



Holy Cross Parish

October 1/2, 2011

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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Reflection:

His produce, not theirs. That's what the tenants forgot. They chose to ignore the fundamental reality that neither the land, nor the fruits, nor even their labor, was ultimately under their control. Their overreaching desire to have everything for themselves caused them to become ungrateful, selfish, deadly.

The mistake of the original tenants illustrates the challenge of stewardship. To live a life of stewardship requires continually growing in the understanding that I do not really possess anything. Everything is gift, grace. Lest I begin to think I am productive solely because of hard work, intelligence, savvy, or connections, all I need to do is remember that my very life and continued existence come from God. Producing fruits requires a cooperation between nature and grace, between the tenant and the Landowner.

Over the years, I have become aware that I am offered a daily opportunity to remember who owns the land in my life. It comes whenever I reflect on the words of the simple prayer I was taught to say before meals: Bless us, Oh Lord, and these *thy gifts*, which we are about to *receive* from *thy bounty* through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Questions:

Adult- How have you used your talents and abilities well for the Reign of God?

Children- What can you do in your week to help the love of God grow in the world?

Prayer:

Loving God, as your people we are ready to respond to your call to serve. May we share in Christ's own mission to care for the poor and proclaim the gospel to all. Amen

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

October 2 - 9, 2011

SUNDAY	9:00 AM	MASS
	11:00 AM	MASS
	2:00 PM	Pet Blessing
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
	2- 5:00 PM	Ecumenism Event
	7:00 PM	Children's Holy Hour
SATURDAY	9:30 AM	Communion Minister Training
	4:15 PM	Reconciliation
	5:00 PM	MASS
	6:00 PM	Lector Minister Training
SUNDAY	9:00 AM	MASS
	11:00 AM	MASS

Please note: Father Thomas will be away at the Priest's Assembly, October 3-6.

WEEKLY READINGS

Mon:	Jonah 1:1-17; 2:10	Luke 10:25-37
Tues:	Jonah 3:1-10	Luke 10:38-42
Wed:	Jonah 4:1-11	Luke 11:1-4
Thurs:	Malachi 3:13-4:2	Luke 11:5-13
Fri:	Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2	Luke 11:15-26
Sat:	Joel 3:12-21	Luke 11:27-28

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1st: Isaiah 25:6-10 **2nd:** Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donations received for September 25:

Envelopes: \$4,221.00

Loose: \$259.54

QVE: \$240.00



Stewardship 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In the Gospel today, the owner of the vineyard sent messengers to collect his share of the harvest from the tenant farmers, but there was not a single good steward on the property! God is the owner, we are the tenants. What sort of stewards are we?



CWL NEWS:

- ◆ Next meeting is Tuesday, October 4. We will begin with Scriptural Rosary at 7 p.m. followed by the meeting.
- ◆ Fall meeting of the Regina Regional CWL will take place at St. Joseph in Balgonie, SK on Thursday, October 13 beginning with Mass at 7 p.m. followed by the social and speaker from our Provincial Council, Jean Reader-Spiritual development and then a short business meeting. See poster for more information.
- ◆ CWL Membership fees of \$25 are now due. Please place money with your name, address and phone number in an envelope and mark "CWL Membership". Thank you.

K OF C:

⇒ "I Am My Brother's Keeper"

⇒ Next meeting, Monday, October 17, 7:30 p.m.



WHIST: Join us for all the fun, Friday, October 14 and 28, 1 p.m. Our sponsor is Big Bob's Meats. All money raised goes towards youth programming. Everyone welcome!

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNER: Last weeks winner was Joyce Kent.



50TH ANNIVERSARY HISTORY BOOK: The book is 150 pages & contains more than 300 photos. Cost is \$20.00. Call Ruth-789-2049 or Charlotte-781-2562 for a copy.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: Please remember to pick up your free 8 X 10 photo. If you took a photo for the church directory, you can pick up your FREE book in the Gerein Centre. Books are available for sale at the cost of \$15. If you have any questions, call Charlotte, 781-2562.

ROSARY CD: The Rosary CD will be selling for \$2 each for the month of October.

BAPTISMS: Our next baptism classes will be November 19 and 26, with the baptisms happening on December 3. If you or anyone you know are in need of having a child baptised, please call the parish office to register. If these dates conflict with your schedule or if you have any questions, please email Louise at pa.holycross@sasktel.net.



IT'S KNITTING TIME AGAIN! Boxes will be at both entrances for your donations of wool/yarn. Please knit mitts, scarves, headbands, and toques for the poor school children in Regina.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Please join us Sunday, October 16 between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Hall for the Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast.



Priest's Assembly

Father Thomas will be away at the Priest's Assembly from Monday, October 3 to Thursday, October 6. There will be **no weekday masses** on these dates.

Office Closed

The Office will be closed on Monday, October 10 for Thanksgiving.

First Reconciliation

Each class will begin with mass and will go until 8 p.m. Supper is provided for the whole family.

Parents and children attend all classes: October 15, and 29.

Forgiveness Day retreat: Friday, November 4, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. (lunch is included)

Reconciliation Celebration: Saturday, Nov. 5, 2011, 3 p.m.- 6 p.m.

If you have any questions about the class please email Louise Reeve at pa.holycross@sasktel.net



CHILDREN & YOUTH EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

Friday October 7

7:00 p.m.

HOLY CROSS CHURCH

Calling all Catholic educators and parents to bring the children and youth on the First Friday of October for the Feast of the Holy Rosary. This evening is to spiritually unite the prayers of the world's catholic school children in this Global event.

See posters for more information.

October Anniversaries

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










Eldon & Gretta Lynn Eil	October 1	45 years
Gordon & Freda Eistetter	October 7	50 years
Glenn & Wanda Binfet	October 9	40 years
Tony & Martha Herauf	October 12	56 years
Emanuel & Lillian Fahlman	October 21	59 years
Jim & Louella Butchko	October 29	51 years

Congratulations to you all!

October 2011

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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SAINT'S CORNER

Oct. 1 - St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus (Little Flower)

(France 1873-1897)

St. Thérèse never accomplished great things nor was there anything dramatically unusual about her life, yet she is one of the most popular saints. She only lived twenty-four years, yet her "little way" of loving, trusting and surrendering to God has led millions of people to read her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*. "I am a very little soul who can offer only little things to our Lord," she said. And also "I (have) never refused our good God anything. I have never given Him anything but love." She was the youngest of five children in her family. All were girls and all entered religious life. Thérèse wanted to be a nun so badly that she sought out Pope Leo XIII to get permission to enter the Carmelite convent early. Once a sister, she worked hard at the most ordinary of tasks but offered every little act to show her love for Jesus. Her last words were "My God, I love you."

O, God our Father, You destined your Kingdom for your children who are humble. Help us to imitate the little way of St. Thérèse and, by her intercession, attain eternal glory. Amen.

Oct. 4 - St. Francis of Assisi (Italy 1181-1226)

Born to a wealthy family, St. Francis lived a life based on pleasure. He dreamed of becoming a noble knight. When Assisi went to war Francis had a chance to be a soldier but after experiencing fierce fighting, being held hostage for a year, and a serious illness, his outlook on life changed. He heard a voice say, "Francis, go repair my house" and so he tried to use his father's money to repair the church. His angry father disinherited him. St. Francis eventually understood that God was talking about his Church of people. He then lived a life of poverty, preaching about God's love. He felt a strong relationship to all created things especially animals. St. Francis' followers received papal approval and were called the Franciscans. During a vision St. Francis received the marks of the five wounds of Jesus which remained with him the rest of his life.

O God, You enabled St. Francis to imitate Christ by his poverty and love. May we, too, follow Your Son with a joyful love. Amen.



Oct. 15 - St. Teresa of Jesus (Avila) (Spain 1515-1582)

St. Teresa is one of the greatest women to have exercised a leadership role in the Church. She was the first woman to be declared a Doctor of the Church. As a child, her favourite activities were to read about the saints and act out their lives with her brother. She desired nothing more than to be a martyr. It is no surprise then that she became a Carmelite nun. She was often troubled with her prayer life.

After many years she was finally given a special grace in this area. She is known for starting a stricter order of Carmelites and later helping to reform the whole order as well as the Carmelite friars. Her many writings show her great love of God and are considered classics of spiritual literature.

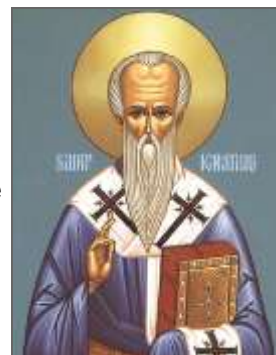
O God, You raised up St. Teresa by Your Spirit. Nourish us with the food of her heavenly teaching, and fill us with a desire for holiness. Amen.



Oct. 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch (Syria c. 35-107)

St. Ignatius was an early convert to the faith and a disciple of John the Evangelist who became the second bishop of Antioch. When given the choice to deny Christ or die, he chose death. He influenced the lives of others up to the moment of death. He wrote seven letters which the Church is blessed to still have. He insisted that the people be obedient to their local bishop. "Wherever the bishop is, there let the people be, for there is the Catholic Church." He loved the Eucharist and begged the Christians of Rome not to stop his martyrdom, that he may "be ground by the teeth of beasts to become the immaculate bread of Christ."

Almighty God, grant that the sufferings of Your holy martyrs may bring us perpetual protection. Amen.



The Feast of the Holy Rosary was established by Saint Pius V on the anniversary of the naval victory won by the Christian fleet at Lepanto, October 7, 1571. The victory was attributed to the help of the holy Mother of God whose aid was invoked through praying the Rosary.

The celebration of this day invites all to meditate upon the mysteries of Christ, following the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary who was so singularly associated with the incarnation, passion and glorious resurrection of the Son of God. From the Christian Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours)

Harvest Supper

Mark your calendars for
Holy Cross Parish's
'Harvest Supper'

Sunday, November 6

Two settings at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Gym

Cost: Adult - \$12.00, Children (6 -12) - \$5.00,
Children (5 and under) - Free,
Family (Dad, Mom and children under 16) - \$35.00.

Menu includes: turkey, beef, ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, turnip, cabbage rolls, perogies, coleslaw, mixed vegetables, horseradish, cranberries, buns, pie, ice cream, coffee, tea and juice.

Wine will also be available.

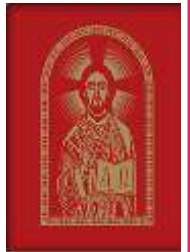
Tickets on sale after all masses beginning October 1/2.
or call Eugene or Brenda at 789-1248.



Implementation of the Roman Missal Third Edition

How can I prepare for the Change? There are many ways in which you can prepare for the changes in the Mass:

- Make a conscious effort to participate more fully in the Mass each Sunday & holy day.
- Take advantage of any special catechetical sessions offered by your parish or diocese.
- Visit the Roman Missal Website, www.usccb.org to study the new texts & to learn more about the changes.
- Read the new texts of the people's parts at Mass. Begin to study them so that you will be able to pray them well when the new Roman Missal is implemented.
- Pray for a renewal of love for the Liturgy in your parish and in the Church.



Pastoral Council Meeting Highlights

Pastoral Council met September 13, 2011 – first meeting after the summer break.

- **Discussed vacancy of the Chair for the liturgy committee - please step forward and share your talents – contact Fr Thomas or any member of Pastoral Council if you are interested.**
- **Reports from committees submitted.**
- **We formed a Nominations Committee (as per Holy Cross Constitution – Article V) for 2012 elections.**
- **We discussed the Budget – Finance Committee presented – thanks to all parishioners who contributed - the budget has a very small deficit at the third quarter.**
- **New Roman Missal training – will be introduced throughout Diocese this fall.**

Please contact me if you have any questions or if you would like more information: Karen Eisler, 789-7476 or reisler@accesscomm.ca

DID YOU KNOW.... Holy cross has recently opened the new 'Msgr. Michael Hogan Resource Centre'. Everyone is welcome to check out all the wonderful resources we have available.

*"Spirit of God, Dwelling in me, make me
a temple of his glory."* CWL Banner

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

CECILIAN CONCERT SERIES: Grammy and Juno winner James Ehnes, violin and Andrew Armstrong, piano, present a solo recital in the first concert of the Cecilian Concert Series, Sunday, October 2, 7 p.m. at St. Cecilia Church. Tickets \$40/adults, \$25 students/seniors. Tickets are available at the door or at Cobb Swanson Music Bach and Beyond or call 789-8414 or 584-1274.

COMPASSIONATE HEALER'S MASS: In collaboration with the Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan (CHAS) the Archdiocese of Regina is holding its 5th annual Compassionate Healer's Mass. All Catholic Medical Personnel, Health Care Workers, Volunteers, Women and Men Religions in health care ministry & all those who support and serve in the healing ministry of Christ are welcome to attend. Wednesday, October 12, 7:00 p.m. at Holy Rosary Cathedral. Archbishop Daniel Bohan presiding.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD: A psychological, spiritual journey for healing after abortion. If you are experiencing post abortion distress, you can receive help & healing by attending a retreat weekend October 14-16. To register email Bonnie at r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net or visit www.rachelsvineyard.org or call 306-480-8911.

TRADE SHOW: St. Marguerite School is hosting a trade show on October 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to raise funds for our play structure development. Come out to support your community, see the latest trends, win valuable door prizes or enjoy a hot bowl of chilli! Free admission.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF: Presented by Luther College High School students, October 20-22 at 7:30 p.m. There will also be a Sunday matinee at 2 p.m. Ticket are \$10/adults and \$8/seniors, students, and children. Tickets available at Luther College High School (791-9150), Bach and Beyond, Cobb Swanson Music and St. John's Music.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: The next Marriage Encounter weekend for all married couples who are interested in enriching their relationship is October 21-23 at St. Michael's Retreat House, Lumden. For more information or to apply, please contact Marc & Anita at 258-2192 or email loiselle@baudoux.ca. See brochures and poster at each entrance for more details.

FALL SALE: Third annual craft/home-based business/incredible-edible sale is Saturday, October 22, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Anne's Parish. \$2 admission. Why not avoid the rush and start your Christmas showing now.

WALK, JOG, BIKE OR RUN: St. Martin de Porres Parish, Sunday, October 23, 11:00 a.m. Registration fee \$20/adult, \$5-10/children. Lunch is included. Early bird registration is October 2. Call 586-5655 to register. See poster for details.

ATTENTION PARENTS!: Are you looking for resources to help you raise your children in the Christian faith? The Archdiocesan Resource Centre has some new DVDs that might be just what you are looking for. Some titles include: Christian Family-Blest by God, Sacred Parenting, and Mothering-Full of Grace. To borrow any of the resources, please call Teresa at 352-1651 ext. 238 or email twhalenlux@archregina.sk.ca

SOURCE: A time of Music, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and Fellowship for high school students. Join us for the first of many on Sunday, October 23 at Holy Family starting at 7:30 p.m. For more information contact Father Stephen Bill at fatherstephenbill@sasktel.net or Reed Miller at office@holyfamilyregina.com, also see posters.

CRAFT & TRADE SHOW: Do you have merchandise or a product you wish to advertise or sell? St. Martin de Porres Parish is hosting a craft & trade show on December 2 and 3. Cost: 8 foot table/\$45, 4 foot round table/\$30, 4 foot rectangle table/\$25. Don't miss out. To book a table contact I. Burkhart at i.burkhart@sasktel.net

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Christ the King Parish is seeking one or more part time employees to do janitorial duties at the Parish. This includes cleaning, maintenance and repair both inside and outside. Parish would consider one person for inside work, primarily cleaning, and one for maintenance and repair, or would consider one person doing both. Position is available October 1. For more information contact the Parish office or Barry Wittal at 586-3837 or Dale Hjertaas at 584-2835.

COMMITMENT TO THE FUTURE

As Christians, we are called to love as Jesus loved, to serve as Jesus served. This means we have a responsibility to reflect the Gospel in our home and office, our Church, our neighbourhood and community. By supporting our archdiocese financially through the work of the *Commitment to the Future*, we enable the Church to reach out to the community in a Christian spirit of service and love. This is building up the Kingdom of God.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE 2nd Sunday

October 8/9, 2011	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 9:00 A.M.	Sunday 11:00 A.M.
ALTAR SERVER	Robyn Tocker	Kevin Todd	Natasha Bigeau
MINISTRY TEAM CAPTAINS	Mary-Anne & Don Harazny	Phyllis Kennedy	Sharie & Bernie Ryma
USHERS		Merv Shuster	Roy Taylor
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Brenna & Tim Patenaude	Chelsea Holmes & Bryant Adams	Melanie Nargang
MUSIC		Anthem	Holy Cross Choir
COLLECTION	Team 5 Mike & Sherry Andruschak (Fay Schuster, Merv & Ann Schuster)		