

SEEN AROUND THE PARISH: This last Thursday Fr. John & Marge had the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the young people. This coming week they will begin First Eucharist and Confirmation Sessions.

STEWARDSHIP: Celebrating & Sharing God's Gifts. We are called to be good stewards of our personal vocations. St. Paul's prayer for the Thessalonians is therefore ours, too - "that our God may make us worthy of his calling and powerfully bring to fulfillment every good purpose and every effort of faith."

ANNUAL APPEAL BULLETIN REFLECTION – 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis. 11:22–12:2 | Ps. 145:1-2,8-11,13-14 | 2Thes. 1:11–2:2 | Lk. 19:1-10

As we read the gospel story for this Sunday about the story of Zacchaeus, most of us have no trouble visualizing him, a short man who climbed the sycamore tree so he could see Jesus as the Lord passed. Zacchaeus was on the verge of something important, but he probably did not go up in the tree so Jesus would notice him; he climbed the tree because he was *seeking* Jesus.

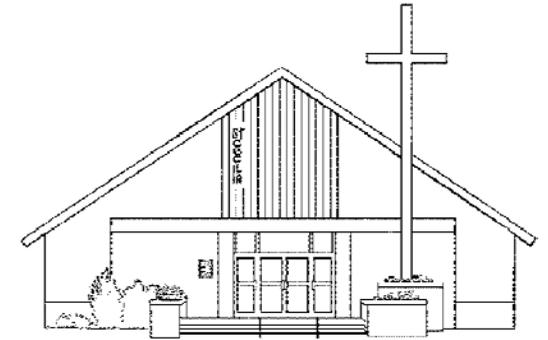
Zacchaeus was wealthy. He was wealthy because he had over-collected taxes from the people. They hated him, but as Jesus reminds us all at the end of the Gospel passage, "*For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost.*" Zacchaeus was not a good steward of his blessings.

Jesus was aware of that when he went to Zacchaeus' home to be fed. Something important happened to Zacchaeus; he went through a conversion experience – an encounter with Christ, an event that changed his life. He began to share with special regard to the poor. He began to reach out to those whom he had mistreated. God calls us and interested with us as He did with Zacchaeus. He continuously invites himself to us in our own hearts; he says, "*I want to stay at your house today!*" If we respond to this invitation like Zacchaeus did, a transformation of mind and heart will ensue. What will follow will be to reach out to others especially to those who are destitute, both spiritually and actually. Like Zacchaeus, sharing our blessings is responding to God's call of love and mercy to those most in need among his children. Sharing our financial blessings to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal accomplishes our goal of reaching out to others in charity – especially to God's children who are destitute both spiritually and actually. As St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta once said, "*Love is not patronizing, and charity isn't about pity; it is about love.*"

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31st SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Oct. 29/30, 2016

Inside of each of there's a soul, heart & mind that's petty, that's been hurt. Seen in a certain light, all of us are as small in stature as the pre-converted Zacchaeus. But there's also a tall, big hearted person inside each of us, someone who wants to warmly embrace the whole world. We are most truly ourselves when what's tall in us takes over and gives back to the world what the short, petty person wrongly takes.

Monday Oct. 31	No Mass	Philp 2:1-4/Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday Nov. 1	Mass 7:00 p.m.	Rev. 7:2-4,9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a RIP Anna Marie Schmidt from the Schmidt Family
Wednesday Nov. 2	Mass 7:30 p.m. All Soul's Day	Job 19:1,23-27/1 Cor 15:20-23/Jn 12:23-26 St. Francis School Mass (8:25 a.m.) Funeral Mass for Ed Larson - 11:00 a.m.
Thursday Nov. 3	Mass 8:30 a.m.	Philp 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10 RIP Richard Kunz from Merv & Lucille Harrick
Friday Nov. 4	Mass 8:30 a.m.	Philp 3:17-21;4:1/Lk 16:1-8 RIP Toma from Cao Trinh
Saturday Nov. 5	Mass 7:00 p.m.	Philp 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15 For the intentions of all parishioners
Sunday Nov. 6	Mass 10:00 a.m.	2 Mac 7:1-2,7,9-14/2 Thess 2:16-3:5/Lk 20:27-38 For the intentions of all parishioners

Reconciliation - By appointment

PARISH NEWS

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS

C.W.L. - Tuesday, Nov. 1 following the 7 p.m. Mass in the Hogan Rm.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION begin next Thursday for youth in Gr. 2 or older. If begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Church basement.

YTD Budget & Actual Sunday & Capital Collections for Oct. 23, 2016

Budget: Reg. \$163,832

Actual: Reg. \$148,221

ATTENTION C.W.L. MEMBERS: We are now accepting donations for the Fall Basket Raffle. Themes this year are: Chocolate, Christmas & Kids. December 6 is the C.W.L. Christmas Social, beginning with Mass at 6 p.m., supper at 7 p.m. Guests are welcome. Supper cost \$16, Nov. 22 is the cut-off date for tickets.

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES HARVEST SUPPER

St. Martin's Hall (4720 Castle Road) Sunday, Nov. 6th Cash Bar 5pm; Dinner 6 pm Tickets purchased will have a chance to win a Door prize! TICKETS are \$20 per adult; \$10 per child (5 - 12 yrs); Under 4 free. For tickets call 306-586-5655 **Deadline to purchase is Oct. 30th**. Advance Purchase ONLY. Tickets will NOT be sold after Oct. 30th. Catered by Charlotte's

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 1/2"). 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. Poster attached

If you have experienced the death of a loved one, bereavement sessions are being offered by a Diocesan grief support team. It is a journey of transformation and healing, offering support and encouragement. Location: Resurrection Parish. Mondays, Nov. 7 to Dec. 19, 7 to 9 pm. To register, call the parish office 306-352-0800.

Did you know **EVERYONE** is welcome to borrow books & DVD's free-of-charge from the Archdiocesan Resource Centre. Drop by 445 Broad St. N. to take a look or browse online by clicking on 'Resource Center' at www.archregina.sk.ca

Paint Nite - Come out for an evening of Fun at Our Lady of Peace Parish 425 Broad St. N. Fundraiser – Pews for our new worship space. We're hosting a **Paint Nite**, where a local artist will assist and inspire us while we mix and mingle, invite a friend and have some fun! Paint Nite will donate a portion of ticket sales to Our Lady of Peace Parish. Tickets: \$45 - to be paid at the door - cash only. **Supper is also available(chili, buns, salad and dessert) for an extra \$10 payable that night – drinks extra – cash bar.** If you want to join in for the supper prior to the painting please RSVP 306-543-5355.

Water of Mercy Steak Night Fundraiser - Tuesday, November 15th from 5 – 8 pm Four Seasons - 909 E Arcola Ave., Regina **Cost: \$25.00/person** (includes steak, mushrooms, roast potato, Caesar salad, garlic toast and a 12oz. glass of draft). Silent Auction, Raffles and more!**Tickets must be purchased by November 11, 2016 For tickets contact:** Jeanine at 306-535-3290 or manne@sasktel.net Cathleen at 306-789-0705 or cdevraj48@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS:

NOV. 5 - St. Peter's Parish, Lumsden's 39th Annual SNOWFLAKE BAZAAR on from - 10am to 3pm at the Centennial Hall, Lumsden, SK. Raffles, various vendors, homemade crafts, baking, painting, woodwork, jewelry, pottery & more. Lunch is being sold next door at the Legion Hall, hotdogs, soup, chili, sandwiches and of course desserts!

Nov. 19 - Jesus Christ: The Face of Mercy Retreat at Holy Cross Parish – 315 Douglas Ave E., Regina, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm. Lunch provided – **RSVP by Nov. 15** Cathleen – 306-789-0705 or Jeanine – 306-535-3290 . Free will offering. Facilitated by Eric Gurash, Coordinator - Lay Formation & Evangelization, Archdiocese of Regina

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

SCHOLARSHIPS: Senior high school students are encouraged to enroll in the Father Ted Colleton Scholarship program. Three cash prizes are available. For details re: essay topic and rules of eligibility, consult the poster or email dirocco@theinterim.com

Jest kidding A Sunday school teacher was reading a Bible story to her class. "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city, but his wife looked back and turned to salt." A little boy softly asked, "What happened to the flea?"