



CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH 3RD QUARTER NEWSLETTER



Liturgy Committee

We hope everyone had a wonderful summer and a great start to fall. We also welcome Father Anthony to our committee.

We are pleased to say that we have had several Baptisms this fall with more to follow. What a joy it is to welcome these babies to our Church Community!

We are praying the Rosary before Mass and will continue to do so throughout the year.

The 'Book of Names' is now out for you to write down the names of your loved ones. Beginning with the 'All Souls Day' Mass, this book will be placed on the Altar at each Mass. Please note that the 'All Souls Day' Mass will be held on Friday, November 1st at 7:00 pm due to November 2nd being a Saturday and other functions will be taking place that day.

November 24th is the Solemnity of Christ the King, which will bring us to the end of the Liturgical year. The following week-end will be the 1st Sunday of Advent and the beginning of a new Liturgical year. Advent is the time of preparation for the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. The Advent Penitential Service is scheduled for Friday, December 6th at 7:00 pm.

Beginning on December 15th, we invite everyone to come join in the Simbang Gabi Masses.

Your Liturgy Committee members are: Msgr Rey, Father Anthony, Peggy Marshall – Chair & Music Ministry, Leah Perrault – Children's Liturgy, Jennifer Dickson – Altar Servers, Stan Lautsch – Sacraments, Kathy Wanner – Coordinators, Denise Wallin & Judy Knelsen – Sacristans, Nicole Francis – Décor, Bert Legault – Ushers, Jacqueline Siemens – Greeters, Suzie Berg – Eucharistic Ministers, and Lectors - vacant.

We thank all of our very dedicated volunteers for taking the time to share their time and talents with our Parish Family! A special thank you to those volunteers who accepted the role of lead for their ministry. New volunteers are always welcome.

Peggy Marshall, Liturgy Chairperson

Social Justice Report

Fall brings us some new initiatives and the resumption of events that we took a break from over the summer.

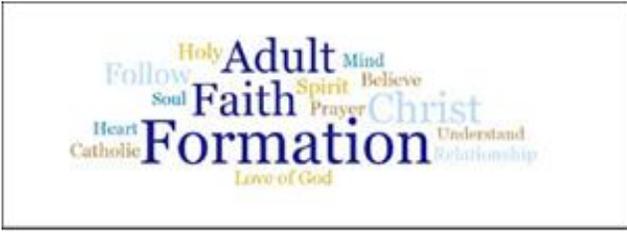
- Regular Social Justice meetings take place at 7:00 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from September to June – all interested parishioners are welcome to attend.
- Seniors Card Social Afternoons are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month.
- Development and Peace – Caritas Canada has chosen to call its campaign for the next two years, For Our Common Home, inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical, Laudato Si' - On Care for our common home. The first year of the campaign will be dedicated to the Amazon in recognition that a future for the Amazon is a future for all. *Watch the bulletin, announcements after mass and the SJ bulletin board over the next weeks for more information on how to be involved.
- World Mission Sunday – Pope Francis has called for October 2019 to be the Extraordinary Missionary Month. The theme is: Baptized and sent: The Church of Christ on mission in the world. Two objectives of the theme are: "... to foster an increased awareness of the mission to the nations and ... to take up again with renewed fervour the missionary transformation of the Church's life and pastoral activity."
- Prayer/calendar cards will be available to parishioners and a collection will be taken on the weekend of World Mission Sunday October 20. Look for the yellow envelope in your box of collection envelopes or pick one up at the church that weekend.

Submitted by:

Michele Vallee



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Effective August 22, 2019, Christ the Redeemer Parish formed a Committee to assist in the development and delivery of **Adult Faith Formation (AFF)** programs. The purpose is to assist parishioners in the development of their spiritual life through educational programs; such as retreats, RCIA, guest speakers, focused studies, resources, etc. We are pleased to announce that committee members include:

- o Msgr. Rey and / or Fr. Anthony
- o Judy Friesen (Chair)
- o David Andree
- o Larry Dudragne
- o Nicole Francis
- o Shirley Hardowa
- o Anne Ring
- o Amelia Ringdal
- o Denise Wallin

Meetings will be the 1st Thursday of each month, following the evening Mass.

RCIA

The AFF Committee approved the “Journey of Faith for Adults” Program for use in the 2019/20 RCIA year. This program meets the requirements of the Archdiocese of Regina “Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) Handbook”. The program will be supplemented with the Symbolon Video Series as appropriate. There are four periods in the RCIA process; these periods coincide with the Church or Liturgical Year.

- Inquiry: September 17 - November 26 (Ordinary Time to the feast of Christ the King) This informal period covers topics related to faith, divine evaluation, prayer, the Bible, the Mass, and Catholic practices.
- Catechumenate: December 1 - February 18 (Advent to the beginning of Lent)

This period addresses catechetical aspects of the Catholic faith including Church history, the Sacraments, moral and ethical life.

- Purification and Enlightenment: February 25 - April 11 (Lent to Easter Vigil)

This period focuses on preparing the Elect for various Rites and guides them through Lenten themes.

- Mystagogy: April 14 – May 31 (Following Easter to Pentecost Sunday)

In this period, the focus is redirected from learning to living the Catholic faith.

RCIA classes are held every Tuesday, after the evening Mass. Please feel free to join us for any of the classes; weekly topics are included in the Bulletin. Sponsors act as companions, models of faith and lend their personal support. If God is calling you to be an RCIA Sponsor please speak with any of the AFF Committee members.

Advent Retreat

A parish Advent Retreat has been scheduled for November 22 & 23, 2019. The Myriam Family of the Prairies will conduct 3 sessions:

- Friday evening, November 22: 7pm – 9pm
- Saturday morning, November 23: 10am – 12n (followed by lunch)
- Saturday afternoon, November 23: 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Each session will include the Word of God with action and song, a talk, prayer, adoration and a children’s program. Participants are encouraged to follow the Retreat with Reconciliation and Mass on Saturday evening. Please plan to attend all three sessions; however, each session will be presented individually to accommodate those who can only attend one or two. We look forward to this special Advent event in our Parish!

Judy Friesen

Chairperson – Adult Faith Formation



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Note the Info Below (Please view and like)

Our Parish has a Facebook page, use the link below:

<https://www.facebook.com/Christ-the-Redeemer-Roman-Catholic-Parish-469869526382646/>

New web site at Christ the Redeemer:

<https://www.ctrparish.com>

HANDY, HELPING HANDS

The Knights of Columbus 3H Crew will do odd jobs around the house and yard for widows, widowers and the elderly. There is no charge, but donations will be gratefully accepted for the Building Fund. Please contact one of these handy, helpful guys:

Dave 741-0654 • Terry 750-6899 • Meinrad 774-9405



Catholic Women's League

Besides our annual Educator Appreciation potluck in May and our Pin Presentations in June, honouring members with milestone years of service, the CWL led 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care, hosted another "Living Rosary," and assembled 15 kits of kitchen and sundry items for our local women's shelter. We're now launching into fall activities, and are pleased to welcome Fr Anthony to our parish.

Our theme through 2020 (which is the 100th anniversary of the CWL in Canada) is "Care for Our Common Home," based on the encyclical of Pope Francis. We look forward to Deacon David Hagel exploring this topic as guest speaker at our Regional Meeting on Oct 19th right here at our church. CWL ladies are also helping the nutritionist at All Saints School on alternate Fridays, and have taken on some smaller catering projects. Thanks to all who help out at these events. You are generous and tireless in your commitment to serve! Thanks also to Gisele

who led the CWL "Songbirds" in our recent Talent Show. Well done!



We are looking forward to our annual Angel Tea on Nov 2nd. Look for a sign-up sheet on our bulletin board, and bring your donations for the Pick-a-Prize table and theme baskets. We'll also **have decorated** angel food cakes and a bake table. The Cash Raffle is underway, so pick up a book of tickets after Mass. Prizes are \$200, \$100, and 2 x \$50.

On Dec 1st we will host the Seniors Christmas Dinner with the K of C, followed by our Cookie Walk on Dec 7th. That takes us right into Advent, a time when we consider our priorities and make space for Jesus in our lives. Blessings to us all as we journey together in faith.

Claire Verret, President

Knights of Columbus, Council 3031

- Brother Knights deliver Meals on Wheels in the month of March. 11 volunteers accumulating 48 hours.
- Knights' members assisted the Parish social justice ministry with a cash donation and food hamper set up and deliveries for Easter
- Assisted the Swift Current Ministerial Association by preparing and serving the lunch for 125 people at one of the Easter liturgies services.
- Knights members organized and assisted with the rosary during Easter.
- Knights members prepared and served the meal at the Parish Trivia fundraiser on May 31.
- Supported Special Olympics with our annual service of cooking hot dogs at the Credit Union Picnic in the Park.



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- Our 2019-2020 support of the Swift Current Elementary Schools Children's Breakfast program was kicked off with the planting of the garden, potatoes, corn, squash, beets etc.
- Once council members were given the opportunity to assist the kindergarten students with the planting of a school garden.
- Knights Council supported The Swift Current Pro-life Committee with a financial donation in support of a young family with a newly born premature baby.
- Annual financial donation to Camp Lemieux.
- We assisted the Parish fund raising committee with manpower for the parish fish fry event and the Parish auction event.
- Assisted All Saints school with a hot dog cook event and hamburger meal.
- Brother Knights attended and took part in a living rosary at All Saints Catholic School.
- Knights served at funeral masses and carried out an honour guard for three deceased Knights of Columbus members.
- Knights partnered with CWL to prepare and serve a welcome brunch for Father Anthony Tran.
- Knights Help Hands have been busy this year helping fellow parishioners and others with tasks around their homes and yards.
- We have spent many hours on the maintenance at the church and grounds.
- Knights and fellow parishioners completed the fall harvest of the K of C garden in support of the School Breakfast Program.

Gord Hagen, Grand Knight

RECORDER NEEDED

Parish Pastoral Council needs a recorder. Duties include attending monthly meetings and preparing & distributing minutes to all PPC members by email (template provided). This is an appointment position, so you will not have a vote, but your participation in the dialogue of the meeting is welcome.



WANTED: LEADER FOR WELCOMING COMMITTEE

The Welcoming Committee is a vital part of our parish, helping people and families feel at home here, and letting them know of all our activities. They meet the 1st Tuesday of the month after the evening Mass; and are in need of someone to chair the meetings. You would also be part of Parish Pastoral Council, so using email is a definite asset. Please let the office know if this interests you.

ADVENT RETREAT, SAVE THE DATE:

Christ the Redeemer Advent Retreat on Friday evening November 22 and Saturday morning & afternoon November 23. Details will follow at a later date.