

A video series, which hopes to support families in telling the Easter story to their children will be offered during Lent into the Triduum. It will be similar to the **Children's Liturgy** offerings on the [RC Diocese of Prince Albert: Evangelization and Catechesis Facebook page](#) and later on the [Evangelization and Catechesis webpage on RC Diocese of PA website](#). Each video will be between 15-30 minutes and contain a short reading from the story *Benjamin's Box* followed by a Scripture reading, a craft, a challenge, and a prayer. By the end of the series, children with their families will have heard the Easter story and collected items symbolizing key moments of Jesus' experience during his last days:

- His triumphant entry into Jerusalem on a donkey
- The last supper
- Jesus' prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane
- Jesus' torture and crucifixion
- The Resurrection on Easter morning.

Please share this information with all your families. [Here is the video schedule:](#)

Monday, February 15 - Introduction to Lent and Benjamin's Box
Mondays during Lent - February 22 and March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29
Holy Thursday - April 1
Good Friday - April 2
Easter Sunday - April 4

[Serena Saskatchewan](#)

Please support Serena Sask. by visiting their website to see how you can make your donation on line at [www.saskserena.ca](#). Cheques can be made payable to Serena SK and mailed to Box 7375, Saskatoon, SK S7K 4J3.

Sunday Missals for the new Liturgical Year are now available for purchase for \$5.00 each.

A Virtual Lenten Retreat with Deacon Mike Hardwicke

The Great Story of Jesus in Nine Acts
March 6, 2021; 9:00 am – 3:30 pm.

A Virtual Lenten Bible Study

with Christine Taylor and other members of the

Evangelization and Catechesis

Commission will be offered

Thursdays during Lent

Feb. 18 – Mar. 25, 2021

from 7:00 – 8:30 pm. Go to

[www.padiocese.ca](#) and click on **Ministries**. There you will choose **Evangelization and Catechesis to register, or you may phone the diocesan office at 306-922-4747.**

Notre Dame School

Notre Dame School has been busy spreading love this month. February 8-12th was Love week! We had spirit days and did activities that promoted love: for oneself, for our family and friends, for our school and faith, and for our community. For the greatest commandment states, "Love thy neighbour as thyself."

For prayer requests call the prayer line:

445-8338 or 441-4123

Notre Dame de Lourdes Parish

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February 20 & 21, 2021

Pastor: Fr. Cuong Luong

[Confessions before mass or by appointment](#) Call 445-3836.

Parish Secretaries:

Rose Balfour & Rose McDonald

Caretaker: Craig Treiber

Office Hours:

Tuesday & Thursday only

9:00 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 5:00

Parish Council Members:

Chairperson - Glen Gantfoer

Alan Corbeil, Nicole Bitner, H el ene Blais,

Dianne Kufeldt, Helen Kayfish

Secretary - Rose Balfour

Parish Finance Members:

Chairperson - Chris Pollard

Arun Chacko, Jaki Esquirol, Peter Pielak,

Irene Rathke, John Jangula

Fundraising Chair: Debbie MacGregor

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection February 21, 2021 – First Sunday of Lent



Today's readings remind us why we partake in this 40-day Lenten journey — to prepare our hearts for the resurrection of Christ on Easter.

St. Peter reminds us in our Second Reading of the blessings we receive from Christ's passion, death and resurrection — **“Christ suffered for sins once... that he might lead you to God.”** And again, **“[Baptism] is... an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.”**

In order to more readily receive the blessings from Christ's passion, death and resurrection, we too are called endure 40 days **“in the desert.”** In our Gospel, Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert where He was tempted by Satan. Jesus was called to face trials and to confront evil. During this time, He committed to intense prayer and fasting. It was not necessary for Jesus to go into the desert so that He might be purified, but rather, to endure temptations of man for our sake. He was fully man, and experience temptations just like us, yet responded to them perfectly, never falling into sin.

We should strive to fully participate in this Lenten season by mirroring Jesus, the model steward by Whom we are called to imitate. Through our time in the desert, we will confront evil by weeding out the roots of sin in our lives through fasting. And we will be sustained and nourished in the desert by prayer.

Let us strive to purify our hearts so that we might be ready to receive the glorious gift of Christ and partake in the riches that pour forth from this Gift.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

WELCOME TO NOTRE DAME PARISH

To register, please call 306-445-3836.

Share Lent Development and Peace

On line event

“Humanitarian intervention - realities on the ground” (English) 10 a.m. CST, Saturday, Feb. 27. Join Rebecca Rathbone, animator for South-West Ontario, Dominique Godbout, international programs officer and Abdullah Fuad, representative of Development and Peace's partner Caritas Bangladesh as they discuss the Rohingya refugee crisis and the way Caritas has been working to alleviate consequences on affected communities, as well as Development and Peace's unique philosophy when it comes to humanitarian responses. Abdullah Fuad is the head of a program for the emergency response for the Rohingya refugees based in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. The one-hour webinar will be recorded. Sign up here <http://bit.ly/3alsokJ>

Solidarity calendars and copies of “A Prayer to the Creator” by Pope Francis are in the entrance for you.

Resource Center at the Diocesan Office
Debbie McHarg Phone 306-922-4747 ext 229
or email resources@padiocese.ca.

Sunday's Collections:

Feb. 13th & 14th, 2021
Loose - \$85.00 Envelopes - \$662.55
Pre-authorized - \$ 275.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Auto-debit registration forms are available in entrance.

Office Hours and Protocol

The Parish office is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am – 12:00 noon, and from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm. Please call 445-3836 to pre-register for weekend Masses or sign up on the registration sheets that you can find in a white binder in the entrance of the church.

Thank you for wearing a mask, sanitizing your hands and observing the social distancing rules. We are committed to staying safe so that we can get back to normal as soon as possible!

Stations of the Cross – Lent 2021

Starting Friday, Feb. 19 we will meet at Notre Dame Church at 7:00 pm to pray the Stations of the Cross.

Feb. 19 - Parish Council
Feb. 26. - CWL
Mar. 5 – K of C
Mar. 12 – Youth
Mar. 19 – Dev. + Peace
Mar. 26 – Divine Mercy
Good Friday – Parish 3:00 pm

Notre Dame Parish Youth Group

Good news! We are having virtual zoom meetings! You don't need to buy Zoom. You can either click the link below, download the free app on your phone or computer, or you can go to the Zoom website and at the top of the page click "Join a meeting" which is this link here: <https://zoom.us/join> and enter the meeting information that you will find below.

Meeting id: 955 7926 9557
Passcode: 77chances

Time: Fridays from 7 pm to 8 pm
Please join us.

Next **Baptism Prep** class is on Thursday, March 4th at 6:30 pm in St. Bernadette Hall. Please call the parish office to register in advance.



Sat. Feb. 20th 7:00 pm Notre Dame
For the intentions of the people, and for † Frank Bertsch by the family.

Sun. Feb. 21st 9:30 am St. André
For the intentions of the people.

11:00 am Notre Dame
For the intentions of the people.

5:00 pm Notre Dame
For † Gordon Falcon by Albert and Hélène Blais.

Mon. Feb. 22nd 9:30 am Notre Dame
For † Jean Burry by Albert and Hélène Blais.

Tues. Feb. 23rd 9:30 am Notre Dame
Special intentions of Al Cook and family by Barb Paradis.

Wed. Feb. 24th 9:30 am Notre Dame
Notre Dame School Mass
For † Marjorie Kryzanowski by Notre Dame School Staff.

Adoration from 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Thurs. Feb. 25th 9:30 am Notre Dame
For † John Bertsch by the family.

Fri. Feb. 26th 9:30 am St. André
St. Mary School Mass
For all front line workers by Raymonde Doucette.
Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm Notre Dame

Sat. Feb. 27th 7:00 pm Notre Dame
For the intentions of the people, and for the Knights of Columbus Council 2094.

Sun. Feb. 28th 9:30 am St. André
For the intentions of the people.

11:00 am Notre Dame
For † Jean Burry by Dianne Michaud.

5:00 pm Notre Dame
For the intentions of the people.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

World Day of Prayer – March 5, 2021

Due to COVID-19, we ask you to consider a safe way to celebrate World Day of Prayer. You can watch a **full-length service video** featuring participants from across Canada.

This **one hour recording** includes all sections of the World Day of Prayer 2021 Service booklet, and this can be accessed by going to the coordinator login found at wicc.org.

In lieu of the in house **marriage preparation** weekend courses that were previously offered in Prince Albert, due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, you are encouraged to use an on-line program. The cost is \$194.00 (US funds) This program may be accessed at the Diocesan website: <https://www.padiocese.ca/marriage-preparation>

Queen's House Retreat and Renewal Centre

Please visit our webpage
http://www.queenshouse.org/?page_id=4399 contact Sarah Donnelly, 306-242-1916 x226.
See posters in entrance.

Manoir Marchildon, Inc.

Manoir Marchildon, located at 1301-112th St. in North Battleford, is a bright, secure and welcoming seniors' retirement home. The building, which is attached to St. André Church, offers 1 and 2 bedroom independent living apartments. Ten of the 13 units are subsidized and rent according to income or assets. In order to maintain the Catholic atmosphere, we are looking for a list of persons interested in living here. If you are looking at possible retirement or downsizing, please contact Annette Mc Govern at 306-445-5153.

