

# Sharing God's gifts, Serving others, In Christ's Love

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## The Epiphany of the Lord, January 3, 2021



"..they fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh..." - Matthew 2:11

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!

#### **Livestream Mass**

Join us on Sunday, January 3 and 10 at 10 am for our livestreamed Mass. Use one of these ways:

- St. Cecilia YouTube Channel.
- St. Cecilia Website stcecregina.com.
- On the YouTube App, search for St Cecilia Regina.

#### This Week's Masses

| Monday<br>January 4                     | 1 John 3.22-4.6; Matthew 4.12-17, 23-25  |
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| Tuesday<br>January 5, 7 pm              | 1 John 4.7-10; Mark 6.34-44<br>RIP Mike Mochnacz.                                      |
| Wednesday<br>January 6, 10 am           | 1 John 4.11-18; Mark 6.45-52<br>RIP William Labash from Carol and Bruce Sheldon.       |
| Thursday<br>January 7, 10 am            | St. Andre Bessette, Religious<br>1 John 4.19 – 5.4; Luke 4.14-22<br>RIP Freda Solohub. |
| Friday<br>January 8, 10 am              | 1 John 5.5-13, Luke 5.12-16 RIP Monsignor Ken Miller from Bernadette Warnke.           |
| Saturday<br>January 9, 7 pm             | 1 John 5.14-21; John 3.22-30   |
| Sunday<br>January 10,<br>10 am and Noon | Baptism of The Lord<br>Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7; Acts 10.34-38; Matthew 3.13-17              |

## **Signing Up to Attend Saturday or Sunday Mass**

Signing-up in advance is required if you wish to attend Saturday 7 pm or Sunday 10 am or Noon Mass for the first time. Please register by Wednesday before the weekend you wish to attend.

We understand plans or situations change. If you are registered and not able to attend, please call the office. If a change happens after Friday at Noon, please call Ray at 306-545-0592 or call or text 306-536-8920. This will enable us to contact a replacement household.

After you attend once, you will be added to a recall list for your preferred Mass. People who are signing-up for the first time are assigned to the available spaces. If there are remaining spaces, people from the recall list are assigned. You will be contacted to let you know about available openings for your preferred Mass.

Read the guidelines and protocols for attending Mass including how to sign-up.

#### **Self-Assessment Questionnaire for Covid-19**

If you wish to attend Mass, you are reminded to take the self-assessment. When you arrive, you will be asked if you did the assessment. If you did not, you will be asked the assessment questions.

The assessment is included with this bulletin and on <u>our website</u> and in the <u>guidelines and</u> protocols for attending Mass.

#### **Communion for Shut-ins**

If you have a family member or someone in your extended household group who is not able to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, call Melita in the parish office 306-545-4051 for more information.

## St. Cecilia Catholic Women's League 2021 Fees

Fees for 2021 were due December 31, 2020. The CWL is pleased to offer the option of e-Transfer method of payment to **cwlstcecilia@gmail.com**. No security question is required, and the money is automatically deposited. If you prefer using the CWL yellow donation envelope, bring it to Mass or drop it off at the Church office. The fees are \$35.

#### **Muffins for Marian Centre**

Sandwiches, muffins, or granola bars are being given daily to those in need.

Donations of muffins would be very helpful.

If you can help, package the muffins in a container or bag that you do not want back and bring them to the St. Cecilia office during regular office hours. All muffins brought by Thursday at 3 pm will be delivered Friday.

Donations may also be taken to the Centre at 1835 Halifax Street (back door in the alley); closed Thursday and Sunday.



## **Plastic Containers for Carmichael Lunch Program**

Carmichael Outreach Centre has resumed providing hot meals for those in need. They are serving between 150 - 200 meals a day and are very much in need of clean margarine, yogurt, sour cream, Tupperware, etc. plastic containers in which to serve the meals.

Seasonal clothing and footwear (all ages, sizes, and genders) is also being accepted.

If you can help, package the containers or clothing in bags or boxes and drop them off on the steps by the front doors of the church during regular office hours.

#### **Protecting Nationality Spiritual Exercise**

The surrounding event of the nativity was a national census. Then after the birth of Jesus, Mary and Joseph had to flee as refugees to another country. For Australians it is poignant that their darker history of refugee camps includes one on 'Christmas Island'.

Christmas is both a time to remember those who are denied their nationality, seeking asylum or safety this Christmas, and a time for us to cherish our own nationality - a free blessing in a time of want. Nationality spiritual exercise.

Receive weekly spiritual exercises by emailing First Spiritual Exercises.

## **Message of Christmas on Radio**

Throughout the Christmas season the Archdiocese of Regina has been able to promote the message of Christmas on various Rawlco radio stations. We are grateful for the financial support provided by the Knights of Columbus to make these radio spots possible.

#### **Sacrament Preparation for Children**



Preparation classes for the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist will begin in 2021 for children in **Grade 2 and older**.

Classes will be held at St. Cecilia Church (following social distancing regulations) on January 21, February 18, March 18, April 15 and May 13 at 7 pm.

Confirmation and First Eucharist will be celebrated at mass on May 22 and 23.

Please register by December 31. Email Betty DeWildt <a href="mailto:bettydewildt@gmail.com">bettydewildt@gmail.com</a> or call Melita in the parish office 306-545-4051 (see front page for hours).

Preparation classes for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held during Lent 2021 for children in **Grade 4 and older.** 

Classes will be held at St. Cecilia Church (following social distancing regulations) on March 4 and 11 at 7 pm.

First Reconciliation will be celebrated on March 13.

Please register by December 31. Email Betty DeWildt <a href="mailto:bettydewildt@gmail.com">bettydewildt@gmail.com</a> or call Melita in the parish office 306-545-4051 (see front page for hours).



The above-mentioned dates are subject to change, pending the regulations of the Saskatchewan Heath Authority on public gathering in view of Covid-19.

## **Archbishop's Appeal**

On Behalf of Archbishop Donald Bolen, the Archdiocese of Regina and all the ministries and organizations we fund and support, we would like to thank everyone for their prayers and for their help in the various ministries of the Archdiocese. Thank you for your financial support to this year's Archbishop's Appeal. If you have not already done so, there is still time to contribute, as donations will be accepted until the end of December. Your contributions, regardless of size, will ensure that the mission of Christ will continue and that the Church of Christ will grow to touch the lives of others, making the peace and grace of Christ known throughout the Archdiocese of Regina.

All our individual gifts and talents are meant to be shared for the benefit of everyone. We Christians are expected to be living witnesses to the way Jesus loves and serves. Let us make a stronger commitment to respond with care and compassion to those around us and work for a more just world.



Thank you very much for contributing to the Archbishop's Appeal. God who owns everything needs our generosity to make it possible for the pastoral ministries to work for the growth of the Kingdom in the Archdiocese of Regina. [Source: Adapted from Catholic Stewardship Consultants. www.catholicsteward.com]

## **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Bible Study**

This year, due to the pandemic, we are not able to hold our regular events and so the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism and Regina Council of Churches decided to partner and hold an 8-day virtual Bible study series based on the themes for Week of Prayer 2021 which will run Monday, January 18 to Monday, January 25 from 12:15 pm to 1 on Zoom.

The theme is "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit" (John 15:5-9) and materials have been prepared by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. Each day will be led by a different denominational leader.

#### The daily themes are:

- Day 1 Monday, January 18: Called by God: "You did not choose me but I chose you" (John 15:16a)
- Day 2 Tuesday, January 19: Maturing Internally: "Abide in me as I abide in you" (John 15:4)
- Day 3 Wednesday, January 20: Forming One Body: "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12b)
- Day 4 Thursday, January 21: Praying Together: "I do not call you servants any longer...but I have called you friends" (John 15:15)
- Day 5 Friday, January 22: Letting Oneself Be Transformed by the Word: "You have already been pruned by the word..." (John 15:3)
- Day 6 Saturday, January 23: Welcoming Others: "Go and bear fruit, fruit that will last" (John 15:16b)
- Day 7 Sunday, January 24: Growing in Unity: "I am the vine, you are the branches" (John 15:5a)
- Day 8 Monday, January 25: Reconciling with all Creation: "So that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete" (John 15:11)

Further details and registration information coming soon.

#### **Revive Parishes**

The Archdiocese of Regina is pleased to provide free, online faith formation and leadership training through a partnership with Revive Parishes. Revive is a free online platform with a variety of resources to help parish leaders learn, grow, and renew their parishes. Featuring courses lead by renowned Catholic speakers like Mark Hart, Pat Lencioni, Fr. Mike Schmitz, and Chris Stefanick, Revive offers leadership training in areas of parish renewal, evangelization, stewardship and giving, parish communications, and more. For more information and free access to online courses, visit Revive Parishes.

#### **Call for Directors: Santa Maria Senior Citizen's Home Foundation**

Do you enjoy

- · Supporting Quality of Life experiences for Seniors.
- Living your faith through creativity and zest for life.
- Working on fundraising campaigns.
- Engaging with people that share your enthusiasm.

Consider joining our Foundation Board.

For more information, or to register your interest, please contact: Kelly Chessie (Executive Director) <a href="mailto:kelly.chessie@saskhealthauthority.ca">kelly.chessie@saskhealthauthority.ca</a> or Joan Pratchler (Foundation Chair) <a href="mailto:ipratchler@gmail.com">ipratchler@gmail.com</a>.

## **Emmaus Family Support**

One in five families in our parishes and neighbourhoods are affected by mental health challenges. Emmaus Family Support offers peer-led support for mental health caregivers. We are a gathering of individuals who are the primary caregivers of loved ones experiencing mental health challenges that meet on the fourth Thursday of each month to share prayer, mental health resources, and life experience. Our focus is on shared learning, building resiliency, walking together, and moving toward healthier lives for ourselves and those we care for. If you would like more information on how to take part, please email Deacon Eric Gurash.

## **Helping the Cuernavaca Project With Recyclables**

The project can benefit from your donation of Sarcan recyclables at any Sarcan location in Regina. Use the keyword **project** when you use the Drop and Go option.

## **Archdiocese of Regina Weekly Report**

<u>Sign up</u> for the Archdiocese of Regina Weekly Report and stay up to date on Covid-19 Updates and other news, delivered to your inbox every Friday morning.

## **Latin Mass at St. Mary Parish**

The Latin Mass is every Sunday at 1 pm. If you wish to attend, please confirm your request. Email or call and leave a message at 306-789-2903.

## A Spiritual Act of Communion for those Self Isolating

Jesus, you who are present to us in so many ways, help me to experience your presence at this moment. May your words inspire me and your Holy Spirit instill within me the desire to recognize you in others. Awaken within me now the deep sense of your love and compassion which will transform my heart to be more like yours. Amen.





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# **Covid-19 Screening Questionnaire**

For the protection and health of all in our St. Cecilia community, each person wanting to come to the church must take this self-assessment.

1. Do you have any of the following symptoms: Feeling unwell including fever, cough, sore throat. Nausea, Vomiting, Diarrhea. Unexplained loss of appetite. Loss of sense of taste or smell. 2. Have you travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days? 3. Have you had close contact without a mask or other appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) with someone who has travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days? 4. Have you had close contact without a mask or other appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) in the last 14 days with someone who is ill with Covid-19 symptoms? 5. Have you or anyone in your household had close contact without a mask or other appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) in the last 14 days with someone who is being investigated or confirmed to be a case of Covid-19?

If you answered "Yes" to any of the above questions, you are encouraged to stay home and DO NOT come to the Church at this time.

If you answered "No" to all the above questions, you may come to the Church.