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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT **FEB. 26, 2012**

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

Monday, Feb 27 BIRTHDAY & INTENTIONS OF FR. JOY
 ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ 7:00 P M By Walt & Carole Agopsowicz

Tuesday, Feb 28 † BOB BOUTIN by Ernest & Yolande Bissonnette

Wednesday, Feb 29 † STENLEY & ANNA HILDEBRAND
 by Kazimierz & Wanda Pawlowski

Thursday, March 1 † XAVIER BOUVIER by St. George's C W L
 ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ 7:00 P M C W L MEETING

Friday, March 2 † FR. RAY CARIGNAN by Francois & Armande Morin
 FIRST FRIDAY; WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Saturday, March 3 SICK FAMILY MEMBERS by Rick & Bernie Chevrier

7:30 PM SUNDAY MASS ~ ASSINIBOIA

Sunday, March 4 9:00 AM SUNDAY MASS ~ WILLOW BUNCH
 11:00 AM SUNDAY MASS ~ ASSINIBOIA

RECONCILIATION : Before Masses or anytime by appointment
MARRIAGES : Contact priest at least 6 months prior
BAPTISMS : Contact priest 2 months prior
 House Blessings By Appointment

Lent

<p>Fr. Joy Montiague, Pastor</p> <p>St. George's Parish Hall Hall Reservations & Information Pastoral Care Group Co-ordinator Bulletin Submission Thursdays by 2:00 Parish Secretary Thursdays after 2:00</p>	<p>Tel: 642-4439 Fax: 642-3633 Parish CELL Phone 640-9546 Tel: 642-4633 Rita Walters Tel: 642-4398 (home) Mary Chipak Tel: 642-3583 Email: st.georges.bulletin@gmail.com Sherryl Lariviere Office Tel: 642-4439</p>
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First Sunday of Lent: Feb. 26th

Today's first reading describes the offering of first fruits the people of Israel were to present to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance from Egypt and the gift of the promised land. Is my offering at today's Mass an appropriate response to the many blessings the Lord has given me?

⇒ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** : Please pay 2012 Memberships \$30.00 A S A P

St Louis Parish is hosting **World Day of Prayer In Mossbank**

Friday March 2nd at 3:30 pm; Service from the Women of Malaysia; Everyone Welcome!

Assiniboia & District Pro-Life meeting - Tues., March 6, 2012, at the St. George's Parish Centre, Assiniboia, at 7:30 pm. All interested people are welcome.

Mark your calendars: Provincial pro-life conference, April 14 in Regina. Assiniboia Pro-Life banquet - Sun., April 22, main speaker - Meloy Materi of Options Pregnancy.

2012 Proclamation March 14th – 23rd :Celebrating God's Word for Assiniboia's 100th Anniversary. **Still a few spots, for sign-up** for some readings. You have been so generous in the past. The venue will be the Oasis Church on #2 Highway south of town.

49th World Day of Prayers for Vocations : 29 April 2012

The message of our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI hard copy is on the bulletin board.

Camp Lemieux is now accepting applications for the position of Camp Director for the summer of 2012 Call (306)773-0026 for an application or email jim@camplemieux.com.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY TEA & Bake Sale : Saturday, March 17; 2 - 4 P M;

Parish Center; Sponsored by St. George's C W L; EVERYONE WELCOME

(proceeds used to sponsor our many charities)

C W L Members : Please bring non-perishable items to the K of C room for the door prizes at the St. Patrick's Day Tea, previous to Sat., March 17th. Thank You!

Please remember to also donate baking for the Bake table. Thank You !

⇒ ⇒ next **CWL meeting** is back in the KC room on March 1st beginning with Mass at 7pm. Reader is Debbie Buztynski; on lunch is Janice Erfle and Marilyn Marcenko.

Camp Lemieux is having a retreat for anyone ages 14 to 18. It will take place at Christ The Redeemer Parish in Swift Current on March 9, 10 & 11th, 2012. This will be a great weekend filled with fun, fellowship and spiritual growth. Please contact Dustin at dustin@camplemieux.com or at (306)750-8989 if you wish to attend. Cost of the weekend will be \$35 and will include food and lodging.

Deadline for registration is March 6, 2012.

Rachel's Vineyard -- Healing the pain of Abortion. Begin the healing process by attending a weekend retreat that focuses on God's love and forgiveness in a non-judgmental environment. The retreat is open and welcomes individuals of all denominations. The retreat will be held on the weekend of April 13-15, 2012. For more information or to register please contact Bonnie at r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net or phone 1-306-480-8911.

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POSITION AVAILABLE:

The Board of the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism in Saskatoon invites applications for the half-time position of Director for the Centre. For more information contact the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism at 306 653-1633 or at pce@ecumenism.net . Resumes may also be sent to 600 45th St. W, Saskatoon, SK S7L 5W9. Closing date for applications is Feb. 29 2012

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Way of the Cross Fridays during Lent
7PM to be led by:
MAR 2 - C W L
MAR 9 - K of C
MAR 16 - Pastoral Care Team
MAR 23 - Liturgy
MAR 30 - Parish Council

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There will be **a Brunch after 11:00 AM**
Mass, Sunday, Feb.26 / 11 ;
All are welcome !

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The Parish needs your help ! We need a chairperson for the building committee. We also need a contact person for Pro-Life. Please contact Chairman Paul Lewans.

Hello Search Family,

Thank you for your many prayers...we have officially filled all of our vocation talks! Closer to the wire than we would have planned, but God's plan trumps all...haha:) Singles for Christ, an organization that guides the discernment of all vocations, will be sending 5 members...yes 5...to join us on Sunday morning along with Sr. Juana Benedicta of the Cross, Shelley & John Lohues (Ma & Pa) and Fr. Rick Krofchek. God is so good. Just a tidbit of other Search family vocation news:

- 1) We have our first seminarian joining us as an Adult New Searcher this year.
 - 2) For those of you who know Dominic Rosario who joined our Search family in 2010...he is currently attending the seminary in British Columbia.
 - 3) Our former beloved Search Director, Loretta Fritz, continues to thrive as an applicant at the Madonna House in Combermere, Ont.
 - 4) Lance Rosen & Katie Lohues along with Dustin Heatcoat & Elizabeth Huber got married.
 - 5) Mitchell Smith, Rachel Cyrenne, Heather Moen & Matt Nelson are engaged to be married.
- Please feel free to keep us updated regarding your own vocation so that we can continue to share in God's joy as a Search family. May we continue to pray for vocations within our families & church communities!
St. Michael pray for us,
Jenn Foley

Confirmation Candidates have been added

Saturday, March 3	
Collection	Please Volunteer
Greeters & Offerings	Brad & Debbie Auchstaetter
Rosary Leaders	Paulette Lapaire Rosemary Young
Readers	Ron Scheltgen Rita Walters
Communion Ministers	Anette Pryce Janice Erfle
Cross Bearer	Knights of Columbus
Candle Bearers	Knights of Columbus
Altar Servers	Ayana BeBeau Knights of Columbus
Sunday, March 4	
Collection	Reece & Ryder Dancsok
Greeters & Offerings	Claudette & Mack Peskleway
Rosary Leaders	Jeanne Leduc Gil Keck
Readers	Gail Delorme Gerald Delorme
Communion Ministers	Yvonne Hoffos Murray McCrank Aime Morin
Cross Bearer	Dawson Twemlow
Candle Bearers	Quinn Hodges Amber Nelson
Altar Servers	Kaitlin Feeley Sarah Feeley

Church Finances

Saturday Collection Feb 18 - \$ 622.00

Sunday Collection Feb 19 - \$ 1015.00

Thank You !

Good News!

February 26, 2012

First Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15 / 1 Pt 3:18-22 / Mk 1:12-15

Desert time.

As a midwesterner in the middle of winter, I must admit that thoughts of the desert are pretty appealing right now. But in Scripture, the desert isn't a welcoming place. Mark's description of the desert Jesus entered is characteristically succinct, but it clearly doesn't appear to be a place of hospitality. Wild beasts, Satan, loneliness—particularly in Jesus' day, the desert wilderness wasn't an exotic locale for *Survivor*-like reality shows, but a place of profound testing and challenge.

Many of us have experienced desert times. In a time of career discernment, we may feel unclear about our next move. In a time of serious illness, we may question our life's focus. In a relationship crisis, we may find our trust in a beloved companion to be shaken.

If we survive desert time, we often emerge changed, with a deeper sense of direction. We may even have a new focus or a new mission.

On coming out of his desert time, Jesus' initial words were urgent and focused: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." He emerged with a fervent commitment to spreading the news of God's kingdom.

This Lent, we're invited into the desert to reflect on how we most need God to shake us up, draw us away from sin, and call us into new ways of life. Jesus came out of the desert proclaiming the reign of God; as we come out of the desert at Easter, how will we be changed and ready to advance God's kingdom? How might we allow God's transforming grace to call us into a new mission?

Janel Esker

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