

CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



The Word of God, even on this Fifth Sunday of Easter, continues to indicate to us the way and the conditions to be a community of the Risen Lord. Last Sunday the relationship between the believer and Jesus the Good Shepherd was highlighted. Today the Gospel offers us the moment in which Jesus introduces himself as the true vine and invites us to abide in him so as to bear much fruit (cf. Jn 15:1-8). The vine is a plant whose branches form the whole; and the branches are only fruitful insofar as they are joined with the vine. This relationship is the secret of Christian life and John the Evangelist expresses this with the word 'abide', which is repeated seven times in today's passage. "Abide in me", says the Lord; abide in the Lord.

It means abiding in the Lord in order to find the courage to step outside of ourselves, from our comfort zone, from our limited and protected spaces, in order to cast ourselves into the open sea of the needs of others and to give a wide range to our Chris-

tian witness in the world. This courage to step outside ourselves and to advance the needs of others is born from faith in the Risen Lord and from the certainty that his Spirit accompanies our history. One of the ripest fruits that springs from communion with Christ is, in fact, the commitment to charity for our neighbour, loving brothers and sisters with self-sacrifice, to the point of the final consequences, as Jesus loved us. The dynamism of believers' charity is not the result of strategies; it is not born of external stresses, of social or ideological concerns, but rather, it is born from the encounter with Jesus and from abiding in Jesus. For us he is the vine whose sap — that is, 'life' — we absorb, in order to convey into society a different way of living and self-spending which places the least in first place.

When we are intimate with the Lord, as the vine and branches are intimate and joined, we are able to bear the fruits of new life, of mercy, of justice and peace, derived from the Lord's Resurrection. It is what the Saints did, those who lived Christian life in fullness and lived the witness of charity, because they were true branches of the vine of the Lord. But "to be holy does not require being a bishop, a priest or a religious.... We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves" (Apostolic Exhortation *Gaudete et Exsultate*, 14). We are all called to be holy; we must be holy with this richness we have received from the Risen Lord. Every activity — work and rest, family and social life, exercising political, cultural and economic responsibilities — every activity, whether small or great, if lived in union with Jesus and with the attitude of love and of service, is an occasion to live Baptism and Gospel holiness to the fullest.

May Mary, Queen of Saints and example of perfect communion with her Divine Son, help us. May she teach us to *abide in Jesus*, as branches in the vine, and to never distance ourselves from his love. Indeed, we can achieve nothing without him, because our life is the living Christ, present in the Church and in the world. Pope Francis

PARISH NEWS



Women Supporting Women (Diocesan theme) Our CWL meetings are second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm. Next one is May 8. All ladies welcome! A speaker from Prairie Harm Reduction,

a Sanctum Survivor will speak. May is the month of Mary. We will pray the Rosary. Our 7 month spiritual adoption baby can now hear, taste, touch, cough, yawn and hiccup. We pray for the unborn child. Nicole took prayers from the prayer bowl home and is praying over them. 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! Provincial convention is in North Battleford June 2&3. Denise Schmidt will speak on Palliative Care/Horizons of Hope. Sarah Donnely 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. Our Lady of Good Council Feast Day Potluck is Friday, April 26 at St. Philips Parish with Mass at 5 pm and Dinner at 6. Twilight Retreat at Queen's **House** is May 6 with Mass at 7 pm.



Please join your local Knights of Columbus for a pancake breakfast today in the Parish Hall! And, men of the Parish, consider joining this worthy order today and build

yourself up in Charity, Unity and Fraternity with your fellow Catholic men. Talk to a Knight after mass, sign up online, then join us in the Chapel at 7:00 for mass followed by our Exemplification and social to welcome you to the Knights of Columbus on Wednesday May 1st. Executive meeting to follow the social at 9:00 and General Meeting will be on its typical first Tuesday of the month (May 7th) starting with praying the Rosary in the chapel at 7:30

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) Santacruzan (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.



"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."

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



CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY PRESENTS

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FIRST FRIDAYSMay 3, 2024 7:00-9:00 PM



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Topic:
Betrothed with Joseph
Communion with Church





Holy Family Refugee Committee is carrying on with our settlement of our newcomers Sediqa and Shokorya. They are learning English well and they would like to start

working together at any odd jobs that people have such as yard or house work. They could use 2 ladies' bikes and helmets and bike locks to get around now that the weather is better. If you have any items to donate, please email us at holpfamilyrefugeecommittee@gmail.com or contact the parish office.



Congratulations

FIRST COMMUNION

to all who received their First Communion on

April 14, April 21 & April 28

We are praying for you!

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@holyfamilycathedral.ca

Christian Initiation (RCIA): andy@holyfamilycathedral.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@holyfamilycathedral.ca

Communion to Homebound: info@holyfamilycathedral.ca

or call 306-659-5800.

Facility Rentals: jim@holyfamilycathedral.ca

Mass Intentions next week

Monday, April 29

12:15 pm Mass for +Petra Bartolome

Tuesday, April 30

12:15 pm Mass for +Joseph Novecosky

Mass for +Denis Jean

Wednesday, May 1

12:15 pm Mass for +Delaine Lux 7:00 pm Mass for +Eileen Fuldner

Thursday, May 2

7:00 pm Mass for +Jason Maier Mass for +Arnolo Penpena

Friday, May 3

12:15 pm Mass for Jackie Kurjata

Mass Intentions next week

Saturday, May 4

12:15 pm Mass for +Joseph

Novecosky

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 **Gerald Marcotte** Maria Tatarniuk †Rod Sulik †Jean Lux Zenitha Joppa Atebe MaryAnne Zadworny -Kayden Kot †Olamilekan Oyefuga Principe and Family Perla Lansangan Eileen Materi Maryann Babylonia †Frank Mesaros Jean Garneau **†Noel Daniels** Helen Nagy



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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