

## 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.

#### Easter Schedule

##### Apr. 14 - Holy Thursday:

5:00 pm St. André  
7:00 pm Notre Dame (adoration until 10:00 pm)  
Apr. 15 - Good Friday (fast & abstinence):  
10:00 am Liturgy of the Hours  
3:00 pm Good Friday Service Notre Dame  
3:00 pm Good Friday Service St. André  
Apr. 16 - Saturday Easter Vigil:  
7:00 pm Notre Dame

##### Apr. 17 – Easter Sunday:

9:30 St. André  
11:00 am Notre Dame  
No 5:00 pm Mass

#### Call for Nominations

The Notre Dame Parish Annual General Meeting will be held at 11:00 am on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Some of the current positions on Parish Council are coming to the end of their term, and are in need of filling. We are looking for new volunteers who are willing to let their name stand. You have until **April 13** to submit nominations. Forms are available at the back of the church, so please pick one up today, or stop by the parish office. If an election needs to be held, it will be on Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. Results will be announced at the AGM on May 8<sup>th</sup>.

LOCCS World Catholic Education Day on May 26, 2022 will now be a virtual event. Mass with Bishop Stephen Hero is at 10:30 am. A link will be shared closer to the date.

#### Week 5: April 3 – Solidarity Sunday

##### This Lent, give from the heart

Development and Peace's *People and Planet First* campaign invites you to give from the heart and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world.

In Cambodia, for instance, your solidarity helped our partner DPA establish a community fishery in Srey Packly's village. She said, "Thank you very much to DPA and to the donors for supporting my family and fellow villagers to have fresh and healthy fish to eat and to improve our livelihoods."

Such is the difference you can make by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give). Thank you for helping us build a world of justice.

Please use the brown envelopes in the pews for your Share Lent donation.

#### SaskProLife Association 2022 Convention & AGM

We want to invite you to our upcoming Convention and Annual General Meeting on April 2nd 2022. It will be held over ZOOM, is completely free, but requires registration for attendance.

<https://forms.gle/unzroFfihQVqtShH7>

Please note that there will be a First Saturday Mass at St. André at 10:00 am for 5 months beginning April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### CWL Diocesan Annual Meeting of Members (Convention)

Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022  
at Notre Dame de Lourdes Church  
"Catholic and Living It"

9:00 am: Registration – St. Bernadette Hall  
**Guest speaker** – Harry Lafond speaking on the national theme "Catholic and Living It", as an indigenous person.

This meeting is open to all CWL members.  
Contact Betty Znack at 306-445-3108 to register.

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



**First Sat. Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup>** 10:00 am St. André  
(the first of 5 First Saturday masses)

7:00 pm Notre Dame

For the intentions of the people, and for † Annie Bertsch by the family.

**Sun. Apr. 3<sup>rd</sup>** 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 † Mildred Kleiv by Notre Dame School Staff.

**Mon. Apr. 4<sup>th</sup>** No Mass

**Tues. Apr. 5<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 am Notre Dame

For the intentions of Carrie Day by Erna and Charles Day.

**Wed. Apr. 6<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 am Notre Dame

For Arnold, Monnie and Kathy Gantfoer by Glen and family.

Adoration from 10:00a m to 11:00 am

**Thurs. Apr. 7<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 am Harwood

For † Armelle Gerlinger by Albert and Hélène Blais and family.

**Fri. Apr. 8<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 am St. André

For the intentions of Hélène Blais by Raymonde Doucette.

**Sat. Apr. 9<sup>th</sup>** 7:00 pm Notre Dame

For the intentions of the people and for the frontline workers by Eduardo Ledon and family.

**Sun. Apr. 10<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 am St. André

For the intentions of the people.

11:00 am Notre Dame

For † Dexter Rico and for peace in the Ukraine by the CWL.

5:00 pm Notre Dame

For the intentions of the people.

Confessions 30 minutes before each Mass

## DIOCESAN EVENTS

**Adult Faith \_ Journey through Lent**  
**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.

#### Family Faith Formation at Home

A ten-part video series based on the book, *Benjamin's Box*, follows Jesus' way of the cross through a little boy's eyes. The series can be viewed on Sundays beginning Feb. 27 and concluding during the Easter weekend on the [RC Diocese of Prince Albert: Evangelization and Catechesis Facebook page](#) and later on Mondays on the [Evangelization and Catechesis webpage on the RC Diocese of PA website](#).

#### Battlefords & Area Marriage Preparation Course

After a long hiatus due to Covid, an in person Marriage Prep will be offered for those couples getting married in the Catholic Church. The date will be the weekend of **May 27 & 28**. This time of preparation will happen at St. Vital Parish in Battleford. As always, space will be limited, so please call Shannon Bailey as soon as possible at 306-317-0878. Please leave a message if there is no answer.

#### Synod Timeline of Events

**We are still accepting Synod feedback.**

**Please return your filled in questionnaires.**

**Apr 29/22** - Large Parish/Pastoral Zone Synthesis Due - **fill online**

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<b>MINISTRY MASS SCHEDULE</b>						
Date	Apr. 2 7 :00 pm	Apr. 3 11:00 am	Apr. 3 5:00 pm	Apr. 9 7:00 pm	Apr. 10 11:00 am	Apr. 10 5:00 pm
Captains	Peter Pielak 445-2716	Helen Kayfish 480-4650	Betty Znack 445-3108	Peter Pielak 445-2716	Helen Kayfish 480-4650	Betty Znack 445-3108
Greeters & Gift Bearers	M. Isla & family	Erna Day D. Dudek	Bea Geering Betty Znack	B. Semeniuk C. McGrath	L. Nykiforuk G. Rentz	R. Balfour B. Znack
Commentary Announcements	Helen Kayfish	Helen Kayfish	Rose Balfour	Murielle Rousseau	Jeena Mathew	John Jangula
Proclaimers: 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, psalm, 2 <sup>nd</sup> reading and prayers	Murielle Rousseau	Matthew Parker Erin Xavier	John Jangula	Murielle Rousseau	Hélène Blais C. Pollard H. Kayfish M. Parker	Glen Gantefoer John Jangula
Communion Body of Christ	Peter Pielak	Marie Urben Gisele Rentz	Glen Gantefoer	Maria Isla	Marie Urben Doreen Dudek	Betty Znack
Altar Servers	_____	Joelene S.V. Anne P. Xavier P.	_____	_____	Erin X. Andrea M. Mikaela R.	_____

**25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Divine Mercy Conference**  
**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. 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
 Loose – \$243.95    Envelopes – \$530.00  
 Pre-authorized - \$1,388.00  
**Thank you for your generosity**  
Enumerator for Tues. Apr. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
Marielle Cook  
**Notre Dame Parish thanks you for all your donations!**

**Diocesan Youth Rally**  
**April 23, 2022 - Prince Albert, Sask.**  
 Featuring: FacetoFace Ministries  
 For youth grades 7-12. If you belong to N.D. Parish, your registration will be paid by the parish and Kof C! Just call the parish office if you are interested. We will even arrange transportation and help with all the registration details!  
 This is a wonderful opportunity to spend the day with others who, like you, are wanting more! Come for a day of fun, faith, food, music, inspiring talks, friendship and fellowship!

**Vocation Corner** Fifth Sunday of Lent – C  
**A Vocation View:** Lent is six weeks of being serious about forgiveness and knowing we are loved. Who will step forward to tell of God's great love for us? **Prayer:** That priests, deacons, sisters and brothers who, for the sake of Christ have suffered the loss of all things, will flourish in their vocations and bring many souls to the knowledge of salvation, we pray to the Lord. **Action:** There is no identity—and consequently joy of life—without an active and unwavering sense of belonging to God's faithful people. . . Go out and give your people what was entrusted to you, for your people will make you feel and taste who you are, what your name is, what your identity is, and they will make you rejoice in that hundredfold which the Lord has promised to those who serve him. Pope Francis, Holy Chrism Mass, Holy Thursday homily, 2014


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 Facebook page: Notre Dame de Lourdes Battlefords; send photos to: notredame.nb@gmail.com



**Apr. 2 & 3, 2022**

**Pastor: Fr. Nick Ferreras**  
For emergencies call: 1-306-314- 9402  
Confession: 30 minutes before each Mass  
**Parish Secretary:** Rose Balfour  
**Caretaker:** Craig Treiber  
**Office Hours:**  
**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday**  
**9:00 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 4:00**  
**Parish Council Members:**  
**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

**April 3, 2022 — Fifth Sunday of Lent**



Once again this week, we are reminded of what a loving and merciful God we serve. The theme of the readings for this fifth Sunday of Lent are summed up beautifully in today's Gospel passage from Luke, which recounts the story of the woman caught in adultery. After all those who would have stoned this woman leave the scene, Christ says to her, **“Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore.”**

When we turn to God for forgiveness, He is indeed gracious and merciful. So much so, that not only will He forgive our sins without condemnation, He will make us completely new creations in Christ.

What is more amazing is that this all-perfect and holy God of ours draws so very near to us. Our sins do not drive Him from us, but rather to us so that He can set us free from them. Look carefully at Christ's actions and posture in the Gospel reading as He deals with both the crowd of people, the Scribes and Pharisees, and the adulterous woman. **“All the people started coming to Him and he sat down and taught them.” “He bent down and began to write with His finger.”** He **“straightened up”** when He confronted the Scribes and Pharisees about their own sins. And he **“straightened up”** when He assured the woman that He did not condemn her for her past. Like a skilled teacher, or loving **“big brother,”** Christ bends down to where we are, He sits among us, He stands to confront us when needed and He stands to look us in the eye to remind us of our true dignity.

We're all unworthy of the great privilege of serving Him. But that, quite simply, is cause for greater joy in serving Him with all our hearts.

*"Prayer is the fastest thing on Earth... it reaches God  
before you even say it."  
Anonymous*

### **Synod Zoom Events**

**Mar 9/22** - ONLINE forum topic Main Synod  
Question (Belonging, listening, speaking  
out) [register here](#)

**Mar 23/22** - ONLINE forum topic Missionary  
Disciples (Sharing responsibility for our common  
mission) [register here](#)

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### **Stations of the Cross – Lent 2022**

First Fri. Mar. 4 – Parish Council 6:30 pm after Mass  
Fri. Mar. 11 – CWL 7:00 pm  
Fri. Mar. 18 – K of C 7:00 pm  
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 - parish 3:00 pm

For [Our Lady of Lourdes](#) home visits, please call 445-3836.

**When you have finished with the statue, please call  
the next person on the list or the office.**

### **RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

If you or anyone you know is seriously thinking of  
becoming Catholic or wants to know more about the  
Catholic Faith, please call and register for RCIA classes  
which will begin in October. Call 445-3836.

### **SERENA**

Are you interested in Natural Family Planning?  
If so, please visit the website at [www.saskserena.ca](http://www.saskserena.ca), or  
see *The Coverline*, their news publication on the bulletin  
board at the back.

### **AUTO-DEBIT**

***Have you ever considered making your weekly church  
donations using auto-debit?***

***By doing this, you can eliminate writing cheques or  
looking for some cash when you make your donation.***

***The donation is automatically transferred from your  
bank account to the church after your authorization.***

***This can be set up at the Parish Office. For more  
information, forms are available in a pocket in the  
entrance of the church, or you may contact the Parish  
Office at 306-445-3836.***

### **New Parishioners &/or Address Change**

(Please complete this form and place in the collection  
basket.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We wish to have Offertory envelopes:

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Auto Debit: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Queen's House Retreat and Renewal Centre** **QUEEN'S HOUSE RETREAT AND RENEWAL CENTRE**

Please visit our webpage for a list of all upcoming  
programs and to register for all programs:

[http://www.queenshouse.org/?page\\_id=4399](http://www.queenshouse.org/?page_id=4399)

For more information contact Sarah Donnelly:  
306-242-1916 x226



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### **RCIA and RCIC**

If you know of anyone who is interested in  
learning more about the Catholic faith, and  
they are wishing to receive the sacraments of  
Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation,  
please have them call the parish office to  
register as soon as possible. RCIA classes for  
adults and older youth usually start in early  
fall, and RCIC for children begins in January.