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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

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION: Before Weekday Mass or please call Fr. Jim to book appointment.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION:

We are asking all parents who want to have their children Baptized to participate in a *three* evening preparation program. The next classes will be: **Wednesday evenings Jan. 17 and 24, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. downstairs in Rectory.**

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION - next session will be **Monday, February 5 at 7:00 p.m.** Please use north hall door.

MARRIAGE:

Please allow six to eight months for preparations. Please contact Fr. Jim.

Pope's Prayer Intentions for January 2018

Evangelization:

Religious Minorities in Asia: That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom.



Sunday, January 14, 2018
2nd. Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day of Migrants and Refugees

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Anointing of the Sick was known for a long time as the "Last Rites" or "Extreme Unction." It was seen as a final blessing before the person who received it, passed on to eternal life. As a result, people were reluctant to send for a priest when a family member became seriously ill. When the priest arrived it signalled that the end was near.

Since Vatican II this Sacrament has been viewed in a different light. The Anointing of the Sick is not a Sacrament for those at the point of death; rather it is a *prayer of healing*. The Church instructs all those who care for the sick to ensure that great care and concern are taken to see that the faithful whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age receive this Sacrament. From the earliest days, the Anointing of the Sick has been seen as a healing ritual based on the examples Jesus provided in his own life. The main elements of the sacramental ceremony--the laying of hands and the use of oils--are rooted in the healing accounts of Jesus laying his hands on those who were afflicted and commissioning his disciples to "*Anoint the sick with oil and cure them.*" (Mk. 6:13)

The apostle James wrote of this sacrament when he said, "*Are there sick among you? Let them send for the priests of the church, and let the priests pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up. If they have committed any sins, their sins will be forgiven.*" (James 5:14-15)

Who does that mean? If you suffer from serious illness, if you are faced with major surgery, if you are frail from old age; if your condition has deteriorated since your last anointing; you are a candidate for this sacrament.

Does it mean you will be cured? YES!!! But we must remember that this is not magic and does not produce immortality. The sacrament was given to heal the sick person; the whole person, not only his/her body. Healing in the Christian sense means more than mere restoration of physical health. While it is true the sacrament wants to restore the physical health of the individual, its ultimate aim is to lead the person to salvation; which is the final goal and desire of our life.

In simple words, the Anointing of the Sick is a sharing in God's life, the free gift of God's love. It strengthens our relationship with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. When we are sick we need to humble ourselves and ask God to send his healing Spirit upon us. **We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick on Sunday Feb 11**, in conjunction with the World Day of the Sick. There will be a Chicken Soup and Sandwich lunch in the hall after Mass. Please be sure that all those who would like to be anointed have a ride that day. If you know of someone who cannot possibly make it to Mass, be sure to contact Fr. Jim and he will go with you to their home.

Weekly Schedule for Upcoming Week

- Sun. Jan 14 9:45 a.m. Mass at Herb Bassett Home For All Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mark
 IMO June and Nadia Gisi
 From Lee Gisi
 Inscription Promise for Sacramental Preparation
 Altar Servers having Pizza after Mass.
- Mon. Jan 15 Fr. Jim's day off
Fr. Jim available for a supper invitation.
- Tues. Jan 16 **9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mark**
 Health of Family From Darsey
 9:30 a.m. Fr. Jim at a mtg. at Chancery Office all day
 Small Faith Christian Gathering **CANCELLED**
 7:00 p.m. Sacred Heart - Week of Prayer for Christian
 Unity Service.
- Wed. Jan 17 **9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mark**
 For Sisters of Presentation
 2:00 p.m. Fr. Jim at the Chancery for a mtg.
 Prayer Shawl Ministry Rectory downstairs **CANCELLED**
 7:00 p.m. 2nd. Baptismal Preparation evening Rectory
- Thurs. Jan 18 **9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mark**
 For Valerie Weber From Darsey and family
 10:00 a.m. Fr. Jim at a Senate mtg all day
 6:00 p.m. Fr. Jim at Vocation Commission mtg. all evening
 7:00 p.m. ALPHA Series evening Rectory downstairs
- Fri. Jan 19 11:00 a.m. Mass at Riverbreeze
 For Increase in Vocations and Religious Life
 2:00 p.m. Fr. Jim at Charismatic Committee mtg.
Fr. Jim available for a supper invitation.
- Sat. Jan 20 5:00 p.m. Fr. Jim celebrating Mass for Sisters of Presentation
- Sun. Jan 21 9:45 a.m. Mass at Herb Bassett Home For All Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mark
 IMO Jack Hagemeister
 From Clint and Laura Rissling

NOTE: Fr. Jim will be in Edmonton for meetings in the seminary
 January 30 to February 2.

NOTE: Tuesday 2:00 p.m. Small Faith Christian Gathering and Wednesday 2:00
 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry **CANCELLED** for this week only.

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.



Joseph Hieu Do, a seminarian who is staying with Fr. Jim; is in the process of learning English. He desperately 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.

All people smile in the same language



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January 21 2018

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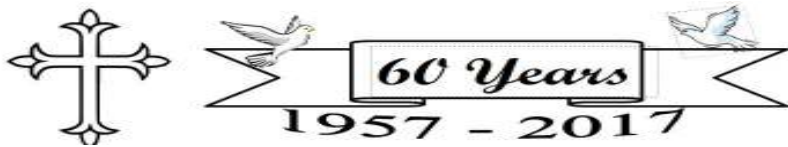
*Teach us to give and
 not count the cost.
 St. Ignatius de Loyola*

	Jan. 07	Dec.31
Envelopes	\$ 1940.00	\$ 1255.00
Loose	\$ 301.10	\$ 361.65
Building	\$ 165.00	\$ 00.00

The parish has purchased **new tables** for the basement. The **old tables** are for sale. The price is between **\$10 - and \$25 dollars** depending on the condition. Please contact Randy Malach if you would like to purchase one 980-7939.



Welcome to our family of St. Mark Parish. We would like to get to know you and make you feel at home. If you would like to become a member of our parish family; please complete a registration form available in the church foyer or contact Fr. Jim after Mass or the parish office at 306 764-4637.



Time Line Forms

Hopefully everyone got a Time Line Form this Sunday to fill out. We are excited to hear from everyone. There will be a box at the Entrance of the Church to return your forms, as well as extra forms in case you didn't get one. **Let's see how active our Parish has been.**

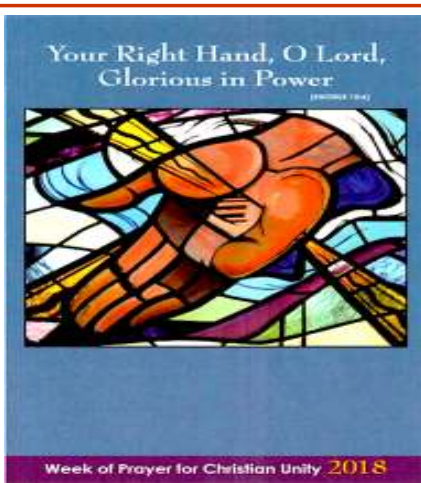
A Memory

Since I started going to St. Mark, I feel closer to God every day. It all started a couple of years ago. My sister Cindy woke up one Sunday morning and told Mom that she wanted to go to church. Mom got excited and said, "Let's go", but Cindy said "only if we go to St. Mark". Mom said "fine but we've never been there before". When we got there, they were introducing Fr. Jim Kaptein as the new parish priest, and we've been coming here ever since. I'm Fr. Jim's altar server now and he is the 'Best Priest Ever'.

Sadie Harasyn

The ALPHA Course is an evangelistic course which seeks to introduce the basics of the Christian faith through a series of talks and discussions. It: 1) Provides a clear way to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to people from all walks of life. 2) Helps lead people to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, within the context of the parish. 3) Covers the basic Christian truths shared by all traditions. 4) Is a very effective form of evangelization. An introduction to the Alpha Course is being offered at St. Mark, 7:00pm Thursday evenings in rectory downstairs. Everyone welcome.

Have you ever thought about remembering your parish in your will? The line "I bequeath to the Parish of St. Mark in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan the sum of \$_____ (specific amount) or _____% (a percentage) of the residue of my estate to be used for its general purposes at the discretion of the Parish Council," will insure that the parish has the resources to serve future generations. Please share your intention to support your Church with your family. Your bequest is a witness to them of the importance of your faith in your life, and sharing this information will assist them in honoring your wishes and your memory in the future.



The Most Reverend Albert Thévenot, M. Afr. Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert and Fr. Matthew Nguyen, cordially invite you to attend a Liturgical Service in observance of the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, on Tuesday, January 16 at 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral.** Refreshments and fellowship to follow. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending.



Catholic Taxes...DID YOU KNOW? To ensure your property taxes are supporting your Catholic Separate School Division, you must declare your school support as "Separate" on your Annual Property Assessment Notice and Tax Bill. If a declaration of school support is not filled in by a property owner, the property assessment and tax bills show the school support as defaulting to the public school system. **DECLARE YOUR SUPPORT FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS** by completing a School Support Declaration Form available from Prince Albert City Hall or www.citypa.ca or your Rural Municipality office.

If you require information or assistance regarding any aspect of school taxes, please contact 306-953-7500.

Vocation Corner Second Sunday of the Year – B

A Vocation View: A good Vocation prayer to say every day, from the time we are ten years old till we are ninety years old, is found in today's first Scripture Reading: '*Speak, Lord for your servant is listening.*' Just try it with sincerity starting today.

Prayer: That like Samuel, all baptized Catholics will be faithful to their call to follow Christ, especially those chosen for the unique consecration of priesthood or consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Action: SPIRITUAL EXERCISE and food (reading, daily prayer) are just as important to the spirit as physical exercise and food is to the body! Is your spirit being fed – or just your body?


10th. Annual Prince Albert Catholic Education Foundation Gala and Silent Auction. Friday Feb. 9 at St. Joseph Parish Hall. **Come Celebrate Mardi Gras** with us. Please call Jean @ 306 764-4099 or 306 961-5662 for tickets.

**"Darkness cannot drive out darkness:
Only Light can do that.
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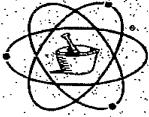
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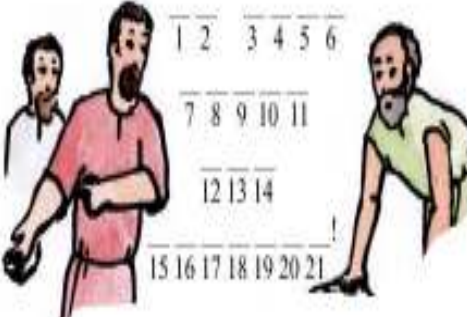


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The Kids' Bulletin
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 14, 2018
Answer to front page: We have found the Messiah!
www.thekidsbulletin.wordpress.com

What did Andrew say to his brother Simon in today's Gospel reading?



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