



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

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St. Cecilia parish is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional lands of the Nêhiyawak (neh HEY o wuk), Nahkawé (NUK ah way), and Nakota, and homeland of the Dakota, Lakota, and Métis peoples.

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 7, 2021



*I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living. ”
(Mark 12:43-44)*

Jesus gets right to the point – we are all called to give money to support the mission of the Church, regardless of our circumstance. No gift is too small or insignificant! Giving money to support the mission of our local parish is a matter of our faith, just like praying and participating in parish ministries. When you make a financial offering, is it from your “first fruits” or from what is “left over?”

This Week's Masses

Monday	November 8	No Mass.
Tuesday	November 9	7 pm – RIP Christopher Boorman requested by Terry and Marina Boorman.
Wednesday	November 10	10 am – RIP Ian Martorana requested by Paulette Wendler.
Thursday	November 11	10 am – RIP Murray Grant requested by Bernadette Warnke.
Friday	November 12	9 am – RIP Frederick and Julianna Wiest requested by Murray Wiest.
Saturday	November 13	7 pm
Sunday	November 14	10 am

Livestream Masses

Sunday

If you are not able to join us for Mass in person, join us online at 10 am for our livestream Mass.

Use one of these ways:

- [St. Cecilia YouTube Channel](#).
- St. Cecilia Website stcecregina.com.
- On the YouTube App, search for St Cecilia Regina.

Friday

Mass at 9 am is livestreamed as part of the Archdiocese Weekday Mass schedule.

If not attending, you can watch on the [Archdiocese YouTube Channel](#).

Masks Required

Masks must be worn in every indoor public space according to the Saskatchewan Public Health Order. This applies to all areas of the church building. Children under the age of two years are exempt. More information on the [Saskatchewan Government website](#).

Cookies and Muffins for Marian Centre

The Marian Centre is serving about 130 bag lunches daily for those in need and is very grateful for donations of muffins, cookies, snacks, and other items.

Because of the Covid situation, they will continue serving bag lunches and not return to indoor hospitality and meals at this time.

If you can help, package the baked goods in a container or bag that you do not need returned and bring them to the church during regular office hours by Friday 9:30 am.



Leave No Neighbour Behind – Knights of Columbus



Are you tired of seasonal yardwork? Do you dread the changing of the season? The Father Burn's Council Knights of Columbus can help ease that stress.

If you require a bit of extra aid with raking, shovelling, or low-level pruning, contact Tayler at labellet@hotmail.com or 306-580-2597.

The Knights will assist with your yardwork by payment of donation.

Help the Knights support their causes, by helping you with your yardwork.

Fall and Winter Clothing for Sacred Heart School Families

Students and families need jackets, socks, underwear, and mittens for Fall and Winter.

- Jackets (new or gently used) - children size 6 up to adult XL.
- Socks – children and adult all sizes.
- Underwear – all sizes including adult up to size XL.

If you can help, please leave the items in the marked box in the entrance area before or after Masses or package the clothing in bags or boxes, tag them **Sacred Heart School**, and drop them off on the steps of the church during regular office hours, Monday to Friday: 9 am to 3 pm.



Melita Stenhouse Retirement

This past August marked 36 years that Melita Stenhouse had been serving as the St. Cecilia Office Coordinator and cheerfully serving others. After being on medical leave the last few months, Melita decided to retire. Due to the Covid situation, a celebration is not being planned at this time. If you wish to recognize the occasion, cards may be dropped off in the Welcoming Area or the Church office. Melita will be at Mass on November 7 if you wish to personally convey your thanks for her dedicated service.

Visitation House 'Holey Soles' Relay Team Thank You

A big 'THANK YOU' to all who contributed to Visitation House in supporting our relay team once again in this year's Queen City Marathon. At last count, over \$8500 was raised. Our gratitude extends to our runners and the CWL members who handled the donations in our parishes. Hopefully, next year the QCM will be a fully in-person event and we can cheer on our participants. Fr. John.

Increasing Faith – Spiritual Exercise

Let's consider faith and increasing faith - as revealed in this image. Every dad has done this, given a young child a piggy back. And the dad and child in this image are really enjoying themselves.

If this is an image of us and God, then it is an image of us enjoying God and God enjoying carrying us. This is true for either parent. Of course we grow up, but need we grow out of enjoyment and trust? When was the last time our faith was enjoyable? Look closely at the face of the child, he or she is both delighted and feeling that frisson of 'Oh my God what happens if I fall'. Faith increases when we are in a position outside our comfort zone and have to trust God. Finally, have you noticed how the child is hanging on? She or he is grabbing the Father's ears! Faith means steering by our Listening God. That is prayer at work. Notice too that the Father has one hand and both feet firmly grounded, but the other hand holds the child tightly in case it begins to fall. [This exercise](#) may help you to both enjoy and increase your faith.



Gratitude Project 2021 ~ 2022 – Catholic Women’s League

Do you know an essential worker that deserves our thanks and prayers?

- Healthcare Workers.
- Grocery/Retail Store Workers.
- Service Station Attendants.
- Letter Carriers.
- Workers that assist in making our daily lives continue.

Please take a postcard (or two) from the table in the Church Welcoming Area to personalize and send (or hand) to those in your life that have assisted you and/or our community to continue functioning through the pandemic.

Pick up a postcard before or after Masses or during office hours, Monday to Friday: 9 am to 3 pm.

Through this initiative, the CWL hopes to convey to our community members, friends, and loved ones how much they are appreciated, thought of, and prayed for - as we continue to navigate through these uncharted waters.

Thank you to everyone who has participated.

CWL Catholic Inspirations 2022 Calendars

Pick up a calendar before or after Masses or during office hours, Monday to Friday: 9 am to 3 pm. Only \$5. This is self-serve, so exact amount please.

Sacrament Preparation for Children 2021-2022

The Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist

- Students in Grade 2 and older are invited to attend with a parent/guardian.
- Classes will be held in St. Cecilia Church on these Thursdays in 2022: January 13, February 17, March 10, March 24, April 7, and May 5 at 7:00 pm.
- The date of the Confirmation/First Eucharist mass is to be determined.
- To register, email Betty at sacraments@stcecregina.com or if you do not have email, call Amber in the parish office 306-545-4051 by November 18.
- Please note that changes to in-person lessons may be made to meet SHA regulations.



The Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Students in Grade 4 and older are invited to attend with a parent/guardian.
- Classes will be held in St. Cecilia Church on these Thursdays in 2022: February 10 and February 24, at 7:00 pm.
- The First Reconciliation Celebration will be on Saturday, March 5, 2022, at 11:00 am.
- To register, email Betty at sacraments@stcecregina.com or if you do not have email, call Amber in the parish office 306-545-4051 by January 7, 2022.
- Please note that changes to in-person lessons may be made to meet SHA regulations.



Our parish goal is \$27,527. Current amount donated is \$12,800 – 46%.

The Archdiocese of Regina has given you a glimpse of the good work your generosity has made possible through the brochures you have received. Every story shared is a chance to connect with others and show how your gifts help make a difference. Let’s reflect on these people and the effect of God’s unbinding love in their lives. Please consider how you might honour their efforts and needs through your support to the Archbishop’s Appeal.

Today we encounter with humility true expressions of stewardship and faith in the narratives of the widows presented in the readings. These women, who live lives of poverty, marginal to their communities, become the unlikely examples for us of generosity and authentic response to God. In Mark’s gospel as Jesus sits and observes the crowd depositing money into the treasury, he draws the attention of the disciples to the offering of the widow, who similar to the widow of Zarephath in 1 Kings, gives her last, her all and her only means of support. The poor widow has put in more because she gave everything demonstrating true discipleship for it would come at a cost to her, a level of sacrifice not equaled by the gifts given by others from out of their surplus. The widows offer completely out of trust, confident that what they give could be used by God. They give out of faith that our merciful Lord would continue to provide for them. In these selfless acts of

self-giving we recognize a foreshadowing of the path of Christ, who would offer himself completely for us, for our salvation.

True stewardship emerges out of the deep appreciation that all we have and all we are is gifted to us by God and belongs to Him. We are called to give completely of ourselves, of our time and of our talents in service to God through our service to others, from a heart of gratitude, joy and love. To not be afraid, but to go and do the will of the Lord. Through our contribution to the Archbishop's Appeal, we humbly give back a portion of what the Lord has blessed us with, knowing that regardless of how little we sometimes feel we have to offer of our talents, time or monetary support, what we have to offer will be received with abundant gratitude and can and will be used to continue doing the work of our Lord. May we approach our merciful God with hands that are emptied because all that we have been given has already been given on to others.

Vaccine Mandates and Exemptions with Melissa Moschella - Part 2

Thinking Faith Podcast with Deacon Eric Gurash and Dr. Brett Salkeld

This week Dr. Brett Salkeld sits down with Dr. Melissa Moschella, moral philosopher at the Catholic University of America for a three-part series discussing vaccine mandates and exemptions from a Catholic perspective.

Show Snippet: "Europe has gone this direction in terms of vaccine passports for certain activities...where, no we're not going to put you in jail, we're not going to fine you...but you're not going to be able to do all this stuff that you would otherwise would probably want to do." [Listen to the podcast.](#)

Solidarity in a Covid-19 World

Canadian Jesuits International invite you to join their webinar, Solidarity in a Covid-19 world, on November 9, from 11 am to 12:30.

As part of the Fall Campaign, Fr. Ismael Moreno will speak on solidarity and human rights in Honduras; Anitalia Pijachi from the Pan-Amazon Region will speak on solidarity and integral ecology; and Noluthando Honono from South Africa will focus on solidarity and migrants and refugees. Join us to express solidarity with the poor and marginalized communities accompanied by our Jesuit partners and to foster just relations between the Global North and South. [Register here.](#)

Exploring our Sacred Texts: A Conversation about Stewarding our Common Life

This online series with Jewish, Christian, and Muslim panelists discussed the scriptural sources for understanding generosity, hospitality, and compassion.

Generosity - [Watch the replay here.](#) **Hospitality** - [Watch the replay here.](#) **Compassion** - [Watch the replay here.](#)

In these days of increased social polarization and intolerance, where racism, antisemitism, and Islamophobia appear to be increasing daily, dialogue between faith communities is an antidote to ignorance and hatred. Generosity, hospitality, and compassion are social virtues that can heal the wounds of our society.

Speaking Grief

One hour documentary on Tuesday, November 16, 7 pm at Speers Family Centre, 2333 Cornwall St.

Touches on the many aspects of grief and addresses how we can more meaningfully talk about grief and support those in our lives walking a path of grief--essentially all of us. Discussion panel and refreshments to follow. To register your attendance, call 306-522-3232. Presented by Speers Funeral Chapel, Caring Hearts, and Fox Valley Counselling.

Appeal Assistant II

The Archdiocese of Regina, Archbishop's Appeal Department is seeking to hire an Appeal Assistant. This is a permanent part-time position 17.5 hours per week; 3.5 hours per day. Some flexibility may be possible. A diploma/certificate or student in business or marketing, or related experience is preferred. Computer, strong organization and trainability skills. Applications would be required to provided evidence of education/training and a Vulnerable Criminal Record Check. Remuneration will be based training and experience. A complete resume and covering letter should be sent to Leona Burkhart at lburkhart@archregina.sk.ca no later than November 12, 2021. For a complete job description and/or further information, contact Maria Martinez at mmartinez@archregina.sk.ca.

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[Read the online bulletin](#) for more events and activities including, Young Adult Ministry Workshop Series (November 8, 15, 22), and World Youth Day at Home 2021 (November 21).