

SEEN AROUND THE PARISH: Have you considered coming to morning prayers and Mass on Thursdays at 8:30 a.m.? Following Mass we have coffee in the Hogan Rm. Everyone is welcome. There was a wonderful turnout for the Stations of the Cross on Friday. On Tuesday at 2 p.m. the Funeral Service for Gus Koch will be held. Our sympathy is extended to the family & friends of Gus.

STEWARDSHIP: Celebrating & Sharing God's Gifts. The parable in today's Gospel clearly warns that we, like the fig tree, will be judged by our fruit. While God mercifully provides us with time and opportunity, let us give witness to our faith with deeds of kindness and generosity!

Prayer of Thanks - Father, though I have an enemy who is trying to rob me of my joy, thank You that I don't have to fear him. You have already defeated the enemy, and Your Spirit lives within me. I recognize I have an enemy, but I thank You that the victory is already mine through Christ.

Are you hurting because of an abortion? Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Next retreat will be held on April 15-17 in Saskatoon. To register, please contact Elaine at 1-306-480-8911 or email r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net

Work of Mercy focus: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me". Unfortunately, many people in Canada and all around the world do not have a place to live. Providing a home also means giving them a place to belong. For example, this could mean visiting with someone who is lonely, or sitting by someone alone at lunch. Consider making a donation equal to something you might give to someone who is moving to a new home or country, or a donation equal to a gift you might give to a new baby.

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???

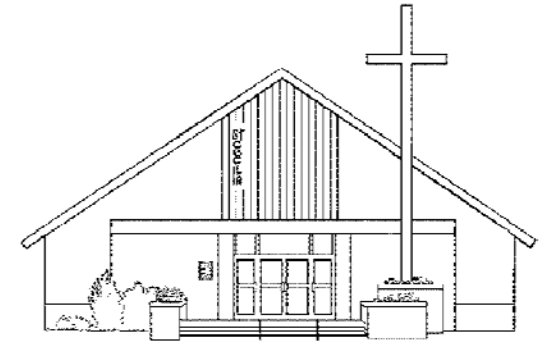
Welcome to St. Cecilia's. Any questions or concerns - give us a call. Please complete the following form drop it off at the office or drop into the collection basket marked - Attention: Parish Office:

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Feb. 27/28, 2016

God doesn't send anyone to hell and God doesn't deal out eternal punishment. God offers us life and the choice is ours. God sends his life into the world and we can choose that life or reject it. If we choose life, we are ultimately choosing heaven. If we reject life, we end up living outside of life and that ultimately is hell. Hell is the absence of life, of love, of community, and God doesn't send anyone there. We make that choice! These choices are offered to us throughout our life time here on earth.

Monday Feb. 29	No Mass	2 Kings 5:1-15a/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday Mar. 1	Mass 7:00 p.m.	Dn 3:25,34-43/Mt 18:21-35 Funeral Mass - 2 p.m. for Gus Koch Intentions of Margaret Wah Ta from the family
Wednesday Mar. 2	School Mass 8:30 a.m.	Deu 4:1,5-9/Mt 5:17-19 Mass at St. Francis RIP Kristen Brown from Rita Lanigan
Thursday Mar. 3	Mass 8:30 a.m.	Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-25 RIP Ken Benko from D. & D. Schatz
Friday Mar. 4	Mass 8:30 a.m.	Hos 14:1-9/Mk 12:28b-34 Stations of the Cross - 6:30 p.m. RIP Barry Merkel from Vi Joel
Saturday Mar. 5	Mass 7:00 p.m.	Hos 5:15b-6:6/Lk 18:9-14 For the intentions of all parishioners
Sunday Mar. 6	Mass 10:00 a.m.	Jos 5:9a,10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3,11-32 For the intentions of all parishioners

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

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.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION - Mar. 4 - 8:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to come.

On behalf of the Social Justice Committee & Birthright we would like to extend a heartfelt "THANK YOU" for your generosity and the wonderful turn out for the Birthright Shower.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARISHIONERS our **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)** is on Sunday, March 13th it would be great to see all of us out to show support to our parish and gratitude to all the committees members that have worked tirelessly over the year. We ask also that you prayerfully consider letting your name stand for a position on parish council. Even if you would just like to know more about the committees, drop a note into the nomination box and we'll be sure to get back to you. More election information is in the bulletin insert.

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.

"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

The New Evangelization Summit - Inspiring Catholics. Streaming to Regina live from Ottawa: - Fri., April 15, 7-9:30 p.m.; Sat., April 16, 8:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Lunch included (Mass at 8 a.m.) Holy Rosary Cathedral Auditorium. Cost \$30 (tickets must be purchased in advance - visit newevangelization.ca)

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 Sacred Heart students have done.

REFURBISHED KNEELERS - Since the revised Mass requires kneeling during part of the Eucharistic prayer, we have added new covers & padding to our kneelers. A big thank-you to the men of the parish who did the work and the re-installation over the last couple of months. {And our knees thank you as well!}

This message is for parishioners but especially those who are elderly, sick or with some time on their hands: We need prayer warriors! Our Archdiocese is badly in need of priests. Of the 93 priests we have, 30 are retired & serve part time & 8 more can retire this year. We ask you to become a prayer warrior and pray for new vocations. We need your help!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mar. 2 - A.G.M. of the Camp Monahan Association - 7 p.m. Upper Meeting Rm., Holy Family Parish.

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.

Mar. 4 - World Day of Prayer - Theme this year is "Receive Children, Receive Me". This ecumenical service is hosted by Christ Lutheran Church, 4852 Dewdney Ave. at 2 p.m.

Mar. 8 - Share Lent Campaign - "Building Houses Building Community" - at Holy Family Parish hosted by the CWL (an Indonesian evening with Mr. Kusworo). Mass at 7 p.m. followed by presentation, testimonials, discussion social & Indonesian desserts.

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 - Flea Market at Our Lady of Peace Church - 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Mar. 18 Deadline - Archdiocese of Regina High School Leadership Team for the INNER CITY MISSIONS TRIP to Winnipeg. For Gr. 8-12 students, a road trip adventure Mar. 20-April 1. For more info/register email Michelle Braden mbraden@archregina.sk.ca or phone 306 352-1651.

Just kidding..... A customer was continually bothering the waiter in a restaurant. First, he asked that the air-conditioning be turned up because he was too hot; then he asked that it be turned down because he was too cold. That continued for about half an hour. The waiter as very patient, walking back and forth and never once getting angry. Finally, a second customer asked why they just didn't ask the man to leave. "Oh, I don't mind," said the waiter calmly. "We don't even have an air-conditioner."