Parishes of St. Viator, Dauphin Corpus Christi, Winnipegosis

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**Office Hours: Tuesday-Thursday 8:30am-Noon, 1:00-4:00pm

Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday at 7:30pm, St. Viator's Sunday at 10:15am, St. Viator's Sunday at 2:00pm, Corpus Christi

Bulletin Submissions: Submit church related announcements to the office by Wednesday morning to be in that week's bulletin.

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Baptisms: Baptism Preparation Classes: By appointment.

Please call parish office to register.

Corpus Christi Parish contact Jo Bunka for Baptism

Preparation.

Baptisms will be held by scheduled appointments.

Marriage: Minimum Six months noticed required. Couples must be practising members of our Parish. Call the Parish

Office to arrange a meeting with the priest.

Ministry of Presence (The St. Luke Society) If you or someone you know is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office. Families and friends of parishioners are welcome to call on their behalf.

Prayer for Priests and Priestly Vocations

Heavenly Father, please grant to Your faithful servants, the grace and strength to carry out Your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests close to You and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your Holy Name. Please help to inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned

for them. Amen.

Palm Sunday April 1 & 2, 2023



*Schedule Subject to Change

Mon Apr 3: Office Closed 10:00am Bible Study (Isaiah 42.1-7) Gospel: John 12.1-11

Tues Apr 4: 7:00pm Adult Faith Formation (Isaiah 49.1-6) Gospel: John 13.21-33, 36-38

Wed Apr 5: 2:00pm Mass at Dauphin PCH 6:30am Mass: In Thanksgiving, req Anne Letain & family 7:00pm Confirmation Class (Isaiah 50.4-9) Gospel: Matthew 26.14-26

Thurs Apr 6: 7:00pm Holy Thursday Mass: For all souls in Purgatory, reg by a parishioner (Exodus 12. 1-8, 11-14, 1 Corinthians 11.23-26) **Gospel: John 13.1-15**

Fri Apr 7: 3:00pm Good Friday Service (Isaiah 52.13-53.12, Hebrews 4.14-16; 5.7-9) Gospel: John 18.1-19.42

Sat Apr 8: 1:00pm Blessing of the Easter Baskets 1:30pm Altar Servers practice 8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass: +Louise Fiel, req Ken & Nadia Yakielashek (Genesis 1.1-2.2, Exodus 14.15-31, 15.20, Isaiah 55.1-11, **Ezekiel 36.16-17, 18-28, Romans 6.3-11) Gospel: Luke 24.1-12**

Sun Apr 9: 10:15am Mass: +Simone Bouchard, reg Marie 2:00pm Mass at Corpus Christi: For all parishioners and youth of both parishes (Acts 10.34, 37-43, Colossians 3.1-4) Gospel: John 20.1-18

Reflections on the Sunday Readings: Palm Sunday

All weeks are holy. But each year at this time the Church names one week "Holy week" and for good reason—we are invited to meditate on this last week of Jesus' life on earth.

For this occasion, Jesus chose a donkey and her colt. Apparently, he knew

where the donkey lived and that the donkey had a colt. Perhaps Jesus had compassion for the mother donkey who wouldn't want to be separated from her young.

Now in those days and even today, a donkey is quite low on the list of wonderful and admired animals. Jesus must have had a good reason to choose this humble, wise animal so often



ridiculed and overlooked. It might be well to spend some time reflecting on the qualities of a donkey: calmness, slowness, willingness to carry heavy burdens, patience, said to never act out of bitterness or spite, to name a few.

The plant world is also honoured in this story. Great crowds of people spread branches on the path of Jesus. And today we, too, hold palms as the Passion narrative is told. Let us take this opportunity to reflect on the goodness and wonder of God's creation of plants and animals, and consider how they model for us graciousness and generosity, qualities that Jesus himself embodied.

Attention:

If you would like blessed Easter water after the Mass on Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday please consider bringing your own SMALL container to fill with Holy Water. We will have some vials available but not as many as in the past, and we are attempting to go away from that. So please do bring a small bottle, fill it and bless your home and Easter table with it.



A Return of The Way of the Cross Tableau

The Way of the Cross, also known as The Stations of the Cross, is a spiritual pilgrimage through contemplation of the Passion of Christ. It grew from imitations of the Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem, a traditional processional route represent-

ing the path Jesus walked from the house of Pontius Pilate to Golgotha, the place of Christ's crucifixion. In 2022, a dedicated group of fifteen St. Charles parishioners worked for months to create a 45-minute tableau version video of the Way of the Cross. You will be able to view it again this year from Ash Wednesday (February 22) until Easter. www.youtube.com/watch?v=ETLu_Zz5vZQ&t=639s For more information and to see photos, check out the St. Charles parish Blog link https://www.saintcharleswpg.com/news?offset=1644612296202

Easter Triduum Schedule:

Holy Thursday: 7:00pm

Good Friday Service at St. Viator & Corpus Christi: 3:00pm

Holy Saturday Schedule:

Blessing of Easter Baskets: 1:00pm

Altar Boys practice: 1:30pm

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: 8:00pm

Easter Sunday: 10:15am

Corpus Christi Mass at 2:00pm



If there is anyone else who would like to sign up for Handivan services for Sunday Mass, please call the parish office.



The CWL once again has perogies for sale! Get them while there's some available!



Financial Corner:

<u>St. Viator's Parish</u> # of envelopes = 52 Mar 26 Collection—\$1538 + 183.25(loose) = \$1721.25

Sharing God's gifts = \$60

Pre-Authorized payments= \$907.50

Corpus Christi # of envelope = 10 Mar 26 Collection \$275 Sharing God's Gifts = \$



Is it Spring Yet?

Is Spring cleaning getting in the way of having fun?
Do you have items which you would like to move on to a
new home?

WE HAVE NEWS FOR YOU!

The parish is holding it's annual Garage Sale

May 11 and 12.



Intake is May 8,9,10.
to make this a HUGE success
WE NEED YOU!

Please help

donate items for sale, sorting and pricing items, working the sale,

donating snacks and food items for the workers.

Watch this space for further information and begin planning now.

GIVE CARE, NOT MAID

In the gather area you will find cards reading, *Give Care*, *Not Maid*. Please take a moment to sign the card and leave it in the box next to the cards.

MAiD targets the vulnerable in our society, the very ones we should be providing care for.

SUPPORT A CULTURE OF LIFE! PLEASE SIGN THE CARD. THANK YOU



The Triumphal Entry

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. Matthew 21:8 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 21:1-11



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Fasting During Holy Week

There have been many suggestions on this page through Lent to help with ideas of fasting in order to grow closer to our Lord. Continue with the choices you've made through Lent, but in addition to that consider the following while in the holiest week of the year:

Catholic faithfuls are called to fast, just as Jesus Christ fasted in the desert.

Fasting means reducing the amount of food eaten by an individual. Example, if a person eats three full meals a day, they are called to eat one meal a day and two smaller meals, which when put together do not exceed the main meal in quantity. Fasting is obligatory on Good Friday, on those 18 years old to those who are not yet 60 years old. Pope Benedict XVI explained, "Through fasting and praying, we allow Him to come and satisfy the deepest hunger that we experience in the depths of our being: the hunger and thirst for God."

Abstinence, means refraining from eating meat, such as pork, chicken and beef, and any meat based dishes (including soups and gravies).

What can be eaten? Fish and seafood. Grilled cheese sandwiches!

Abstinence requires a Catholic 14 years of age and above to refrain from eating meat on all Fridays of Lent, to honour the Passion of Jesus on Good Friday. Why is meat singled out? Because having meat in your diet banquets, celebrations and feasts. Holy Week is not a time for celebration, but rather a time of meditation and reflection. Meat can be a luxury, which is not appropriate for a season that is considered a time for penance.

Fasting and abstinence are not brutal or physically harmful practices inflicted to the members of a religion. It has to be noted that sick people or those with special needs or medical conditions are exempted from observing these practices. They can substitute fasting and abstinence with other forms such as praying the Holy Rosary, going to Holy Mass, visiting the Blessed Sacrament, reading the Holy Bible or doing works/acts of charity such as giving alms to the poor or visiting the prisoners and the sick.

