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Weekday Eucharistic Liturgies: Tuesday to Friday at 9:00 a.m.

Office Hours: Tuesday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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1st Sunday in Lent

March 6th, 2022

Temptation

In today's Gospel we read about how Jesus goes into the wilderness for forty days and is tempted by the devil. The temptation of Jesus in the desert is read at the beginning of every Lent. It is a reminder that we are called to give our lives to God and to be mindful of temptations in this life that will lead us away from him.

In his February 21, 2021 Sunday Angelus address, Pope Francis stated that this Gospel reading "is a reminder that following the Lord's footsteps is a battle against the spirit of evil. We must be aware of the presence of this astute enemy, who seeks our eternal condemnation, our failure, and prepare to defend ourselves against him and to combat him. The grace of God assures us -- with faith, prayer and penance -- of our victory over the enemy.

Although Jesus ultimately overcame the devil's temptations, his true victory came after his crucifixion and death. In reality, death was the last desert to cross in order to finally defeat Satan and free us all from his power. And in this way Jesus won in the desert of death, so as to win in the resurrection.

Do not be afraid. We are called to walk in God's footsteps, renewing our baptismal promises: renouncing Satan, and all his works and all his empty promises."

Lent is like a long "retreat" in which to re-enter oneself and listen to God's voice in order to overcome the temptations of the Evil One and to find the truth of our existence.

It is a time, we may say, of spiritual "training" in order to live alongside Jesus not with pride and presumption but rather by using the weapons of faith: namely prayer, listening to the Word of God and penance.

In this way we shall succeed in celebrating Easter in truth, ready to renew our baptismal promises.

Pope Benedict XVI



Condolences

In faith and love, we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Ted Kernoski, who passed away on January 23, 2022 at the age of 83, and we join with them in prayer during this difficult time of loss.

To God, the dead do not die, and in death our life is changed, not ended. One day we shall all be joyfully re-united, when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself. Then, *"God will wipe away every tear from our eyes. Death will be no more; and mourning and crying and pain will be no more."* (Rev. 21)

Confident in Mary, Mother of us all, we entrust to her the soul of our departed brother so that she may present him to Jesus. Eternal rest grant unto Ted, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

First Reconciliation Congratulations

Congratulations to the children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this past weekend. God's Blessings to Tobin, Nevan, Liam, Millicent, Estelle, Eunice, Sophia, and Jack.

Thank you to Father Anthony for being part of this wonderful celebration. Much appreciation goes out to all the parents for their commitment in preparing their child and showing them God's love. Thank you to the parishioners for their prayers. A heart filled appreciation to Meaghan Champagne who spent 6 Saturday mornings preparing the children in the parish hall.



First Communion

It is not too late to register your child for the preparation for First Eucharist (First Holy Communion). Please contact Kate Klassen at the parish office for more information.

Lent 2022

Stations of the Cross During Lent

Fridays at 9:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Faith Formation Video Series

Into His Likeness with Dr. Edward Sri
Be Transformed As a Disciple of Christ

Fridays at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, March 11: Episode 2 *Not Perfect, But Chosen*

Maybe you've seen it on a bumper sticker: "Christians aren't perfect, just forgiven." There's a lot of truth in that slogan, even if some people misuse it. Nobody's perfect, not even those who profess to follow Jesus.

But didn't Jesus tell his followers, "You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Matt 5:48)? How can he demand perfection?

If Jesus demands perfection of his disciples, you might well give up on the idea of following him before you even start. Let's take a closer look at what it means to be chosen as a disciple and to become like Jesus.

All are invited for this year's Lenten faith formation video series. *Into His Likeness* is a six-part video series by Dr. Edward Sri, a renowned Catholic teacher, author, and speaker. Each episode is approximately 30 minutes in length, and will be followed by a brief discussion until 7:15 p.m.

Statement of the Executive Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) on the Russian Invasion of Ukraine

The Executive Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) condemns the escalation of tensions and violence in Ukraine marked by Russia's invasion, which was seen in the form of militarization and bombing in various Ukrainian cities.

In solidarity with the Head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk, in unison with Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, with the people of Ukraine as well as with Canadians of Ukrainian origin and descent, we encourage the faithful and all people of good will to pray for the imminent restoration of peace, dialogue, and human fraternity. For the complete statement please visit:

<https://www.archsaintboniface.ca/media/Nouvelles-hebdomadaires-Weekly-News-photos-docs/2022/Russian-Invasion-of-Ukraine-CCCB-Executive-Committee-Statement-EN.pdf>

Employment Opportunity Archdiocese of St. Boniface

Are you a welcoming person? Do you like to serve? Are you well organized? The Diocesan Centre, located at 151 de la Cathédrale Ave, is hiring a receptionist who is proficient in French and English. This is a full-time position, from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM with a one-hour break for lunch.

Please send your resume to job@archsaintboniface.ca.



**Please pray for the sick,
their families and their caregivers**

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Available by appointment. Please call the office.

Baptism: Please email Father Anthony or call the office at least three months in advance.

Marriage: Please call the office one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Available by appointment. Please call the office.



COVID-19 Restrictions Update

A new public health order came into effect on Tuesday, March 1, 2022. There are no longer any capacity restrictions. Social distancing is no longer required, but still strongly recommended. Masks are still mandatory, excluding children under 5, until March 15, 2022.

Church Events

*Please Wear A Mask For All Events
Social Distancing Is Strongly Recommended*



Finance Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 8, 6:30 p.m.

Catechism

Thursday, March 10, 7:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 11
9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

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Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Saturday, March 12, 10:00 a.m.

First Holy Eucharist Preparation Class

Sunday, March 13, 9:00 a.m.

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Our parish has a subscription to FORMED and this resource is available to parishioners **FREE** of charge. FORMED is often described as “Catholic Netflix”, and gives users access to many of the best Catholic video series, books, audio and more.

To gain access to all of FORMED’s content, follow these simple steps:

- Go to <https://signup.formed.org/>
- Enter our parish’s area code R2G 0W5
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The picks of the week for March 6 are:

Watch: Everyday Heroes

Learn: Lectio: The Case for Jesus

Listen: 12 Stories about Aquinas with Peter Kreeft



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Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For March 2022

A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges;
may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life
with prayer and action.

Liturgy Schedule, Saints' Days and Intentions

Saturday, March 5 to Sunday, March 13, 2022

Sat. Mar 5 at 5 pm Holy Redeemer Parishioners
Sun. Mar 6 at 9 am Holy Redeemer Parishioners
Sun. Mar 6 at 10:30 am Holy Redeemer Parishioners

Tues. Mar 8 at 9 am All of the Souls in Purgatory,
especially the deceased members of F.O.S.S. (donor)

Wed. Mar 9 at 9 am

Thur. Mar 10 at 9 am

Fri. Mar 11 at 9 am

Sat. Mar 12 at 5 pm †Ted Kernoski
(With love from the Wazny's and the Hendrickson's)

Sun. Mar 13 at 9 am Holy Redeemer Parishioners

Sun. Mar 13 at 10:30 am

How to Donate to your Parish

1. Parishioners may drop off their donations during Mass.
2. We strongly encourage signing up for direct deposit, especially during this time of pandemic. To sign up for direct deposit please contact the office at 204-669-0501 or finance@hrwpg.ca.
3. Donations may be dropped off at the parish office Tuesday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
4. Donations may be sent in by mail.
5. Donations may be dropped off in the mailbox Tuesday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Fridays 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We recommend that donations not be dropped off in the mailbox evenings and weekends for security reasons
6. Parishioners may donate through the Archdiocesan website using your credit card (not the preferred method as there is a 3% fee that our parish incurs).

Thank you for your continued generosity during this
challenging time of pandemic.

2022 Offering Envelopes

If you have not picked up your 2022 offering envelopes yet,
they are available to pick up on the counter in the gathering
space.