



# Our Lady of Peace Parish

Third Sunday of Advent  
December 16, #3/2018-2019



## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

**Weekday Masses**

Tue- Fri 9:00 a.m.

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

## ROSARY

20 Minutes before all Masses

**ADORATION: EVERY FIRST FRIDAY**

## RECONCILIATION:

Saturday's: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday's: 8:30 a.m.



*Welcome to Our Lady of Peace Parish!*  
We welcome all new parishioners to our parish community. We are happy to assist you at our Information Desk before or after Mass. Here you can register at our parish, notify us of change of address, sign up for collection envelopes, get a Mass Card, notify the office of someone in the parish who needs prayers or any needs that you may have. Someone will be at this table at least 15 minutes prior to Mass, and after as well.

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**BAPTISM:** Please call the office to register/information.  
**MARRIAGE:** Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the wedding date to begin the necessary preparations.  
**RCIA/RCIC:** - Call the Parish Office for information.

**Stewardship:**  
*"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God." Philippians 4:6*  
St. Paul reminds us that our God is an abundant God, the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. When we trust that God will take care of us, it is easier for us to share what we have been given.



Christmas/New Year's 2018/2019		
CELEBRATION	DAY	MASS TIME(S)
Christmas Eve	Mon. Dec 24th	7:00PM
Christmas Day	Tue. Dec 25th	10:30AM
Holy Family	Sat. Dec 29th	5:00PM
	Sun. Dec 30th	9AM & 10:30AM
New year's Eve	Mon. Dec 31st	
New Year's Day	Jan. 1st 2019	10:30AM



**Home made Perogies:**  
Will be available in the new year.

## Ask Fr James

## Is Advent Season a preparation for Jesus' Second Coming?

In the Creed we profess that:

"He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence *he will come* to judge the living and the dead...."

The phrase *he will come* has been of interest to Christians from an early period in church history. Questions about the Second Coming of their Master were even in the mind of the apostles, because during his earthly ministry, especially in the last discourses, Jesus in parables urges his disciples to watch (Matt 24: 42, Mk 13:33, Luke 21:35-36, Matt 10:23, Matt 24:34, etc.) and he talked about the great events and the signs that will precede his return, and said; "Blessed are those servants who are found awake when the Lord comes" [Luke 12:37].

Every advent season, the most important issue in the minds of the apostles and the early Christians and after that in every believer's mind over the centuries was the problem of the time when this event would happen. After Christ's Ascension, as the church began to grow, some people started to set dates for the event they were waiting for according to the promise of their Saviour. Over the years, as the time of waiting became extended longer and longer, the Christians started to talk about two aspects of the *Parousia* (second coming of Christ): nearness and delay. Some early Christian in the time of Paul emphasized the idea that they will see Christ coming in their day, and Paul corrects them thus:

Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him, we ask you, brothers and sisters, not to become easily unsettled or alarmed by the teaching allegedly from us—whether by a prophecy or by word of mouth or by letter—asserting that the day of the Lord has already come. Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. (2 Thess 2:1- 3)

Paul's authority for clarifying this question was based on Jesus' own words. Jesus is very clear about the definite time of his coming declaring that nobody knows the day and the hour of it—"But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." (Matt 24: 36).

However, at his trial, when the high priest asked him to tell if he was the Messiah, the Son of God, Jesus not only gives an affirmative answer, but he adds some more information:

Jesus replied. "But I say to all of you: From now on you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven." (Matt 26:64).

Bible scholars have clarified that the central point of Jesus' message in Matt 26: 64, did not state the time when the event of *Parousia* will happen. He stated that the event is sure to happen but that nobody knows the hour of the Second Coming (Mark 13:32). Although it's been over 2000 years since Jesus lived on earth; no matter when it happens, the *Parousia* will be a great event seen not only by the faithful ones, but also by the most vehement accusers of Jesus. Our Christian faith essentially asks us to believe Jesus Christ and the Church's confession is grounded in Scripture and we are called to believe truly that it will 'happen' through the Holy Spirit and only God can make this expectation possible.

### Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

Mass	Readings	Mass Intention
Mon Dec 17: <b>No Mass</b>	Genesis 49:2, 8-10 Matthew 1:1-17	<b>No Mass</b>
Tue Dec 18: 10:00AM with St. Michael School	Jeremiah 23:5-8 Matthew 1:18-24	† Don Macknak by Fred & Donelda Exner
Wed Dec 19: 9:00AM	Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a Luke 1:5-25	† Don Macknak By Marlene Sentes
Thurs Dec 20: 9:00AM	Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10d Like 1:26-38	† Don Macknak By Alvin Czermeres
Fri Dec 21: 9:00 AM	Zephaniah 3:14-18a Luke 1:39-45	† Mildred Stengler By Anita Rieger & family
Sat Dec 22: 5:00PM	1 Samuel 1:24-28 Luke 1:46-56	Stengler family's Intentions By Anita Rieger & family
Sun Dec 23:- 9:00AM & 10:30am mass 4th Sunday of Advent	Micah 5:2-5a Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-45	All Parishioners

### Parish Events & Meetings

Dec 17 - 23, 2018

Mon Dec 17	10am-Bible Study 1309 Dover Ave. 12:30-CWL Christmas Party 7PM Parish Reconciliation
Tues Dec 18	
Wed Dec 19	5:00PM—RCIA
Thurs Dec 20	
Fri Dec 21	2:15-Stretch & Relaxation
Sat Dec 22	5pm- Mass
Sun Dec 23	4th Sunday of Advent

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Dec 8/9, 2018

5pm - \$632.00  
9am - \$552.25  
10:30am- \$1029.60  
**TOTAL: \$2355.95**



2018/2019 Sunday Missals are available in the foyer for a donation of \$5 each. Please use the envelope provided and place it in the collection basket. **Thank You!**

Please Pray for  
our Sick Parishioners  
Terry Bedard, Judith Lewis,  
Rosemarie Koch, Cathy  
Chukwuma and Izolda Abram



## Upcoming Parish Events

- Dec 17th Parish Reconciliation @ 7PM
- Dec 28th Board Game Night
- Jan 2nd Bingo-Workers needed -6PM-12AM
- Jan 8th Bingo-Workers needed-12-6PM
- Jan 13 Work Bee to level and fit pews 1-4PM

Membership \$10.00.annually this gives you the opportunity to attend for free:

### 55+ Senior Group Corner

Cards: will start up in January  
 Forever In Motion: will resumes Jan 10  
 Knitting/Crocheting: will resumes Jan. 10  
 Stretch & Relaxation: Dec 21 resumes Jan. 11  
 55+ Dance Jan 10—1:30-3:30 \$5 for members \$6 for non members-

## Book Sale Feb 1, 2 & 3, 2019-

Donation of Books & Puzzles will be accepted the week of Jan 27th, 2019 Thank you for your generosity. More info to follow.



The Buildings and Grounds Committee will be having a work bee to level and fit the pews to our worship area. Jan 13, 1-4PM. Please bring: hammers, wood chisels, heavy scrapers, sanding blocks and safety glasses if you have them.

Please sign up at the information table if you can help!

Our Last Bingo for 2018 is Dec 17th(day); To date for 2018 we have received \$19,514.54 for all our efforts. Our Jan Bingos are Day: Jan 8, 16 & 21 Night: Jan 2 and 30.



Thanks to all the dedicated workers. We welcome more help.

Please call the office or Anita at 543-0421.

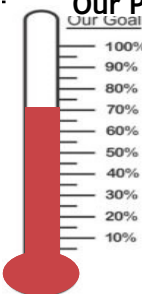
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## Memorial/Donation Fund

The Memorial (Butterfly) or donation fund (Green leaf) is set up to help pay our mortgage. Your name or the name of your loved ones will be placed on the tree in the gathering area for any donation of \$500 or more. Check the Information desk or call the parish office for more information. Thank you

Our Parish goal is \$20,846



We have started moving up in our Archbishops Appeal goal

So far we have had donations totalling \$13,843.00. This is 66% of our goal.

We thank all who have generously donated to this great cause. We ask for God's blessing on the donors to come. The committee members will be phoning us this week for a gentle reminder.



Christmas Party is rescheduled for Monday, December 17 at 12:30

CWL Corner



"Legion of Mary" prayer group meet immediately after 9am Mass at the Parish hall. New members are very welcome



RCIC, Confirmation and First Eucharist preparation classes will begin in January for children grade 2 and older. Registration forms may be picked up at the information table as well as St. Gregory and St. Michael Community School offices.



### 2019 DONATION ENVELOPES

The Donation Envelopes for 2019 are available at the gathering area for you to pick up. **Please do not use these envelopes until January 2019 as the envelope numbers have changed.**



If you do not have envelopes but would like to begin using them please contact the office or the Information desk. For your convenience you can also sign up with our Automated Funds Transfer Program, donations will come out of your bank account on the 2nd day of the month. This hassle free way to donate is easy to get started up, sign up forms are available at the Information Desk or at the parish office.

Tax Receipts are issued at the end of each year for your donations. **We appreciate your donations and we thank you in advance for your generosity in 2019!**

The RCIA program needs your help! You can minister by attending classes to share in their faith journey or provide child care for the Candidates. Contact Stacy at the parish office for more information.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

### INSTITUTIONAL BUILDING AND LAND FOR SALE BY THE ARCHDIOCESE

The Archdiocese is selling the building and land at 1855 2nd Ave North, Regina, Sask. Sealed Bids or Sealed Offers to Purchase will be accepted up until Tuesday Dec. 18th at 3pm. An Information Package is available at the Archdiocese Office, 445 Broad St North, Regina, is on the Archdiocese website [www.archregina.sk.ca](http://www.archregina.sk.ca), or by contacting Garry Oledzki, [oledzki@sasktel.net](mailto:oledzki@sasktel.net) or 306 585 1816. The Property is being sold "As Is. Where Is." and the Archdiocese reserves the right to accept or reject any Sealed Offer or Sealed Bid. We thank all Interested Parties for their interest.

Dr. Brett Salkeld will be offering a monthly series of talks for Catholic educators on curriculum permeation at St. Martin's parish beginning January 8, 2019 at 7 pm. Look for a poster in your parish or school for future dates and topics. It is one way for Regina Catholic teachers to fulfill their C2PG. This series is sponsored by the Catholic Teachers Guild of Regina. January 8th's topic is:

### Faith and Reason in the Classroom

Faith and reason are at the heart of a Catholic education. And the relationship between faith and reason is at the heart of each subject matter, from religion to math. Understanding how faith and reason work together, even when the subject is not specifically religion is the first step to thinking about how to permeate every subject with Catholic faith. Come and learn about the Catholic attitude towards faith and reason and how that makes a difference in a Catholic classroom.

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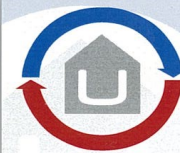


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