday, Nov. 4 at 8:30 to 10:00 pm Saskatchewan time, with COP 16 on Biodiversity: A Latin American Perspective. It will be presented by Anne Catherine Kennedy, who has been a program officer for Latin America since 2005, working on long-term development issues. It is the first of 5 presentations, given about once a month. The series should prove to be educational and eye-opening for all of us. For more information and to register, go to: <https://mailchi.mp/devp.org/peek-behind-the-curtain-at-our-monday-meets>

**Camp Monahan’s Annual Christmas Dinner**

Enjoy an evening out with great food, music and friends at Camp Monahan's Annual Christmas Dinner, sponsored by Holy Child Knights of Columbus on December 7th. For more information and tickets are available online [www.campmonahan.ca](http://www.campmonahan.ca) or by contacting our office (306)522-1047 or email [campmonahan@sasktel.net](mailto:campmonahan@sasktel.net).

**Holy Cross Harvest Turkey & Ham Supper: the Turnip, Cabbage Roll & Pie Edition**

Sunday, November 10, 2024  
(Pre-order deadline by Sunday November 3)  
Turkey and Ham with all the trimmings  
Resurrection Parish Hall, 3155 Windsor Park Rd.  
Tickets: Adults—\$30 Youth (6– 12) - \$12 Children (5 and under) - FREE  
One sitting at 5:00 pm. Please make payment via e-Transfer to [bookkeeper.holycross@sasktel.net](mailto:bookkeeper.holycross@sasktel.net) or with cheque (made out to Holy Cross Parish) or exact cash at the Church.  
To order: Wayne at (306) 789-8151 or John at (306) 533-8066. Pre-order (deadline) date for seat count is Sunday, Nov. 3rd, 2024  
Please note: For the seat count, indicate the number of each type of meal (Adult, Youth of Child). Also, indicate if you want to sit with a particular party.

**The Myriam Family of the Prairies invites you**

For a day retreat for adults on Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024  
From 9:30 to 4:00  
With the theme:  
The adventure of my spiritual journey;  
The purgative phase  
The retreat will include talks, sharing, Mass with Bishop James Weisberger, Holy hour, and lunch, in the beauty of nature and the silence of the countryside at our house of prayer in McLean, Sk, 45 km East of Regina.

**A Youth retreat!**

What? A 24 hours youth retreat.  
When? November 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm to November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm.  
Where? At the Myriam Family house of prayer in McLean SK  
Age? From age 12 to 17  
How much? Suggested donation; 25\$/person  
To register, call Sr. Stephanie: 306-761-0528 or by email: [pss.prairies@famillemyriam.org](mailto:pss.prairies@famillemyriam.org)

**Hospital Chaplains**

Pastoral Care focuses on people’s needs from a spiritual and theological perspective in order to help create an optimum climate for healing of body, mind and spirit. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, please contact a chaplain to arrange a pastoral care visit or an anointing.  
General – Jerry: 306-519-1405  
Pasqua -Jennifer: 306-519-1380  
Wascana – Joan: 306-530-6511

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

**NEW PARISHIONERS/ CHANGE OF ADDRESS**  
Please complete this form and place in the collection basket

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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