

**SEEN AROUND THE PARISH:** This week had the snow shovels out. Mrs. Brassard's Gr. 5/6 class from St. Francis School walked over Tuesday morning to do their Advent project of wiping down the pews and dusting. Thanks gals & guys - great job.

**STEWARDSHIP: Celebrating & Sharing God's Gifts.** We must be good stewards of God's gifts to us, receiving them gratefully and cultivating them with care, lest we be the ones about whom John the Baptist speaks today, cautioning us, "Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

**Paroisse St. Jean-Baptiste**, the French parish in town, is **selling tourtières** (French Canadian meat pies). You have a choice of white or whole wheat crust as well as two sizes (9" and 4 ½"). Order as soon as possible, pay when you pick up your order, and enjoy the great food. If you are interested please see the poster or call the parish at 306-586-5006.

Are you looking for a unique Christmas gift or a Hawaiian getaway without leaving home? **Serena Saskatchewan** presents: A Hawaiian Gala Fundraiser Sat., Feb. 4, 5-8:30 p.m. at St. Anne's parish hall (217 Lenore Dr., Saskatoon). The fundraiser will include a catered banquet, silent auction, 50/50 draw, entertainment, wine toss & photo booth. To reserve tickets (\$100/ticket, you will receive a tax receipt for \$60). Or make a silent auction donation, please call/text 306-934-8223 or email [sask@serena.ca](mailto:sask@serena.ca).

**ANNUAL APPEAL** - We are ½ way to our goal of \$1.4 million for the Archdiocese of Regina! Thank You to all who have already donated to the Annual Appeal this year. Please remember, you can still donate to the 2016 Annual Appeal right up until Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. You can give online at [www.archregina.sk.ca](http://www.archregina.sk.ca) send in your gift card through your parish, or contact the Annual Appeal office directly at 306-352-1651 ext. 210. Thank you for working with us to help the love and mercy of our Lord touch the lives of so many!

**A REMINDER:** It makes sense..."**REDUCE SCENTS**" for the benefit of those sensitive to fragrances, please reduce or eliminate your use of scented products before coming to church.

**ARE YOU NEW IN THE PARISH OR HAVE CHANGED ADDRESSES???**

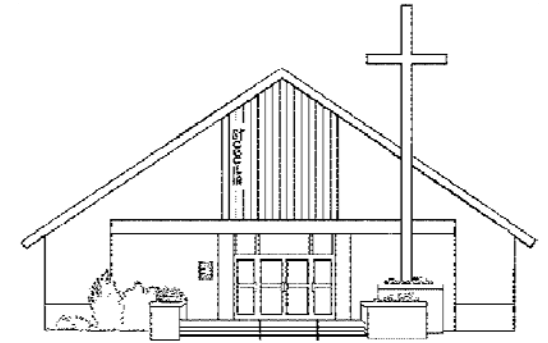
Welcome to St. Cecilia's. Any questions or concerns - give us a call. Please complete the following form drop it off at the office or drop into the collection basket marked - Attention: Parish Office:

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PARISH OF  
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**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Dec. 3/4, 2016**

The Baptist's message is as true today as it was 2000 years ago. To make straight the path for the coming of the Saviour, to make a proper Advent, to prepare ourselves to have Christ born in our lives, we need to undergo a baptism for the remission of sin. In simple talk, that means, among other things, making a searing, honest, open, confession..

<b>Monday Dec. 5</b>	No Mass	Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26
<b>Tuesday Dec. 6</b>	Mass 6:00 p.m.	Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14 Note: Mass time change RIP Christina Dirk from St. Cecilia C.W.L.
Wednesday Dec. 7	School Mass 8:25 a.m.	Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30 At St. Francis School Intention of Pat Enright from Paulette Wendler
<b>Thursday Dec. 8</b>	Mass 8:30 a.m.	Gen 3:9-15,20/Ep 1:3-6,11-12/Lk 1:26-38 RIP Ed Larson from Joanne & Richard Mantyak
<b>Friday Dec. 9</b>	Mass 8:30 a.m.	Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19 Adoration following Mass until 10 a.m. RIP Pu Nah & Juli Na from Wah Lo
<b>Saturday Dec. 10</b>	Mass 7:00 p.m.	Sir 48:1-4,9-11/Mt 17:10-13 For the intentions of all parishioners
<b>Sunday Dec. 11</b>	Mass 10:00 a.m.	Is 35:1-6a.10/Jam 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11 For the intentions of all parishioners

**Reconciliation** - By appointment

## PARISH NEWS

**GIVING TREE** - The Christmas tree in the Welcoming Area has tags on it. On the tags are gender & age of a person that you may buy a gift for (**wrap it, attach the tree tag & bring the gift back by Dec. 18**). Also, as part of the Christmas project **donation envelopes** will be handed out. Money collected will be used to buy grocery gift cards that will be part of the gift distribution. **Envelopes have to be in by Dec. 19** and may be put into the collection basket at mass or brought to the office. Knitted items (mitts, toques & scarves) are also needed for the Giving Tree in the Gathering area.

**CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR** -If you would like to join in singing for Christmas Eve mass, please call me. Carol Anne 949-7425.

### YTD Budget & Actual Sunday & Capital Collections for Nov. 27, 2016

Budget: Reg. \$182,882

Actual: Reg. \$167,175

**ATTENTION C.W.L. MEMBERS:** December 6 is the C.W.L. Christmas Social, beginning with Mass at 6 p.m., supper at 7 p.m.

**C.W.L. Basket Raffle** - Tickets are now available after weekend masses. Tickets are \$2 for one or 3 for \$5. Religious Calendars also available for \$3. Draw is on Dec. 6.

The Archdiocesan Resource Centre will be hosting an **ADVENT VEGGIETASTICS**, a fun-filled morning / afternoon of movies and crafts for little ones, all based on the popular Veggie-Tales series. Come and join us Wednesday, December 14 for either the morning at 10:30 a.m. or the afternoon at 1:30 p.m. at 445 Broad Street North. Children **must** be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration necessary. For more information or to pre-register, please call Sr. Rufina Dubao,sihm at 352-1651 , email at [rdubao@archregina.sk.ca](mailto:rdubao@archregina.sk.ca)

**MUSICIAN NEEDED** St. Cecilia Music Group is looking for an experienced guitar or bass player to join current piano and percussion musicians. Please contact Rachel Courchene [ladyrachelc@gmail.com](mailto:ladyrachelc@gmail.com)

The **Knights of Columbus** are selling **samosas** on **Dec. 10 & 11** after the weekend masses. 3 delicious samosas/\$5. Please patronize.

The Ecumenical Committee (5 churches in the Rosemont Area) invites all to join us at **Benson Manor, Monday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. for an Advent sing-a-long**. Please bring a tray of goodies to be shared with tea/coffee after the singing. Musicians are welcomed.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Dec. 4 - Candlelight Services - Luther College High School** - at 2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. In the College Merlis Belsher Heritage Centre, 1500 Royal St.

**Dec. 9 - A concert offered by Christian singer & songwriter Steve Bell** at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Child Church, 2636 7th Avenue East, Regina. Tickets can be purchased at Holy Child, Burns Hanley or at [stevebell.com](http://stevebell.com)

**Dec. 10 - Holy Rosary Retreat** - 10-12 noon, Fr. John Meehan, SJ will speak on "Pope Francis: What is his Message to the Church and the World?"

**Thinking Faith! Taking Your Kids To Mass** - Eric and Brett discuss the particular challenges we encounter as parents when taking our children to Mass and share some tips and tricks to help make it a positive, faith-filled experience for everyone. Is this even possible or is this meant to be mom & dad's experience of purgatory in the here and now? <http://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/tf10-taking-your-kids-to-mass>

**Jest kidding** ..... Sunday school teacher: "Phil, who was the first woman?" Phil "I don't know." Sunday school teacher: "I'll give you a hint. It had something to do with an apple." Phil "Oh, I know. Granny Smith!"