

SEEN AROUND THE PARISH: Ash Wednesday was a busy day for Fr. John, he distributed ashes to students at St. Francis, Sacred Heart and O'Neill High School. On Thursday a funeral for Fernie Senft was held. Our sympathy to Mary and family & friends.

STEWARDSHIP: Celebrating & Sharing God's Gifts. Today's first reading describes the offering of first fruits the people of Israel were to present to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance from Egypt and the gift of the promised land. Is my offering at today's Mass an appropriate response to the many blessings the Lord has given me?

Prayer of Thanks - I thank You, Father, that You have given me Your Word and that I can use it to win the victory. Help me to remember to lean on Your Word rather than my own strength. I am grateful for Your promises that sustain me through every battle.

Familial Activities at The Myriam Family House for the month of February 2016:
Thur., Feb. 25 - Evening of prayer from 7-9.
Feb. 22-25: Silent Adoration from 4-5 p.m. Welcome to everyone. The Myriam House is 2527E Margaret Place.

Work of Mercy focus: "I was hungry and you gave me food". Many people in the world go hungry, they cannot grow their own food or do not have enough money to buy food. Some things you can do to help feed the hungry are: support HCA(Holy Childhood Association) to help feed the hungry in countries, like Chile, Papa Guinea. Appreciate the food you have and don't waste it. You can even make donations to our Regina Food Bank.

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.

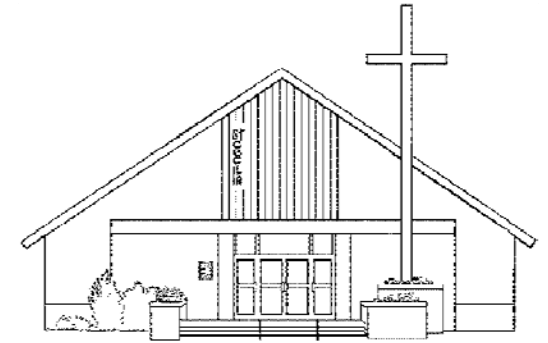
ARE YOU NEW IN THE PARISH OR HAVE CHANGED ADDRESSES???
 Welcome to St. Cecilia's. Any questions or concerns - give us a call. Please complete the following form drop it off at the office or drop into the collection basket marked - Attention: Parish Office:

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Feb. 13/14, 2016

In the desert we are exposed, body & soul, made vulnerable to be overwhelmed by chaos & temptations of every kind. All the defense mechanisms, support systems & distractions that we normally surround ourselves with to keep chaos & fear at bay work at the same time, keeps much of God's grace at bay. Conversely, when we are helpless we are open. That is why the desert is both the place of chaos & and the place of God's closeness. Scripture assures us that it is there that God can send angels to minister to us.

Monday Feb. 15	No Mass	1 Peter 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19
Tuesday Feb. 16	Mass 7:00 p.m.	Is 1:10,16-20,27-28,31/Mt 23:1-12 Intentions of Frank Terry from Marlene Mydelski
Wednesday Feb. 17	Mass 8:30 a.m..	Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28 Intentions of Loredana Fochesato from the Family
Thursday Feb. 18	Mass 8:30 a.m.	Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31 Intentions of Fay Freed from Paulette Wendler (rescheduled)
Friday Feb. 19	Mass 8:30 a.m.	Gen 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28 Stations of the Cross - 6:30 p.m. RIP Gordon Carson from Phyllis Carson, Scott & Malia Carson
Saturday Feb. 20	Mass 7:00 p.m.	Mic 7:14-15,18-20/Lk 15:1-3,11-32 For the intentions of all parishioners
Sunday Feb. 21	Mass 10:00 a.m.	Ex 3:1-8a,13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12/Lk 13:1-9 For the intentions of all parishioners

Reconciliation - By appointment or during Adoration after 7 p.m. Mass - 7:30-8:30 p.m. Feb. 23; Mar. 1, 8

PARISH NEWS

Is God inviting you to experience a new beginning? Have you thought of becoming involved in one of the Ministries here in our parish? There is a wonderful opportunity to assist those taking Communion to the Shut-In. Due to a couple of people moving and a couple of people having to quit because of health reasons the ministry is in need of 4-6 more people to help out. If interested or wanting more information contact Pat 306-546-4810.

BIRTHRIGHT SHOWER TODAY - Sunday, February 14 hosted by the Social Justice Committee after Mass. Please come; join us & support Birthright. Refreshments & cookies will be served. Donations of money & new born clothing will be accepted.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST - Sun., Feb. 21 after the 10 a.m. Mass - hosted by Father Burns Council of the Knights of Columbus. Goodwill donation. Proceeds will go to Campion College for the installation of a new elevator.

PARISH RECEIPTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE in the Welcoming Area they are arranged in alphabetical order according to last name.

Annual Appeal - if you have given your appeal donation through St. Cecilia's Parish, your parish receipt will reflect your donation. If a cheque was made out to the Archdiocese and not St. Cecilia parish or donation given via credit card, the receipt will be sent from the Archdiocese.

Development & Peace 50th Anniversary Quilt - Quilters throughout the archdiocese invited to create a unique square to represent our faith community. If interested contact Marian Grady 789-8276 or email, mariangrady@sasktel.net before **February 17**.

"The Mystery of God" Who is God? Why does God matter? Join us this Lent for Bishop Robert Barron's DVD to learn the answers for yourself AND discover how to share them with others ...especially those who no longer believe. Wednesday, Mar. 2, 9 & 16 @ 1:30 p.m. at the Archdiocese Resource Center, 445 Broad St. N. Preregistration greatly appreciated. Call Teresa at 352-1651 ex. 238 or email twhalenlux@archregina.sk.ca

CAMP MONAHAN JOB OPPORTUNITIES: An enthusiastic **Camp Director**. 18 week seasonal position. \$412.45/week including room & board. Strong leadership, communication & administrative skills needed. Submit cover letter, resume & at least 3 references to camponahan@sasktel.net
Also an enthusiastic **Assistant Camp Director** 12 week seasonal position (\$403.33/week) similar requirements as above also both positions require first aid, CPR, & a valid driver's licence. **Application Deadline Mar. 1, 2016**

THE WAY OF THE CROSS - Every Friday through Lent at 6:30 p.m. Make it one of your **Lenten Practices**. Take note of the Stations of the Cross that St. Francis students have done. They'll be on display for two weeks and then Sacred Heart students will have theirs on display the following two weeks.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Feb. 18 - "Free Spirit & Friends" Celebrate Valentines Day singing Old Time Songs at Our Lady of Peace Parish at 7 p.m. Free will offering, free will offering with proceeds going to Our Lady of Peace C.W.L. For more info call Patricia 306-924-0418.

Feb. 20 - St. Martin's Bridge Tournament hosted by the CWL. Cost is \$25/team. Registration begins at 9:15 a.m. with coffee & muffins. Play begins at 10 a.m. To register call Eileen 306-586-4261 or Eileen 306-586-3722.

Feb. 21 - Old Fashioned Bazaar at Our Lady of Peace, 425 Broad St. N from noon to 6 p.m.

Feb. 23 - 36th Annual Nash Memorial Lecture - Truth, Justice and Reconciliation: Dealing with the Past in Northern Ireland - guest lecturer Dr. Kieran McEvoy a professor of Law & Transitional Justice at Queen's University in Belfast. The lecture will be at 7 p.m. in the Campion College Riffel Auditorium, University of Regina. More info: www.campioncollege.ca or 306-586-4242.

Mar. 4 & 5 - Annual St. Peter School Trade & Craft Show - Some vendors are Young Living, Scentsy Terra Firma, Creations by Michelle, Ohana Crafts, Embellish Boutique, Jaycee & Angela's Jewelry, Brandee's Boutique and many more. For more info/table rental contact Brigitte 306-551-9373 or Darlene at simicd@accesscomm.ca

Mar. 4-6 - Boys Retreat (ages 10-16) - Hosted by "Conquest" - This is a Catholic Youth Ministry Program for boys K-12th grades. This is at St. Anne Parish will include gym sports, team-based activities, Mass, confession & adoration. Cost \$20 for more info contact Trevor 585-1609 or conquest.regina@gmail.com

Mar. 10-12 & 16-18 - "Naughtingham" - a musical revue by Christ The King Players - At Christ the King Parish Hall, tickets - \$20 - Marlene 306-586-6948 or parish office 306-586-9020

Mar. 12 - Sports Celebrity Breakfast - Holy Trinity Hall guest speaker Paul Woldu, Sask. Roughrider Defensive Cornerback. Advance tickets only Adults/\$15; 12 & under \$10. Contact: Ray Lalonde 306-543-2944.

Just kidding..... The woman pulled her car over to the side of the road when she heard the police car's siren. "How long have you been driving without a tail light?" demanded the officer. "Oh, no?" screamed the woman. She jumped out and ran to the back of the car. "Just calm down," said the officer. "It isn't that serious." "But wait 'til my husband finds out?" "Where is he?" "He's in the trailer that was hitched to the car!"