

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 cattrjb@yahoo.ca or leave your contact information at the parish office.*



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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 want 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.

4th Sunday of Lent

Scriptures: 1 Sam. 16.1b,6-7,10-13, or (Ex. 13.21-22, Eph. 5.8-14, John 9.1-41)

Welcomer: Michael Boehm, Theresa Boehm, John Ofoegbu, Phil Schaan-Dumont, Leroy DeMong, Janis Dale (Maddie)

Altar Servers: Kathir Hector, Kuel Bhol, Chelsea Doctora, Sarah Klysko

Chime bearer: Alice Miles

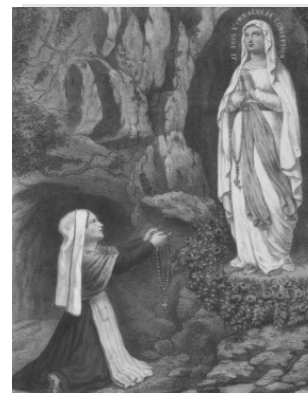
Gift bearers: Okolo Family

Lectors: Lin Perrault, David Bindle

Intercession: Christianne Bentler

Communion Ministers: Speak to Lynn—prior to Mass (3 persons needed for Communion hosts only)

Coffee after Mass: Discontinued for now (School & Kitchen Closed to public use)



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3RD SUNDAY LENT 2020 — 15 MARCH 2020

Today’s readings are centered on Baptism and new life. Living water represents God’s Spirit who comes to us in Baptism, penetrating every aspect of our lives and quenching our spiritual thirst. The Holy Spirit of God, the Word of God, and the Sacraments of God in the Church are the primary sources of the living water of Divine Grace. We are assembled here in the Church to drink this water of eternal life and salvation. Washed in it at Baptism, renewed by its abundance at each Eucharist, invited to it in every proclamation of the Word, and daily empowered by the anointing of the Spirit, we are challenged by today’s Gospel to remain thirsty for the living water, which only God can give.

In the second reading, Saint Paul asserts that, as the Savior of mankind, Jesus poured the living water of the gift of the Holy Spirit into our hearts. In the Gospel, an unclean and outcast Samaritan woman is given an opportunity to receive the living water. Jesus awakened in the woman at the well a thirst for the wholeness and integrity which she had lost, a thirst which he had come to satisfy. This Gospel passage also gives us Jesus’ revelation about himself as the Source of Living Water and teaches us that we need the grace of Jesus Christ for eternal life because he is that life-giving water. Let us find this living water in the Sacraments, in prayer, and in the Holy Bible, especially during this Lenten season. We need to be witnesses to Jesus as the Samaritan woman was. Let us have the courage to “be” Jesus for others, especially in those “unexpected” places for unwanted people. Let us also have the courage of our Christian convictions to stand for truth and justice in our day-to-day life. We need to leave the “husbands” or unholy loves-attachments behind during Lent as the Samaritan woman did. Today’s Gospel message challenges us to get rid of our unholy attachments and the evil habits and sinful addictions that keep us enslaved and idolatrous. Lent is our time to learn from our mistakes of over-indulgence in food, drink, drugs, gambling, promiscuity, or any other addiction that distances us from the Living Water.

~ In Christ with Mary, Fr. G. Young

OUR MASSES THIS WEEK

Contact Office or Pastor to Request Mass Intentions

Tuesday (Mar 17) (7pm) — 3rd Week Lent—St. Patrick (Eileen Delainey†)

Wednesday (Mar 18) (7pm) — 3rd Week Lent—St. Cyril of Jerusalem (Edwin Gusikoski Int.)

Thursday (Mar 19) — **St. Joseph** (Int. Wanda Hamilton†)

Saturday (Mar 21) (5pm) — **4th Sunday Lent** (Int. Schwartz Family)

Sunday (Mar 22) (10:30am) — **4th Sunday Lent** (Int. *Pro Populo*)

Confessions available 30mins. before every Mass.

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

PENITENTIALS—CONFESSION TIMES THIS LENTEN SEASON

*KofC Men's Conference		
Holy Family Cathedral*	Mar 14	- 2:45pm-4:30pm
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Holy Family	Mar 19	- 7pm
St. Anne	Mar 20	- 7pm
St. Augustine	Mar 24	- 7pm
St. Francis Xavier	Mar 25	- 7pm
St. Peter (w/ St. Michael's)	Mar 26	- 7pm
Holy Spirit	Mar 31	- 7pm
Guadalupe House (OLOG)	Mar 31	- 7pm
St. Joseph	Apr 1	- 7pm
St. Philip Neri	Apr 1	- 7pm
Sts-Martyrs-Canadiens	Apr 2	- 7pm
Our Lady of Lourdes	Apr 2	- 7pm

Sunday, April 05 / 2020, the Knights of Columbus of Lourdes will be hosting their breakfast after Mass. The proceeds from the breakfast is earmarked to go to the **FRIENDSHIP INN** that month.

**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**

Our next priest discernment night will be held on **Thursday Mar 19 @ 7pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish**, in Saskatoon.

The evening will begin with Mass followed by a presentation/discussion. This year for our discernment nights we are studying Bishop Fulton Sheen's book *A Priest Is Not His Own*. We will be covering chapter 9 —“The Spirit and Counseling” and chapter 10 – “The Priest as Simon and Peter”. We have books available for those who have not received one and would like to participate. God Bless!

**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.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PROGRAM

Forms are available in the welcome area for those interested in supporting Our Lady of Lourdes in this way. Please ask at the parish office if you have questions.

SUNDAY OFFERINGS
February 2020: \$12,992.02
(February 2019: \$15,258.26)

BUILDING FUND
February 2020: \$425.00
(February 2019: \$495.00)

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.

**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.

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.

This month's 5% pledge will go to 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

**YOUTH GROUP
OUR LADY OF LOURDES
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