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PASTOR: Rev. Long Vu

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JAN 22, 2012 - YEAR "B"

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

ST. PATRICK'S

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 am

ST. JOSEPH'S HOME

7:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 10:00am - 11:00am

LATIN MASS

1st & 3rd Sunday @ 6:00pm
With Confessions @ 5:30 pm



LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK
OF OUR PARISH

May the Lord's healing and
life giving touch be upon
those whose cross † is heavy
to bear. AMEN.

MASS INTENTIONS

JAN 21 & 22

5:00 PM Peter Schafer †

9:00 AM Silvia Dalla-Longa †

11:00 AM Willie Forget †

JAN 28 & 29

5:00 PM Albert Schafer

9:00 AM Emily Bonagofsky †

11:00 AM Special Intentions

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday:
8:30am - 12:00 noon &
1:00 - 4:30 pm

OFFICE CLOSED WEEKENDS AND
GENERAL HOLIDAYS

SENIOR HOME MASSES

Mon - Fri 8:30 am St. Joseph's Home
Tue Jan 24 2:00 pm Teeoda
Wed Jan 25 2:00 pm Riverview
Thu Jan 26 9:30 am Wellington
Thu Jan 26 2:00 pm Masterpiece

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR "B"

GOSPEL Mark 1:14-20

Do you hear Jesus calling you? Where
does he want you to be? What does
he want you to do? As one who wants
to be a faithful steward, how do you
respond?



"THEY LEFT THEIR NETS AND FOLLOWED HIM."

Herein our Lord and Savior teaches that when a man has left all things of his outward life, father and mother, and indeed, all multiplicity totally surrendered for God's sake, then must he turn inward and do in like manner in his inward life. He must surrender his soul to God in total forgetfulness of whatsoever is native to his inner life, his soul to be dismantled and, as it were, taken to pieces, that it may be rebuilt and newly adorned, in a life wherein all images find their prototypes, namely, in God. If one loves in a human spirit, there is danger of one's hating; if he hopes in that spirit, he can scarcely be entirely humbled. But if one willingly has nothing even that is lowly, he can scarcely be ambitious of the high things of this life. Let him, then, die to all and enter into God in search of the highest. This means, as I have said, that God will dismantle him, and then build and adorn him over again.

All virtuous imaginings, may lead to selfish picking and choosing this or that way to gain virtue; but when the end is reached, the way is not needed and should be forgotten – the end is God. Virtues will never be so much our own, so true and so deep-seated in us, as when we have been stripped of their images and joined in unity with God. It then comes to pass that these virtues are not for this or that place or time, nor for any matter of self-seeking whatsoever; for they act within us for virtue's own sake and, as it were, by their own holy force. God is the essence of all virtues, which without him are non-existent; possess him in holy unity of life, and good is done in you for the sake of the Supreme Good, with no other why or wherefore but that essential good, and because of it. You shall then love for the sake of love itself, be true for the sake of truth itself, righteous for the sake of this supreme holiness.

Fr. John Tauler, O.P. *Fr. Tauler* († 1361) was a German Dominican priest, a popular preacher, and a mystical theologian.

GOD TIME - (ages 4-6 yrs) program at the 11 am Mass.

BIBLE STUDY - ACTS - SPREAD OF THE KINGDOM
Wed Jan 25 @ 7 pm in the Parish Hall meeting room.

CHOIR PRACTICE - Wed Jan 25 @ 7 pm in the church.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY... Do we lead our family in accepting responsibility for the people who need help? Do we really listen to each other? We are ready to help. **PLEASE SHARE YOUR COINS IN OUR POOR BOXES.**



FINANCIAL UPDATES

JAN 8: ENV: \$ 4,872.65 **LOOSE:** \$ 515.69

2011 ANNUAL BISHOP'S CAMPAIGN "TOGETHER IN ACTION"

UPDATE:

TARGET TO COLLECT: \$ 44,494.00

TOTAL COLLECTED TO DATE: \$ 46,164.28

OVER: \$ 1,670.28 (SURPLUS)

COLLECTED JAN 15: \$ 193.50

The **2011 Annual Bishop's Appeal** officially ended, Monday, January 16th. Our parish, once again exceeded the target by \$1,670.28. We collected \$46,164.28. Thank you! All donations received after Jan 15th will be applied to the 2012 campaign.

PHILIPPINES FLOODS APPEAL - The Catholic Diocese of Calgary is participating in the appeal for aid in the southern region of the Philippines by forwarding all donated funds to the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. Development and Peace is currently accepting donations towards humanitarian aid in the region. Donations can be made as follows:

directly to Development and Peace by telephone (1-888-234-8533) or online at www.devp.org by sending a cheque payable to your parish, earmarked "D&P - Philippines Floods" by sending a cheque payable to the RC Diocese of Calgary, earmarked "D&P - Philippines Floods" and sent to the Pastoral Centre at 120 17th Ave S.W., Calgary, AB T2S 2T2

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS: Saturday Jan 28, 2012 @ 9 am in the parish hall. Please call the office 403-526-2265 to register.



ST. PAT'S CAFÉ

St. Pat's Café is open today Sunday January 22, 2012. *Bring your families and enjoy a healthy, nutritious breakfast at the 50's prices.*

All proceeds are donated to SVDP.



We encourage anyone who enjoys baking, to consider baking for the Café. Cinnamon buns are always a huge hit however, we accept whatever you choose to bring.

Jan 22: Vina Cockerill Thank you ☺



Jan 29 Margaret Wist & Sandra Bleile Thank you ☺



BAKERS ARE NEEDED FOR:

Feb 5

Feb 12

Please contact the office by Wednesday if you would like to bake. Thank you!

ST. PAT'S CAFÉ SCHEDULES are ready to be picked up at the back of the church. Also, if you are scheduled and cannot attend, please consider contacting the spares.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES:

CONFIRMATION

St. Patrick's: Sat Jan 28 @ 4:20 pm - Parish Hall

Holy Family: Sun Jan 29 @ 5:20 pm



COMMUNION

St. Patrick's: Sun Jan 29 @ 10:40 am - Parish Hall

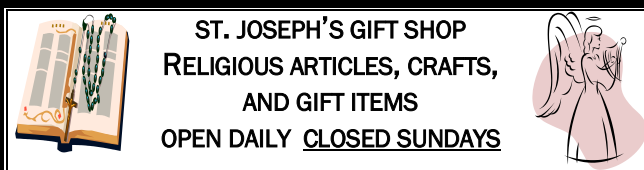


Holy Family: Sun Jan 29 @ 10:10 am

THE CWL APPRECIATES all the Co-op receipts that we have received for this current campaign. We can use original, complete receipts dated Sept 16, 2011 to March 15, 2012. Thank you.

CWL DUES are \$ 25.00. You can drop them in the collection on Sundays. Important: Please remember clearly mark your name and "CWL dues" on the envelope. **CWL DUES RECEIPTS** can be picked up at the hospitality desk.





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MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Thursday, February 02, 2012 7:00 PM
ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL BOW ISLAND
302 - 2nd Avenue East
PROPOSED HIGH SCHOOL CLOSURE

The Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education will hold a Public Information Meeting to assist the Board in determining whether the High School Program (Grades 10 to Grades 12) will be closed at St. Michael's School in Bow Island beginning with the 2012-2013 school year. The Board is conducting this meeting under the guidelines outlined in the School Act. The meeting is open to all stakeholders in the community. The Board will accept any written submission on the proposed closure that it receives prior to, on or by Tuesday, March 06, 2012. More information is available @ www.mhcbe.ab.ca Submissions by mail to: Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education, 1251 - 1st Avenue SW. Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 8B4 or; by email to: communications@mhcbe.ab.ca

**ALTAR SERVERS ORIENTATION SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH
@ 10:45 AM (IN SACRISTY).**

2011 Income Tax Receipts will be available at the back of the church February 5th. If your address has changed, please call and update your information. Thank you.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #1732 3RD DEGREE MEETING


TUE FEB 14, 2012 @ 7 PM in St. Patrick's Parish Hall.
GRAND KNIGHT: DAN WHITE
daniel_white@shaw.ca
Ph: 403 488-6210 **Cell** 403-502 4541

CATHOLICS COMING HOME
Confused Catholic? Inactive Catholic?
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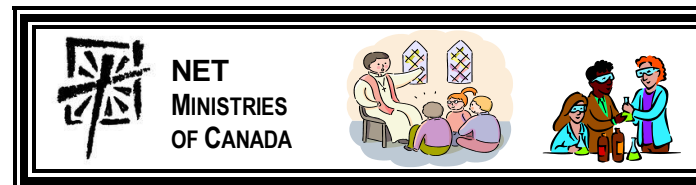
If you are away from the Church or are drifting away from it; if you have been hurt by the Church or are confused or angry because of your Catholic experience, please consider this invitation to come and talk to us.

Perhaps you can come home for Easter!

The program starts on Tuesday Feb 14, 2012 at 7:30 pm and continues five more Tuesdays at Holy Family Parish. (1451 Strachan Road SE, Medicine Hat) Please call Kathy (403) 529-9731 or the parish office 403-527-6933 for more information.



ST. JOSEPH'S COFFEE SHOP
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INFUSE 2,

St PATS.

Hey Ladies and Gents, NET team here with what's happening in the next week. *Equip St. Patrick's* (Grades 6-9), will next be taking place Friday, January 27. The theme is Crazy Olympics. It will be Olympic, crazy, and fun. Be sure to check it out. Also, *Unchained*, will next be taking place tonight at Holy Family parish. We're doing a night on the miracle of the Eucharist, so if you don't know how to pronounce "Transubstantiation" maybe you should come check it out. Grades 10-12. Finally, last but not least, not even close, **PARISHWIDE ADORATION!!!** This Thursday, January 26th, EVERYONE is invited to an exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starting at 7pm here at St. Pats. You have the chance to see the God of the universe incarnate. Don't miss it. The NET team

MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION 100 YEARS (1911- 2011)

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- ★ **History Book Launch** - The History Book Committee proudly announces the Centennial History Book Launch date will be held in February 2012. Thank you for your patience and the many inquiries we received wishing to purchase a History Book. We appreciate your patience with the "printing delay". Watch the Parish Bulletin for Date, Time & Location for the History Book Launch.
- ★ **History Books** will be available as of February 01, 2012. The cost is \$40. If you have purchased a history book in advance, you will be personally contacted and you may choose to pick it up at the History Book Launch or arrange to pick it up at the Catholic School Board Office (1251-1st Avenue SW). The history book is a collection of stories, events, pictures and facts that detail and capture the *rich 100-year history of Catholic education in the communities of Medicine Hat & Bow Island*. A special thank you is extended to the *history book page sponsors* for making this project possible.
- ★ **CENTENNIAL BISHOP'S DINNER (JUNE 09, 2012) TICKETS** are on sale. Purchase now and secure a table for yourself and your family or close friends. Either purchase individually or become a "Friend of the Centennial" and as a Sponsor, receive complimentary tickets. Proceeds to: *Youth Ministry & the Assisted Living Project for Priests*. Tax Receipts issued.
- ★ **Sponsorship** opportunities are available, contact Mr. Stan Aberle, Board Member & Centennial Committee Rep. 403.878.7422 or by email stan.aberle@mhcbe.ab.ca

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