

LITTLE FLOWER PARISH

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 12TH, 2021

Masking required to attend mass

Little Flower Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:00 am

Little Flower Weekday Masses

Tuesday 4:00 pm

Wednesday to Friday 8:00 am

Christmas and New Year's Mass Times

Christmas Eve (December 24th) -Mass at 5:00 pm

Christmas Day (December 25th) -Mass at 10:00 am

New Year's Eve (December 31st) -No Mass

New Year's Day (January 01st) -Mass at 10:00 am

College Park I Retirement Residence Liturgy

1st & 3rd Thursday 10:00 am

College Park II Retirement Residence Liturgy

2nd & 4th Friday of the month 10:00 am

Little Flower Office Hours

Monday

8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Tuesday to Friday

8:30 am to 3:00 pm

Parish Staff Team

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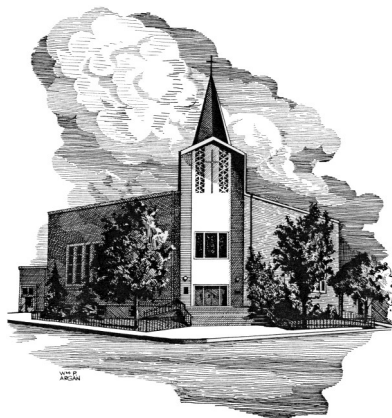
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Treaty Acknowledgement



Little Flower Parish is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional lands of the Nēhiyawak (neh HEY o wuk), Nahkawé (NUK ah way), and Nakota, and homeland of the Dakota, Lakota, and Métis peoples



Little Flower Parish is wheelchair accessible through the Edgar Street entrance.

MISSION STATEMENT: Little Flower Parish as a faith community reaches out to all in service, compassion and love to fulfill our mission of proclaiming the gospel daily in word and deed.

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Theme: Each one of us has something specific we should do to get ready for the Lord's coming. When a guest is coming to the house, there is a flurry of activity: cleaning, preparing guest rooms, shopping for food. But now, "The Lord is near," and it's time to get ready. What should you do?

This Week in the Parish . . .

Daily Mass intentions as listed below:

Tues., Dec. 14 Intentions of Karen Aman
Wed., Dec. 15 Intentions of Karen Aman
Thurs., Dec. 16 Intentions of Bernard & Cecilia Zdunich
Fri., Dec. 17 Intentions of the Bogdan Family
Sat., Dec. 18 +Repose of Brenda Dyck

Altar Server: Barb Aman

We ask you to please continue remembering our parish with your weekly donations. Your collection envelopes may be placed in the parish mail box outside the office door.

Thank you for all the support!

Little Flower CWL Anniversary



All of us from the Little Flower Parish would like to wish a late happy anniversary to our Little Flower CWL Council Members! The Little Flower CWL Council was organized on June 2, 1931, and this year, our members celebrate 90 years of service here at Little Flower, "For God and Canada."

2022 Collection Envelopes



2022 collection envelopes are now at the back of the church for you to pick up. If a box has not been assigned to you and you wish to have one, please complete the form that is on the table with the envelopes.

Hospital Chaplains



Catholic chaplains visit patients and their families to address any spiritual needs, to pray, to provide a friendly face and comforting presence, to talk about people's fears and concerns, to bring Communion, and to contact a priest for Anointing of the Sick. If you or a family member wish to receive a visit from a chaplain, please call: General Hospital 306-519-1405, Pasqua Hospital 306-519-1380, Wascana Rehabilitation Centre 306-530-6511.



Appeal Contributions to Date



\$18,515 from 91 contributors. This represents 58% of our target of **\$32,143** from 21% of our parishioners. We have also received **\$1,550** of TRC contributions from 29 contributors. Thank you for your generosity. Thank you also to those of you who have returned your cards, however we still have not received 78% (342) of the cards that were mailed. .

Mask Mandate



Everyone is required to wear a face covering/mask upon entering and remaining within Little Flower Parish. This measure is to further reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 within Little Flower Parish and within the broader community, and we are also following the Saskatchewan Health Authority new policy.

Offering of the Mass



By virtue of the "communion of saints," the Church commends the dead to God's mercy and offers her prayers especially the holy sacrifice of the Eucharist, on their behalf. (Catechism of the Catholic Church). Masses may also be offered for the intentions of the living or in thanksgiving. Masses may be requested through the parish office. If you'd like to offer a mass on a specific date, please make arrangements at least one month in advance.

Third Sunday of Advent - December 12, 2021



“Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.” (Philippians 4:6)

St. Paul reminds us that God is an abundant God – He is the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. Remember, that we are created in God’s image and likeness. We, too, are made to be generous with all of our gifts as well. Placing our trust in God frees us from being a slave to possessions. It allows us to gratefully and generously share ourselves and our goods with others.

Feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe



December 12th is the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and also the National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous People.

On that day there will be a special pew collection in our parish and parishes across the archdiocese for the TRC Healing Response. As church, this is an opportunity to support the journey towards right relations with Indigenous People. Visit the link:

<https://archregina.sk.ca/giving> and donate today!

St Augustine School & St. Nicholas Festivities

The staff and students from St. Augustine were blessed with two days of kindness, fellowship, learning, reflecting, and celebrating the life and legacy of St. Nicholas on Monday, Dec. 6 and Tuesday Dec. 7. Members of the Parish community volunteered their time and talents to treat our students to watching a video on the Patron Saint of Children, to spoiling them with hot chocolate and candy canes, and providing reflection questions to help the students keep these lessons in the memory and hearts. The students were so looking forward to this day (especially those who had come in years past) and came back to the school after their visit with such joy and a readiness to share about their experience at the beautiful Little Flower Church with it’s beautiful family. Thank you so much to Bonnie for organizing and to all the others who helped make this day possible. On behalf of the school community, we wish all of you at the Parish a blessed, peaceful, healthy and Christ-filled Christmas season. We are so fortunate to have this partnership and appreciate all you do for us on our journeys to the Kingdom of God. May this Advent season prepare room in your hearts for Emmanuel – God is with us!



Prayer Ministry



In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Please pray for the needs of the sick of our parish, the homebound, people who are alone and/or afraid to go out, our farmers, those who are affected by COVID-19 and the health professionals working on the front line, those in nursing homes and those who care for them, especially: Agnes Fahlman, Fred Fry, Shelly Joubert, Clair Wingerter, Lima Perras, Jose Estioco, Germain Beurivage, Jack Gebert, Dean Hutchence, Judy Klenk, Don Morrell, Claudia Sali, Ron Strassburger, Louise Wingerter, Father Lorne Crozon & Fr. Peter Pham

Vocation View



Vocations

“Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.”

Luke 18:8

Food Drive



We are having our Food Drive collection for Marian Centre and Visitation House this weekend, December 11 & 12. All contributions are welcome. Thank you for sharing your treasure with those around you.

Please be mindful that we **do not** accept packaging that has been opened, items that are partially used or those beyond their expiry date.

St Augustine School Food Baskets



A huge thank you to the generous parishioners of St. Augustine for all the generous donations you have made toward our food, hygiene and gift hampers for our special Gator families. Your out-pouring of support and donations (both monetary and materials) blow us away year after year. We will have so many happy families this year thank you to you. We cannot express how much this means to our community. It has been a hard year and a half for everyone – and you have ‘put on Christ’ with your thoughtfulness and will bring the light of Christ into many homes this season. Thank you on behalf of our staff and community. May God reward you a hundred-fold.

Pope Francis’ December Prayer Intentions



Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

CCCB Journey Through Advent Table Grace December 12



Creator God, we acknowledge the truth. We have not bothered to learn the whole story about the history of this land. Our Lady of Guadalupe chose to appear as an Indigenous woman to an Indigenous man, Juan Diego, and spoke to him in his Indigenous language. Help us to listen to the concerns of Indigenous peoples and to walk together with them in learning more about you and about the world. We ask Our Lady to help Pope Francis show his love to the Indigenous delegates who are now on their way to Rome. We thank you for our Indigenous brothers and sisters. We thank you for this food. Come, Lord Jesus! Amen. For more information on the CCCB Journey Through Advent 2021 visit their page at: <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-advent/>

National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples: December 12



Never have we been...
...at this place: at the cusp of charting a new direction, full of possibilities and right relations with Indigenous Peoples. The time is here for us to walk together in a good way. As people of God, we know that new beginnings are possible when we acknowledge the past, seek truth, and actively move towards reconciliation.
Join the Journey

Archbishop Don Bolen and his team of staff and volunteers have been walking in solidarity with Indigenous people and building relationships. See what steps have been taken here: <https://archregina.sk.ca/indigenous-relations> With our financial support, they can do so much more, right here in our archdiocese.

Special Collection, December 12th

On December 12, there will be a special collection for the TRC Healing Response in all parishes of the archdiocese, an opportunity to provide financial support if you have not already done so. You can support the TRC Healing Response any time via this link <https://archregina.sk.ca/giving> or by calling the archdiocesan office at [306-352-1651](tel:306-352-1651).

Christmas Carol Sing Along



St. Peter's church is having an afternoon Sing Along, Sunday, Dec. 19 at 2:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to get in the Spirit of Christmas. Sing along with us or sit back, relax and be entertained. Freewill offering. Wheelchair accessible. Masks are mandatory. [Call 306-530-3075](tel:306-530-3075) for more information.

TF274: Living Simply: Brett Salkeld And Peter Van Kampen - Part 1



As we head into Christmas we've pre-empted the remainder of our series on Universal Basic Income to accommodate a very timely 2-part discussion with Youth Minister and Catholic speaker, Peter Van Kampen. Author of Living Simply: So That Others May Simply Live.

New Beginnings Teen Retreat



All students in grades 9-12 are invited to join us Dec. 29 at 11am – Dec. 30 at 3:00 PM for a retreat to kick off the new year! We will enjoy the Hospitality of the amazing Myriam Family in their HUGE new home in McClean. (We will meet in Regina and go out together by bus) The two days will be sprinkled with great community, great hospitality, important conversations and time to pray in the quiet of the country. For more info and to register go to <https://archregina.sk.ca/new-beginnings-high-school-retreat-1>

Peter's Books



Live Simply: So That Others Might Simply Live <https://amzn.to/3DgGOod>. The Fullness of Time <https://amzn.to/3EqOvcY>, <https://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/living-simply-brett-salkeld-and-peter-van-kampen-part-1>

Young Adult Christmas Social



Join us at Our Lady of Peace Parish Hall on Saturday Dec. 18th at 6:30 PM for a "Christmas Movie Olympics". Inspired by clips from well know Christmas movies, we will enjoy a night of friendly competition, good food and lots of laughs. Wear comfy clothes. Bring a friend, a mask and a snack to share! Register now! <https://archregina.sk.ca/oyyam-movie-olympics> Please consider joining us for 5:00 PM Mass beforehand at Our Lady of Peace. (425 Broad St. N. Regina)

Trinity Manor at Westerra: Welcome Home!



At Trinity Manor we know your pets are family, and they are welcome at Trinity Manor. Have your pet move into our luxurious suites starting at \$2245, and include them as a part of our community. Trinity Manor is part of the Emmanuel Care community. Emmanuel Care is a healthcare ministry of the Catholic Church that ensures the legacy of Catholic health care organizations and services in Saskatchewan. Attend daily mass, or spend time in quiet reflection in our tranquil chapel. Our amenities promote opportunities for our residents' personal growth, while providing stimulating and entertaining activities. Book your personal tour now by contacting [Janet at 306-550-8077](tel:306-550-8077) or visit us at www.trinitymanorregina.ca.