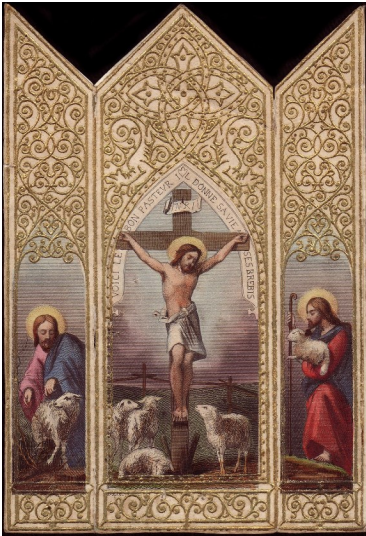




April 21, 2024

CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



The fourth Sunday of Easter, which we celebrate today, is dedicated to Jesus the Good Shepherd. The Gospel says that: “The sheep *hear his voice*, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out” (Jn 10:3). The Lord calls us by name, He calls us because he loves us. However, the Gospel says, there are *other voices*, that are not to be followed: those of strangers, thieves and brigands who mean harm to the sheep.

These different voices resonate within us. There is the voice of God, who speaks kindly to the conscience, and there is the tempting voice that leads to evil. How can we recognise the voice of the Good Shepherd from that of the thief, how can we distinguish the inspiration of God from the suggestion of the evil one? One can learn to discern these two voices: they speak two different languages, that is, they have opposite ways of knocking on [the door of] our hearts. They speak different languages. Just as we know how to distinguish one language from another, we can also distinguish the voice of God from the voice of the evil one.

The voice of God never forces us: God *proposes* himself, He does not *impose* himself. Instead, the evil voice seduces, assails, forces: it arouses dazzling illusions, emotions that are tempting but transient. At first it flatters, it makes us believe that we are all-powerful, but then it leaves us empty inside and accuses us: “You are worth nothing”. The voice of God, instead, corrects us, with great patience, but always encourages us, consoles us: it always nourishes hope. God’s voice is a voice that has a horizon, whereas the voice of the evil one leads you to a wall, it backs you into a corner.

Another difference: the voice of the enemy distracts us from the present and wants us to focus on fears of the future or sadness about the past — the enemy does not want the present — it brings to surface the bitterness, the memories of the wrongs suffered, of those who have hurt us, ... many bad memories. On the other hand, the voice of God speaks in the present: “Now you can do good, now you can exercise the creativity of love, now you can forego the regrets and remorse that hold your heart captive”. It inspires us, it leads us ahead, but it speaks in the present: now.

Again: the two voices raise different questions in us. The one that comes from God will be: “What is good for me?”. Instead the tempter will insist on another question: “What do I feel like doing?”. What do I feel: the evil voice always revolves around the ego, its impulses, its needs, *everything straight away*. It is like a child’s tantrums: everything, and now. The voice of God, however, never promises joy at a low price: it invites us to go beyond our ego in order to find the true, good peace. Let us remember: evil never brings peace. First it causes frenzy, and then it leaves bitterness. This is the style of evil.

Lastly, God’s voice and that of the tempter, speak in different “environments”: the enemy prefers darkness, falsehood, and gossip; the Lord loves sunlight, truth, and sincere transparency. The enemy will say to us: “Close yourself up in yourself, besides no one understands and listens to you, do not be trusting!” Goodness, on the contrary, invites us to open up, to be clear and trusting in God and in others. Dear brothers and sisters, during this time many thoughts and worries lead us to turn inwards into ourselves. Let us pay attention to the voices that reach our hearts. Let us ask ourselves where they come from. Let us ask for the grace to recognise and follow the voice of the Good Shepherd, who brings us out of the enclosures of selfishness and leads us to the pastures of true freedom. May Our Lady, Mother of Good Counsel, guide and accompany our discernment.

Pope Francis

PARISH NEWS



Here I am Lord, Send me (Isaiah 6:8) Our CWL meetings are the second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm. **Next one is May 8. All ladies welcome!** Our spiritual adoption baby is now 7 months old and can hear, taste, touch, cough, yawn and hiccup. We pray for the unborn child. We have a prayer bowl and Nicole took the prayers home to pray over all month. Eileen Materi was the recipient of the **Brighten a Day** gift. Congratulations! **Thank you to members** who do decorating, help on Sundays, visit shut-ins, help with daily mass, and work in the kitchen. Many jobs well done! **Diocesan** convention is in Leader on April 22. **Provincial** convention is in North Battleford June 2 & 3. Denise Schmidt will speak on Palliative Care/Horizons of Hope. Sarah Donnelly will speak on "Here I am Lord . . . but do you want to send someone else?" **National** Convention is in Saskatoon August 11-15. **You must register for this convention.** Liturgical volunteers are needed for the Friday evening mass and Sunday convention opening mass. Volunteers are needed to monitor and support prayer in the prayer room. **Contact Wendy, Faith Convenor, to volunteer.** May is the month of The Rosary. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners.



Men of the Word Bible Study meets Wed April 10 and 24 after mass. Mark your calendar for a full Pancake breakfast and KofC church drive in the morning masses of Sunday April 28, with our council holding an Exemplification on Wed May 1st following evening mass. Volunteers always welcome. May 1st is your chance to be welcomed as a full-member of the Knights of Columbus! First-degree members are welcome to attend and obtain their 2nd and 3rd degrees.

Parish Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 7 pm

Bishop Klein Room

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATION 2024



Nominations for Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) are now open. Nominees must be a registered member of the Cathedral of the Holy Family, understands the purpose of the PPC, is committed to the whole mission of the parish community, communicates well in all aspects: listens to others, reflects on what is seen and heard, and shares ideas with clarity, works well with groups: supports, affirms, and respects others and their gifts and is prepared to creatively solve problems and to undertake new initiatives. **Nominations will end on May 10, posted on May 12 and election will take place on May 19.** To submit your nomination please email info@holyfamilycathedral.ca or phone the parish office: 306-659-5800. Please include your name & contact information (phone and/or email) and the name and contact information of the person(s) you are nominating.

In celebration of May as Month of Mary, we will have a Flores de Mayo (Flowers of May) Santacruzán (Holy Cross) procession on May 26, 2024 after the 11 am mass. For this event, we are looking for participants 5-12 years old to showcase the many titles of Mary and some important persons who have connections with Mama Mary. Children who have angels' costumes are encouraged to join as well as escorts. Committee members will be available after each mass on Sunday, April 21st, to answer any questions. Assignment of titles will be on a first come first serve basis.



Priests' Pension & Retirement Fund

*"Whether still active in
ministry or not, our retired
priests make Christ, the
Good Shepherd, present to
us, not only in what they do
but in who they are."*

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PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TO OUR RETIRED PRIESTS
BY VISITING: DSCF.CA/PRIEST-PENSION-FUND
DONATION ENVELOPS WILL ALSO BE SENT OUT TO
PARISHONERS THROUGH OUT THE DIOCESE

Pancake Breakfast!

&

Craft Sale!

April 28 after the 9am & 11am Mass

Brought to you by the Knights of Columbus & Holy Family Craft Guild Spring Sale

CATHEDRAL OF THE
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PRESENTS

BELOVED

FIRST FRIDAYS

May 3, 2024 7:00-9:00PM

**ADORATION
CONFESSION
FORMATION**

Topic:
**Betrothed with Joseph
Communion with Church**



HOLY FAMILY EASTER DANCE



SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH

7PM-11PM | DOORS OPEN AT 6:30
CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY HALL

A MULTICULTURAL EVENT FOR THE
WHOLE FAMILY WITH LIVE MUSIC FEATURING

**THE ST. CECILIA CHOIR, THE SCOTCH GUARDS,
AND THE MORIT BAND**

GENERAL ADMISSION

\$15

SENIORS AND STUDENTS

\$10

CHILDREN 15 AND UNDER FREE

Scan for tickets
available on Eventbrite



ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN
CASH BAR
SNACKS AND FOUNTAIN DRINKS INCLUDED
OPTIONAL: BRING A CULTURAL SNACK TO SHARE!

WEEKLY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass Times

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am, & 6:30pm

Weekday Mass Times

Monday - Saturday: 12:15pm

Wednesdays: 7:00pm

Mass @ Sherbrooke: Fridays at 10:15pm

Reconciliation

Thursday: 7pm - 8:30pm

Friday: 11am - 12noon

Saturday: 11am - 12noon

Eucharistic Adoration:

Musical Adoration: Every Thursday 7pm - 8:30pm

1st Friday: **BELOVED** 7pm - 9pm

Rosary & Devotion to Our Lady of

Perpetual Help: Wednesdays @ 6:00pm

Rosary: Saturday 11:45am - 12noon

If you are unable to attend regular Reconciliation times, please phone the office to make and appointment: 306-659-5800

Clergy, Staff, & Council Members

Bishop of Saskatoon - *Most Rev. Mark Hagemoen*

Pastor Rector - *Fr. Gerard Cooper*

Associate Pastor - *Fr. Joe Nelo Penino*

Faith Formation Minister - *Andy Korvemaker*

Coordinator for Evangelization & Discipleship - *AJ Vicente*

Financial Secretary - *Linda Bobowski*

Facilities Manager - *Jim Nakoneshny*

Administrative Assistant - *Johanna Fashola*

Pastoral Council Chair - *Angie Possberg*

Finance Council Chair - *Denis Sirois*

Contact us!

Baptism (Infants): andy@holycathedral.ca

Christian Initiation (RCIA): andy@holycathedral.ca

Confirmation & First Eucharist: hfsacraments.ca

Covenant of Care: Parish Office: 306-659-5800

Marriage: gcooper@rcdos.ca

Marriage Preparation: March 2024 - gcooper@rcdos.ca

Reconciliation by appointment: info@holycathedral.ca

Communion to Homebound: info@holycathedral.ca

or call 306-659-5800.

Facility Rentals: jim@holycathedral.ca

Mass Intentions next week

Monday, April 22

12:15 pm Mass for *Theresa Smith*

Tuesday, April 23

12:15 pm Mass for *+Arnold Penpena*

Mass for *+Frances Zelinski*

Wednesday, April 24

12:15 pm Mass for *+Julius Danchak*

7:00 pm Mass for *+Delaine Lux*

Thursday, April 25

7:00 pm Mass for *John-Marcus*

Asenuga

Mass for *Ally Bitz*

Friday, April 26

12:15 pm Mass for *+Christopher*

Novecosky

Mass Intentions next week

Saturday, April 27

12:15 pm Mass for *CWL Members*

Expected Livestream Schedule:

Mass will be available at Saskatoonmass.com for other Parishes.

Please Include in your Prayers

This list is for those who are in need of prayer, whether they be sick or well, living or deceased. If you would like your name or a name of a loved one to be listed, please call the parish office: 306-659-5800

Gerald Barrie

†Rod Sulik

MaryAnne Zadworny -

Principe and Family

Maryann Babylonia

†Noel Daniels

Gerald Marcotte

†Jean Lux

Kayden Kot

Perla Lansangan

†Frank Mesaros

Helen Nagy

Maria Tatarniuk

Zenitha Joppa Atebe

†Olamilekan Oyefuga

Eileen Materi



Holy Family Prayer

Most Beloved Sacred Heart of Jesus, As you are the Father's Beloved Son in whom he is well pleased, May we serve others in love as we have been served in love.

Most Blessed Immaculate Heart of Mary As All generations call you blessed through your fiat, May we too move with haste to share the gift of God's love to others.

Most Betrothed Chaste Heart of St. Joseph As you took Jesus and Mary into your home, May we foster free, faithful, and total love in our family.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic churches, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, Graciously hear our prayer. Amen.



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