

**Greetings from Father Sam**

Tuesday October 31, is Halloween. The word is old English for: All hallows eve or the vigil of all saints day, November 1st. We Christianized a feast of the Wicca religion that was a celebration of the new year and it was thought that it was easy to communicate with the dead at this time of the year. Scary masks were used to ward off evil spirits and food was offered to keep them away.

Centuries ago we put a Christian spin to this feast and dressed up like angels and saints and now anything goes. It is a fun day but I think not too many people know its origin and there are some who don't like it because of its non-Christian origin; well, just like Christmas, there is a little bit of everything in that feast also. So we celebrate in an appropriate way!

Trick or treat or Halloween applies!! Enjoy and be safe!!

**ITALIAN MASS AND BLESSING OF TOMBS**  
(Italian & English)

The mass in Italian will be 11:30 AM on Sunday Nov 5, at the Centro Caboto with the Alpini

**BLESSING OF TOMBS- Nov. 5**

3:00 pm Waverly St. Mausoleum  
4:30 Mausoleum at the Assumption Cemetery  
(Portage Ave.)

**International Day at St. Mary's Academy**

International Day is a time honoured tradition that brings together the St. Mary's Academy community to celebrate its diversity and culture. Similar to a mini Folklorama, this event is the primary fundraiser for the Parents' Guild. Proceeds help the Guild to fund many extra-curricular activities, school supplies and equipment for our students.

**Date and Time**  
Sunday, November 5, 2017  
10:30am to 3:00pm

**Location**  
Cafeteria, Sheila Chipman Atrium and Alumnae Hall  
550 Wellington Crescent  
Winnipeg

**Auditions for 'Easter' 2018**

This special musical theatre production will be staged by the youth of the St. Boniface and Winnipeg archdioceses and the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Winnipeg, March 30 and 31, 2018 at St. Mary's Academy Alumnae Hall. Auditions for singers and/or dancers ages 12 to 30 will be held on Sat., Nov. 18 and Sat., Nov. 25 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m

**Parish Financial Support Weekend Oct. 22, 2017**

Envelopes	\$ 3,630.50
Loose Cash	\$ 1011.50
SGG	\$ 105.00
Least Coin	\$ 517.00
World Mission	\$ 675.00

**Mother Cabrini Luncheon**  
Hosted by Villa Cabrini  
Friday, Nov.10,2017

**Time:** 11:00 Mass, 12:00 Lunch  
**Cost:** \$15.00 , Call 204-284-2881

**Menu:**  
Caesar Salad, Manicotti, Fish, Seasoned chicken legs, Spring rolls with plum sauce, Mushroom tart or Spanakopita, Mashed potatoes, Vegetables, cheese dish, Fresh fruit, Dessert.

**House of Peace 13th Anniversary**  
**Welcome Home Dinner**

**When?** Mon., Nov. 13, 2017.  
**Where?** The RBC Convention Centre York Ballroom  
**Cost:** Individual tickets: \$50.00  
Tables are for 8 or 10 people.  
**Guest speaker:** The Honourable Janice C. Filmon, C.M., O.M. Lieutenant governor of Manitoba.

**Sunday Missal**

Unfortunately, our parish is financially unable to continue offering free weekly Missals to our parishioners. However, for your convenience, if you wish to purchase one, we will make these available at the Church price of \$ 6.00.

The new Missal will be sold at the back of the church before or after all masses in November. Thank you.

**St. Paul's College Jesuit Centre**  
**Noon Lectures**

St Paul's College Jesuit Centre Noon Lectures: **Wednesday, Nov. 1** at 12:10 pm in Hanley Hall, St Paul's College. Dr. Karl Koop (History & Theology, CMU) speaking on 'Reconsidering the Reformation: Complexities and Opportunities'

**Wednesday, Nov. 29** at 12:10 pm in Hanley Hall, St Paul's College. Dr. Jade Weimer (Religion, UM) speaking on 'Heretical Harmonies: Musical ritual as a defining feature of an emerging orthodoxy in the early church'

**Saluti da Padre Sam**

Martedì 31 ottobre, è Halloween. La parola in Inglese e vecchia per: la vigilia di tutti i santi, il 1 novembre. Abbiamo cristianizzato una festa della religione Wicca che è stata una celebrazione del nuovo anno e si è pensato che era facile comunicare con i morti in questo periodo dell'anno. Maschere spaventose sono state usate per distruggere gli spiriti maligni e il cibo è stato offerto per tenerli via.

Tanti secoli fa abbiamo messo un twist cristiano a questa festa a vestirsi come angeli e santi e ora tutto va. È un giorno divertente, ma credo che non troppe persone conoscano la sua origine e ci sono alcuni che non la amano a causa della sua origine non cristiana; beh, proprio come il Natale, c'è anche un po' di tutto in quella festa. Quindi celebriamo in modo appropriato!  
Buon divertimento e state attenti!!!!

**MESSA ITALIANA E BENEDIZIONE DELLE TOMBE (ITALIANO E INGLESE)**

La messa in Italiano sarà alle **11:30 di domenica 5 novembre** presso il Centro Caboto con gli Alpini

**BENEDIZIONE DELLE TOMBE -5 NOV.**

15:00 p.m. Waverly St. Mausoleum  
16:30 p.m. Assunzione Mausoleo ( Portage Ave.)

**St. Charles Catholic School**  
**Christmas Community Celebration!**

Please come join St Charles Catholic School for our Christmas Community Celebration on November 25, 2017 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please bring your friends, families, neighbours, etc. and participate in the Pancake & PJ's breakfast (come in PJ's, if you want)!

There will be photos with Santa (\$10 each), and a Bake Sale with funds going to Keira's Crusade. Keira's Crusade Pillows will also be available to purchase and there will be a 50/50 raffle. This event is sure to get you in the Christmas spirit!

**World Youth Day 2019**

The deadline to sign up as part of the archdiocesan delegation for World Youth Day 2019 in Panama is on November 10, 2017. For the package of the information to fill out go to: [http://archwinnipeg.ca/wcm-docs/youth\\_reflections/youth\\_reflection-1508257852.pdf](http://archwinnipeg.ca/wcm-docs/youth_reflections/youth_reflection-1508257852.pdf) Please fill out the form completely and submit to the Catholic Centre by November 10, along with a non-refundable deposit of \$750.00. Delegates must be 18 years of age or older by the date of departure.

**For any questions**, please contact the OYYAM at [youth@archwinnipeg.ca](mailto:youth@archwinnipeg.ca) or (204) 452-2227 ext. 228.

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE**

We remind you, our parishioners, to consider signing the action cards that were included in last Sunday's bulletin. Additional action cards are found at the D & P table at the back of the church. By doing so, you will join the hundreds of thousands of Canadians across this great country of ours that are making the same commitment. We are asking our Canadian government to support women and women organizations working for peace around the world, by increasing Canada's international development assistance to build a more peaceful world.

As long as we continue to allow others to bar women from peace processes, we ourselves continue to bar humanity from lasting peace.

To those parishioners that have already signed the Action Cards we say thank you. Together in solidarity, true peace is possible!

**Sviluppo e pace**

Ricordiamo, i nostri parrocciani, di prendere in considerazione la firma delle carte d'azione che sono state incluse nel bollettino della domenica scorsa. Ulteriori carte d'azione si trovano alla tabella D & P sul retro della chiesa. In tal modo, si uniranno le centinaia e migliaia di canadesi in questo grande paese che stanno facendo lo stesso impegno. Chiediamo al nostro governo canadese di sostenere le donne e le organizzazioni di donne che lavorano per la pace in tutto il mondo, aumentando l'assistenza internazionale del Canada per lo sviluppo di costruire un mondo più pacifico.

Finché continuiamo a permettere ad altri di impedire alle donne di processi di pace, noi stessi continuiamo a prevenire l'umanità di pace duratura.

A quei parrocciani che hanno già firmato le schede d'azione diciamo grazie. Insieme alla solidarietà, è possibile la vera pace!!!!

**St. Benedict's Retreat and Conference**  
**Centre**

**Visio Divina:** Complement your knowledge and practice of Lectio Divina with this additional way to pray, using art. This workshop will be offered one Saturday, Nov.4, 10-3 pm. Led by Patricia Frain and Liz Coffman. You can expect to gaze at art and open your heart to what God has to say to you through it. No art experience required. \$65 includes lunch and snack in addition to tuition.

**Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services of**  
**Manitoba**

Fr. Denis Phaneuf from Saskatoon will be at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, 4588 Roblin Blvd., Winnipeg, preaching a retreat on the theme Hope & Healing. Fri. Nov 3, 7:30 p.m.

The Strongholds of Unbelief in Modern Society. Sat Nov 4, 9 a.m. Personal Testimony Breakfast. Sat., 2 p.m.,

Freedom from Fear. Sat. 7 p.m., God's Desire to Heal Everyone plus Mass & Healing Service. Free Will Love Offering except call or email for breakfast tickets at \$7 each. CCRS 204-895-7544 email [ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com](mailto:ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com)