

#### St. George's Roman Catholic Parish

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Parish Secretary Thursdays after 2:00

DEC. 1, 2013

(Unless otherwise mentioned, all weekday Masses are at 9 AM )

NEXT SUNDAY: PARISH CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ↑ ↑ ↑

Monday, Dec 2 \_HELEN FARWELL by Janice & Lyle Erfle

Tuesday, Dec 3 IN THANKSGIVING FOR SARA BOUVIER by St. George's CWL
10:30 A M HOSPITAL
Wednesday, Dec 4 \_LEO LESPERANCE by Helene Pryma

Thursday, Dec 5 \_ALVIN KARST by St. George's C W L

⇒ ⇒ ⇒ 6:00 P M ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ C W L ME E T I N G ⇔ ⇔ ⇔

Friday, Dec 6
FIRST FRIDAY
Saturday, Dec 7 \_OPAL & CARL SCHUWEILER by Dorothy & Garry Karst

→ → → →7:30 PM NOMASS ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ←

Sunday, Dec 8 9:00 AM SUNDAY MASS ~ WILLOW BUNCH 11:00 AM SUNDAY MASS ~ ASSINIBOIA

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Sherryl Lariviere Office Tel: 642-4439

RECONCILIATION: Before Mass or by appointment ⇒ Visit the Archdiocese of Regina: MARRIAGES: Contact priest at least 6 months prior www.archregina.sk.ca BAPTISMS: Contact priest 2 months prior For the latest events and new stories House Blessings By Appointment Fr. Joy Montiague, Administrator Tel: 642-4439 Fax: 642-3633 Parish CELL Phone 640-9546 St. George's Parish Hall Tel: 642-4633 Hall Reservations & Information Rita Walters Tel: 642-4398 (home) Tel: 642-3583 Pastoral Care Group Co-ordinator Mary Chipak Bulletin Submission Thursdays by 2:00 Email: st.georges.bulletin@gmail.com

# Penitential Services: WED., DEC. 11 7:00 PM Willow Bunch: WED., DEC. 18 7:00PM Assiniboia: Fr. Andrew will help

### Making Advent Wreaths and Nativity Figures with the CWL

All children of the parish and their parents are invited to join us for a light lunch and to make Advent wreaths and Nativity Figures (Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus) on Dec. 1 the First Sunday of Advent. We are trying something different this year so come and see. Hope to see you there.

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION: Sunday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>/13: Mass – 11:00 AM followed by Roast Beef Meal & Program; Adults-\$ 10.00; Children – 10 & under - \$5.00; Preschoolers – Free. Tickets available after Mass or contact Maureen Beauchesne 642-4602 or Parish Office 642-4439.

Tickets sales cutoff Wednesday, DEC.4th. NO MASS SAT. DEC 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: The Archdiocese of Regina thanks all those who have contributed to our annual appeal through your time, talent and treasure. Your contributions, whether large or small will continue to assist our Archdiocese in making known the message of Jesus Christ in our world. PLEASE KEEP PINK COPY, when donating—we need white and yellow for office use. Cheques to ST. GEORGE'S PARISH please.

#### St.George's CWL

Christmas Supper and Fellowship
Thursday, December 5th
Mass - 6p.m. Supper - 7p.m.
Spouses and other guests welcome
Call Irene - 642-4951) Cost - \$16.00
Bring a gift (no more than \$10.00)
⇒Loonie/Toonie Tree for Lebret Mission

#### CWL Members and All Ladies of the

Parish: Why join the Catholic Women's League of Canada? All women of the parish are invited to become members of this over 91,000 member group of Catholic women who work together throughout this country. See how we help women and children in developing countries and here in our own country; how we support other life-giving organizations; how we share a deep spiritual bond with our sisters in the League; and how we focus on Faith, Fun and Fulfillment. Call Irene Montgomery @642-4951, Debbie Buztynski @ 642-4423, Pat Piche @ 642-3755, or Paulette LaPaire @ 642-4209.

#### WANTED FOR PARISH OFFICE:

Large size fireproof safe in good working/locking order. Please contact parish office / Fr. Joy.

The parish has received the magazines, the WORD among us,

for Dec, for Advent. Please take one and use it in your Advent as you contemplate the story of Christmas this year.



#### Sacrament Enrollment

There will be a Confirmation/First **Eucharist Organizational Meeting** Tuesday, December 3 @ 7:00 pm in the Church basement. The parents of all Catholic children taking RC Christian Ethics in grades 2 & 3 have been contacted about this meeting. Do you know any children grades 2, 3 or older that live in our parish/area that may have been missed in the contacts mailings? If you know of any child that has been missed, please ask their parents

to contact Father Joy or Sue Robinson.

Ö 7 Please pick up / purchase your N E W Missals for YEAR A, Youth Missals and calendars; French calendars to come. All items \$6.00 each.

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Sunday, DEC 8

Greeters & Offerings Eugene & Irene

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Rosary Leaders Rita Walters

Irene Clermont

Readers Sue Robinson

Lynn Rogers

Communion Ministers Murray McCrank

Aime Morin Lynn Rogers

Altar Servers KNIGHTS OF

COLUMBUS

⇒ Children's Liturgy Kareena

#### Church Finances

Saturday Collection Nov 23 - \$ 573.10 Sunday Collection Nov 24 - \$ 1365.99 TYPHOON HAIYAN - \$ 3198.55 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal - \$13519.60 Parish Goal is \$19, 121.00

## Thank You ALL! \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# Good News!

#### December 1, 2013 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Is 2:1-5 / Rom 13:11-14 / Mt 24:37-44

The hike wasn't long—less than a mile—but the trail ran steeply up one side of a cliff face and down just as steeply into the next valley, where the ocean lapped the sand and a waterfall fell lazily in the distance. I was having a hard time going up. I thought about the times I blew off exercise in favor of more sedentary pursuits and laughed about being in shape. "Round is a shape," I'd say to myself.

Despite the encouragement of my family, I had to stop climbing eventually. I went back down to wait for them, enjoying the beautiful surroundings from my perch on a rock a bit closer to the starting point.

In today's Scripture reading, Isaiah describes the Lord's mountain and the joy with which Israel approaches the climb, an apt metaphor for the beginning of the Church year. But make no mistake, the climb won't always be easy. Both Paul and Matthew tell us to stay awake, because it will start before we know it. Paul urges us to get some spiritual exercise by throwing off things that weigh us down—like excessive indulgence for food, drink, sexual intimacy, power, and wealth. Rather, says Paul, "Put on Christ."

The question for all of us this first Sunday of Advent is, "How *spiritually* fit am I?" If we've regularly put on Christ and practiced our faith, the climb up the Lord's mountain won't seem so arduous and long.

And when we arrive, the Lord will greet us with joy.

Mary Katharine Deeley | sundaybulletin@liguori.org

Please welcome Mary Katharine Deeley to the Liguori Sunday Bulletins! Currently the pastoral associate for Sheil Catholic Center at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL, Mary has a master of divinity degree from Yale and a doctorate in Hebrew Scripture and early Christian literature from Northwestern. Her latest book is Remembering God: Resting in the Midst of Life (Liguori, 2013).

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