



Holy Cross Parish

April 30/May 1, 2011

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Second Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Reflection: The apostles and disciples of Christ, through their preaching, table-fellowship and prayers, passed on to others their faith and trust in God's plan of salvation. The readings this Sunday indicate that if we, like the apostles and disciples, live charitably and selflessly, we too can enter the kingdom of heaven. Central to this are the elements of faith and trust.

Just as it was difficult for the apostle Thomas to believe in a resurrected Christ without seeing him and touching him, so too it may be difficult for us at times to believe in heaven or in the plan of salvation. It was the same for the early Christians, as it is for us today: faith is an act of will. Faith is the result of our resolve that we are going to continue to believe in God in a spirit of trust. If we lose this trust, we will be left hopeless and sad. Today's readings urge us to be generous people who exude loving and joyful dispositions that are indicative of our faith and trust in God.

Let us be mindful this week that we too are called to be disciples of Christ with the important mandate to spread the good news of God's plan of salvation. The starting point for

us is our conviction that through our belief we will have life - life to the full.

Questions:

Adult. *We show our faith when we demonstrate courage in the face of difficulty. What could you do this week to help strengthen someone?*

Children. *What could you do this week to encourage someone who is sad or discouraged?*

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you are our resurrection and our life. You have cast away the shadows of sin and death. May our journey of conversion lead us to new life in you.

WEEKLY READINGS

Mon: Acts 4:23-31 John 3:1-8
Tues: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8 John 14:6-14
Wed: Acts 5:17-26 John 3:16-21
Thurs: Acts 5:27-33 John 3:31-36
Fri: Acts 5:34-42 John 6:1-15
Sat: Acts 6:1-7 John 6:16-21

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1st: Acts 2:14, 22-28

2nd: 1 Peter 1:17-21 **Gospel:** Luke 24:13-35

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

May 1 - 8

SUNDAY	9:00 & 11:00 AM	MASS
MONDAY		
TUESDAY	7:30 PM	CWL Meeting
WEDNESDAY	7:30 PM	Choir Practice
	7:30 PM	Prayer Group Meeting
THURSDAY		
FRIDAY	8:00 AM	Mass
	8:30 AM	Adoration
	12:00 PM	Benediction
SATURDAY	4:15 PM	RECONCILIATION
	5:00 PM	MASS (Jean Buechler)
SUNDAY	9:00 & 11:00 AM	MASS

Please note: Father Thomas will be away at the Priest's Retreat, May 2-5.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donations received on April 22/23/24:

Envelopes: \$6,119.00
 Loose: \$501.12
 Papal Charities: \$2,695.40 + \$15 QVE = \$2,710.40
 QVE: 214.00
 Share Lent: \$202.00



Stewardship

Second Sunday of Easter: Jesus meets the need of each disciple. To the fearful in the upper room, He speaks words of peace. To doubting Thomas, He provides the tangible proof of His resurrection. What do I need to become His disciple? What do I have to share that might meet someone else's need?

CWL NEWS:

- ⇒ May 3, Scriptural Rosary at 7:00 p.m. followed by meeting and fun night. Strawberry Social and Bunco
- ⇒ June 7, Windup Supper at 6:00 p.m. in Gerein Centre. Beef supper by Charlotte's Catering. Tickets \$12.00 each. Please get yours from Liz Maticka or Dorothy Bresciani at the May meeting or contact them before June 1.

K OF C:

- ◇ "I Am My Brother's Keeper"
- ◇ Next meeting will be Monday, May 16 at 7:30 p.m.

WHIST: Please join us for all the fun & fellowship on Fridays: May 20 & 27. Our sponsors are Regina Marine (10km east on Hwy 1) & Minute Muffler.



CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: Last weeks winner was Genelle Nicholson. The Special \$100 Easter winner was Isabelle Butler.

THANK YOU!: To everyone who helped with the wonderful job decorating the church throughout Lent and Holy Week. Your many hours have made our celebrations very special. To everyone who helped out with planning and bringing food for the banquet. It was fantastic! Also, a special thank you to everyone who helped out with all the ministries during Holy Week.

NEEDED FOR THE POOR: Men's clothes (jeans, jackets, joggers, socks) all sizes including plus sizes. Thank you for all the women and children's clothing but we are always short of donations for men.

50TH ANNIVERSARY HISTORY BOOK: The book, which is 150 pages and contains more than 300 photos, tells the good news of our faith community alive in Jesus Christ. Each parish family is encouraged to purchase a copy for themselves and to promote it to family members and former parishioners. Cost is \$20.00. Copies may be purchased after weekend Masses or by contacting , Ruth .789-2049 or Charlotte.781-2562.



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: Remember to book a date and time to have your photo taken for the 50th Anniversary Pictorial Directory. Sign up sheets will be available after all masses. REMEMBER: All individuals/families who have a photo taken will receive a FREE 8" x 10" colour photo and a copy of the printed directory. If you are interested in helping at the photo sessions or have any questions, please contact Charlotte at 781 -2562 or cdusvk@hotmail.com

SUMMER MASS TIMES



Effective the May long weekend (May 22) through to the September long weekend (September 4), there will be only one mass on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. Saturday 5:00 p.m. mass will remain unchanged.

ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to the following couples from our parish on the celebration of their wedding anniversaries this month.



Dan & Shirley Devers	May 14	34 Years
Ike & Louise Hornung	May 18	52 Years
Wayne & Trudy Rutten	May 22	40 Years
Alice & Ed Matt	May 22	57 Years
Gerald & Lynn Heymen	May 23	55 Years
Mervin & Ann Schuster	May 24	53 Years
Ed & Alice Loos	May 31	59 Years

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

There will be no weekday masses May 3-5 as Father Thomas will be away at the Priest's Retreat.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to:

Shanya McKerricher Dubois who was baptised,
 Jenaya McKerricher, Faye Dubois, and (Anna)
 Phuong Thanh Truong, who were Baptised,
 received First Holy Communion and were
 Confirmed all at the Easter Vigil on April 23.
 Welcome to our Christian community!



Are you enjoying the Matthew Kelly book, *„Rediscovering Catholicism“*? Watch for an opportunity to discuss this wonderful book with fellow parishioners. Details to follow.



1961-2011
Holy Cross C. W. L.
50th Anniversary Tea



Sunday, May 15, 2011
2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Gerein Centre

(Presentation at 3:00 p.m.)

Welcome to all C. W. L. members and parishioners.

Come celebrate 50 years of activity and service to "God and Canada" in our parish.

50th Anniversary Eucharistic Celebration

11:00 a.m. Mass, May 15

- Members will participate in ministry
- all members asked to wear C. W. L. pins

Easter Flowers

Thank you to the following people who donated money for Easter Flowers:

Donor:

Leo & Dolores Deis

In Memory Of:

John, Lena & Wilfred Deis

In Honour of:

Margaret Frank



You're All Invited!

Please remember to keep all of the confirmation & First Eucharist candidates in your prayers as they prepare for their celebrations.

The Grade 5/6 Confirmation Students will have their confirmation celebration on Saturday, May 14, at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

The Grade 2 First Eucharist/Confirmation Students will have their celebration on Saturday, May 28 at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Our Candidates would be honoured to share their celebrations with the Parish Community

CONFIRMATION 2010/2011 GRADE 5 & 6

Holy Spirit Retreat - May 13th 9 a.m.

Potluck supper for families and sponsors at St. Andrew's Hall 6:30 p.m. Parents who can help with retreat or potluck setup, please email Louise. Confirmation Celebration will be May 14, 5 p.m. Mass.

FIRST EUCHARIST 2010/2011 GRADE 2

Jesus Day Retreat—May 25 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
(lunch is provided).

First Eucharist/Confirmation Celebration will be Saturday, May 28, 5 p.m. Mass

Please Email Louise Reeve at ym_holycross@sasktel.net or call the Parish office at 757-1325 with any questions or concerns or to register for youth nights.

PASTORAL COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Holy Cross Pastoral Council met April 12 and we welcomed many new members and experienced members for the 2011/12 year. Council began with a prayer for wisdom in our deliberations. We discussed the projector screen visibility during mass and this issue was referred to Liturgy and Building and Grounds to look at options and potential costs. Council accepted each chairperson's submitted reports – and we acknowledged the hard work each committee is doing to make Holy Cross Parish the best it can be. By working together we can continue to have a dynamic and healthy parish community. The next Council meeting is May 10th. Please contact myself or any member of Pastoral Council if you have any questions or concerns.

May the Risen Christ bring you joy!

Karen Eisler
Chairperson

Come to hear **FATHER THOMAS NGUYEN**
as he shares his personal testimony

A LIFE OF VOCATIONS

SUNDAY MAY 29TH at 7PM

Holy Cross Parish (315 Douglas Ave. East Regina)



Pastor

Singer



Song Writer

Accompanied by Holy Cross Parish Musicians

Do you do your part to encourage **VOCATIONS** to the priesthood
through **prayer and financial contribution?**


Come and learn what you can do to support our **seminarians.**

Proceeds from our **Silent Auction** will Support our

Diocesan Vocations to the Priesthood Fund.

May 2011

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1 9:00 AM MASS 11:00 AM MASS	2 7:00 PM CWL Mtg.	3 7:00 PM CWL Mtg. PRIEST'S RETREAT	4 7:30 PM Choir Practice	5 	6 8:00 AM MASS 8:30 AM Adoration 12:00 PM Benedic- tion	7 4:15 PM Reconciliation 5:00 PM MASS
8 9:00 AM MASS 11:00 AM MASS	9 7:00 PM MASS 7:30 PM Pastoral Council Meeting	10 7:00 PM MASS 7:30 PM Choir Practice 7:30 PM Prayer Group Meeting	11 7:00 PM MASS 7:30 PM Choir Practice 7:30 PM Prayer Group Meeting	12 9:30 AM MASS with St. Andrew	13 8:00 AM MASS 9AM-10PM Retreat for Confirmation 6:00 PM Open Women's Retreat	14 4:15 PM Reconciliation 5:00 PM MASS 5:00 PM Confirmation Celebration
15 9:00 PM MASS 11:00 PM MASS 9:30-12:30 K of C pancake breakfast 2:00 PM CWL 50th Anniversary Tea	16 7:30 PM K of C Mtg.	17 9:00 AM Staff Mtg. 7:00 PM MASS 7:30 PM Liturgy Meeting 30 PM Social -tion Meeting	18 7:00 PM MASS 7:30 PM Choir Practice 7:30 PM Prayer Group Meeting	19 8:00 AM MASS 8:30 AM Study Group	20 8:00 AM MASS 1:00 PM Whist	21 4:15 PM Reconciliation 5:00 PM MASS
22 9:00 AM MASS	23 Office Closed Victoria Day	24 7:00 PM MASS 7:30 PM Finance Council Meeting	25 7:00 PM MASS 7:30 PM Choir Practice 7:30 PM Prayer Group Meeting 7:30 PM Spiritual Ed. Meeting	26 8:00 AM MASS 8:30 AM Study Group	27 8:00 AM MASS 1:00 PM Whist	28 4:15 PM Reconciliation 5:00 PM MASS 5:00 PM Communion/ Confirmation Celebration
29 9:00 AM Mass 7:00 PM Vocation Awareness Concert	30 7:00 PM MASS	31 7:00 PM MASS				

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

MARCH FOR LIFE: Saskatchewan Pro-Life is once again hosting the fourth annual March for Life at the Saskatchewan Legislature on Thursday, May 12. March to raise awareness of the devastation of abortion, where over 2100 pre-born babies lose their lives every year in hospitals all over the province. Please meet at Christ the King Church between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. There will be a Mass at 10:00 a.m. Come early to register your family, school, or church group. Walk will take place immediately following mass with events at the Legislature beginning at 11:45 a.m. Guest speaker will be Jojo Ruba of the Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform. See posters for more information.

BRUNCH & BAKE SALE: Hosted by St. Mary's CWL on Sunday, May 15, 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$5/adults, \$3/children under 3. Everyone is welcome

COME & GO TEA - FR. SCHAFFER: Congratulations to Rev. Eugene Schaffer who is celebrating his 50th year of Ordination to the Priesthood. A celebration will take place on June 5 at Holy Family Parish. Everyone is invited to a "Come & Go Tea" from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Everyone is also invited to Mass at 4:00 p.m. presided by Fr. Eugene. The parishes that Fr. Gene has served at are: Gerald, Cupar, Langenburg, Sedley, Vibank, Esterhazy, Redvers, and in Regina at Sacred Heart, St. Peter, Holy Trinity, Holy Child, and currently at Holy Family.

SEEKING LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS: A service of Prayer regarding Clergy Sexual Abuse in the Church - CARES Healing Community invite all to join us for a time of prayer to initiate a deeper awareness of the reality of clergy

IRAQI CRISIS REFUGEE FUND: The bishop has designated the Mothers' Day Weekend (May 7/8) 2011 as Iraqi Collection weekend where all parishioners have a special opportunity to donate exclusively to the Iraqi Crisis Refugee Fund. Please place your donation in a plain envelope with "Iraqi" clearly written on it. For more information and to observe first-hand a mother's anguish at the horrifically losing her daughter in Iraq to persecution go to the archdiocese website at www.archregina.sk.ca and click on News, Archives, December 31 and go to Iraqi site. You will not be sorry that you did! Please answer God's call to take care of the needy and give generously. For further information contact Judy Klenk, Committee Chairperson at 345-2114 or jklenk@sasktel.net. I would love to answer your questions.

sexual abuse. Inviting Christ to come and illuminate our troubled hearts. Holy Family Parish, on Wednesday, June 8 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Watch the next issue of the ARCH for more details.

SEARCH: Our 55th Search Retreat for Christian Maturity has been re-scheduled for June 17-19 at Vanier Collegiate in Moose Jaw. New Searchers can be anyone ages 15-21ish, however we have taken Adult Searchers in the past. You can register online at www.search.intheredeemer.com. See bulletin boards for more information.

AN EVENING OF WORSHIP & INTERCESSION FOR BARRY MOFFATT:

Barry is a member of the band "Vision" and was part of City Wide Praise from the very beginning as well as a part of Holy Cross Music Ministry. Barry is now very ill with stage 4 lung cancer, bone cancer and a brain tumour. Everyone is invited and encouraged to join us as we worship Jesus and bring Barry's needs before the Throne. Friday, May 6 (Barry's 49th Birthday) at 7:00 p.m. at Lighthouse to All Nations Church, 686 Pasqua Street. Featuring: A combined Worship Team of Vision and Lighthouse. Free Admission (An offering for the Moffatt Family will be received), Coffee and Birthday Cake will be served.

NEW PARISHIONERS/CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If you are new to the parish or have recently moved, please complete this form and place it in the collection basket.

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Postal Code: _____

New _____ Change _____

Would you like Parish Envelopes? _____

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – 2nd Sunday

May 14/15	5:00 P.M.	9:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.
ALTAR SERVER CAPTAINS	Robin Tocker	Kevin Todd	Natasha Bigeau
MINISTRY TEAM	Mary-Anne & Don Harazny	Phyllis Kennedy	Sharie & Bernie Ryma
USHERS		Merv Shuster	Roy Taylor
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Brenna/Tim Patenaude	Jan/Will Genert	Melanie Nargang
MUSIC	Youth	Anthem	Holy Cross Choir
COLLECTION COUNTERS	Team 5 Mike & Sherry Andruschak (Fay Schuster, Merv & Ann Schuster)		