

St. George's Roman Catholic Parish

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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NOV. 28, 2010

Schedule of Masses

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

Monday, Nov. 29 NO MASS

Tuesday, Nov. 30 TERRY MULVENA

***** 7:00 PM

Wednesday, Dec. 1 ↑ OPAL & CARL SCHUWEILER by Dorothy & Garry Karst

Thursday, Dec. 2 The ERIC BERGERON by St. George's CWL

5:30 PM MASS; CWL SUPPER 6:30 PM

Friday, Dec. 3 The BOB KARST by Aunt Aimee

FIRST FRIDAY

Saturday, Dec. 4 The MEDARD HUYS by George Mayes

7:30 PM SUNDAY MASS ~ ASSINIBOIA

Sunday, Dec. 5 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

Fr. Joy Montiague, Pastor

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

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Religious Calendars in French or Polish or English:

\$5.00 each — please put money into the little wooden church at the back

CWL Christmas Party

Thursday, December 2, our regular meeting night.
Mass at 5:30PM; Supper at Andy's 6:30PM,
Followed by a social and dessert at the Parish Centre.
CWL members and guests: each bring a \$5.00
wrapped gift, for an adult, for a gift exchange.

The CWL will once again be helping out the Valley Native Ministry during the Advent season. This year Sr. Bernadette Feist has requested Funds to purchase "St Joseph's Picture Books" which are a Catholic series on topics such as Mass, sacraments, prayers, rosary, parables, miracles, etc. They sell for \$1.95. We have created a Toonie Tree and will have paper books for sale @ \$2 a book. You can put your name on the book, or your children /grandchildren's name. The money raised will be sent to Valley Native Ministry along with the 'tree' for them to see. The tree will be located in the foyer of the church and someone will be present at masses to collect the toonies. EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS ADVENT PROJECT.

Thank you for your interest in our Valley Native Ministry which is a part of Canadian Missions in Canada (CMIC)

COMMITMENT TO THE FUTURE -

Parish Goal = \$ 19. 356

Collected = \$ 9,735 after Nov.22

The call of the Commitment to the Future is a call for growth in faith – to believe in the promise extended by God through the words of Scripture. Respond in faith, knowing and trusting that God recognizes your sacrificial willingness to live in the message of the Gospel. Commit to the Future!

Please read THE ARCH page 7 about this year's Appeal. It's a 4-month campaign—all funds to be in by Dec. 31st. Amounts will be included on tax receipts that will be issued from the Parish early 2011. Rebates to parishes will be paid out as of Dec. 31st.

<u>Parish Penitential Service</u>: Tues., December 14 7:00 PM, with visiting priests

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Nov. 28: The Son of Man will come at an hour you do not expect. Good stewards know that they are accountable to God for all they have and are, and they strive to live in readiness for His coming.

<u>HELP WANTED –</u> Your Parish is in need of more sacristans; if interested, please call Rose Delorme 642-5137 or 640-8824 ①

New Missals for sale - the back of the church \$4.00

Books For Sale at Mass: / from Church Office:
History of the Archdiocese of Regina \$30.00 each
The 100th anniversary history books are done!!
Great for Christmas gift- giving! ◎ ◎ ◎ ●

At the Archdiocesan Regional Resource Centre in Swift Current we have a good selection of VHS tapes, books and DVDs relating to the Advent and Christmas Seasons. We have just recently received 'The Donkey's Tale', 'Advent with Saint Nicholas', and 'Following Jesus Through the Church Year' on DVD, among many others. Please drop in or call Val at 773-0026 and leave a message to borrow from our library or browse available titles.

Seeking Light in the Darkness: A Service of Prayer to Address the Issue of Clergy Sexual Abuse in the Church

- In the spirit of our Advent journey, inviting Christ to come and illuminate our troubled hearts, all are invited to a time of prayer to initiate a deeper awareness of the reality of clergy sexual abuse within our faith community on Tuesday, November 30 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Jean Baptiste Church, 2517 25th Ave. Regina





Good News!

November 28, 2010 First Sunday of Advent

Is 2:1-5 • Rom 13:11-14 • Mt 24:37-44

Greetings! Though we may never meet in person, I feel deeply connected to you through our sharing in the Word. Thank you for the privilege of accompanying you as we seek to follow Jesus.

The wreath? The violet vestments? "O Come Emmanuel"? Already?! Though Christmas decorations start creeping into stores before Halloween, Advent often sneaks up on us. In our busy lives, it's easy to leap ahead to Christmas without really observing this sacred season of waiting—yet celebrating Advent doesn't have to be just one more item on our December to-do list.

Today we hear Jesus' admonition to his followers to "stay awake" and "be prepared" for the coming of the Lord. He doesn't give a long list of essentials to purchase; he doesn't suggest a rigorous spiritual retreat; he doesn't give specific instructions. Simply stay awake. Be aware. Be conscious of God's bursting forth into the world.

It isn't hard. As we write Christmas cards, we can pray for those receiving our greetings and for those to whom we no longer write, whether because we've grown apart or because of a long-held grudge. As we decorate, we can thank God for the gifts that make our lives more beautiful. As we prepare food for family gatherings, we can reflect on the nourishment we receive in the Eucharist.

A friend of mine once referred to Advent as the "27 stopping days before Christmas." In the midst of shopping, decorating, and baking, we are called to stop—to stay awake to God's movement in our lives.

This isn't just one more item on our list of things to do. It's a new way "to do" our lives.

Janel Esker sundaybulletins@liguori.org

Please welcome Janel Esker to the Liguori Sunday Bulletins. Janel holds a master of divinity degree from Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, Missouri, where she is the registrar. She is married and the stepmother of three sons.

dearPadre

How are brothers and monks different from priests?

What is the difference between a lay brother, a monk, and a priest?

Becca

Dear Becca,

A brother is a man who takes religious vows and belongs to a religious congregation or order but is not ordained. He commits his life to prayer and ministry, but his ministry is nonsacramental—he doesn't preside at Mass, hear confessions, or perform the other sacraments. Brothers' ministries vary greatly and can be just about any job—from doing maintenance in one of the congregation's facilities to being the head of a religious order.

Monks are male members of religious orders who live a cloistered or contemplative lifestyle, like the Trappists or Benedictines. They normally stay within the confines of a monastery, although some monks do live "in the world" to perform a specific ministry that can't be done within the monastery—teaching, for example. While most monks are brothers, some are ordained priests, mainly so they can give the sacraments to the other monks.

Priests are ordained primarily to perform the sacraments. They can have additional jobs, like running corporations or doing social work, but their primary focus is to care for the sacramental life of the Church.

(Arch) diocesan priests serve within a specific geographic area known as an (arch) diocese. They take vows of chastity and obedience. Religious priests take those vows as well as a vow of poverty and serve within a religious order or congregation such as the Redemptorists, Franciscans, or Benedictines.

Rick Potts, C.Ss.R.



Church Finances

Saturday Collection Nov 20 - \$375.00 Sunday Collection Nov 21 - \$1655.00 Thank You!

What are Doctors of the Church?

I read the other day that Saint Teresa of Avila was the first woman Doctor of the Church. What does that title mean?

Tom

Dear Tom.

Institutions of higher learning confer doctorates on those who make a significant contribution to a particular discipline. The word doctor is derived from the Latin docere, "to teach."

While all saints are exceptionally holy, popes bestow the honorary title Doctor of the Church to saints of exceptional wisdom and learning who have had a monumental theological or doctrinal impact on the Church.

To date, there are only thirty-three Doctors—thirty men and three women. Saints Ambrose, Jerome, Augustine, and Gregory the Great were the original four. Saint Thomas Aguinas was accorded the distinctions Doctor Angelicus and Doctor Communis for his purity of life and for clarity of thought that seemingly stretched beyond the confines of the human intellect.

Saint Alphonsus Liquori was named a Doctor most quickly—only eighty-four years after his death. In September 1970, Pope Paul VI named Teresa of Avila the first woman Doctor of the Church. One week later. he named Catherine of Siena a Doctor. The most recent saint, male or female, to be named a Doctor is Thérèse of Lisieux. Pope John Paul II designated her in 1997, and she was the only saint he named a Doctor. Byron Miller, CSsR

Saturday, Dec 4 Ushers / Collection

Please Volunteer Rick & Bernie

Greeters & Offerings

Rosary Leaders

Chevrier Paulette Lapaire

Rosemary Young

Readers

Wes & Gayleen Thomson

Communion Ministers

Anette Pryce Rita Walters

Cross Bearer

Derek Beaubien

Candle Bearers

Altar Servers

Quinn Hodges Bradyn Giraudier

Sunday, Dec 5

Ushers / Collection

Please Volunteer

Greeters & Offerings

Gerald & Dianne Bamford Family

Rosary Leaders

Terry Baker Ann Caragata

Readers

Janice Erfle Vicki Kachuik

Communion Ministers

Tom Delorme Jo-Ann Girardin

Yvonne Hoffos

Cross Bearer Candle Bearers Altar Servers

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