



Holy Cross Parish

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Monday–Friday 9 a.m.–12 noon, 1- 4 p.m.
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Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals
Gerein Centre Use: 757-1325
Pastor's Day Off: Mondays

February 4/5, 2012 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Second Reading: 1 Cor. 9:16-19, 22-23

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Key Passage: *That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. (Mark 2:32-34a)*

Reflection: (Living with Christ, Vol. 36. No. 2)

Today's readings invite us to ponder deeply. Job speaks of human life as akin to slavery, a time of emptiness and misery that passes like a breath. Yet we know that despite many trials, Job never lost faith in God. When Paul speaks of his own calling to proclaim the Gospel, he says he has made himself "a slave to all" in order to fulfill his mission.

Mark's Gospel shows us a day in the life of Jesus. He visits the synagogue, then goes to Simon and Andrew's home where he heals an ailing mother-in-law. Her fever dissipates at the touch of his hand! We imagine him chatting companionably with friends until they gather around a table to share a meal. At dusk, crowds gather around the door seeking to be healed. With compassion, Jesus cures many who are sick. Perhaps he sleeps a while, but before dawn Jesus goes to a deserted place to pray. No day is complete without a time of intimate communion with his Father.

Each one of today's readings holds a message for us. In trying times we must be people of faith. Our mission is to

passionately live the Good News, for we may well be the only Gospel some people ever hear. Furthermore, we are called to spend time in intimate communion with God. How good it is to sing God's praises!

Questions:

Adults: When have you felt the sadness of Job? When have you felt the joy of those who witnessed the healing works of Jesus?

Child: What could you do this week to comfort someone who is sad?

Prayer: Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for every and ever, Amen.

WEEKLY READINGS

Mon	1 Kings 8:1-7; 9-13	Mark 6:53-56
Tues	1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30	Mark 7:1-13
Wed	1 Kings 10:1-10	Mark 7:14-23
Thurs	1 Kings 11:4-13	Mark 7:24-30
Fri	1 Kings 11:29-32; 12, 19	Mark 7:31-37
Sat	1 Kings 12:26-32; 13, 33-34	Mark 8:1-10
Sun	Leviticus 13:1-2, 45-46	Mark 1:40-45

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK January 29-February 5

2/5/12 SUNDAY	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	MASS MASS
2/6/12 MONDAY		
2/7/12 TUESDAY	7:00 PM	MASS
2/8/12 WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM 7:30 PM 7:30 PM	MASS Choir Practice Prayer Group Meeting
2/9/12 THURSDAY	9:00 AM 9:30 AM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	MASS Study Group Nomination Committee K of C 4th Degree
2/10/12 FRIDAY	9:00 AM	MASS
2/11/12 SATURDAY	4:15 PM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM 5:00 -8:00 PM	Reconciliation Praise and Worship MASS (Youth) Children/Youth
2/12/12 SUNDAY	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	MASS MASS

Donations received for January 29, 2012:

Envelopes:	\$ 3,635.51
Loose:	578.80
QVE:	209.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,423.31

Stewardship



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Like St. Paul in the second reading, the good steward can say, "I do all that I do for the sake of the Gospel in the hope of sharing in its blessings."

See 1 Corinthians 9:23

PASTORAL/FINANCE COUNCILS CORNER

Pastoral Council Announcements:

1. Nomination Update - There are several positions open for 2012. Please consider sharing your talents by serving in the Pastoral Council. There will be more information to be posted in the coming weeks.
2. **Annual General Meeting will be on Sunday, March 25, 2012 after the 11 a.m. Mass.** Please plan to attend. A big thank you to all who give their time and talent to serve in the Pastoral Council. Please contact me if you have any question. Karen Eisler at 789 - 7476 or

reisler@accesscomm.ca

Finance Council Announcement

2011 Charitable donation receipts are still waiting for pick up in the Gerein Centre. Please pick up yours today to help the parish save on postage.

Please Note:

If you made a donation to the Archbishop's Appeal by credit card, postdated cheque or auto-debit, your receipt is forthcoming from the Archdiocese of Regina.

PARISH WEB SITE: The parish web site has been updated and is now back at its regular place: <http://holycrossregina.ca>

Revisions at the website include:

1. This week's bulletin is posted;
2. The parish calendar for February is posted;
3. A new Youth event is announced on the HOME page.

This bcc mailing is being sent to 135 email addresses of parish members. If you know of any other parish members or non-members who would like to receive these updates, please let me know. If you would like your email address removed from this list, please let me know. Your comments about improving the web site are always welcome.

CWL News:

- ◆ Holy Cross CWL General Meeting will be held March 6, Mass @ 7:00 p.m. followed by the meeting. We will be hosting a Shower for Birthright. We are still collecting for our hampers.. Boxes are provided at both entrances of the Church.



- ◆ **ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE.** Specific items needed for the **HAMPERS** are: **blankets, diapers, clothes for mostly newborn.** New and used will be greatly accepted.

- ◆ CWL Executive Meeting will be held on Monday, February 20 at 7:30 P.M.

K of C:

- Pancake Breakfast is scheduled on Sunday, February 19, 2012. Opening at 8:00 a.m. and to be concluded at 1:00 p.m.
- ***K Of C Ladies Night***
February 25th, 6:00 P.M.
Gerein Centre.
- K of C Monthly Meeting is scheduled on Feb. 27, 2012 at 7:30 P.M.

Youth

- ***Holy Cross Parish Youth Night***
COME, LEARN about LOVE with FUN, FOOD & FRIENDSHIP!
Children who are in Grades 1-5
Feb 11, 2012, 5:00 - 8:00 PM

Spiritual Education Committee:

Parish Mission Coming:

Mark your calendar and plan to attend. Sunday, March 4th to Wednesday, March 7th. Fr. Ken Thorson, Vocations Director, OMI Lacombe Canada will be our Mission Leader. The theme for this year's mission is: 'CALLED, FORGIVEN, SENT: Remembering "Whose" we are'.

January 29, 2012

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNER

PHYLLIS & HARVEY KENNEDY



OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

ADORERS FOR THE Adoration Chapel of the Eucharistic Apostles of the Divine Mercy

As Lent approaches it is a good idea to plan to put aside some time for prayer. Adoration & prayer play a vital role in the Catholic spiritual life.

More adorers are needed to sign up at the Adoration Chapel of the Eucharistic Apostles of the Divine Mercy, 484 Hamilton St. (at 1st Ave. North). The chapel is open for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and prayer Mon & Wed 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. / Tues 10:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. / Thurs. 9:30 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. / Fri Sat Sun 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. For more information please contact Benjamin.Fiore@uregina.ca

Momquest DATE CHANGE! The Conquest boys club of Regina is hosting a dinner and dessert evening for women. Saturday, February 25, 2012 (NOT February 11) , 6 - 8 p.m at Christ the King Parish Hall, 3239 Garnet Street, Regina To register please email: conquest.regina@gmail.com or call 529-0186. \$10 suggested donation.

Healthy Living Learning Session: This lent, become a good steward of your body. Join Naturopathic Doctor, Allison Ziegler, in a learning series outlining healthy living through nutrition and lifestyle and the impact of each on common illnesses. The session will be held Thursday, March 1 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm at Holy Child Parish Hall. Register by calling Holy Child office at: 789-8276

Mini-Retreat for Women, Friday, February 17th

Refresh your soul with this month's retreat on the Holy Spirit's gift of **Counsel**. Discussion - Developing an educated conscience. We begin with Mass at 7 p.m. and conclude with social time and refreshments. Nursing moms are welcome. Join us at Holy Cross Parish, from 7 to 9 p.m. Contact diane.goski@accesscomm.ca or call 565-0083 for details. Hosted by the women of Regnum Christi.

Women's Retreat – March 2-4, Lumsden

Join us at our Spiritual Exercises for a weekend that will energize your soul. You can strengthen your relationship with Christ through talks from Fr. Stephen Dyas, LC, reconciliation and spiritual guidance. Cost of \$250 includes a private room, snacks and beverages, and all meals from Friday supper to Sunday lunch. Registration starts at 4:15 p.m. Nursing moms welcome. Contact Krista LaBelle at tklabelle@hotmail.com or 525-3356. Hosted by the women of Regnum Christi.

Catholic Students' Week

February 4-12, 2012 has been designated as Catholic Students' Week. Post-secondary students across Canada unite to share the diversity of ways they can celebrate their Catholic identity and share many aspects of our Catholic tradition. Parishes are invited to unite with us in prayer and support of these students and campus ministries. The Catholic students of today become the parish leaders of tomorrow. At Campion College there will be a week-long celebration with many different activities being hosted for anyone who is interested. Please check out our website: www.campioncollege.ca/campus-ministry to find out what's going on. Or you can contact Stephanie Molloy, Campus Minister, at 359-1235.

St. Martin de Porres 50th Anniversary Calendars:

St Martin de Porres parish is selling 2012 calendars in celebration of the parish's 50th anniversary. The calendars feature a large number of pictures from throughout the years, reflections, current year parish and school events and more. Calendars are available from the St Martin's parish office for \$15.00 each. Call 586-5655 and get your copy today.

Invitation to Participate in Spiritual Growth:

The Knights of Columbus invite all men of faith to join them in a reflection based on their theme for this year: **"So That The World May Know New Hope"**. Guest presenters (including Archbishop Bohan, Bishop Bolen, and Archbishop Weisgerber) will lead participants through sessions focusing on how to be men of hope seeking their own life and meaning, as well as assisting society to rediscover hope. Sessions will be held at Holy Child Parish, Regina, Saskatchewan, beginning with mass at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, March 16, 2012, and continuing on Saturday, March 17 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$30; Register before February 11 for \$25. \$40 at the door. For more information and to register, contact Lorne Kirzinger at 789-6397 or email lkirzinger@sasktel.net

CHRIST the KING Players Present

This 70's Show! March 15 – 17 & March 21-24, 2012. For Tickets: Call Marlene@586-6948 or the parish office@586-9020

Nuggets
of
Wisdom



Where there is love
there is life.
Mahatma



INFO FROM THE CHANCERY

Grade 6, 7, 8 Diocesan Youth Rally!

Mark your calendar for Saturday, Feb. 11 from 10 A.M - 6 P.M. Come join other young people from around the province for a day of music, games and fun with the energetic and dynamic "NET" team who will be visiting our diocese this February! The rally will be held at Church of Our Lady in Moose Jaw. Please see the "youth events" page for more details.

Diocesan Youth Ministry Visioning Discussion

Saturday, Feb. 25th please come join us for a day of sharing with folks from all over the diocese who are interested in the spiritual growth of our young people. We will meet at the Diocesan Office on 445 Broad St. N. From 10:00 am-7:00 pm. We will share successes, concerns, strategies and resources. We do not stand alone! Cost is \$10 if staying for supper at 5:00. To register, please respond to Michelle at mbraden@archregina.sk.ca

John Paul II Centre

Twelve tenders were received and opened at a public meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday February 1st, 2012. Tenders contained proposals for seniors or retirement communities, accommodation for retired priests, office, youth and assisted living facilities. The property committee will now evaluate and meet with the final groups or individuals selected. Tenders exceeded all the expectations of the committee.

Basic Skills for Spiritual Caregiving

Are you called to visit the sick? Ministry of Care offered by the Anglican, Lutheran, Roman Catholic and United Church Hospital Chaplains. Five sessions to develop basic skills for Spiritual Caregiving. Necessary to become a spiritual care volunteer in RQHR facilities. Valuable for parish home ministry and nursing home volunteers. Tuesday Evenings, February 28-March 27, 2012; 7 – 9 p.m. Holy Family Parish. Contact Eileen at 545-0644 or eileend@myaccess.ca

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - 2nd Sunday

February 11/12, 2012	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 9:00 A.M.	Sunday 11:00 A.M.
ALTAR SERVER	Dianna Onyango	Jennifer Keller	Natasha Bigeau
MINISTRY TEAM CAPTAINS	Mary-Anne & Don Harázny	Phyllis Kennedy	Sharie & Bernie Ryma
USHERS	Gord Eistetter	Merv Schustner	Roy Taylor
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Brenna & Tim Patenaude	Chelsea Holmes & Bryant Adams	Melanie Nargang
MUSIC	Vision	Anthem	Senior Choir
COLLECTION COUNTERS	Team 3 - John Lagus		

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 _____ Envelopes? _____