

## St. George's Roman Catholic Parish

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## St. Louis Parish

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NOV. 30, 2014

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

(Unless otherwise mentioned, all weekday Masses are at 9 AM) Monday, DEC 1 OPAL & CARL SCHUWEILER by Dorothy & Garry Karst ⇒ ⇒7:00 PM Tuesday, DEC 2 MARIE LESPERANCE by Sara Bouvier

10:30 AM Hospital

→ 7:30 PM PRAYER VIGIL for Madeleine Orten

Wednesday, DEC 3 FUNERAL MASS for Madeleine Orten

⇒ ⇒ 2:00 PM

Thursday, DEC 4 ⇒ ⇒ 6:00 P M Friday, DEC 5 FIRST FRIDAY

DECEASED CWL MEMBERS by St. George's CWL CWL CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

GERARD LIZEE by Walt & Carole Agopsowicz

Saturday, DEC 6 PAUL SILZER by Louise Peters

SUNDAY MASS ~ ASSINIBOIA ~ NO 7:30 PM Mass ⇒5:00 PM

SUNDAY MASS ~ WILLOW BUNCH Sunday, DEC 7 9:00 AM 11:00 AM SUNDAY MASS ~ ASSINIBOIA

RECONCILIATION: Before Mass or by appointment MARRIAGES: Contact priest at least 6 months prior BAPTISMS: Contact priest 2 months prior House Blessings By Appointment	⇒ ⇒Visit the Archdiocese of Regina: <u>www.archregina.sk.ca</u> For the latest events and new stories
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POT LUCK LUNCH FOLLOWING MASS ON NOVEMBER 30TH. EVERYONE
WELCOME. CHILDREN WILL MAKE ADVENT CRAFTS FOLLOWING LUNCH.
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CWL Christmas social will be held on Thursday, December 4 beginning with
Mass at 6:00 p.m. followed by a catered supper and fellowship in the KC
room. All CWL members and their spouses or friends are welcome to
attend as well as any women of the parish, along with their spouses or a
friend, who are interested in finding out more about our organization. If
you are planning to attend, please sign the sign-up sheet in the church
entrance and indicate the number that will be attending or call Lynn Rogers
(306 642 7803), Maureen Beauchesne (306 642 4602) or Janice Erfle
(306 642 3586). The evening will cost each person \$20 and this will include
a meal + beverage + donation for Valley Native Ministry.
There will be no gift exchange this year. See you there!!
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<u>Xuan Thuy Nguyen</u> will be ordained to the Priesthood on Friday, December
12th, 2014 at Holy Rosary Cathedral, Regina at 7:00 p.m. We ask that you
please pray for Thuy and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.
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Reminding all CWL members that \$30.00 membership fees for 2015 are
now due. Please contact Debbie Buztynski (306-642-4423) or Pat Piche
(306-642-3755). We would like to have all memberships paid by Dec. 10.
"How are we using the talents God gave us?" Please consider serving as
Secretary for your Parish Finance Council. You would be asked to attend
monthly meetings. Phone Rene Chabot 642-3302/Gerry Bamford 642-5625
2014 BUILDING FUND: Within our campaign period, we have received
\$31,562.00 MANY THANKS! Please continue giving

## NOV.30, 2014: SERVANTS OF ALL: ANNUAL APPEAL GOAL = \$19, 263; Parish amount now at \$14, 205

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Madeleine Orten, whose Prayer Service will be Tues., DEC.2 at 7:30PM and whose Funeral will be Wed., DEC.3 at 2:00 PM both at St. George's. May she rest in peace and her family experience God's peace and strength.

Euthanasia and assisted suicide is a very real danger to our present society. We require individual actions immediately. Quebec has made this legal, and on October 15, 2014, the Supreme Court of Canada heard the Carter v. Canada case, which seeks to legalize assisted suicide and euthanasia in Canada. It is imperative that each of us speak, write or e-mail their members of parliament as a private citizen stating opposition to euthanasia and assisted suicide. Our MPs need to hear from their constituents. A national palliative care strategy must be called for to offset the demand for euthanasia and assisted suicide.



The Advent wreath dates back to ancient celebrations of the winter solstice—that time in the year when the sun reaches its southern most 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. (ele brations 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 is prepare for this saving birth.

Saturday / Sunday Ministries Saturday, DEC 6 \*\*\* 5:00 PM Collection Please Volunteer Greeters & Offerings Brad & Debbie Auchstaetter Irene Klein Rosary Leaders Cordelia Scheltgen Readers KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Communion Ministers KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Cross Bearer KNIGHTS Candle Bearers OF Altar Servers COLUMBUS Sunday, DEC 7 Collection Please Volunteer Greeters & Offerings Lorraine Silzer Maureen Beauchesne Rosary Leaders Irene Marcenko Irene Montgomery Readers Dave Malcolm George Marcenko Communion Ministers Jeremie Brochu Philomene Brochu Gerald Delorme Altar Servers Victoria Grondin William Grondin Josh Martel

#### **Church Finances**

Kathy

Children's Liturgy

Saturday Collection NOV 22 - \$ 538.00 Sunday Collection NOV 23 - \$ 2780.00 Propagation of the Faith - \$ 75.00

Thank You!

# Good News!

November 30, 2014 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)

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

When my mother became pregnant with my youngest sister, I was old enough to be involved with the preparations for her birth. We added a crib to the room she would share, and we gathered clothes and toys suitable for an infant. I wasn't sure we'd get everything ready in time, and it seemed like forever before she arrived. We didn't know exactly when she'd go into labor, but when she did, we each had a job to do at home while my father took her to the hospital. I was overjoyed when my mother brought her home just before Christmas.

Advent is the Church's time to prepare for new birth. My family had nine months to get ready for my sister. The Church calendar gives us only four short weeks to make our hearts ready to receive Christ.

How do we do that? The Scriptures help us by recalling both the promise of his coming and the exhortation to stay awake because we don't know when it will happen.

How odd, we might think. Christmas is always December 25 of course we know when Jesus is born. What we have to remember is that while Christmas celebrates Jesus' birth at a particular time and place over 2,000 years ago, it also reminds us that Christ is alive today, waiting for us to open our hearts to him. It reminds us that Christ is coming again and that we don't want to be caught napping when he does.

We also prepare by taking extra time to pray, to practice kindness and service, and to remember those in need.

Where will Christ be born in you this Christmas? Will you be ready?

Mary Katharine Deeley sundaybulletin@liguori.org

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