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

“CONVERSION TO THE EUCHARIST”
 (POPE FRANCIS)

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

FULFILLED IN YOUR HEARING

January 26th, 2025

Church Hall Bookings

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Parish Council

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| Chair Person | Lila Schneider |
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| 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 |

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**



*Pope Francis' January, 2025  
 Prayer Intention:  
**For the right to an education**  
 Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.*

**From the readings:**

Today we begin the conservative reading of Luke’s Gospel, which was originally joined to Luke’s other work, the Acts of the Apostles. The way the story is told prepares us for what happens in Acts. When the Jews returned home after the exile in Babylon, the nation had to be rebuilt. The Persians entrusted this task to Ezra. Ezra brought back with him from Babylon the book of the law of Moses which he solemnly read to the people (First Reading). Thus he called upon them to rededicate themselves to God.

The Gospel shows Jesus too proclaiming the word of God. In the synagogues at Nazareth, he makes his own a passage from Isaiah, and uses it to announce a programme for his ministry. He is sent, not to the wealthy or the powerful, but to the poor and the lowly, the oppressed and the suffering. Here we see Luke’s concern for the poor and the afflicted.

Who are the poor? The poor are all the disposed of this world, all those who are waiting for liberation. The good news must not be limited to spiritual blessings only. But the poor are also those who live on bread alone and who never hear the Word of God.

**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*

**Welcome to  
Children's Liturgy**



**January 19, 26**

**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

**Sacrament Registration**

Registration is being accepted for catechism classes for First Communion and Confirmation. Contact Bill Rieger at 306-539-8781 or [st.j.catechism.balgonie@gmail.com](mailto:st.j.catechism.balgonie@gmail.com)

Forms can also be found at the back of the church.  
Classes began on January 12th, 2025.

While Father is home, there will be  
**No Weekday Morning Masses or Weekend Masses with Adoration** until his return.

Weekday morning Masses will resume  
Tuesday March 4, 2025

**Catechism Classes**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION**

Jan 26<sup>th</sup> – Growing in Holiness  
Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> – Mary Mother of God  
Feb 9<sup>th</sup> – Prayer  
Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> – The Healing Standard  
Mar 9<sup>th</sup> – The Holy Scriptures (Bible)  
Mar 16<sup>th</sup> – Water from the Rock  
Mar 23<sup>rd</sup> – Divine Mercy  
Mar 30<sup>th</sup> – The Trial / Adam and Eve  
Apr 6<sup>th</sup> – The Hebrew Passover  
Apr 13<sup>th</sup> – The Last Supper / Holy Mass  
May 4<sup>th</sup> – Our Father  
May 11<sup>th</sup> – We are Sent

On the Catechism dates noted above:

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 9:00am followed by adoration.
- Classes start at 9:15 with Opening Prayers in front of the Blessed Sacrament
- 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.



**Stewardship Bulletin Bits**

**January 26, 2025**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

*“Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared...” Nehemiah 8:10*

Ezra’s instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now, here’s the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

**TF #436: Living In The Psalms - Part 2**

Join Deacon Eric Gurash for part two of the four-part series Living in the Psalms. This week, discover how the five books of the Psalms weave together the story of salvation history, reflecting the experiences of Israel through times of exile, kingship, and restoration. Explore how these ancient prayers continue to shape our spiritual journey, offering hope, healing, and the assurance of God’s steadfast love.

<https://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/living-in-the-psalms-part-2>

**Life in Abundance as Proclaimed by a Universal Christ**

**A 7-Episode video series with Father John Weckend**

Father John shares some of his reflections on a cosmic and more universal approach to 'The Christ'. It brings a broader approach to the dogma of the Incarnation and how it affects our life and spirituality.

The Introduction and Episode 1 were online January 17.

Each of the remaining episodes will be released weekly on Friday.

Use one of these ways to watch:

- [Father John Weckend YouTube Channel](#).
- On YouTube, search @FatherJohnWeckend.
- Scan the QR Code.



**Turn Debt Into Hope – Worldwide Caritas Campaign Workshop**

Our Holy Father has called us all to journey on a pilgrimage of hope this year of Jubilee. But, at the same time, [there are over 3.3 billion people in our world](#) who live in countries wracked with spiraling national debt costs. Pope Francis calls on all the Catholic faithful to journey towards Jubilee justice this year, [by taking a stand to promote fairness in international debt relief amid the climate crisis](#). Join Development and Peace – Caritas Canada [members](#) as we respond to this call in our Parish and Diocesan communities. Regina-and-area’s Share Lent Workshop will be on February 8<sup>th</sup> at Holy Child Parish in Regina at 1:00 PM. All are welcome! Can’t attend in person? See below for two options for online workshops (these will be both online and in-person):

February 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am - 11:15 am [Click to Register](#) (Saskatoon workshop)

February 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am – 11:15 am [Click to Register](#) (PA workshop)

Contact: Mike LeBlanc at 306-205-2334 or [mleblanc@devp.org](mailto:mleblanc@devp.org). Visit [devp.org](http://devp.org) for more info.

**Free Webinar: Caring for Our Common Home**

From February 2 to 8, 2025, Canada will celebrate the sixth annual National Catholic Health Care Week. This is a time to recognize the mission and contributions of Catholic health teams and ministries across the country. This year’s theme, Caring for Our Common Home, highlights the profound connection between human health and the health of the planet.

You are invited to join a free webinar on February 6, 2025, from 12:00 – 1:30 pm, featuring information and inspiring stories from Catholic health care. Please see the attached poster and the link below to register:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/17rf8Y5JSLuYTVgYyamxTA#/registration>

Additionally, weekly resources, including daily prayers and reflections, are available to help you explore how our individual and collective actions can promote a healthy world where all can thrive. These materials can be accessed on the CHAC website:

<https://www.chac.ca/en/national-catholic-health-care-week/>

Thank you for supporting this important week of reflection and celebration.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

The 2025 theme of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU), prepared by the monastic community of Bose in Northern Italy, "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26), takes its cue from the dialogue between Jesus and Martha when Jesus visited the home of Martha and Mary in Bethany following the death of their brother Lazarus, as narrated by the evangelist John. As 2025 marks the 1700th anniversary of the first Christian Ecumenical Council of Nicaea, Christians around the world are called to witness together to this faith in the resurrection, which is for us the source of hope and joy, to be shared with all peoples.

**Sunday, January 26, 2:30 pm**

Christ the King Catholic Church, 3239 Garnet St., Regina. This service is planned together with the Regina Council of Churches. Those interested in joining a joint choir for January 26, please come to the rehearsal at 1:30pm at Christ the King.

**Charismatic Prayer Gathering**

Resurrection Parish

Upcoming Dates:

January 19, February 23. March 23, May 4, June 22  
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Come Alive! You are invited! Come and experience Christ's loving embrace through music, praise, worship, teaching, prayer, and fellowship! Mark your calendars now. Hope to see you there!

The Regina Pro Life Association is calling on all parishioners to participate in the Green Ribbon Sunday Campaign, which remembers the Morgentaler decision of January 28, 1988, when the Supreme Court of Canada struck down **all laws** regarding abortion. Since then, there have been more than 4 million abortions in Canada. Please pick up a green ribbon/bookmark which are available at the church entrances. We encourage you to wear them until the 28<sup>th</sup> of January, but you can certainly wear them longer. The bookmarks include a prayer for the end to abortion that we kindly ask you to pray daily.

**Relic Visit**

National Visitation of the relics of St. Jean de Brébeuf and of St. Kateri Tekakwitha on January 27, 2025 in Campion College Chapel. Talk and veneration from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

**Grief to Grace**

Through a 5 day program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. The next program in Canada is **May 20- 25 in Kelowna**. For more information please email [griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com](mailto:griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com) or make a confidential call to [250-808-6403](tel:250-808-6403).

Inviting girls age 11-14 and their moms to a **Mother-Daughter Retreat**  
**St. Peter's Abbey, Muenster**  
**September 12-14, 2025**

Explore together the gifts of feminine identity, chastity and marriage through biblical wisdom and the teachings of Pope St. John Paul II.

Read more: [philomenaretreat.org](http://philomenaretreat.org)  
Email for details: [laurencayer@sasktel.net](mailto:laurencayer@sasktel.net)

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