

Consider joining a parish small group Bible Study
*The Lord has hidden many treasures in his word so that each of us
 is enriched as we meditate on it. ~ St. Ephraim*

The Bible is at the heart of everything we do and believe as Catholics. Come join with other parishioners in small Bible study groups and learn the riches of our faith. For further information, contact Judy at cat-trjb@yahoo.ca or leave your contact information at the parish office.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH IS ONLINE

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Search for podcast on iTunes “Fr. Young”:



Parish Pastoral Care Ministry

We hold in our hearts and prayers all parishioners who are afflicted with various illnesses. Please contact Dianna Knaus 306- 382-0535 for Communion at home or a visit. You may also speak to or call Fr. Young if you are in need of the Anointing of the Sick.

PRAYER CHAIN. Prayer chain is a group of people that will pray for those who what to be or have someone they want prayed for. If you would like to be one that prays or wants to have a prayer in this way please phone June Rivard phone 306 373-4938 or email: junerivard@sasktel.net

CWL PRAYER BASKET Please feel free to write a *specified request* and place it in the basket for someone to pray for your intention. We should respond to others’ plea in time of need. We believe in the power of prayer and we should pray always and for all.

Jesus said, “The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.” (Mt 9:38).

FAMILY VOCATION PRAYER PROGRAM

Every household is encouraged to welcome the chalice and statue of St. Bernadette for a week of praying for vocations: for priests, brothers and sisters (the box is given out during the Prayer for Vocations). Please sign-up ahead of



time on the sheet(s) located on the back table.

MINISTRIES AT MASSES

Please check-in with Lynn when you arrive. Thanks.

2nd Sunday of Lent

Scriptures: Gen. 12.1-4, 2 Tim. 1.8b-10, Matt. 17.1-9,

Welcomer: Jerry Lukan, Joan Hoerd-Lukan, Anne Williams, Egan Weiler, James Redl, Adrien Piche (Evan)

Altar Servers: Ben Marcoux, Eli Mase, Maddie Couture, Jacob Hilton

Chime bearer: Owen Vail

Gift bearers: McLane Family

Lectors: Lynn Duggleby, Maria Fortugno

Intercession: Jerome Weiler

Communion Ministers: Bernard Marchildon, Gloria Marchildon, Janis Dale, Rick Dupuis, Martin Van Rooy, Lin Perrault

Coffee after Mass: Krone



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1ST SUNDAY LENT 2020 — 1 MARCH 2020

Lent is primarily the time of intense spiritual preparation for conquering our temptations, using the means Jesus used during his forty days of preparation in the desert for his public life. It is also the time for renewing our lives for the celebration of Easter with our Risen Lord who conquered sin and death by his suffering, death and Resurrection. Today’s readings teach us that we are always tempted by the devil, by the world and by our own selfish interests. So, we need to cooperate actively with God’s grace to conquer our temptations. The first reading, taken from the book of Genesis describes the “Original Temptation” – “You will be like gods, knowing what is good and what is evil.” Adam and Eve were given the possibility of making a choice to live for God, dependent upon and obedient to His will, or to say no to God. The temptation to evil led Adam and Eve to an act of faithlessness and sin. In contrast, today’s Gospel from St. Matthew shows us how Jesus Christ conquered temptation by relying on Faith in God’s Word and authority. In the second reading, St. Paul describes how the disobedience of Adam, who fell to Satan’s Original Temptation, brought him and us sin, death, and a broken relationship with God. Paul explains that Christ regained for us the right relationship with God by his perfect obedience to God his Father. Today’s Gospel teaches us how the “desert experience” of fasting, praying, and soul-strengthening enabled Jesus to confront his temptations successfully and then to preach the Good News of salvation. The tempter urges Jesus to turn stones into loaves of bread. But Jesus rejects that temptation to mistrust His Father by satisfying his own immediate, temporal needs and thus reducing His Divine mission to self-satisfaction. The tempter then suggests that Jesus prove that he is really the Son of God by jumping off the parapet of the temple. Jesus rejects this as a temptation to act as God’s superior and demand He prove His Trustworthiness! Finally, Jesus rejects the temptation to idolatry, even if worshipping Satan would enrich and empower Jesus with all kingdoms of the world. We are to confront and conquer temptations as Jesus did, using the means he employed. And by the grace of the victory he has won for us by preceding us in all things. We are to grow in holiness by prayer, reconciliation and sharing during Lent by equipping ourselves in Fasting, Prayer and Almsgiving. ~ In Christ with Mary, Fr. G. Young

OUR MASSES THIS WEEK

Contact Office or Pastor to Request Mass Intentions

Tuesday (Mar 3) (7pm) — 1st Week of Lent (Basnyat Family Int.)

Wednesday (Mar 4) (7pm) — 1st Week of Lent - St. Casimir (Mensch Family Int.)

Friday (Mar 6) (11am Luther Care Home) — 1st Week of Lent (Int. Marcia McAvoy†)

Saturday (Mar 6) (5pm) — **2nd Sunday Lent** (Harder Family Int.)

Sunday (Mar 7) (10:30am) — **2nd Sunday Lent** (Int. *Pro Populo*)

Confessions available 30mins. before every Mass.

N.B. There are no Thursday or Friday Evening Masses unless otherwise indicated.

PARISH YOUTH SKI TRIP

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish is partnering with Pure Witness Ministries this year to put on our **Annual Ski/Snowboard Trip to Table Mountain**

Ski Resort on Sunday, March 8th

We will be leaving from Our Lady of Lourdes Parish at **7:00 am**.

Please meet at **6:30 am** so we can get loaded onto the bus.

We will be returning to the church at about **7:00 pm**.

Lunch and supper are not provided. There is a cafeteria at the hill to buy food or you can bring your own food.

Because a Ski Trip (and the bus trip there and back!) is such an awesome way to enjoy great Christian fellowship and partake of God's winter wonderland together,

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish has offered to cover the cost of the bus.

Thank you, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, for supporting our youth!

That means that you need only pay for your lift ticket and rentals as needed.

There is only room for 52 people on the bus, so sign up quickly to secure your spot!

Registration is open to all ages. Parents are welcome to attend and come have fun with your kids.

Children 10 and under need to be accompanied by a parent.

To register please go to www.purewitness.com/event/ski-snowboard-trip/

If you have any questions, please email, text or call Christine Pashula:

Email: christine.pashula@purewitness.com Phone: (639) 317-4380

LENTEN Ecumenical Service and Breakfasts (at Nutana Park Mennonite 1701 Ruth St. E.) Wednesdays (8:15am) Concluding on Apr. 8

Participating Parishes: Calvin Goforth Presbyterian, Nutana Park Mennonite, Our Lady of Lourdes RC, Redeemer Lutheran, St. Martin's United, St. Philip Neri RC, St. Stephen's Anglican

LENTEN REFLECTIONS "WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?"

—Thursdays Mar 5, 12, 19, 26 with Fr. Gregory Hrynkiw at 6:30pm

These run on four consecutive Thursdays in March beginning on Thursday, March 5 at 6:30pm at the Ukrainian Museum (222 Avenue M S) across from the Shrine. If you've had the opportunity to attend Fr. Gregory's Lenten reflections in the past, you will know how enriching and inspiring they are--they are not to be missed.



Stations of the Cross Fridays of Lent—6:30pm

TEEN AID SASKATOON FUNDRAISING SUPPER
"CREATED FOR GREATNESS"
SUNDAY - MARCH 29TH AT 5:00 P.M.
ST. ANNE'S PARISH HALL
217 LENORE DRIVE
LIVE & SILENT AUCTION & SPECIAL FEATURE
FOR COMPLEMENTARY TICKETS GO TO TEEN AID SASKATOON 2020
EVENTBRITE.CA OR CALL 306-373-3645

Adult Faith & Sacramental Preparation RCIA

A New Year...A new night:

TUESDAYS 7:30PM

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic?

Please contact Fr. Geoffrey or the parish office to register for RCIA. Please call (639-471-3246) to register and confirm further details. The RCIA program for those preparing for the Sacraments & Full Communion with the Catholic Church. The sessions have begun but you are free to join at any time this year. Also if you are interested in being a sponsor, family prayer partner, or to assist with the RCIA team in any way.

OUR PARISH FOOD COLLECTION—FAST4FOOD

We are in need of non perishable food donations for those in need . Furthermore, we as a parish assist those with shopping for other essential items—so please consider making a monetary donation.

These can be included in an envelope in the collection or delivered directly to the office. **Please mark "Parish Food Program"** and we are able to take care of shopping assistance for some parishioners in need. Also if one is wondering what food item to donate in any week, to call **Maxy at (306) 341-3333 before Saturday of each week.** Charitable receipts granted.

YOUTH GROUP

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YOUTH GROUP AND CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Calling all Youth! The Lord wants you to come and join the youth of our parish on:

Monday nights 7-8:30pm

Junior Youth ages 3-10 — Senior Youth ages 11 and up. Be a part of our youth group evenings of fellowship, fun and foundations in music. Do you need to be a singer to join? Absolutely not! Do you need to be willing to learn and have fun? Absolutely!

**Come join us
for our Youth Group evenings**

at Our Lady of Lourdes Church

For any questions please call Danielle Mase 306-227-1304

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PROGRAM

Pick up the questions and answers and form sheet on the Church bulletin board. Please ask the parish office if you have questions.

~ May God bless you and our Parish family ~

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

February 2020: \$12,992.02

(February 2019: \$15,258.26)

BUILDING FUND

February 2020: \$425.00

(February 2019: \$495.00)

PLEASE NOTE:

2020 COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Any envelopes not pick-up yet will now be in the parish office Please just ask and we will get them for you.

Thank you God Bless

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Our Lady of Lourdes

Goal: \$37,615. So far we have had

The BAA collection for our Parish as of Dec. 12 is \$70,175.

~In Christ, Fr. G. Young

Thanks and blessings for your generosity!

5% PARISH DONATION

Each month Our Lady of Lourdes Parish will commit to donate at least 5% of our collections to a worthy charitable cause which is in keeping with our Catholic social teaching and mission. T

his month's 5% pledge will go to the Serena Saskatchewan: A safe, healthy, scientifically effective and affordable method for natural family planning. Whether you are trying to achieve or postpone a pregnancy, breastfeeding, going through pre-menopause, or struggling with infertility, SERENA Saskatchewan is dedicated to helping couples enhance their marriage by providing couple-to-couple instruction in the Sympto-Thermal method of Natural Family Planning. This method is highly effective, natural, moral, inexpensive and free of health risks.

More info: www.saskserena.ca