Learn Our Catholic Faith

Please Join us at the Parish Center Every Second Monday – February 19th at **7:00 pm**

St. Mary's will be hosting our **Spring Into Summer** <u>Saturday April 20th, 2024</u>

Please start saving your household items for donation. Email to rent a table – stmarys2020hall@gmail.com

CWL Meeting

Monday, Feb 12 7:00 PM Parish Hall 40 Days For Life Prayer Chain

4-5pm at General Hospital -

from Feb 14 to Mar 24

14th Ave

Make a donation

Every donation helps our parish to grow and thrive. There are a number of ways you can continue supporting Saint Mary's Parish. Thank you for your generosity!

Send donations via e-Transfer to

maryst@sasktel.net

To donate off-line, mail your cheque to: St. Mary's Parish 2026 Winnipeg Street Regina SK S4P 1G6 ATTN: Parish Donation

Marian Centre

The Marian Centre would like to extend our thanks to all who have contributed towards their need of men's clothing in the past months. Our clothing room is now well supplied with men's winter clothing, which we share with those who come to us in need. We request at this time that further donations of clothing be suspended until April 1st. Again, thank You!



SAINT MARY'S Roman Catholic Parish

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Pastor: Fr. Carlos Jimenez

Sunday Masses: 11:00 AM & 5:00 PM

Weekday Masses:

Monday:	No Mass	
Tuesday:	8:00 am	
Wednesday:	7:00 pm	
Thursday:	8:00 am	
Friday:	8:00 am	 – EXCEPT 1st Fridays (see below)
Saturday:	8:00 am	

Confessions:

Sunday: Only before 5 pm Mass Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday: Before 8:00 am Mass. Wednesday & Friday evenings: Until 6:50 pm Also by appointment with Father Carlos

Devotions:

Sunday: before the 11 am Mass
 Chaplet at 10:15 am, Rosary at 10:30 am
 before the 5:00 pm Mass, Rosary at 4:30 pm
 Before weekday morning Masses 7:15 am Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary
 1st Fridays of the month: All Night Vigil in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mass at 7:00 pm. Confessions before and after, and Adoration until Mass at 8:00 am on Saturday morning.
 Baptism: Arrange with the pastor. Please notify six weeks

Baptism: Arrange with the pastor. Please notify six weeks before for proper preparation

Marriage: Arrange with the pastor one year in advance



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Parísh Office Hours: To be Determined Fr. Carlos Jimenez' office located at: Holy Cross Parish 315 Douglas Avenue East Call (306) 757-1325

Restoration

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." <u>Mark 1:40–41</u>

In the Old Testament, Leviticus 14, God gave Moses a purification rite to be used for those who were cured of leprosy. This detailed rite that spanned several days was used to reintegrate a healed leper back into society. After Jesus healed the leper in today's Gospel passage, He ordered him to "go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." Thus, Jesus not only healed the man but instructed him that he was ready to be restored to the community.

At that time, leprosy was a horrible disease, not only for its physical effects, but also because the leper was not permitted to be a part of the society. This was because leprosy was quite contagious. By keeping those infected separate, the disease did not spread as easily to others.

As we ponder this healing, try to imagine not only the pain caused by the leper's disease, but especially the pain caused by his isolation. Obviously, there were no phones at that time, no video chatting, and no means of communication from a distance. Therefore, isolation would have meant a complete loss of the person's relationship with his family and friends, as well as his former livelihood, home and all that was a part of his life.

On a spiritual level, the various illnesses that Jesus cured are, in part, to be seen as symbols of sin. In the case of leprosy, we should see this illness as a symbol of the effects of mortal sin. And mortal sin, unless it is cured by God's forgiveness, has the effect of completely isolating a person from the life of grace. One becomes cut off from a relationship with God, as well as every other relationship that is centered in Christ. When one commits mortal sin and remains in that sin, that person is not capable of true love, since all grace is gone from their life. Therefore, their relationships become self-centered, demanding and unholy.

For those who have fallen into mortal sin, this leper is a symbol of the way out. First, he came to Jesus and knelt down before Him. He humbled himself before our Lord, acknowledging that Jesus was the answer to his ailment. He then begged Jesus for help. But the way he begged Jesus is also revealing.: he did not demand a healing but instead simply professed his faith in the fact that Jesus could heal him. And then he knelt there in trust and hope. This leper teaches us the perfect way to approach our Lord when we struggle with serious sin.

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<u>Medjugorje Pilgrimage</u>

April 3 – 13

Join us for Daily Mass, Rosary on Apparition Hill, Stations of the Cross on Cross Mountain, Visit to Cenacola Community, Visit to visionary – Professional Guide, if available. For More details call **Cathleen Devraj** (306)789-0705 or email cdevraj48@gmail.com

The Story of Our Lady of Lourdes

On December 8, 1854, Pope Pius IX proclaimed the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in the apostolic constitution *Ineffabilis Deus*. A little more than three years later, on February 11, 1858, a young lady appeared to Bernadette Soubirous. This began a series of visions. During the apparition on March 25, the lady identified herself with the words: "I am the Immaculate Conception."

Bernadette was a sickly child of poor parents. Their practice of the Catholic faith was scarcely more than lukewarm. Bernadette could pray the Our Father, the Hail Mary and the Creed. She also knew the prayer of the Miraculous Medal: "O Mary conceived without sin."

During interrogations Bernadette gave an account of what she saw. It was "something white in the shape of a girl." She used the word *aquero*, a dialect term meaning "this thing." It was "a pretty young girl with a rosary over her arm." Her white robe was encircled by a blue girdle. She wore a white veil. There was a yellow rose on each foot. A rosary was in her hand. Bernadette was also impressed by the fact that the lady did not use the informal form of address (*tu*), but the polite form (*vous*). The humble virgin appeared to a humble girl and treated her with dignity.

Through that humble girl, Mary revitalized and continues to revitalize the faith of millions of people. People began to flock to Lourdes from other parts of France and from all over the world. In 1862 Church authorities confirmed the authenticity of the apparitions and authorized the cult of Our Lady of Lourdes for the diocese. The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes became worldwide in 1907.

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Lent Begins Ash Wedr	nesday	February 14 Mass at
Holy Cross 5pm	&	St Mary's 7pm

COLLECTION FOR: Feb 4th, 2024

Sunday Offering	\$1,022.00	Sunday Loose	\$427.80
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	\$20.00	Parking	\$670.00
1 st Fríday Devotíon	\$150.00	Mass Intentions	\$60.00
Míssalettes	\$21.35	Shut-Ins	\$65.00
		Total Collection	\$2,436.15

Mass Intentions

Sun	Feb 11	11:00 AM	Int of Parishioners of St Mary's Parish	Brian & Christine Rybchuk
Tues	Feb 13	8:00 AM	Int of Joshua Rybchuk	Brian & Christine Rybchuk
Wed	Feb 14	8:00 AM	Reserved for Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Devotees
Thurs	Feb 15	8:00 AM	Int of Kyle, Joshua, Kayla, Josephine	Brian & Christine Rybchuk
Fri	Feb 16	7:00 PM	Int of Hope Sandra Catherine Beatrice Leclaire	Family
Sat	Feb 17	8:00 AM	Int of Barbara, Royce. Michael	Bruce Henning
Sun	Feb 18	11:00 AM	Repose of Paul Leclaire	Robert & Marilyn Mourre