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**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**NOV. 27, 2011**

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

**Monday, Nov 28** † GRANT FARWELL by Al & Denise Farwell  
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**Tuesday, Nov 29** † ALMA KWASNICKI by Olga Chubey

**Wednesday, Nov 30** ALL O'NEILL FAMILY INTENTIONS

**Thursday, Dec 1** † GILBERT DELORME by Fr. Prince Kurisinkal  
**6:00 P M** C W L Supper to follow

**Friday, Dec 2** ALL CROISIETIERE FAMILY INTENTIONS

**FIRST FRIDAY**

**Saturday, Dec 3** † FATHER LUCIEN RODRIGUE by Al & Denise Farwell

**7:30 PM SUNDAY MASS ~ ASSINIBOIA**

**Sunday, Dec 4 9:00 AM SUNDAY MASS ~ MOSSBANK**  
**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

# Advent

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The Catholic Women's League will once again be making Advent wreaths and Jesse Tree ornaments with the children on Sunday, November 27th following the 11:00 am Mass. A light lunch will be provided for the children and parents.

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FOCUS ON OUR FUTURE: Annual Appeal NOV. 27

PLEASE KEEP YOUR PINK COPY WHEN DONATING FUNDS; WRITE CHEQUES TO ST. GEORGE'S PARISH & THANK YOU ! Did you know ... the average gift over the whole Archdiocese 2010 was \$ 193.00 ? that our Parish goal 2010 was higher-19,356?

⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ Our Parish Goal Is \$ 18, 706 ; we have now collected \$ 10,745

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CWL Christmas Party Thursday Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> Mass at 6:00 p.m. - Supper to follow  
Great Menu - Italian Price - \$13.00 Members encouraged to bring guests  
Everyone to bring a gift ( between \$5.00 to \$10.00 )

(Attendance sign-up sheet at back of church) Deadline to confirm and pay – Nov. 27th  
Contacts: Pat - 642-3755 Irene 642-4951 ( Will collect before/after Mass each week )

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Many thanks to all who donated food, money to buy turkeys, and their time to make our fowl supper a success. Despite the weather we cleared \$5200.00 after expenses and served 610 people including takeouts. Pat yourselves on the back.

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CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA

The CMIC 2010 Calendar "Reflections On Dene Land" are now available. There is one on display on the table in the foyer of the church. If you would like to order one, there is a toll free phone number: 1-866-937-2642, speak to Jenny at ext.230 or an e-mail address: calendar@cmic.info. They are \$12.95 each, 2 for \$25, or 5 for \$50. If there were enough that wanted them I (Lynn Rogers) could submit the total order together to get the better deal. If you would like to do this please leave your name on the sheet inside the calendar and I will do it. The sale of these calendars assists mission locations throughout Canada through CMIC. (Once we know how many calendars would be ordered, payment would have to be collected before ordering.)

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Would you like to remember /pray for your deceased loved ones in a special way ? Please consider Mass Intentions for them, or for any intention, at \$10.00 per Mass. Our parish is now short / out of Mass intentions. Mark your envelope for whom, (and mark if this person is deceased,) and by whom, if desired, and drop in the collection basket, or see the office/Fr. Joy. These funds always go to the priest directly.

The Rotary Carol Festival will be held at the Prince of Wales Centre on Sunday, December 4 beginning at 2:00 p.m. Admission is \$3.00 or the equivalent in non-perishables for the Food Bank.

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NEW SUNDAY MISSALS

are for sale \$5.00;

also Young Catholics Missals \$5.00 each

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Remember to ask for "Nativity / Christian" postage stamps when you are mailing your Christmas mail and keep Christ in Christmas. If we don't use these stamps, Canada Post may quit making them.

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Feel free to bring used postage stamps, all kinds, ie Canadian, International, USA, with ¼ inch border around, on paper, on cardboard, to the back of the church.

Also pop/beer can zip tops / pull tabs.

Also Campbells Soup labels. We now have charities / programs that will benefit from all these donations.

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CAMPION COLLEGE at the University of Regina Posters on bulletin board : re :

Annual Campaign to raise money & Advent Musica Sacra Concert NOV.27, at 3:00 p.m.

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Ecumenical Advent Quiet Day

for Women in Ministry

St. Michael's Retreat Centre, Lumsden

Friday, Dec. 2nd, 2011 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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An Evening With Dr. Peter Kreeft-Saskatoon

- info on bulletin board

Event will take place at St. Patrick Parish

(3339 Centennial Drive, Saskatoon)

on Sunday January 29, 2012

First Sunday of Advent: Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>

We are the servants of God, each with his or her own task. We will be judged good stewards if, at His coming, He finds us ready and conscientiously pursuing the tasks to which we have been called.



The Advent wreath dates back to ancient celebrations of the winter solstice—that time in the year when the sun reaches its southernmost point in the heavens and the days are the darkest and most gloomy. Because they longed for the return of the sun's light and life, the ancients stopped all usual activity, sacrificed the use of their wagon wheels and hung them up, festooned with lights and greens in their celebration halls. There they awaited the return of their sun-god, thinking of the warmth and life he brought. Celebrations culminated in the "nativity" of the sun—the turning point of the year.

As Christians, we use the same meaningful custom to anticipate the feast of light and life: the nativity of the Savior. We add one light on the wreath for each Sunday in Advent. We think of the darkness after Adam's sin and watch the growing hope and light as the prophets and the Virgin help us prepare for His saving birth.

**Saturday / Sunday Ministries**

**Saturday, Dec 3**

Collection Please Volunteer

Greeters & Offerings Rita Walters  
Irene Klein

Rosary Leaders Ron Scheltgen

Readers Hayden Hodges  
Al Farwell

Communion Ministers Marilyn Marcenko  
Irene Montgomery

Cross Bearer Please

Candle Bearers Volunteer

Altar Servers Please

**Sunday, Dec 4**

Collection Please Volunteer

Greeters & Offerings Con & Carol  
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Rosary Leaders Irene Marcenko  
Irene Montgomery

Readers Janice Erfle  
Raymond Kuipers

Communion Ministers Murray McCrank  
Aime Morin  
Lynn Rogers

Cross Bearer Justin Delorme

Candle Bearers Carly VanDeSype  
Christina Franks

Altar Servers Morgan Delorme  
Sarah Feeley

**Church Finances**

Saturday Collection Nov 19 - \$ 520.00

Sunday Collection Nov 20 - \$ 1130.05

**Thank You !**

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# Good News!

**November 27, 2011**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7 / 1 Cor 1:3-9 / Mk 13:33-37

My favorite songwriter, David Wilcox, wrote a fantastic song entitled "Start With the Ending." In it, he suggests beginning a marriage by exploring what could *end* it—difficult personality traits, past romantic travails, constant squabbling—and dealing with those issues up front, before they become marriage-enders. It's a delightful concept for a song and an excellent way to start Advent.

How do we end Advent? Often distressed that we didn't get our child this year's "in" present or frustrated over burned cookies or dreading Uncle George's visit. We're stressed out, tired out, and caroled-out before the day even arrives.

So what if we started this Advent with that ending? What if we sought a different Advent conclusion than the usual stress and mess? Our children will survive with fewer but more thoughtful presents. Instead of making ten cookie recipes, leaving our kitchens an unholy mess, we could enjoy a cookie swap. Decorations could be simpler, prayers could be more numerous, and anxiety about difficult relatives replaced with gratitude for having family to celebrate with.

Yet we know we'll need God's help to change our usual Advent ending. In today's first reading, the Hebrew people demand God's assistance: "Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you!" Saint Paul reminds the Corinthians that God "will keep you firm to the end." As we begin this holy season we, like our Hebrew ancestors, can passionately ask the Lord to keep us firm to the end of Advent, when we celebrate God's coming among us as Emmanuel.

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