

STEWARDSHIP: Celebrating & Sharing God's Gifts. "Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time will come." - *Mark 13:33*

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. Our lives are so busy, many of us are planning our time - our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to what God is saying to you.

"Music for Advent": Join the Luther Bach Choir for a concert of Advent music, lessons, and carols, on Sun., Dec. 3 at 2:30 p.m. in Rex Schneider auditorium, Luther College, U. of R. The concert features J.S. Bach's Cantata No. 61, as well as choral music by Orlando Gibbons, William Byrd and others. A freewill offering, parking is free, and the President's Christmas reception will follow the concert.

Holy Cross Parish Mass Time Change 315 Douglas Ave., no longer has a Sunday 5:00 pm Mass. We have switched to Saturday 5:00 pm Mass instead.

A Christmas Sing Along will be held at **St. Peter's** Parish hall, **Sun. Dec. 17 @ 2 pm**. Everyone is welcome to join us in songs of the season. Freewill offering, refreshments, wheelchair accessible. For more info Call: Patricia 306-924-0418.

The Archdiocesan Resource Centre, at 445 Broad North is currently weeding out Old VIDEOS and BOOKS about: ***SAINTS, SCRIPTURES, CATHOLICISM, CATHECISM, PARENTING, SOCIAL JUSTICE, GOSPELS, CHRISTOLOGY, VEGGIE TALES*** and a lot more. Interested Parishes and individuals are welcome to come and see.

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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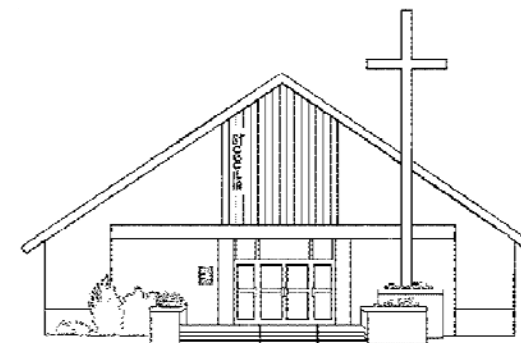
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1st Sunday of Advent

Dec. 2/3, 2017

If we don't pray our morning prayer or pray before meals we miss out on the richness of what we're doing. Our heartaches, distractions & busyness lull's us to sleep. So we should ensure that we have regular spiritual rituals, spiritual alarm clocks, to jolt us back awake - so that it doesn't take a heart attack, a stroke, cancer, or death to wake us up.

Monday Dec. 4	No Mass	Is 2:1-5/Mt 8:5-11,13
Tuesday Dec. 5	Mass 6:00 pm	Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24 Note mass time change Intentions of Agnel George from Ray & Heather Deis
Wednesday Dec. 6	School Mass 8:30 am	Is 25:6-10a/Mt 15:29-37 St. Francis School Library RIP Mary Gallagher from Brigid & Tony Schaftari
Thursday Dec. 7	Mass 8:30 am	Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21,24-27 RIP Merle Hanchuk from Marge Appell & Corrine Marko
Friday Dec. 8	Mass 8:30 am	Gen 3:9-15,20//Eph 1:3-6,11-12/Lk 1:26-38 RIP Lah May Htoo Family from Htoo April
Saturday Dec. 9	Mass 7:00 pm	Is 30:19-21,23-26/Mt 9:35-10:1,5a,6-8 For the intentions of all parishioners
Sunday Dec. 10	Mass 10:00 am	Is 40:1-5,9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8 For the intentions of all parishioners

Reconciliation - By appointment

Joyful sounds at Benson Manor - Mon., Dec. 4, 7 p.m. music provided by the Rosemont Area Ecumenical Committee and whoever wants to join in. Everyone is invited, a social will follow so if you like bring a plate of goodies to share.

CWL News 2018 memberships are due by Dec. 31. Membership is \$25.00. Cheques are to be made out to St. Cecilia CWL. The yellow envelope can be put in the collection basket. Calendars are on sale for \$3.00 each. Last chance to buy your Theme Basket tickets, draw date is Dec. 5th.

To date the amount collected for the **"Nickels for the North"** is **\$1,267.88**. Thank you to everyone for your support.

COATS FOR KIDS - Father Burns Council Knights of Columbus is collecting new or slightly used winter garments (coats, mitts, scarfs, toques, etc.). These garments will be distributed to children through the Regina School system. Please drop off your winter garments in the 'coats for kids' box located in the gathering area at the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL SANTA STORE

Sacred Heart is once again hosting their annual Santa Store for our students. The Santa Store allows our children to shop for Christmas gifts for their family members. These gift are new or gently used items that can be re-gifted to family members. We rely on the generosity of our faith community to make this Christmas shopping possible for our students. If you have any items that you would like to donate to Sacred Heart's Santa store they can be dropped off at the school up until Dec. 12th. We greatly appreciate your support. Questions contact the school @ 306-791-7920.

Candlelight Services at Luther College High School - Sun., Dec. 10 @ 2 & 7 p.m. Choirs, Handbells & Instrumental Ensembles. Freewill offering.

Nativity Display at Christ Lutheran Church: Sat., Dec 2, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Dec. 3, 12-4 p.m. Enjoy Hot Apple Cider & Christmas Cookies. Free Admission.

THANKS YOU! to St. Cecilia Men's and Ladies Club for purchasing and installing the fan in the basement kitchen. Also a big **THANK YOU!** to Adrien Dumonceaux for supplying the kneeler stop brackets and all those parishioners who helped install them. The Kneelers are much quieter now.

A Kelly Family Christmas Sun., Dec. 17, 4 pm. Holy Trinity Church. A 90 minute live performance showcasing Saskatchewan musicians celebrating the "Reason for the Season". Featuring the Kelly Family from Rocanville SK. Advance tickets: Adults \$20; Youth (16 & under) \$10; Child (5 & under) free. Call the parish office at 306-543-383 or email htrinity@sasktel.net

GIVING TREE Our annual Christmas Project begins Dec. 2: a wonderful way to be part of stewardship that Jesus taught. Tags on the tree in the Welcoming Area are gender & age appointed take one and buy a gift, wrap it, attach the tree tag and bring back by **Dec. 17**.

Also 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. 17**. Knitted items (mitts, toques & scarves) are also needed for the Giving Tree. Cut off date for those needing a Christmas hamper is Dec. 4.

Spanish Mass is celebrated on the second Sunday of the month at St. Cecilia Parish, 5020 - 7th Ave. Father John O'Brien is the presider on December 10. Mass is at 6 pm. All are welcome!

Jest Kidding "Just to establish some parameters," said the professor, "Mr. Nelson, what is the opposite of joy?" "Sadness," said the student. "And the opposite of depression, Ms. Brady?" "Elation." "And you, Mr. Jackson, how about the opposite of woe?" "I believe that would be giddyap."