

St. John the Baptist Parish

May 6th & 7th, 2017 4th Sunday of Easter

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." Psalm 23

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Mass Schedule
Saturday Liturgy: 7:00PM **Sunday Liturgy:** 10:00AM
Weekday Liturgy: Please check the back of a current bulletin
Reconciliation: Saturdays 11:00AM
Sacrament of Anointing: contact the pastor



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Stewardship

Dawn Hengen

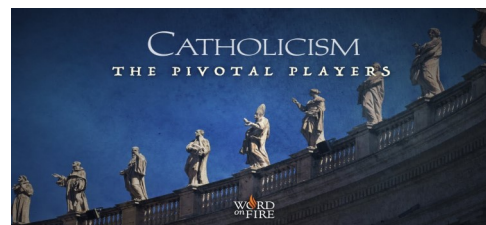


Thanks so much to all Church Ministers for your service in the Lord. I pray that God continues to bless each of you in your lives and pray that you will know how special you each are to me. I pray that you continue to carry on the work of God, serving in His love.

*With much appreciation,
Lorraine Schlamp*

WE ARE INVITED: On behalf of the congregation of St. Giles Anglican Church, the Venerable Wilma Woods invites the congregation and clergy of St. John the Baptist Parish to join them for a service of Evening Prayer on Wednesday, June 14th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Giles Anglican Church. There will be a time after the service for refreshments and fellowship. *(Fr. Brian hopes that people of all ages will attend.)*

Movie and A Lunch will be on Tuesday, May 16 in the Church Auditorium. Everyone is welcome to attend. We will be watching the sixth session of Bishop Robert Barron's new series "Catholicism: The Pivotal Players". This series tells the stories of saints, artists and scholars. We will be watching the video about Michelangelo at this session. A free will offering will be accepted for the lunch.
See you there!!



Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

Knights of Columbus Meeting	Monday, May 8	7:30pm	Auditorium
Book Club	Tuesday, May 9	7pm	Formation Room
Choir Practice	Thursday, May 11	6:30pm	Church
Movie and a Lunch	Tuesday, May 16	9:30am	Auditorium
Pastoral Council	Tuesday, May 16	7pm	Boardroom
Choir Practice	Thursday, May 18	6:30pm	Church

Due to a change in the date of DPC meeting, the Estevan Deanery DPC meeting has been postponed from May 18 until Thurs. June 22 at 2:00 pm in Oxbow.

Stewardship Bulletin Bit

May 7, 2017-4th Sunday of Easter

“And Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ...’ Acts 2:38

The word “repent” means to turn from sin, to change our actions. When it comes to change, do we take responsibility for change or do we think that others have to change instead? Change that is permanent comes from within, we must take control and be disciplined. Remember though that we are not alone, Jesus is there to help lighten the load.

Catholic Education Week May 21 - 27, 2017 – And You Will See Me

We, gathered together in our Catholic schools, see the gift of God’s love and grace in every person we are blessed to share in the mission of education with. We celebrate our opportunity to find God in our thoughts, prayers and actions.

There are four sub-themes, one for each school day of Catholic Education Week, aimed at helping students and staff to reflect more fully on what it means to see Our Lord Jesus.

The four sub-themes are:

And You Will See Me ... *In Creation*

And You Will See Me ... *In Each Other*

And You Will See Me ... *In Our School*

And You Will See Me ... *In the Church*

We begin the week by celebrating in mass with our priests and then enjoying the Victoria Day Holiday. Catholic Education Week is marked by special activities at all grade levels, including prayer celebrations and activities. We invite you to visit our school(s) during this special week and to participate in any of our activities as we celebrate Catholic Education Week 2017.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

St. John the Baptist Parish, Estevan

Sat.	May	6	7:00pm	Estevan	† Esther Colbow;Knights of Columbus
Sun.	May	7	10:00am	Estevan	Mass for Parishioners
Mon.	May	8		Estevan	No Mass
Tues.	May	9	9:00am	Estevan	No Mass
Wed.	May	10	10:00am	Hillview Manor	No Mass
Wed.	May	10	11:00am	Hospital	No Mass
Thurs.	May	11	9:00am	Estevan	No Mass
Fri.	May	12	10:00am	Nursing Home	No Mass
Sat.	May	13	7:00pm	Estevan	† Robert Schiestel; Mary Schiestel
Sun.	May	14	10:00am	Estevan	Mass for Parishioners

St. Monica's, Bienfait

Sun.	June	4	11:45am	Bienfait	† Leonard Gress; Leo Gress
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Ministries for May 13 & 14, Fifth Sunday of Easter

Cup Ministers

7:00pm (Ann)Eden Pacunayen, Margaret Mack, Amber Hilstrom, Dawn Hengen, Clara Weinrauch
 10:00am (Ann)Theresa Fernandez, Lynnwood Cundall, Jackie Phillips, Jo Ann Schopf, Malou Badeo

Lectors

7:00pm Gwen Van De Woestyne & Maureen Daoust
 10:00am Joyce Wagner-Bonokoski & Carol Cundall

Hospitality Host

7:00pm Connie Wheeler & Lorraine Schlamp
 10:00am Carol Cundall & Lynwood Cundall

Ushers

7:00pm Ray Audet
 10:00am Ian Fernadez

Altar Servers

7:00pm Christian Quin
 10:00am Lyle Guino, Arvin Baluyut

Collection Counters Lil Wanner, June Fieber, Genevieve Fichter,
 Caroline Salaway, Lorraine Pho, Joanne Weisgerber

First Reading
 Acts 6.1-7

Second Reading
 1 Peter 2.4-9

Gospel
 John 14.1-12

ST. MONICA'S PARISH BIENFAIT

Please call Mary at 388-2471 for Parish Hall bookings.





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PASTORAL LETTER FROM THE BISHOPS OF SASKATCHEWAN ON THE THEODORE SCHOOL RULING

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As many of you will know, on April 20, 2017, Justice Donald Layh ruled on the Theodore Court case that the Government of Saskatchewan could no longer fund non-Catholic students attending Catholic schools in Saskatchewan, starting June 30, 2018. This judgment protects the rights of the Catholic school system to continue; but it would remove funding for our ecumenical and interfaith brothers and sisters whose children have been granted permission to attend Catholic schools. This has raised many questions and created a large degree of uncertainty for students, parents, staff and other members of the Catholic school community.

Soon after the decision was announced, Premier Brad Wall and Minister of Education Don Morgan both publicly stated their support for Catholic education and their disappointment with the court's judgment. On Monday, May 1st, the Premier signaled that that government would be invoking the 'notwithstanding clause', which effectively gives the province five years to discern how to respond to the court's ruling. The Leader of the Opposition, Trent Wotherspoon, noted his party's agreement with the use of the 'notwithstanding clause' in this case. For all of this, we are deeply grateful.

Meanwhile, the Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association (SCSBA), with the unanimous endorsement of all eight Catholic school boards in the province, announced on April 28th that it would appeal the recent decision in the Theodore court case. The government has not yet indicated whether it will also appeal the decision.

The outcome of the current tensions regarding funding for faith-based education will have a deep, lasting impact on the Catholic Church in Saskatchewan, its role in education, our relations with our ecumenical and inter-faith partners, and with the community at large. Living in a pluralistic society requires dealing with difficult decisions. As leaders of the Catholic churches in Saskatchewan, it is our strong hope that our society will allow religious faiths to play a constructive role in education as in other areas of our common life; and that Catholic schools might continue to welcome the children of families who aspire to faith-based education. We have much to offer, and society has much to lose if religious faith is marginalized and our values are not able to contribute to the common good.

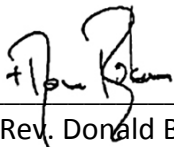
We encourage you to let your elected officials (your MLA, the Minister of Education Don Morgan, Premier Brad Wall, and Leader of the NDP Trent Wotherspoon) know that you endorse the government's decision to invoke the notwithstanding clause. You might also wish to express your

hope that the government joins in appealing the recent Theodore court ruling. A list of MLAs can be found at <http://www.legassembly.sk.ca/mlas/> . Additional information is available at <http://www.scsba.ca/theodore-case>. You might choose to write your own letter, to send an email using the electronic submission form provided at <http://www.catholicedsprit.ca/>, to send a letter signed by your parishioners, or to use the attached letter that we have drafted for your convenience.


We are also sending you separately the letter that was sent out to parents of students at Catholic schools in the Catholic school division in which your parish is situated. We take this opportunity to reiterate our strong support of the Catholic School Districts in the province.

Thank you for your continued support of Catholic education. Please keep our students, teachers, and all associated with our Catholic schools, in your prayers at this critical moment in time.


Yours in the Risen Christ,




Most Rev. Donald Bolen
Archbishop of Regina




Most Rev. Albert Thevenot
Bishop of Prince Albert



Most Rev. Murray Chatlain
Archbishop of Keewatin-Le Pas



Very Rev. Fr. Kevin McGee
Saskatoon Diocesan Administrator



Most Rev. Bryan Bayda
Ukrainian Eparchial Bishop of Saskatoon