

MASS SCHEDULE: April 1 - April 9, 2017

Saturday, April 1 – 5:00 p.m. Anticipated Mass
- +Norma Carvajal del Casal Req. by Roger Schmorn & Family

Sunday, April 2
9:00 a.m. Mass – St Margaret's
– All Parishioners of both parishes
11:00 a.m. Mass – St Theresa's -
+Stella Kwiatkowski req. by Carolina Meseric

Tuesday, April 4 – 7:00 p.m Mass – St Theresa's

Wednesday, April 5
9:00 a.m. Mass – St Benedict's – for Peace
7:00 p.m. – St Theresa's – Stations of the Cross

Thursday, April 6
9:00 a.m. Mass – St Benedict's
– for Deceased Federation Sisters
6:15 p.m. – Middlechurch Care Home
– Communion Service

Friday, April 7
6:30 p.m. Mass – St Theresa's
+Dennis Waroway req. by Jeff DiNella
7:00-8:00 p.m. – Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament

Saturday, April 8 – 5:00 p.m. Anticipated Mass -
+Teddora & +Jamito Gutierrez Req. by Florence
& Jemena Enriquez

Sunday, April 9
9:00 a.m. Mass – St Margaret's
– for All Parishioners of both parishes
11:00 a.m. Mass – St Theresa's
+Judy Behnke req. by Carolina Meseric

**Monday, April 10 – 7:30 p.m. Chrism Mass
– St Mary's Cathedral – ALL WELCOME!**

DEANERY RECONCILIATION SERVICES:

All start at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 5 – Christ the King, Stonewall

Thursday, April 6 – St Michael's, Gimli

Please remember in your prayers:
Jean Kiazzyk, Philip Cheverie, Clarence
Kowerko, Pamela Bacani, Vicki Worton,
Philippe L'Heureux, Victoria Kreger,
Benny Konowalchuk, Cathy Nizio and
all our shut-ins.

Office Hours:
Wednesday & Friday
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Phone: 204-339-2649 • Email:
stheresa@mymts.net

Collection for the weekend of
March 25/26: \$1,888.25
P.A.D.'s for March: **\$2,355.00**

Hall Rentals – Call Ted Sobieski 204-339-
4666 or email: tedsobieski@yahoo.ca

SACRAMENTS:

Weddings – Contact the Parish Office 6
months or more in advance.
Marriage Preparation is mandatory in the
Archdiocese of Winnipeg

Baptisms – Contact the Parish Office
3 months or more in advance.
(NOTE: No Baptisms are scheduled during
Lent—except in danger of death)

First Communion 2017 - Sunday, June 18
9:00 a.m. – St Margaret's
11:00 a.m. Mass – St Theresa's

Confirmation – 2017 – Thursday
April 27th – 7:00 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua

SAVE THE DATE:

St Theresa's is having a **SPRING FLING FAMILY
DANCE** on Saturday, May 6th after the 5:00 p.m.
Family Mass. Details to follow!!!

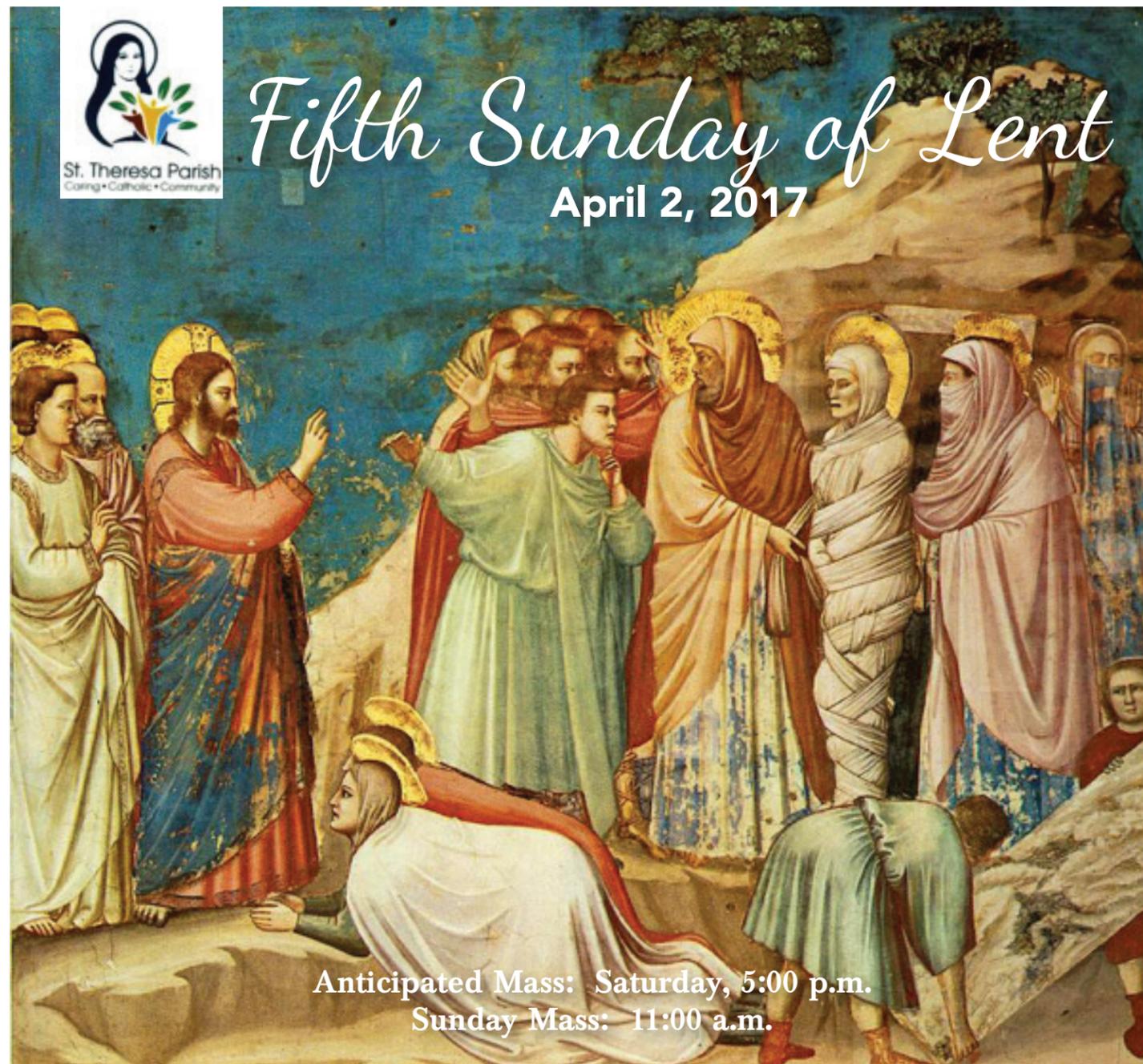
**St. Theresa's is sponsoring a Sunday
brunch** at the Breaking Bread Selkirk Soup
Kitchen on Sunday April 9th. Here is a great
opportunity to help the needy. If you are interested
in helping cook/serve brunch April 9th in Selkirk,
contact Steve Gadiant 223-7757

Just a reminder....we are still collecting
postage stamps...any stamps. Just tear them
off the corner of the envelope, leaving a little all
around and bring them in and leave them on the
counter at the entrance of the Church. Stephe
is collecting them on behalf of Development &
Peace. THANKS!!



Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 2, 2017



Anticipated Mass: Saturday, 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass: 11:00 a.m.



GOOD FRIDAY Stations of the Cross and Divine Mercy Chaplet - St Theresa's at 7:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY morning prayer at St Theresa's will begin at 10:00 a.m.
(which will include Blessing of Easter Baskets), followed by decorating of the
Church. ALL ARE WELCOME to join us for prayer and decorating.

EASTER SUNDAY MASS at 11:00 a.m. will be offered for your Deceased Loved
Ones whose names are submitted to the Parish Office along with a donation to-
wards our Easter Flowers. Be sure to print your envelope number for tax receipt
purposes.

The Triduum:

Holy Thursday Mass – April 13th – 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday Service – April 14th – 3:00 p.m. – St Theresa's & St Margaret's
Holy Saturday Vigil – April 15th - 8:30 p.m.
Easter Sunday Mass – April 16th – 11:00 a.m.

Jesus confronts the two things that make us faceless:

SIN & DEATH

A Word From Pope Francis: Whoever experiences [the joy of the Resurrection] becomes a witness of the Resurrection, for in a certain sense he himself has risen, she herself has risen. He or she is then capable of carrying a “ray” of light of the Risen One into various situations: to those that are happy, making them more beautiful by preserving them from egoism; to those that are painful, bringing serenity and hope. —Regina Caeli, St. Peter’s Square, Easter Monday, April 21, 2014

Reflection Questions: Has sin ever made you unrecognizable to your loved ones, even for a moment? • Have you ever struggled to look beyond another’s sin and minister to his or her humanity?

The Agony in the Garden By Ron Rolheiser -- We tend to misunderstand “the passion of Jesus.” Spontaneously we think of it as the pain of the physical sufferings he endured on the road to his death. Partly that misses the point. Jesus’ passion should be understood as passio, passivity, a certain submissive helplessness he had to undergo in counterdistinction to his power and activity. His passion begins in the Garden of Gethsemane immediately after he has celebrated the Last Supper. The Scriptures tell us that he went out into the Garden with his disciples to pray for the strength he needed to face the ordeal that was now imminent.

It’s significant that this agony take place in a garden. In archetypal literature (Scripture, among other things, is this kind of literature), a garden is not a place to pick cucumbers and onions. It is the place of delight, the place of love, the place to drink wine, the place where lovers meet in the moonlight, the place of intimacy. It’s Jesus, the lover, the one who calls us to intimacy and delight with him who sweats blood in the Garden. Jesus’ agony is that of the lover who’s been misunderstood and rejected in a way that is mortal and humiliating. It’s his entry into the darkest black hole of human existence, the black hole of bitter rejection, aloneness, humiliation, and helplessness. †

Space for God By Edward Sri, PhD -- In the Bible, people fast when expressing repentance (Psalm 69:15), making a petition to God (Ezra 8:23), or seeking God’s will (Acts 13:1–2). We also fast to grow in self-control, training the will to deny ourselves little things so we can make bigger sacrifices when necessary. When we abstain from the enjoyments of this world, we come more in touch with a deeper hunger nothing in this world can satisfy.

Saint John of the Cross teaches us the soul has deep caverns that only the infinite God can fill. Yet when we feed our stomach whenever it’s hungry, busy ourselves with constant activity, and amuse ourselves on screens, we become distracted from our heart’s deepest longing—God. No matter how much savory food we eat, how much money we make, how many “likes” we receive, or how much fun we have, we are constantly longing for something more.

Stepping back and abstaining from certain enjoyments in life helps free us from being enslaved to them and gives God room to draw out our deeper desire for him. It reminds us of the profound truth St. Augustine expressed in his famous prayer to God: “You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You, O God.” But fasting does not just apply to food. In the Catholic tradition, a similar pursuit of moderation has been applied to other things in life that aren’t necessary, such as conversation, rest, media, and entertainment.

Faced with constant noise and visual distraction—incessant beeps, vibrations, images, and updates—it’s hard for us to truly encounter God and the people God has placed in our lives. Pope Francis and other recent popes have encouraged us to limit not just our intake of food and drink but also our use of the internet, television, and social media. Fasting from various forms of media can help cultivate more silence in our lives so we can hear God and see the people right around us. †

Development & Peace ---- SHARE LENT

What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us? Where do we expect to go after our time on earth?

This year’s Development & Peace focus is on **SOCIAL JUSTICE: “Equality Of Women”**. Too often in the third world and regularly in our own world, women are treated unfairly. Please give women kindness, respect, attention, affection and hugs. Development & Peace is the Canadian Catholic organization that works toward helping those in the 3rd world through dealing with disaster relief, education, promoting social justice, and helping those in need with basics of life.

Please give generously. Cheques can be made out to “Development & Peace” and you will get a tax receipt from Development & Peace. Or cheques can be made out to “Canada Foodgrains Bank account Saints Faith Garden Project”. That money will go to Development & Peace bank account at CFGB. Canada Foodgrains Bank will issue a tax receipt for amounts \$15.00 and over. Thank You for your help!

From Bringing Home The Word: Newly Alive By Mary Katharine Deeley -- When I was a child, I saw a picture of Lazarus at the tomb, his face completely bound by a cloth. It scared me badly—the figures looking toward Lazarus were pulling away in fear or disgust. Unable to see his face, they lost any sense of his humanity. Without eyes, nose, and mouth, Lazarus had become the stuff of nightmares. Much later in life, I reflected on that picture and realized that death—both spiritual and physical—is like that. It robs us of our humanity. We become faceless, unknown to all but those who loved us. If we’ve committed grave sin, we might even lose those human relationships. But a second look at the picture revealed the steady figure of Jesus holding the raised Lazarus in his gaze. He didn’t turn away in fear. Rather, he continued to look at him with love, as a friend. Jesus, the face of love, is the only one who can confront the two things that make us faceless, that take our humanity from us: sin and death. Sin kills the soul and has the capacity to make us unrecognizable to others. Death kills the body and can take us from our loved ones. Jesus calls us forth from each of these. From sin, he calls us to conversion; from death, he calls us to eternal life. If we listen carefully, we can hear him call us by name to “come out.” And then, with infinite love, he will ask those who love us to untie us and let us go. †

Living Our Stewardship Ministry of the Month – FINANCE COUNCIL

This ministry is responsible for creating financial reports and setting budgets for the Parish. The Council meets 3 – 4 times a year and regularly reports to the Archdiocese. This Council is Chaired by Fr David and its members are: Mark Dias, Bob Behnke, Geri Smith, Mark Neskar & Ted Sobieski.

KNIGHTS KORNER St. Theresa’s Parish



Upcoming Events:

April 4 – 7:00 p.m. Mass followed by General Meeting

April 18 – 7:30 p.m. Executive Meeting

April 30 – After 11:00 a.m. Mass PARISH BRUNCH

For information about the Knights of Columbus, please contact Grand Knight, Ryan Kraemer at 204-471-3598

CHURCH UPDATES

CWL: Membership fees of \$25.00 are now due. Please pay Joan Shaw 204-339-4487 or Elsie Shaw 204-338-7408

Toiletries and Cosmetics:

We continue to collect small bottles of shampoo, conditioner, lotion and soaps (such as you get when you stay in a hotel). Do not bring bottles that have been partially used as they cannot be donated for health reasons. Deodorants, mouth wash, toothbrushes, razors and shaving cream, etc. are also welcome. All items are donated to homeless shelters. The blue collection bin is located right behind the food bank bin inside the church entrance. Thank you for your generosity. Any questions contact Myrna Schopohl 204-338 -5315

THANKS TO ALL who came out to help with perogy making. The turnout was fantastic! Best ever!! The enthusiasm and joy was very contagious and very evident amongst the entire group. God bless each and every one. Your help counts and YOU matter by volunteering your time and talent for a worthwhile cause.

LOTS of volunteers are needed AFTER Stations of the Cross on Wednesday, April 12th. We will be preparing the Garden of Gethsemane for Holy Thursday celebrations.

Today is the first weekend of Help The Needy Week! We have been very blessed by God compared to many that are less fortunate. What can I do this Lent to help others ?

Our parish ,St. Theresa's, has many ministries that do help the needy. Our food bank helps the local hungry. Our garden project helps the poor & hungry at home and in the Third World. We sponsor brunches at the Selkirk Soup Kitchen. The Knights of Columbus has Coats For Kids, a wheelchair program for paraplegics, scholarships for post secondary education, many other charities are helped and together with the CWL support unborn infants pro-life adopt a baby and baby shower for Villa Rosa.

The CWL also has activities like perogy making to raise money for various charities, collection of personal care items for the homeless and support of adopted children. Our Catechism teachers instruct and encourage our youth, who need our help. Other ministries like prayer shawl and St Theresa's Charity quilters, the visiting the sick group, Middlechurch Personal Care Home group and Development & Peace all have programs that greatly help others.

Our help the needy week clothing drive ends next weekend. Your participation in our ministries is welcome and necessary. So this week we encourage you to give special thought, prayer, and action to help those in need. Thank You for your help !

Welcome Prayer

Prayer of Welcome
Lord, our God, source of all life,
you reveal yourself in the depths of our being
drawing us to share in your life and love.
Bless each of us as we respond to your Spirit's
invitation to open wide the doors to Christ.
Make the doors of our hearts,
our homes and communities
wide enough to receive
all who need human love and fellowship,
narrow enough to shut out all envy,
prejudice and pride.
Let us hasten to welcome the stranger,
and so welcome your Son.
We make this prayer in his name,
Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

