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MASS TIMES: SUNDAY MASS: **11:00 a.m.**

WEEKDAY MASS: Tues. to Fri. 9:00 a.m. *See weekly schedule

Office Hours: Tues to Fri. 9:30 am to 2:00 pm

*(May be closed during weekday morning Mass)

November 26, 2017 - Christ the King



Good News! This year will be the first year in 23 years that Fr. Jim has only one parish in which he will celebrate Christmas Eve. Parishioners have mobilized to insure that

there will be **two Christmas Eve Masses** - the traditional one at 10:00 p.m. and an earlier one at 7:00 p.m. Please note that this will necessitate **twice as many Ministries**, and so if you are going to be around please offer your services.

Please see sign-up sheet posted on bulletin board in foyer,

Christmas Mass Schedule 2017

Parish Reconciliation

Thursday, December 7 - 7:00 p.m. Reconciliation Service

Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24 - 11:00 a.m. 4th. Sunday of Advent
 - 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass
 - 10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass

Christmas Day:

Monday, December 25- 11:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass

New Years Eve

Sunday, December 31 - 11:00 a.m. Feast of the Holy Family

New Years Day

Monday, January 01 - 11:00 a.m. Solemnity of Mary

2017 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

The **Bishop's Annual Appeal** is in full swing. It supports the many programs and ministries that impact the lives of individuals and families. (i.e.) Catechism and Sacramental Preparation for youth and adults, Marriage Preparation, Liturgy, Social Justice, Catholic Family Services, Vocations and those working in Indigenous Ministry. *Our main objective is to get all people participating*, if you can only give a dollar that is okay, it is not the quantity, it is the quality. To those who have already sent in their pledges THANK YOU. If you need an envelope, please see Fr. Jim immediately.

Bishop's Annual Appeal
Are you willing...to commit yourself to working in the Lord's Vineyard?
Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2017
Every gift is greatly appreciated!

Parish	This years Goal	Amount pledged 2016	Amount Pledged to date	Number Participating 2016	Number Participating to date	Average Pledge 2016
St. Mark	\$13,058.	\$13,057.	\$14,172.	63	52	\$207.
Diocese	\$425,000.	\$454,265	\$291,227.	1570	978	\$289.

Weekly Schedule for Upcoming Week

- Sun. Nov 26 9:45 a.m. Mass at Herb Bassett Home
For All Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mark
IMO Joe Loch
From Bev Selander
- Mon. Nov 27 Fr. Jim's Day Off
- Tues. Nov 28 2:00 p.m. Small Faith Christian Community gathering
7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mark
IMO All Deceased Members of K. of C.
From St. Mark Knights of Columbus
8:00 p.m. St. Mark K. of C. Mtg.
- Wed. Nov 29 **9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mark**
IMO Sophie Tenaschuk
From Melva Chestolowski family
1:30 p.m. Fr. Jim hearing confessions at St. Mary
2:00 p.m. St. Mark Prayer Shawl Ministry at Rectory
7:00 p.m. Baptism Preparation
- Thurs. Nov 30 **9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mark**
For Rodney Smith
From Nadine, Tiana and Kalum Smith
10:00 a.m. Fr. Jim at Permanent Diaconate Commission Mtg
7:00 p.m. Fr. Jim at a Vocation Commission Mtg.
- Fri. Dec 01 **9:30 a.m. Mass at Carment Court**
IMO Sophie Tenaschuk
From Darsey
2:00 p.m. Fr. Jim hearing confessions Ecole Valois School
Fr. Jim available for a supper invitation
- Sat. Dec 02 7:30 p.m. Fr. Jim attending the play *Blithe Spirit*
- Sun. Dec 03 First Sunday of Advent
9:45 a.m. Mass at Herb Bassett Home
For All Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mark
For Arnold and Clara Edwards
From Rodney, Nadine, Tiana and Kalum Smith
Fr. Jim available for a supper invitation



We will be handing out the **Vocations Cross** during the Advent and Christmas seasons and ask you to **pray for Vocations** in the upcoming week. Please see the sign up sheet on church bulletin board or talk with Elaine Bergen if you would like to take the Cross home and pray for vocations.

Joseph Hieu Trung Do is a **seminarian** staying with Fr. Jim and is in the process of learning English. He needs someone whom he can converse with. If you are someone who has a few hours free each week, and would like to help him; please contact Fr. Jim so he can line up a regular time when the two of you can meet.

MINISTRIES December 03, 2017

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2018 Sunday Offertory Envelopes

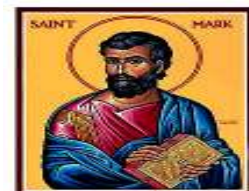
Please pick up your set of 2018 envelopes in the church foyer. Please verify information on the label is correct. If not; please contact the parish office to update Thank You.

2018 Calendars and Advent

Booklets: Please pick up your *complimentary* copy in church foyer.

2017-2018 Sunday Missals \$4.00 each available in foyer.

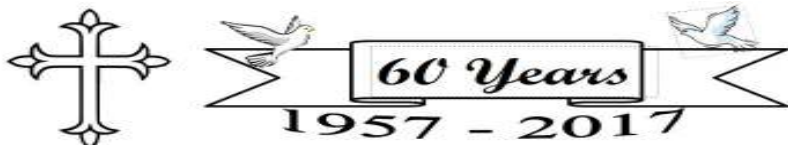
Presently, there are four seminarians for the diocese. **Our parish has been asked to adopt Kendrick Beler.** We are asking all parishioners to send him a card thanking him for choosing to follow the call of Christ. Let him know you will be praying for him and that you look forward to his ordination. His address is: St. Joseph Seminary; 9828 84 Street NW; Edmonton, AB; T6A 0B2.



St. Mark

Help us to know our Father well so that we may faithfully live our lives as followers of Christ.

Amen.



The first priest at St. Mark was Fr. Stan Raczynski (1940 - 1983). He was newly ordained in 1940. The only Catholic Church in the city was the Cathedral. The Bishop wanted another church, and he felt it should be on the East side of P.A. He appointed Fr. Raczynski to find the money to build one. The war was just ending and funds were scarce. Fr. Raczynski organized the parishioners and it took twelve years to raise the money to build. The ladies held bake sales, catered banquets, and had craft sales. The parish sold lots of tickets, held turkey and ham bingos. During the exhibition, they served food at the dining hall which is the octagonal building at the fairgrounds. Just imagine, that would be like having a fall supper every day for five days. I think that is why St. Mark is known for our good food. Someone commented that St. Mark was built on food and hard work. Thanks to our predecessors.



The Knights of Columbus will once again be collecting "Coats for Kids." If you have any winter jackets that your children are no longer wearing; then please bring them to the Church and place them in the box provided.



**St. Mark Music
Ministry Practice**

**Tues. Dec. 05
from 7:00—8:00 p.m.**

New members always welcome!

Prayer Shawl Ministry - The Ministry meets downstairs in Rectory every **Wednesday, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.** to Pray, knit/crochet Prayer Shawls. All yarn, needles and hooks are provided....*we need the talents God has blessed you with and your prayers.*



If you knit/crochet; but are unable to attend the meetings, you may create Prayer Shawls at home. Please contact Parish Office for more information and to pick up yarn.

The Ministry is accepting donations of yarn to create Shawls. Due to allergies, only synthetic yarn, not wool can be used. You may bring your donations to church or to the parish office during office hours.

Please contact the Parish Office for more information

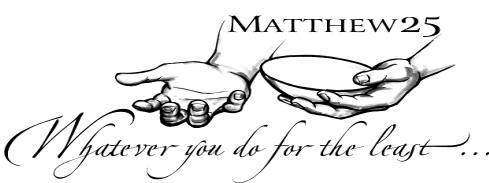
Catholic Family Services - 'Live Free for a Year' Raffle. Win \$1000. a week for 52 weeks. Tickets \$100. each . A \$1000. Christmas bonus draw and monthly \$500. bonus draws. Tickets are available at St. Mark Parish Office or CFS office or call 306 922-3202.

St. Joseph Parish has an opening for a Pastor's Assistant. This position is 60 percent of full time. The person would have experience in sacramental formation and office systems operation and perform other duties as assigned by the Pastor. For more information , please contact St Joseph Parish Office at 306764-4942 or email st.josephschurchpa@sasktel.net

During **Advent**, St. Mark Parish will be **collecting food** for the **Food Bank**. Please bring your non-perishable food items to the Church and place them in the box provided.

SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS		
<i>Teach us to give and not count the cost.</i>		
St. Ignatius de Loyola		
	<u>Nov. 19</u>	<u>Nov. 12</u>
Envelopes	\$ 1612.00	\$ 884.00
Loose	\$ 193.95	\$ 275.50
Building	\$ 425.00	\$ 90.00

St Mary High School invites you to a two-act play, "*Blithe Spirit*". Show times High School Lecture Theatre **Wed, Nov. 29th to Sat., Dec 2nd** at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$10 Adults and \$5 Students at the door. Hope to see you there!



More than **1.2 million Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh** are completely destitute and living in abject poverty. They urgently need food, water and other basic necessities.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Between August and October, over 600,000 Rohingya were forced to flee their homeland and make a perilous journey into Bangladesh, where there are now 816,000 refugees. The urgency with which people had to escape has increased the vulnerability of thousands of children, women and men who do not have access to basic necessities and services.

An unprecedented humanitarian crisis in the largest refugee camp in the world

Give before November 28 and your donation will be matched by the government!

Donations to D&P can be made:


- 1) Online,
- 2) Phone 1 888 664-3387,
- or 3) by sending a cheque made out to Development and Peace (please indicate Rohingya Refugee Crisis) to: Development and Peace, 1425 René-Lévesque Blvd. West. 3rd Floor, Montreal QC H3G 1T7.




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In the season of Advent, we are preparing for the coming of Christ. As we do so, we will be following our theme "Unwrapping what it Means to be a Disciple." Part of discipleship is to offer our prayers for the needs of ourselves, others and the world. We are asking you to write down any intentions you might have and place them in the special purple box labeled "**Prayer Intentions.**" This box will be carried up by the prayer leader at the time of the General Intentions, and offered as part of our prayer. They will then be laid in the crèche scene as part of our décor. Feel free to add as many intentions as you desire, use any extra paper you need.

During Advent I would like to pray for: (Use additional paper if you need more room) _____

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