

Greetings from Father Sam

Our Lenten Season ends on Wednesday, March 28 and the Holy Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday) begins Thursday March 29. On Holy Thursday we remember the gift of the Eucharist, the Ministry of the Priesthood and our service to each other. On Good Friday we celebrate The Passion and death of the Lord. Jesus willingly offers his life to redeem us. The Easter Vigil, the Mother of all Liturgies, celebrates our passing from death to life thru the death and Resurrection of Jesus. These days are the most sacred days of our worship year. Let us keep these sacred with our prayer, our charity and our conversion of heart.

Icon of Thanks

This year I chose the following parishioners to receive and Icon of Thanks for their Ministry: Maria Versace (9a.m. choir), Tommasina Mancini (10:30 a.m. choir), Sante Viselli (10:30a.m. choir), Mark Stevens (lector 4:30p.m. Mass), John Stephens (marriage preparation), Maria Marasco Stephens (marriage preparation). Thank you for your gift of Ministry. Thank you to all our Ministries!!

Passover

Our Jewish neighbours begin the Solemn Feast of Passover on Friday evening, March 30 at sundown. May God continue to bless all Jewish people throughout the world with peace and may they celebrate God's covenant with great faith. Passover celebrates God freeing the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. This is also our Passover, we celebrate our roots in God's saving works.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- March 29, Thursday, 8:00 P.M Mass of Last Supper (Italian & English)
March 30, Friday, 12:00 noon Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (English)
March 30, Friday, 3:00 P.M Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (Italian)
Easter Liturgy /Liturgia Pasquale
March 31, 8:00 P.M. Easter Vigil (English)
April 1 Easter Sunday
9:00 AM & 12:00 (English)
10:30 AM (Italian)
NB: No mass at 4:30 PM.

Parish Financial Support Weekend March 18, 2018

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Envelopes (\$4,295.00), Loose Cash (\$667.00), SGG (\$305.00), Least Coins (\$484.00), Church Maintenance (\$95.00).

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

- 1. Gianfranco Leuzzi 2. Isabella Consiglio 3. Monti Bell

Church Donations

ENVELOPES AND DIRECT DEPOSIT

The Finance Committee would like to remind parishioners of the convenient option of automatic withdrawals from your Debit Card. Our donations have been decreasing steadily the past few years. A lot of our church family do not attend mass in the summer months because they go to their cottages and in the Winter a lot of our parishioners go away. The church still needs to pay its bills throughout these times. Forms are available at the back of the church. Thank you for your continued support.

ENVELOPES

Please do not use OLD envelopes. Envelopes should not be stapled or taped unless loose coin is used. Please remember to put your names legibly on your envelopes.

VIGIL CANDLES

Just a reminder that the cost to light a candle is \$5.00. This barely covers our cost. Thank you for your understanding.

USED STAMPS

Members of Development & Peace who are philatelists, sell these used stamps to stamp collectors. Simply cut off stamps from your envelopes without damaging the perforations and deposit them in the box at the back of the church. Over \$500,000.00 has been raised for Development and Peace through their stamp collections

Tabs for Winnipeg Harvest

Bob Malo continues to collect drink can tabs for Winnipeg Harvest. To date he has 310,728 tabs. Should we set a goal of 314,000 for Easter? Please ask your friends and neighbours to help you collect. Thank you! Grazie Mille!

Saluti da Padre Sam

La nostra Quaresima si conclude mercoledì 28 marzo e il Santo Triduo (Giovedì Santo, Venerdì Santo, Sabato Santo) inizia giovedì 29 marzo.

Il Giovedì Santo ricordiamo il dono dell'Eucaristia, il ministero del sacerdozio e il nostro servizio reciproco. Il Venerdì Santo celebriamo la Passione e la morte del Signore. Gesù offre volentieri la sua vita per redimerci.

La Veglia Pasquale, la Madre di tutte le liturgie, celebra il nostro passaggio dalla morte alla vita attraverso la morte e la risurrezione di Gesù. Questi giorni sono i giorni più sacri del nostro anno di adorazione. Manteniamo questi sacri con la nostra preghiera, la nostra carità e la nostra conversione del cuore.

Icona di ringraziamenti

Quest'anno ho scelto i seguenti parrocchiani e l'icona di ringraziamento per il loro ministero: Maria Versace (coro 9a.m.), Tommasina Mancini (coro 10:30 a.m.), Sante Viselli (coro 10:30 a.m.), Marco Stevens (lettrice ore 16:30 p.m.), John Stephens (preparazione al matrimonio), Maria Marasco Stephens (preparazione al matrimonio). Grazie per il regalo del Ministero. Grazie a tutti i nostri ministeri!

Pasqua Ebraica

I nostri vicini ebrei iniziano la solenne festa della Pasqua Ebraica il venerdì sera, il 30 marzo al tramonto. Possa Dio continuare a benedire tutti gli ebrei di tutto il mondo con pace e possa celebrare l'alleanza di Dio con grande fede. La Pasqua celebra Dio, liberando gli Israeliti dalla schiavitù in Egitto. Questa è anche la nostra Pasqua, celebriamo le nostre radici nelle opere salvifiche di Dio..

First Communion Dates

Date: May 6 and 20, 2018,

Time: 12:00 noon Mass

Confirmation Date

Date: June 24, 2018

Time: 12:00 noon Mass

Public Way of the Cross

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'I am among you as one who serves;' - Luke 22:27
Friday, March 30th, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.
St. Vital Catholic Church, 1629 Pembina Hwy

Development and Peace (DP)

Development and Peace - Caritas Canada thanks you for your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, [\$ amount] was collected in our parish. This sum will help support the actions of our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East. If you have not had a chance to donate, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the Offertory or to donate online at devp.org/give. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

Eastar Rock Opera March 30-31

Eastar Rock Opera March 30-31: Eastar is an energetic rock opera which brings to life the story of Jesus of Nazareth. It will be performed by young Manitobans ages 12 - 30 at St. Mary's Academy Alumnae Hall at 7 pm Good Friday March 30 and 2 p.m. Sat., March 31. This is the main youth-focused event of Catholica 200 - the celebration year of the 200th anniversary of the arrival of the Catholic mission in Western Canada. Tickets are on sale online at www.eastar2018.com

Festa dei Santi

FESTA dei SANTI - SAINTS' SOCIAL Dinner & Dance

Saturday, April 21, 2018 - Church Hall
6:30 - Midnight

Tickets \$20.00 - available from Saints' members & from Church office

Art & Craft Fair

St. Charles Catholic School is excited to announce our inaugural Art & Craft Fair! Join us on Sunday, April 22, 2018 from 10am-2pm at 331 St. Charles St. Get your Mother's Day shopping done early! Shop with over 25 vendors and purchase art by talented St. Charles students. Everyone is welcome!

Italian Canadian Foundation

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Honouring
Larry Desrochers
General Director and CEO
Manitoba Opera
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