

St. John the Baptist Parish

March 9 & 10, 2019

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St. John the Baptist Parish Office

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Liturgy: 7:00PM

Sunday Liturgy: 10:00AM

Weekday Liturgy: Please check a current
bulletin

Sacrament of Anointing: contact the Parish Office

Reconciliation: Tuesdays 6pm - 6:45pm

Thursdays in Lent 11am - 12pm

Or by appointment

Office hours: Monday to Friday

9:00am -12:00pm & 1:00pm - 4:00pm

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Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

Saturday, March 9	5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass
<i>St. Frances of Rome</i>	7pm Holy Mass
Sunday, March 10	8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass
	10am Holy Mass
Monday, March 11	7pm RCIA in the meeting room
	7:30pm Knights of Columbus Meeting 
Tuesday, March 12	7pm Holy Mass †Charlie Loustel; K of C
Wednesday, March 13	11am (Hospital) Holy Mass †Irene Weinrauch; Ginny LaBelle
Thursday, March 14	12:10pm Holy Mass †Deceased relatives of the Salaway & Rolfes Families
	7pm Lenten Mission in the Parish Hall
	8pm SJB Choir Practice
Friday, March 15	6pm Adoration followed by Stations of the Cross and Holy Mass
	7:30pm †Robert Cyr; The Family
Saturday, March 16	5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass
	7pm Holy Mass
Sunday, March 17	8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass
<i>St. Patrick</i>	10am Holy Mass
	11am Messy Church Day Activities in the Parish Hall

St. John the Baptist Parish would like to congratulate the newest members of our parish family who were baptized in March. May they always be surrounded by God's love.

Casey Audigier Bondoc, daughter of Cliffvan Bondoc and Amelnah Padol

Maverick Allan Chamney, son of James and Kelsey Chamney

Elsie Mary Jane, Evangelina James and William Matthew Ciepliski, children of Aaron and Melanie Ciepliski

Harrison Scott Park, son of John Park and Melanie Ciepliski

Brynlee Ann-Marie Gagnon, daughter of Ricki Gagnon

Fox Joseph Kendall, son of Justin and Paige Kendall

Rya Lynn King, daughter of Justin King and Mylene Sivret

Ruby Lola May Mack, daughter of Jayme and Kristen Mack

Mia Mabel Senchuk, daughter of Jarren Senchuk and Tanisha Mack

Charlie Rose Walsh, daughter of Christopher and Michelle Walsh

Quinn Grace Walter, daughter of Mathew and Maria Walter

Wesley Gregory Yakimchuk, son of Nick Yakimchuk and Jamie Daniuk



Lenten Lunch Schedule - Who wants Jesus to die?

March 15th	Salvation Army/St. Joseph's Hospital @ St. Joseph's Hospital The Father wants Jesus to Die - 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2
March 22nd	Trinity Lutheran Church Judas wants Jesus to Die - Luke 22:7-20
March 29th	St. Peter's Lutheran Church Barabbas wants Jesus to Die - Mark 15:6-15
April 5th	St. Paul's United Church The High Priest wants Jesus to Die - John 18:12-14
April 12th	St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church Satan wants Jesus to Die - Matthew 4:1-11



St. John the Baptist Parish Lent and Holy Week Mass Schedule

Saturday, April 13 at 7pm - Palm Sunday Holy Mass
 Sunday, April 14 at 10am - Palm Sunday Holy Mass
 Thursday, April 18 at 7:30pm - Holy Thursday Holy Mass
 Friday, April 19 at 12pm - Good Friday Liturgy of the Word
 Friday, April 19 at 3pm - Good Friday Liturgy of the Word
 Saturday, April 20 at 3pm - Easter Basket Blessing
 Saturday, April 20 at 8:30pm - Easter Vigil
 Sunday, April 21 at 10am - Easter Sunday Holy Mass



Please note that during Lent the Thursday Holy Masses will be at 12:10pm. Also, every Friday during Lent there will be Adoration at 6pm and Stations of the Cross and Holy Mass at 7pm. There will not be a Holy Mass at 9am on Fridays during Lent.

Stations of the Cross

Each Friday during Lent, you are invited to take some time out of your day to reflect and prepare your heart for Easter. We will begin with Adoration at 6pm, then Stations of the Cross at 7pm followed by Holy Mass.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Led By</u>
Friday, March 15	CWL
Friday, March 22	Parishioners
Friday, March 29	Holy Family Teachers & Staff
Friday, April 5	Pastoral Council
Friday, April 12	K of C



RCIA

Taking part in our RCIA program this year, we have four catechumens, Catherine Kroeker, Savanna Kuntz, Morgan Petersen and Hyunok Min, and two candidates, Kristina Muhr and Chantel Cossette.

Our catechumens are attending the Rite of Election this weekend where they will be accepted by the Church to continue on their journey towards the Easter sacraments.

God of Love,

Let us surround our catechumens and candidates with prayer as we accompany and lead them to encounter Christ. And may they find in our community, compelling signs of unity and generous love. Amen.

RCIA
Christian Formation Process

READINGS FOR MARCH

16 & 17

FIRST READING GENESIS 15.5-12,
17-18

SECOND READING PHILLIPIANS
3.17-4.1

GOSPEL LUKE 9.28B-36

You can donate your used prescription eye glasses and tabs from canned beverages to St. Mary's School c/o Gwen Van de Woestyne.

These donations will be forwarded to Regina Pasqua Hospital and an Eye Practitioner for those in need.

March 10, 2019 - 1st Sunday of Lent

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me." (Deuteronomy 26:10)

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your "first fruits", the best that you have to offer, or do you give from what is leftover? Second, do you recognize that everything you have has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting for our Parish will be on Sunday, March 31 at 11:30am (following the 10am Holy Mass).

Everyone is invited!! Come see what your Parish is up to and please bring any suggestions or recommendations for your Parish Family.



St. Giles Anglican Church

invites you to



Every Wednesday during Lent you are welcome to come to St. Giles to pray, rest or sit and just 'be' in the presence of God. There will be prayer aids, candles, music and printed materials.

Pause and Pray with us every Wednesday from

March 13-April 17

12-1 PM and from 5-7:30 PM.

St. Giles Anglican Church

317 12th Avenue, Estevan

For information call 306-897-0402



FAST AND FEAST DURING LENT

When we hear about Fasting, often and always it reminds us of abstinence from food. But there are certain areas, which will help us to be more holy if we can fast; at the same time we can feast on certain levels of our lives.

Fast from Suspicion and Feast on Truth

Fast from Complaining and Feast on Appreciation

Fast from Judging and Feast on Christ with in others

Fast from Idle Gossip and Feast on Purposeful Silence

Fast from Anger and Feast on Forgiveness

Fast from Discouragement and Feast on Hope

Fast from Worry and Feast on Trusting God

Fast from Unrelenting Pressures and feast on Unceasing Prayer

Fast from Lethargy and Feast on Enthusiasm

Fast from Emphasizing the Differences and Feast on The Unity

Fast from Thoughts of Illness and Feast on the Healing Power of God

THOUGHTS FOR ACTION – LENT 2019

Pope Francis said on Ash Wednesday, as he urged people to slow down and turn to Christ during the penitential season.

Fasting from food or other things during Lent is a chance to reorient our unnecessary material attachments.

“Jesus on the wood of the cross burns with love, and calls us to a life that is passionate for him, which is not lost amid the ashes of the world; to a life that burns with charity and is not extinguished in mediocrity,” “Is it difficult to live as he asks? Yes, it is difficult, but it leads us to our goal,” he continued. “Lent shows us this. It begins with the ashes, but eventually leads us to the fire of Easter night; to the discovery that, in the tomb, the body of Jesus does not turn to ashes, but rises gloriously.”

“It is a summons to stop, to focus on what is essential, to fast from the unnecessary things that distract us. It is a wake-up call for the soul.”

This wake-up call, he said, includes a message from the Lord: “Return to me.” “Return to me, says the Lord. To me. The Lord is the goal of our journey in this world. The direction must lead to him.” He advised to fix our gaze upon the Crucified Christ, because “from the cross, Jesus teaches us the great courage involved in renunciation.”

“We will never move forward if we are heavily weighed down,” he continued. “The poverty of the wood, the silence of the Lord, his loving self-emptying show us the necessity of a simpler life, free from anxiety about things.”

In his homily, Pope Francis reflected on the three areas the Lord invites Catholics to focus on during Lent – almsgiving, prayer, and fasting. “What are they for?” he asked. “Prayer reunites us to God; charity, to our neighbor; fasting, to ourselves.”

The season of Lent is an invitation to focus first on God, he continued, then on charity toward others, and “finally, Lent invites us to look inside our heart, with fasting, which frees us from attachment to things and from the worldliness that numbs the heart.”

Comparing the heart to a magnet, which always “needs to attach itself to something,” he said if it always “attaches” to things of the world, “sooner or later it becomes a slave to them.”

By comparison, if people turn their hearts to the things which abide, which do not pass away, that is where they will find true freedom, he said.

The ashes, he explained, are a sign of this detachment – “a sign that causes us to consider what occupies our mind.”

“The small mark of ash, which we will receive, is a subtle yet real reminder that of the many things occupying our thoughts, that we chase after and worry about every day, nothing will remain,” he stated.

“Earthly realities fade away like dust in the wind,” he said, reminding Catholics that no material possessions or wealth go with them past the grave.

“Lent is the time to free ourselves from the illusion of chasing after dust,” he urged. “Lent is for rediscovering that we are created for the inextinguishable flame, not for ashes that immediately disappear; for God, not for the world; for the eternity of heaven, not for earthly deceit; for the freedom of the children of God, not for slavery to things.” “We should ask ourselves today: Where do I stand? Do I live for fire or for ash?”

Personal question for reflection: “What makes me different in Lent?”