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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

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

“CONVERSION TO THE EUCHARIST”
 (POPE FRANCIS)

3rd Sunday of Lent

UNLESS YOU REPENT

March 23rd, 2025



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:

The First Reading tells how God appeared to Moses in the burning bush and revealed his name as Yahweh (‘I am the Existing One’). God has heard the cries of his oppressed people, and sends Moses to liberate them. It is a turning point in the Old Testament. It leads to the Exodus and beyond. In the Gospel we see how Jesus rejected the popular belief that accidents which befall people are inflicted by God as punishment for sin. Still, sin calls for repentance. And Jesus tells the Jews that they will lose the promises unless they repent. The barren fig tree symbolizes the barren state of Israel. But God is patient. There is still time to repent, through that time is getting short.

The role of Moses prefigures the role of Jesus. Through Moses God saved his people, Israel, from slavery in Egypt. We are the new people of God, saved through the waters of baptism from the slavery of sin, and now en route under the leadership of Jesus to the promised land of eternal life. We too are fed with food ‘from heaven’, namely, the Eucharist. In the Letter to the Romans Paul says that in spite of all God had done for them, most of the Israelites were not pleasing to God. Christians must not think that just because they are received the sacraments they are automatically saved.

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
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

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

Forms can also be found at the back of the church.

Catechism Classes

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Mar 23rd – Divine Mercy
Mar 30th – The Trial / Adam and Eve
Apr 6th – The Hebrew Passover
Apr 13th – The Last Supper / Holy Mass
May 4th – Our Father
May 11th – 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.

The annunciation of the Lord is March 25

Mass at 8:00am followed by
silent adoration

Everyone is welcome

Join Our Prayer Chain for one another

For those who need prayers due to illness, surgery or hospitalization, etc. To participate in the prayer chain email Deacon Arron and he will create a blind copy email group to fan out a prayer for each request.

email Deacon Arron at deaconpolk@gmail.com to be included or to request prayer.

Email addresses will not be shared and kept private.

Chrism Mass

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

Stewardship Bulletin Bits

March 23, 2025

3rd Sunday of Lent

“He said to the gardener, ‘For three years now, I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.’” - Luke 13:7

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, but we are also called to develop and nurture our gifts and return them with an increase. We are called to be generous with all of gifts; especially the one that means the most to you.

External debt and ecological debt: Who owes whom?

Peru is facing an ecological debt crisis as extractive industries, often foreign-owned, plunder its natural resources, harming the environment and human rights.

These industries contribute to the unjust enrichment of the Global North at the expense of the Global South. Thus, as countries in the Global South incur financial debts that further impoverish them, they are owed a mounting ecological debt by the Global North that is never settled.

Our partners, the Episcopal Commission for Social Action (CEAS) and the Institute Bartolomé de Las Casas (IBC) work closely with affected communities, advocating for justice and sustainable alternatives. This Lent, discover the work of CEAS and IBC by reading our [Mini-magazine](#) and watching our testimonial video at devp.org/lent.

Thinking Faith S02 E01: New Beginnings, Exploring Vocations, and the Latin Mass

Thinking Faith now on video! Deacon Eric and Dr. Brett Salkeld celebrate their first video podcast with a lively discussion. They tackle last few Conquest Boys Club questions including how to become Pope, and why the Latin Mass seems to appeal to young Catholics reflecting on balancing tradition with a vibrant faith community. Tune in for insight, humor, and heartfelt conversation!

<https://youtu.be/IITL26xBD60?si=B7JbCCBScQ2BmJk2>

Find past episodes at <https://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/> or wherever you listen to your podcasts.

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)

Upcoming Event at Campion College

Experience the transformative power of music and meditation at the Campion College Lent Musica Sacra. This year’s concert, *A Passing Darkness*, will be held on April 18, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. in the beautiful 2nd-floor Campion College Chapel on the University of Regina campus.

Join us for a soul-stirring performance by the Musica Sacra Cecilia Voices, conducted by the talented Dr. Melissa Morgan, Music Dept. Head at U of R. Don’t miss out on this unforgettable event!



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

<https://youtu.be/bhGv1rgeQnM>

Mental Health & Faith: A Conversation on Support and Hope

1 in 4 families and individuals are affected by Mental health challenges, yet they often struggle in silence. Deacon Eric and Melissa Gurash of Emmaus Support Mental Health Ministries and the CWL of Resurrection Parish in Regina invite you to an open conversation about mental health and faith’s role in healing and resilience. Whether you live with mental health struggles or walk alongside someone who does, this event offers a space of understanding, support, and faith-filled hope. Join us on Saturday, April 26 from 8:30 am - noon at Resurrection Parish, 3155 Windsor Park RD, Regina.

Lenten Season 2025

Stations of the Cross

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

Reconciliation Day – 10:00am to Noon

- 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

The Women’s Commission of the Archdiocese of Regina invites you to a special three-part study of the **Final Document of the Synod on Synodality**. This is an opportunity to come together as women of the Church to explore the key themes of Communion, Participation, and Mission, deepening our understanding and engaging in meaningful discussion. Why Join?

- Gain familiarity with the Synod’s final document
- Discuss its potential impact on our Church and lives
- Share your voice and reflections in a welcoming space

Event Details:

Session 1: The Heart of Synodality – Called by the Holy Spirit to Conversion

April 2, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Presentation by Fr. Raymond Lafontaine, followed by discussion and reflection

Session 2: The Conversion of Relationships & Processes

April 9, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Session 3: Forming a People for Missionary Discipleship

April 16, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

This study offers a unique chance to engage with the Synod’s vision and reflect on how it shapes our faith, community, and role as women in the Church. We hope you’ll be part of this important conversation.

Please register here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/5zJ1qzz0Qj-21YRl1pBNJw>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

We look forward to journeying together. Questions?

Email womenscommissionregina@gmail.com

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

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Address _____ Date _____

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