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

**“CONVERSION TO THE EUCHARIST”**  
 (POPE FRANCIS)

**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**THE PLANK AND THE SPLINTER**

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025**

**Church Hall Bookings**

Margaret Kiel  
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**Parish Council**

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

**Finance Council**

Chairperson	Roseann Anderson
Accountant/Treasurer	Cathy Poelzer
Building & Grounds	Mike Schneider
Members at Large	Bob Kardash

**Representatives**

CWL President	Lynne Kardash
Knights of Columbus	Pat Leibel, GK

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



*Pope Francis' March, 2025*

*Prayer Intention:*

***For families in crisis***

*Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.*

**From the readings:**

Sir 27:4-7/ 1Cor 15:54-58/ Luke 6:39-45

Just as an orchard is judged by the quality of its fruits, so a person's talk shows who kind of person he is. (First Reading) this links with what Jesus says in the Gospel: 'A tree is known by its fruit... the words of the mouth flow out of what fills the heart.'

In the Gospel it is no longer a question of love of enemies, but of love of one's brothers and sisters in the community. A Christian is his brother's keeper. But one cannot undertake to guide others unless one has found the way oneself. Hence, self-criticism must precede criticism of others. This applied especially to Christian teachers. But it had even more relevance for prophets. There were many prophets in the early Church. These were people who had received this gift from God and more or less guided the community. But the community had to be careful because there were also false prophets.

Just as we judge a tree by its fruit, so we judge a prophet by his actions. Any prophet who teaches the truth is none the less a false prophet if he does not himself practise what he teaches. The true prophet is one who behaves in the Lord's way.

**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**



**March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

**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.

**Catechism Classes**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION**

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.

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

Father will announce when weekday morning Masses will resume

**Jubilee 2025 Presentation**

Please join us on Friday March 14th following the Stations and Cross and Mass at 7:00 pm for an informative Presentation on the 2025 Jubilee Year. Learn: What is a Jubilee Year, what are the special Graces of the Jubilee Year, the meaning of a pilgrimage, the meaning of indulgence and how we can obtain one, and how we can become a Pilgrim of Hope!

We look forward to seeing you all there!  
Presenter: Pauline Crone

Each year we burn the previous year's palms to make ashes for Ash Wednesday Masses. We invite parishioners to bring their blessed palms and place them in the basket at the back of the church.

**Stewardship Bulletin Bits**

**March 2, 2025**

**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

*“A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.” - Luke 6:43*

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts to bear good fruit for the glory of His name.

For Lent this year in conjunction with the call from Pope Francis to be Pilgrims of Hope in his Papal Bull for the Jubilee Year 2025. St Joseph's Parish will be collecting items for the poor for the Marian Centre. We will collect non perishable items from Sunday March 9th to Sunday April 6th in the entrance of the Church.

Items they have requested are:

- Men's Gloves
- Jam /Jelly or Cheese Whiz for sandwiches
- Ground Coffee
- Coffee Mate (unflavoured)
- Shampoo or Body wash (normal size)

The Marian Centre also mentioned they are in need of meat and muffins, so if you wish to donate these perishable items directly to them they are located at 1835 Halifax Street Regina. Thank you for your support of this project!

Below is the quote from Pope Francis - Papal Bull Ordinary Year of Jubilee 2025.

*I ask with all my heart that hope be granted to the billions of the poor, who often lack the essentials of life..... Let us not forget: the poor are almost always the victims, not the ones to blame.* (Section 15)

**TF #440 Brett Salkeld and Thomas Harmon on Ordo Amoris – Part Two**

Join Dr. Brett Salkeld and Thomas Harmon as they continue their deep dive into Ordo Amoris—the “order of love.” In this second installment of a three-part series, they explore how properly ordering our loves shapes our moral and spiritual lives, drawing on philosophy, theology, and real-world examples. Tune in for an engaging discussion on how love, rightly ordered, leads us closer to truth and authentic freedom.

<https://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/brett-salkeld-and-thomas-harmon-on-or-do-amoris-part-2>

**Horizons of Hope Workshop**

When confronted with a life-limiting diagnosis, we can find ourselves in an unfamiliar and even frightening situation. These moments are usually marked by having to make numerous practical decisions surrounding care and support for loved ones and ourselves. More often than not, such decisions require moral discernment through the lens of faith. We believe in the dignity and sacredness of human life at all stages, from conception to natural death. At the same time, our faith does not demand that life is to be sustained at all costs.

The Horizons of Hope workshop seeks to:

- Empower and educate individuals by addressing questions surrounding palliative care, dying, death, suffering, accompaniment, and bereavement in a holistic fashion.
- Present high-quality content that explores how palliative care is understood from a perspective of moral and pastoral theology, medical expertise, and the *Compassionate Community* model.
- Facilitate meaningful conversations together so that our communities and families become *Compassionate Communities*, grounded in the mercy and tenderness of the living Christ.

Do I need to be Catholic to attend? No, there is a prayer and faith perspective offered in the program but it is open to anyone to attend.

When: Saturday, March 8th approximately 9:30 am to 4:00 pm

*(time will be confirmed upon registration)*

Where: St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Balgonie

Cost: \$20 per participant (includes workshop materials and lunch)

Please register by March 4th:

[schneider.mclean@sasktel.net](mailto:schneider.mclean@sasktel.net) or 306-591-1173



Join us this Lent: A Powerful Journey Through Heaven, Hell and Purgatory

<https://youtu.be/bhGv1rgeQnM>

**International Dinner at Little Flower Parish**

Saturday, March 8th, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY

Adults: \$30

Children (ages 7-12): \$12

Children (6 and under): Free

Tickets are available at the church after weekend Mass and through the Little Flower Office at (306) 522-8583. For more details or questions, please call Gord at (306) 596-4757.

**The Myriam Family of the Prairies invites you  
A Youth Retreat!**

What? A 24 hours youth retreat

When? March 7<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 pm to March 8<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 pm.

Where? At the Myriam Family house of prayer in McLean SK

Age? From age 13 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)

**Lenten Season 2025**

Ash Wednesday – March 5, 2025

- 7:00pm St. Joseph, Balgonie
- 8:30pm St. Agnes, Pilot Butte

Station of the Cross

- 7:00pm every Friday in lent followed by Mass

Reconciliation Day – 10:00am to Noon

- March 22 St. Agnes Pilot Butte
- March 29 St. Joseph Balgonie
- Fr. Jerlin Francis will also hear confessions

Tridium

Holy Thursday April 17, 2025

- 7:00pm St. Joseph Balgonie

Good Friday April 18, 2025

- 1:00pm St. Agnes Pilot Butte
- 3:00pm St. Joseph Balgonie

Easter Vigil April 19, 2025

- 8:30pm St. Joseph Balgonie

Easter Sunday April 20, 2025

- 9:00am St. Agnes Pilot Butte
- 10:30am St. Joseph Balgonie

**World Day of Prayer Service**

at the United Church in Balgonie

March 7 at 1:00pm

All are welcome

**St. Joseph’s Annual General Meeting**

Sunday March 23, 2025

upstairs after Mass

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Wednesday, March 19th (1:30 pm) at Holy Trinity parish hall (5020 Sherwood Dr.) we will be joined by Regina City Police members for a presentation on FRAUD AWARENESS.

**Chrim Mass**

This year’s Chrim Mass will be held on Friday, April 11, 2025, at 3:00 pm at Holy Rosary Cathedral. All are invited to attend.

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