# **PARISH ACTIVITIES**

WELCOME TO NOTRE DAME PARISH

*To register, please call 306-445-3836. We are looking for more volunteers for the ministries. Please call us if you are interested.* 

### **Décor for Easter**

We are now accepting your donations of money for flowers for Easter. If you wish to purchase flowers, please drop them off at the rectory during Holy Week.

#### Stations of the Cross – Lent 2022

Fri. Mar. 25 – Youth 7:00 pm First Fri. Apr. 1 – Dev. + Peace 6:30 pm after Mass Fri. Apr. 8 – Divine Mercy 7:00 pm Fri. Apr. 15 – Good Friday – Liturgy of the Hours -10:00 am; service at 3:00 pm

Meetings <u>PPC:</u> Tues. March 22, 7:00 pm, St. B. Hall <u>Baptism Class:</u> Mon. Mar. 28, 6:30 pm St. B. Hall

### Synod Meeting

Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 7:30 – 8:45 pm (Sharing Responsibility) We are all invited to participate as we discuss the Church's mission to proclaim the kingdom of God as MISSIONARY DISCIPLES (co-responsible for the Church's mission to evangelize).

Before we gather on March 23, please take the time to consider the following questions:

Since we are all missionary disciples, how is every baptized person called to participate in the Church's mission?

What hinders the baptized from being active in the mission?

What areas of the mission are we neglecting? How does the community support its members who serve society in various ways (social and political involvement, scientific research, education, promoting social justice, protecting human rights, caring for the environment, etc.)? **To register:** https://www.padiocese.ca/synod2023

## <u>Development and Peace: a movement of solidarity</u> The power of mobilized citizens

One of Development and Peace's strengths is our ability to mobilize thousands of Canadians like you to amplify marginalized voices from the Global South. Our partners want businesses to not be able to perpetrate abuses in their countries with impunity.

That is why our *People and Planet First* campaign is asking you to help ensure that Canada adopts strong due diligence laws to prevent Canadian corporations from abusing human and environmental rights across their global operations.

Sign our petition for this at <u>devp.org/act</u> and spread the word. **Thank you for supporting our campaign.** To learn more about and to join our movement, visit <u>devp.org</u> or call Helen Kayfish at 306-480-4650.

# LENTEN RETREAT

Organised by Missionary Society of St Paul, MSP. Venue: St Vital Parish, Battleford Date: Saturday, March 26 Time: 9:30 am Preacher: Most Rev. Albert Thévenot. M. Afr. 9:30 am: - Arrival and Registration is free. 10:00 am: - Morning Prayer (Divine Office). 10:30 am: - 1st Retreat Talk 11:30 am: - Personal Prayer and Confession. 12 noon: - Lunch Break (silver collection will be expected) 12:45 pm: - Personal Praver and Confession. 1:15 pm: - 2<sup>nd</sup> Retreat Talk 2:00 pm: - Preparation for Mass. 2:15 pm: - Mass by Bishop Albert Thévenot. 3:30 pm: - Departure. Spirituality The AMSP/MSP Vision centers on the Spirituality of St Paul: 1. "We are Ambassadors for Christ" (2 Corinthians 5: 20). 2. "I made myself everything to everyone in order to win souls for Christ" (1 Corinthians 9:19-23). It is purely a spiritual retreat for our spiritual growth. Kindly invite your friends and family members and indicate how many will likely be coming with you. Maximum of sixty (60) persons are expected. Register with Fr Peter Nnanga, MSP, before Sunday, March 20. Phone: 1-306-344-7867 Email: pinnanga@vahoo.co.uk

Battlefords Right to Life Annual General Meeting Monday, March 28, 2022, 7:00 PM at St. Joseph's Parish Hall Working and praying to protect and uplift all human life from conception to natural death.



Sat. Mar. 19th 7:00 pm Notre Dame For the intentions of the people, and for peace in the Ukraine. Sun. Mar. 20th 9:30 am St. André *For the intentions of the people.* 11:00 am Notre Dame For # Al Cook by Jean Pawlus. Fr. Phinh Do 5:00 pm Notre Dame In thanksgiving by Eduardo Ledon and family. **Filipino Mass** 5:00 pm St. Joseph's Fr. Nick Ferreras Mon. Mar. 21st No Mass

Tues. Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>9:30 am Notre DameFor 뷰 Holy Souls in Purgatory by RaymondeDoucette.

Wed. Mar. 23rd9:30 am Notre DameFor Residential School survivors by TheresePrentice.Adoration from 10:00 am – 11:00 am

Thurs. Mar. 24th9:30 am Notre DameFor IL John Ostapowich by Marguerite Wintonyk.

Fri. Mar. 25th9:30 am St. AndréFor  $\frac{11}{11}$  Holy Souls in Purgatory by Eduardo Ledonand family.7:00 pm Stations of the Cross & Adoration forone hourSat. Mar. 26thFor the intentions of the people, and for theintentions of the Knights of Columbus Council 2094.

Sun. Mar. 27th9:30 am St. AndréFor the intentions of the people.11:00 am Notre DameFor  $\frac{11}{11}$  Arlene Schwab by Albert and Hélène Blais.5:00 pm Notre DameFor the intentions of the people.

For prayer requests call the Prayer Line: 445-8338 or 441-4123

# DIOCESAN EVENTS

## Adult Faith

Journey through Lent This year's Virtual Lenten Bible Study will focus on the Passion reading from Palm Sunday, Apr 10, 2022 (Luke 22.14-23.56). The reading will be reflected on over the **six** Thursdays from Mar 3 until Apr 7 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. each week. The evening will begin with Lectio Divina, followed by small group sharing on the reading. These are stand-alone sessions, so if you cannot attend them all, but would like to attend a few of them, that would be fine. Lectio Divina (Latin for "Divine Reading") is a traditional monastic practise of reading Scripture to promote communion with God and increase knowledge of God's word. The chosen reading is listened to four times from four different stances: Lectio (Read), Meditatio (Reflect - Think), Oratio (Respond -Pray), and Contemplatio (Rest - Remain in God's presence). Family Faith Formation at Home - Videos will appear on Facebook; Sundays beginning Feb 27 and will be posted to the Office of Evangelization and **Catechesis page on Mondays** A ten-part video series based on the

book, *Benjamin's Box*, follows Jesus' way of the cross through a little boy's eyes. Each clip in this series, created by local catechists, offers a 15–30-minute session, which contains a short reading from the story **Benjamin's Box** followed by a Scripture reading, a craft, a challenge, and a prayer. The series can be viewed on Sundays beginning Feb 27 and concluding during the Easter weekend on the <u>RC Diocese of Prince</u> <u>Albert: Evangelization and Catechesis</u> <u>Facebook page</u> and later on Mondays on the <u>Evangelization and Catechesis webpage</u> on the RC Diocese of PA website.

		<b>MINISTR</b>	MASS SCH	EDULE		
Date	Mar. 19 7:00 pm	Mar. 20 11:00 am	Mar. 20 5:00 pm	Mar. 26 7:00 pm	Mar. 27 11:00 am	Mar. 27 5:00 pm
Captains	Murielle Rousseau 445-4367	Marie Urben 441-4012	Rose Balfour 446-3063	Murielle Rousseau 445-4367	Marie Urben 441-4012	Rose Balfour 446-3063
Greeters & Gift Bearers	B. Semeniuk C. McGrath	Gisele Rentz L. Nykiforuk	G. Gantefoer B. Znack	L. Douville M. Rousseau	Eduardo & Ann Ledon	R. Balfour G. Gantefoer
Commentary Announcements	Murielle Rousseau	Hélène Blais	John Jangula	Peter Pielak	Cheryl Kitzan	Glen Gantefoer
Proclaimers: 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, psalm, 2 <sup>nd</sup> reading and prayers	Peter Pielak	Chris Pollard Dainty Romerde	Rose Balfour	Jean Pawlus	Jeena Mathew Craig Treiber	Betty Znack
Communion Body of Christ	Maria Isla	Marie Urben Doreen Dudek	Betty Znack	Darnel Alcantara	Marie Urben Pauline Bingham	Rose Balfour
Altar Servers		Erin X. Andrea M. Stephen A.			Evan C. Joelene S.V. Erin X.	

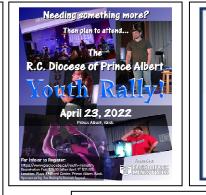
### **<u>25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Divine Mercy</u>** Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

10:30 am Rosary; Message by Jesus about Divine Mercy Image 11:00 am Mass; Message of Jesus -Complete Pardon of Sin 12:00 Noon: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament; "O Saving Victim"; Chaplet of Divine Mercy; Litany of Holy Eucharist; Message of Jesus about Divine Mercy to Dying Souls Chaplet 12:30 pm: Benediction

Sunday's Collections: Mar. 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Loose - \$312.25 Envelopes - \$1,295.00 Pre-authorized - \$265.00

Thank you for your generosity

Enumerator for Tues. Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 Bea Geering Notre Dame Parish thanks you for all your donations!



#### **Vocation Corner** Third Sunday of Lent – C

<u>A Vocation View:</u> Each Lent should bring us closer to our God. There is no failure, except that of no longer trying. You can still follow Jesus more closely.

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Save the Date!

World Catholic Education Day

May 26, 2022

North Battleford, SK Mass: 10:30 a.m.

Celebrant: Bishop Stephen Hero

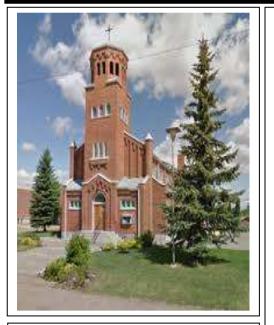
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**Prayer:** That like Moses, our young people will enter more deeply into conversation with the Lord in prayer as they seek to discover their vocations in Christ, we pray to the Lord. **Action:** Every vocation to consecrated life is born in contemplation, from moments of intense communion and from a deep relationship of friendship with Christ, from the beauty and light which was seen shining on his face. Starting Afresh from Christ: A Renewed Commitment to Consecrated Life in the Third Millennium, no. 9

# Notre Dame de Lourdes Parish

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# Mar. 19 & 20, 2022

Pastor: Fr. Nick Ferreras <u>For emergencies call: 1-306-314-9402</u> <u>Confession: 30 minutes before each Mass</u> Parish Secretary: Rose Balfour Caretaker: Craig Treiber Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 4:00 <u>Parish Council Members:</u> Chairperson - Glen Gantefoer Secretary - Rose Balfour Alan Corbeil, Hélène Blais, Helen Kayfish, Matthew Parker Parish Finance Members:

#### Chairperson - Chris Pollard Jaki Esquirol, Peter Pielak, Irene Rathke, John Jangula Fundraising Chair: Debbie MacGregor

## March 20, 2022 — Third Sunday of Lent



Today's Gospel passage reminds us that life is precious and the gift of time on this earth is just that — a gift. None of us knows how much time will be granted to us, so we must use this gift intentionally to glorify God and serve our neighbor.

Jesus offers the parable of the fig tree to further illustrate this truth. The owner of the orchard came searching for fruit on a fig tree he had planted in his orchard. Finding no fruit on the tree after three years, he told the gardener to cut it down, but the gardener intercedes and asks for one more year to cultivate and fertilize the tree in hopes it would bear fruit in the future. The fig tree was not dying; it simply wasn't doing much of anything at all. Can this be said of us and our lives as well?

The season of Lent is a time to carefully reflect on the way we spend our time. Do we make God our first priority, tending to our spiritual growth and sacramental life with diligence? Do we give the next priority to our loved ones, focusing intentionally on them each day without distractions from phones, screens, or thoughts of work? If not, now is the moment to repent of our waste of time or of misplaced priorities on our use of time. God is merciful but just. Let's turn to Him and ask Him to make our lives fruitful while we still have time to do so.

