

St. Patrick's Parish

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December 9, 2018 - 2nd Sunday of Advent Year C

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday 7:00 pm

Wednesday - Friday 8:15am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm, and by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday 8:45 - 9:30 am

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Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm
Closed on Weekends & Statutory Holidays

Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ within me

Welcome to St. Patrick's!

We offer you a warm welcome here in God's house. If you are visiting you are very welcome; we hope you make yourself at home. If you are new to our parish and would like to register, please fill out a census form located at the back of the church and leave it in the collection plate, or contact the Parish Office.

To our visitors, enjoy your visit with our parish family. To our new parishioners, Welcome Home!

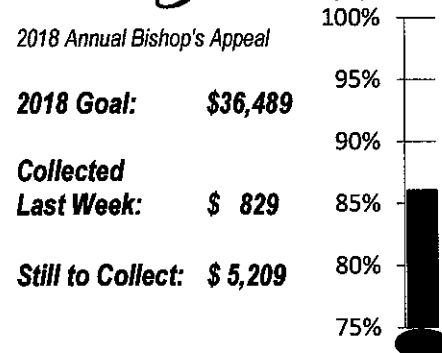
Parish Finances

DATE: November 26- December 2, 2018

COLLECTION	\$	9,144
PAD (pre-authorized debit)	\$	2,247
TOTAL	\$	11,391
WKLY BUDGET EXPENSES	\$	8,592
EXCEED/(SHORTFALL)	\$	2,799

Thank you for your generosity!

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Masses & Celebrations at St. Patrick's This Week

SATURDAY DEC 8

- 3:30 pm Reconciliation
- 5:00 pm Mass - Intention: Eva Schafer †
- 7:00 pm Indian Mass

SUNDAY DEC 9

- 9:00 am Mass - Intention: Aldo Dal Molin †
- 11:00 am Mass - Intention: Ermano & Angelina Ciannevei †

TUESDAY DEC 11

- 7:00 pm Mass - Intention: Fr. Brian Hubka

WEDNESDAY DEC 12

- 8:15 am Mass for Mission - Intention: Nick Mudrack †

THURSDAY DEC 13

- 8:15 am Mass - Intention: Mark Lyczewski †
- 8:45 am Adoration

FRIDAY DEC 14

- 8:15 am Mass - Intention: Bill Chevrier
- 11:00 am School Mass - St. Francis School

Senior Home Masses This Week

SUNDAY DEC 9

- 7:25 am Mass at St. Joseph's - Intention: Fr. Derek Remus

MONDAY DEC 10

- 8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's - Intention: Tim & Agnes Forsyth
- 2:00 pm Mass at MeadowRidge - Intention: Andre Rocheleau †

TUESDAY DEC 11

- 8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's - Intention: Tina Kuss †
- 2:00 pm Mass at Teoda - Intention: Fr. Francis Tran

WEDNESDAY DEC 12

- 8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's - Intention: Stella Selinger †

THURSDAY DEC 13

- 8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's - Intention: Selinger Family †

FRIDAY DEC 14

- 8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's - Intention: Chris Ehnisz
- 10:00 am Mass at Wellington - Intention: Theresa (L) & Lawrence (†) Haubrich

Bishop McGratten's Pastoral Visit

The Bishop will be here on December 14th to 16th, and he is asking to meet with each of our many ministry members during appointments on the 14th and 15th. Please plan to attend EACH of your group's meetings! The schedule is posted at the Church entrance - be sure to check the time your ministry meets with the Bishop!

Ministerial Association Prayer

"Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you... and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare."
(Jer 29.7)

Let us pray for:

- Councillor Robert Dumanowski, Medicine Hat
- Majors Murray and Annetta Jaster, Salvation Army

Parish Events this week:

MONDAY DEC 10

- >7:00pm Young Men's Group

TUESDAY DEC 11

- >9:00am Quilting Club and luncheon
- >1:00pm Knitting Klub
- >7:00pm K of C in Hall
- >7:30pm RCIA meeting in GT room

WEDNESDAY DEC 12

- >7:00pm Choir Practice and Party to follow

THURSDAY DEC 13

- >7:00pm Advent Discipleship Series in the Hall

FRIDAY DEC 14 - BISHOP'S PASTORAL VISIT ALL WEEKEND

- >11:00am School Advent Mass
- >8:00pm Latin Rosary

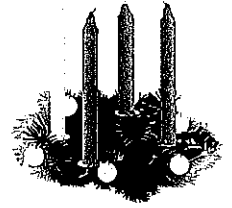
SATURDAY DEC 15

Bishop meets with all Ministry members at scheduled times.

- >8:30am TMIY (That Man Is You) in the hall
- >9:30am Benedictine Group

SUNDAY DEC 16

K of C Pancake Breakfast after both masses with Bishop McGratten



St. Patrick's Penitential Service will be held on Wednesday Dec. 19th at 7:00pm.

As well, all are invited to celebrate reconciliation by appointment or on Saturdays at 3:30pm. Father will also be hearing confessions on Sunday mornings from 8:15-8:45 and 10:15 - 10:45 during this Advent Season.

Christmas Season Masses

This year, MINISTRY SIGN UP SHEETS are posted on the bulletin boards. Please put your name down for the days and times that work best for you!

December 24th - Christmas Eve Mass at 5:00 pm, 8:00 pm, & 11:00 pm

December 25th - Christmas Day Mass at 10:00 am

December 31st - New Year's Eve Mass at 5:00 pm

January 1st - New Year's Day Mass at 10:00 am

Let Us Pray:

For the Sick of our Parish

May the Lord's healing and life-giving touch be upon those whose cross is heavy to bear.

Especially:

Jerome Herle	Nola Orich	Adam Marshall
Al Hittle	Margaret Shaw	Mike Morrice
Edith Garrecht	Elmer Jacober	Leonard Heisler
Mary Simpson	Lucille Anton	Albert Ibach
Theresa Perrault	Leo Sellinger	George Macauley
Veronica Swan	June Wiersma	Doug Marshall
Cleora Schafer	Yvonne Exner	Maria Garcia
Ryken Covino	Dwight Luscombe	Theresa Haubrich
Tylen Muller		

AMEN

If you or a loved one are unable to attend Mass due to hospitalization, illness, or infirmity, and wish to receive Holy Communion, or a visit please contact the Parish Office at 403-526-2265.

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School Advent Masses

Please join with our students from St. Francis School as they celebrate their Advent Mass on Friday Dec 14th at 11:00am. They are blessed to be having Bishop McGrattan as celebrant. All are welcome!



Knights of Columbus #1730 Christmas Social and Meet the Bishop! Friday Dec 14th at 6:00pm in the Parish Hall. Spouses and widows are welcome to attend. We are serving beef on a bun and need to know how many are coming. Please RSVP to Jeff at 403-504-8097 jeffcandy@shaw.ca OR Jim at jsteinke@gmail.com

Advent Discipleship Series (from Formed.org)

Preparing for Christmas is a joyous occasion and a time to learn more about this holy season. Join us for this video and discussion series being offered in **St. Patrick's Church Hall:**
 November 29 7:00 – 8:30 PM Session 1 : PREPARE THE WAY
 December 6 7:00 – 8:30 PM Session 2 : TRUST IN GOD
 December 13 7:00 – 8:30 PM Session 3 : WATCH & PRAY
 December 20 7:00 – 8:30 PM Session 4 : THE GIFT
 Workbooks will be provided each week. To register call Cathy and leave a message 403-526-8538.

Cathy Smith and Michael McLean will be the facilitators.

Sacrament Classes will resume on the January 12th / 13th weekend.
Parent Meetings for 1st Reconciliation Jan 10th at 6:30 at Holy Family
Confirmation Jan 17th at 7:00pm at Holy Family

Flowers for Christmas

Parishioners are once again invited to donate poinsettias to decorate the church for Christmas. Tags are available at the back of the church to mark your flowers for deceased loved ones. Please bring your flowers to the church by noon on December 23rd. After January 6th, the Feast of the Epiphany, you are welcome to take your flowers home.



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Society of St. Vincent de Paul

We wish to thank all of you for your generosity throughout the year. Thanks to your donations, our volunteers are able to assist people who are going through a difficult time in their lives. Recently, a client commented after receiving assistance they felt hopeful for the future and they felt like someone cared about them. This is why we do the work we do in our community. This time of the year can be even more difficult for families as they do their best to celebrate Christmas for their children's sake. Please help us to help those in need by continuing to donate to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. God bless you all. You remain in our prayers and we are so grateful to you.

On behalf of the St. Patrick's Social Committee & EQUIP, a big thank you goes out to all who supported our Games Night through their attendance, donations of money, donations of food, time or games to help with this event. A big thank you to COSTCO for donating pop and snacks for the canteen. We raised \$171.00 for our kitchen renovations!

IN MEMORIAM



Patrick Anderson

Grant eternal rest unto them, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them.

Christmas Season Mass times:

Christmas Eve December 24th:
 5pm, 8pm & 11pm
 Christmas Day Dec. 25th: 10:00 am
 New Year's Eve December 31st: 5pm
 New Year's Day January 1st: 10:00 am

That Man Is You

Saturday Dec 15, 2018
 8:30 am-9:30 am St. Patrick's Parish Hall
 Theme: Friends of St. Joseph

Christmas Caroling: Dec. 27 from 6:30-8:30pm. We will meet at Holy Family Parish then carol around the neighbourhood before returning to the church for cookies and hot chocolate. Everyone welcome!

2018 TREE OF HOPE
 Weekends of November 25, and December 2 and 9

This year our Christmas *Tree of Hope* Program will support Braxtyn's Bags (MH Hosp NICU), Saamis Immigration and The Nurture Pregnancy Centre. Either bring one of the items listed below or take a tag from the tree and bring that item. Items we will be collecting: (Bring items unwrapped)

- Children's outfits (sleepers, socks, coats, ski-pants – sizes newborn through to size 4T, both girls and boys)
- Baby toys, baby bottles, soothers, receiving blankets, crib sheets, and hygiene products (baby shampoo, baby wash, rash cream, bath sets for the moms)
- Little gifts to give new moms
- Diapers – sizes 4, 5, and 6 are the most needed.

Gift cards from Walmart or Superstore or wherever.

Collection will be from the weekend of **December 1 to December 16.**



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THE WORD THIS WEEK

Readings:

1st Reading: Baruch 5: 1-9 [God's Favour on Jerusalem]
God will show your splendour.

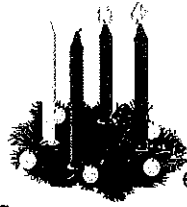
Psalm: Ps 126

℟. "God has done great things for us."

2nd Reading: Philippians 1: 3-6, 8-11 [Cooperating with Joy]

In the day of Christ, may you be pure and blameless.

Gospel: Luke 3: 1-6 [Prepare for the Lord]
All flesh shall see the salvation of God.



"All mankind shall see the salvation of God."

Again we hear about the coming Day of Christ, and meet the character of John the Baptist. Just as once before he prepared the way for the coming of Christ, so today he does the same for us. Our hearts should be open to his voice, as he calls us to repentance, and asks us to make the way straight for the coming of our Lord. The imagery of this Sunday is particularly rich: the dominant image is of a vast population moving together - the return from exile in the first reading, the going and coming of the sowers in the psalm, the community of the Church preparing together in Paul's letter. We prepare for the coming of the Lord as His people - a community who cooperate to make the processional way of the Holy One - flattening the hills of opposition and ridicule, filling in the valleys of doubt and despair, so that all mankind shall see the salvation of God.

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Youth

Bishop's Visit/Supper
 (grades 6-12)

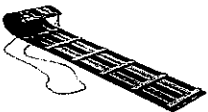
Dec. 14 4:30-6:30pm
 at St. Patrick's Parish.

Dress warmly and bring money for supper at DQ.

Youth Adoration Night

on Dec 19th at 7pm
 during Penitential Service
 at St. Patrick's Church. Take the opportunity to go to Confession to prepare for Christmas.

Tobagginning party on Jan 3rd
 Meet at the toboggan hill in Kin Coulee 2-4pm. Everyone welcome!



Ukrainian Christmas Social - St. Patrick's Social Committee invites you to share in a traditional Ukrainian Christmas dinner and associated traditions on Friday, January 11th in St. Patrick's Church Hall. We will be hosting a potluck striving for 12 meatless dishes, symbolic of the twelve Apostles who gathered at the Last Supper. John Cherwonogrodzky will be the MC and will share many of the Ukrainian traditions celebrated on Ukrainian Christmas. Free tickets to reserve your spot will be available beginning December 17th. Please watch the bulletin for more details.
 Khristos Rodevsha
 (Christ is born - Merry Christmas)



Children's Liturgy will resume in January 2019

Stretch and Strengthen Fitness sessions for adult parishioners begin on January 14th, 2019.

Suitable for all ages; both men and women. Professionally led by Mary - instructor from Back Alley Fitness.

Drop in basis for \$2.00 / session. Will need at least 15 participants / session to be viable.

Monday - 11:00 a.m. - noon @ St. Patrick's Church in hall

Tuesday and Thursday - 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. @ Holy Family in Faith room
 Wear suitable clothing and bring own water container.

For further details contact Elaine at 403-979-1140

Don't forget to sign up for the Christmas Season Masses! There are still lots of openings for ALL ministries! WE NEED YOUR HELP! The sheets are on the Ministry bulletin board near the stairs.

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