

St. John the Baptist Parish is a warm and inviting family, living out our Baptismal call and nourished by the Eucharist, serving the needs of all with joy and gratitude, practicing stewardship, celebrating the sacraments and witnessing God

in others.

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# **Mass Schedule**

Saturday: 7 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m.

Weekday: Please check a current bulletin

**Sacraments** 

Reconciliation: Tuesdays 6p.m.- 6:45p.m. Thursdays & 3rd Fridays 8a.m. - 8:45a.m.

or by appointment

Anointing: Contact the pastor

Marriage Preparation: Contact the pastor 6 months in advance

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## **Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish**

Saturday, November 2 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

All Souls Day 7pm All Souls Day Holy Mass

Sunday, November 3 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

St. Martin de Porres 10am Holy Mass

Tuesday, November 5 7pm Holy Mass **†**Frank deBoth; Bill & Laura Baryluk

Wednesday, November 6 10am (Hillview Manor) Holy Mass **†**Leo Seipp Jr.; Louise

11am (Hospital) Holy Mass †Patricia Semeniuk; Ginny LaBelle & Family

6:30pm Reconciliation Class held in the Parish Hall

7pm SJB Choir Practice held in the Church

Thursday, November 7 9am Holy Mass **†**Richard Hagel; Hagel Family

9:30am Coffee after Mass

Friday, November 8 10am (Creighton Lodge) Holy Mass †Deceased Family Members; Albert & Family

Saturday, November 9 5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 7pm Holy Mass

Sunday, November 10 8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass

St. Leo the Great 10am Holy Mass

## Attention all CWL members

The 2020 membership fees are now being collected. We have a CWL member profile form which can be found at the main entrance of the church. We would appreciate if you would kindly fill it out and return with your fee of \$30. Memberships can be dropped in the collection basket, or at the Church office or it can be picked up. Please call Annette James at 306-421-8360. If you know of a member who needs some assistance with their membership, your help is greatly appreciated.

# First Reconciliation Important Dates



Wednesday, November 6 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall - Class

Wednesday, November 20 at 6:30pm in the

Parish Hall - Class

Wednesday, November 27 at 1:15pm in the

Parish Hall - Retreat

Wednesday, December 4 at 6:30pm in the

Church - Celebration and Social

Happy Birthday to Henry Fornwald



# **Stewardship Bulletin Bit**

"But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over.' " (Luke 19:8) We are all called to gratefully give back to the Lord in proportion to the blessings we have been given. This means everyone isn't called to give the same amount, but is called to give equal sacrifice. No amount is too small or insignificant! Open your heart, how is God calling you to be more generous with your financial resources and possessions?



Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Are you Catholic and wanting to learn more about your Catholic faith? RCIA is for everyone -people who want to know more about Christianity, people who are curious about what the Church teaches, newcomers to the Catholic Church, "cradle Catholics" who want to know more about their faith! For more information, please contact Connie Wheeler at 306-634-2190 or 306-421-8447.

# Confirmation/First Eucharist

## **Important Dates**

Wednesday, November 13 at 6:30pm - Class in the Parish Hall



**BAZAAR and BAKE SALE St. Paul's United Church** 

1418 - 3 Street, Estevan, SK

Friday, Nov. 22: 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Saturday, Nov. 23: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Sunday, Nov. 24: 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Lunch Available for Purchase** 

(Donations to Food Bank gratefully accepted at the door)

The CWL is looking for parishioners to help with Funeral Lunches. If you are interested or would like more information please contact Brenda Friess 306-421-1898.

## **Archbishop's Appeal November 3, 2019**

As we read the gospel story for this Sunday about the story of Zacchaeus, most of us have no trouble visualizing him, a short man who climbed the sycamore tree so he could see Jesus as the Lord passed. Zacchaeus was on the verge of something important, but he probably did not go up in the tree so Jesus would notice him; he climbed the tree because he was seeking Jesus.

Zacchaeus was wealthy. He was wealthy because he had over-collected taxes from the people. They hated him, but as Jesus reminds us all at the end of the Gospel passage, "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost." Zacchaeus was not a good steward of his blessings.

Jesus was aware of that when he went to Zacchaeus' home to be fed. Something important happened to Zacchaeus; he went through a conversion experience – an encounter with Christ, an event that changed his life. He began to share with special regard to the poor. He began to reach out to those whom he had mistreated. God calls us and interested with us as He did with Zacchaeus. He continuously invites himself to us in our own hearts; he says, "I want to stay at your house today!" If we respond to this invitation like Zacchaeus did. a transformation of mind and heart will ensue. What will follow will be to reach out to others especially to those who are destitute, both spiritually and actually. Like Zacchaeus, sharing our blessings is responding to God's call of love and mercy to those most in need among his children. Sharing our financial blessings to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal accomplishes our goal of reaching out to others in charity especially to God's children who are destitute both spiritually and actually. As St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta once said, "Love is not patronizing, and charity isn't about pity; it is about love." [Adapted from: http://

www.catholicsteward.com/2013/10]

# **Truth or Dare**

## November 2019 – The month of All Saints Day and All Souls Day

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Faith Formation and Evangelization

Faith Formation – to help build personal relationship with the Holy Trinity - God our Father, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Evangelization – to be a disciple and take God the Father, Jesus Christ our Brother and the Holy Spirit out into the world.

<u>Truth</u> – read <u>Wisdom 3:1-9</u> – Pick one or more of the November Saints listed below and find out their story. Is there something in this reading that connects to the life of the Saint you chose? If so, what is the first thing that comes to mind? Now, think of, and pray for, a loved one who has passed from this earthly life. Are there any personal connections to the reading and/or the Saint(s) you chose? Can you see them as a Saint? Can you imagine yourself as a Saint? Is there time for a conversation with God about this?

#### Wisdom 3:1-9

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.

For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them.

In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

**November Saints** – Saint Martin de Porres, *Saint Charles Borromeo*, Saint Leo the Great, *Saint Martin of Tours*, Saint Josaphat, *Saint Albert the Great*, Saint Margaret of Scotland, *Saint Gertrude*, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, *Saint Cecilia*, Saint Clement I, *Saint Columban*, Saint Andrew Dung-Lac and companions, *Saint Catherine of Alexandria*, Saint Andrew.

# <u>OR</u>

<u>Dare</u> – Pope Francis named the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time the World Day of the Poor. The Pope entreats the faithful to reach out in solidarity to those most in need. This calls us to live our waiting with commitment, stepping out of certainties and comforts, and entering vulnerability (from Living with Christ).

November 17, 2019 is the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. What will you DARE to do to for the Poor this day, or for the month of November? Keep in mind that you are asked to "Step out of certainties and comforts and enter into vulnerability."