

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #1732

Meeting: Tue Jan 13 at 7:30pm **Exe meeting:** 7pm

Charity Appeal Tickets: if any members still have tickets please turn them in at the next meeting, so I can send them away for the early bird draw.

Grand Knight Sandy Morrice and I would like to take this time to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

Our Lady of Guadalupe: Events will take place Aug 6-8 in Phoenix following the Supreme Convention. The Knights of Columbus will hold its 1st International Marian Congress on Our Lady of Guadalupe from August 6-8, 2009 following the organizations 127th Annual Convention in Phoenix.

The Congress will conclude with a Guadalupe Festival at Jobing.com Arena on August 8. Nearly 20,000 attendees are expected from throughout the United States and Mexico. For more information on Our Lady of Guadalupe Festival email: www.guadalupefestival.org.

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*Nothing is so strong
as gentleness,
and nothing is so gentle
as true strength.*

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The Epiphany of the Lord

January 4, 2009

<p>Mass Times Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 9:00am and 11:00am Sunday: 7:30am St. Joseph's Home</p>	<p>Mass Intentions Jan 3 & Jan 4, 2009 5pm Patricia Dillman + 9am Young Shin 11am Joe Liboiron</p>	<p>Office Hours Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm</p>
<p>Mass in Latin 1st & 3rd Sunday @ 6:30pm St. Pat's Church</p>	<p>Jan 10 & 11 5pm Joe Liboiron 9am John Haag+ 11am Willie Forget +</p>	<p>Closed 12n to 1:00pm</p>

Confessions
Saturday 10:00am – 11:00am

Weekday Masses
St. Joseph's Home
Monday to Friday: 8:30am

Venite, Adoremus

Lord, every nation on earth – will adore you. Psalm 72

Wise men came bearing gifts to confirm their star talk, for the infant Jesus is revealed as the mystery saving everyone – believers and pagans. All people are encompassed in the good news, the promise of the Gospel. All share the same inheritance. All share Christ's body, the New Jerusalem that is the church mothering us to salvation. God's brightness draws us close as a family. Daughters and sons share in God's life.



Come, let us adore him!

Epiphany

Continues the Christmas cycle as we celebrate the ways in which God's love is manifested or revealed to us through his Son, Jesus.

Arise, shine out, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you. (Isaiah 60)

The glory of God has been manifest to us in the birth of a Saviour.

How can your discipleship spread the light of Christ upon the dark places of the world?

God Time: today, Jan 4, 2009 at 11am Mass

Mass in Latin

Today, Jan 4 at 6:30pm; confessions at 6pm.

Sunday, January 11: St. Pat's Café is open from 10am-10:45am. Bakers are needed! If you can bake cinnamon buns or muffins, call the parish office.

Jan 11:

Jan 18: Parish Pancake Breakfast

Jan 25:

The schedules are ready to be picked up.

Mission Mexico Update: thanks to your generosity, our parish collected \$2001.83 for Mission Mexico

Annual Bishop's Appeal

Target: \$46,503.00 **Balance:** \$3,915.11

Appeal ends: Jan 9, 2009

Just one week left and only a small balance remaining. Now is the time to consider an additional donation to boost your tax deduction for 2008. As long as your check is dated, December 31, 2008 and the office receives it by Sunday, January 11th, you will receive a receipt for 2008 tax year. Always remember, the ABA was set up to assist the weak, the poor and the oppressed, the terminally ill, the elderly and homebound, the abused and the impoverished, the refugee and the hungry, the discriminated and the exploited, the addicted and the homeless, the unborn and the unwanted, the lonely and the bereaved. The poor are described as the people who are socially, financially, physically, emotionally and spiritually weak and threatened. Thank you for your consideration.

Please register those family members in senior homes or long term facilities. Call the parish office at 526-2265 for details.

Ministry Schedules: Please call the office if you traded or preplaced someone on the prepared schedule. Anyone can call, as long as someone lets the office know of the change. Thank you!

A heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped in the various ministries over Christmas and New Years. Beginning the season of Advent, the decorating committee spent many hours each week in preparing for Advent, then Christmas. Thank you. A job well done! All the ministries, Ushers, Hospitality, Altar Servers, Gift Bearers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Choir...ALL gave of their time and talent to make our parish an inviting and spiritual place to come and worship. We also thank, the caretaker for the extended hours needed for setting up the overflow area and cleaning the church, the hall and washrooms. So, again, a big thanks you to all who made it possible to operate a parish all year long.

Thanks to Mike Ibach who delivered the non-perishable food items to the Salvation Army support Centre in December; Everett van der Heiden will deliver in January.

St. Vincent de Paul Society wishes to thank the people of our parish for making it possible during the past year to meet some of the needs of our parish. We also extend a huge thank you to the SVDP volunteers who spend countless hours to help the needy.

Altar Servers urgently needed!

We are currently **looking for committed individuals or a family or an adult or teen** who are interested in **altar serving** at the 5pm and 9am Masses. Children who have received their first communion are welcome to join this ministry. Please call Blanka at 403-526-7741 or the parish office.

Reminders

- **Quilting begins:** Tue Jan 6 at 9am.
- **Choir Practice:** Wed Jan 7 at 7pm
- **Benediction and Rosary:** Thursday, January 15 at 6:30pm in the Church.
- **The parish envelopes** are at the back of the church today. Please pick up your envelopes and check that your address is correct. Call the parish office if there is a change. Thank you!

The following items

can be dropped off at the hospitality desk.

- Campbell Soup Labels
- Canadian Tire Coupons
- Used greeting cards
- Used stamps – cut ¼ inch around the stamp.

Journey through Grief- A Drop-In Program
January 7, 2009 until May 13th, 2009.
Wednesdays at 7pm in the Grey Cottage located in the same yard as Saamis Funeral Chapel 17 Dunmore Road SE. Medicine Hat, Facilitator: Richard Worden
The Drop-In Group offers support, information, a safe place to share feelings, to learn what is normal in grieving for a death loss, learn some new skills, and be with people who are also going through mourning. **Cost:** a basket is available for personal donations.
For information, call 403-529-5295.

Graveyard Renovation-Richmond

THANK YOU for contacting me.

We have had a lot of success in establishing contacts for people buried in our cemetery, but I still need some leads and/or information or knowledge of family members for the following: Joseph Cayer, Johanna Feist, Edward Kuntz, Peter Marentette, Elisabetha Martin, Anna Maria & Peter Schmidt, Alex Paschke, Anton Paschke, Barbara Paschke, James MacIntosh, S, Harvey Lee Denis. Please call Debbie Gergely (306)669-4735.

QUOTE

IF the whole world loved our Jesus
And each head was bowed in prayer,
Then you would find that every day
Is Christmas everywhere.

Richard R. Smith

Happy New Year!

The beginning of a new calendar year brings us a special joy and hope. It is a reminder that time is a gift of God, given to us from His eternity, for us to use to prepare for eternity. The passing of each year and each day is meant to be an exchange with God: He gives us time, and we give our days and years back to Him in service and love, bringing as much good as possible into the world and into the lives of others. The New Year is an opportunity to resolve, above all, to serve God faithfully: to believe more firmly, to hope more ardently, to love more generously. That is what makes a New Year "happy," and that is what leads us to the happiness that never ends.

Did you know?

The Christmas cycle ends with the feast of the Lord's Baptism, January 11, and Ordinary Time begins.

POPE BENEDICT XVI'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY

Vatican City. 30 Dec/08: "That the family may become more and more a place of training in charity, personal growth and transmission of the faith".

His mission intention is: "That the different Christian confessions, aware of the need for a new evangelization in this period of profound transformations, may be committed to announcing the Good News and moving towards the full unity of all Christians in order to offer a more credible testimony of the Gospel".

Notable quotes... "Is it all right for the government to allow the murder of an innocent human being? The evidence I see tells me the unborn is a human being. From the moment of conception, a new life comes into being with a complete genetic blueprint. The sex is determined. The blood type is determined...the moment that I learned that the unborn was a human being, not part of the woman's body but its own individual human being, I have no choice but to defend the most vulnerable among us." Actress and Model Kathy Ireland