



# St. Paul's Co-Cathedral Parish

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## 24th Sunday Ordinary Time September 11, 2022

### “Shelter in Place”

That was the message that accompanied by a loud alarm came over our phones during Mass last weekend. The messages continued as the horrific story of the butchery on James Smith Cree Nation and Weldon unfolded. There is always a rumbling of violence below the surface of our society – the death by overdose, the family abuse, the refugees from war in Ukraine and Tigray. The media is selective in its attention to these stories until it bursts out in a way that cannot be ignored. It is a dimension of our human condition – still bearing the effects of the Fall as the blood of sisters and brothers cries out to God from the ground on which it was spilled. We moderns try and convince ourselves that there is an idea or policy or educational program that can bring an end to such behaviour. We presume that human beings are on their own and on their own can find the way to fix all problems. All we need is another colour on the flags of inclusion. The butcher bill of the last centuries puts an end to such presumption. The world had never known a more educated society than that of Germany in 1930, no movement for social change could match the Comintern – “Communists International” - of the same period, and no health care system has ever achieved our contemporary institutions. Yet educated Germany launched the blitzkrieg war that immolated 42 million, Communism unleashed the greatest martyrdom of Christians – today is the feast of Blessed Giuseppe Maria Penadés one of the 233 Martyrs of Valencia in the Spanish Civil War (a drop in the bucket of blood of the 100 million murdered in the name of equality), and our Health Care comes at the cost of millions of aborted children, people experimented on by Big Pharma, and euthanasia. It is surprising, actually, that we should be surprised when mindless violence erupts in quiet Saskatchewan.

But we are surprised – devastated even – and we do rush to care for the victims. And that is good. Is it enough?

The Prodigal Son woke up one day to recognize that he was longing to “*have filled his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, and no one gave him anything [so that he was] dying of hunger*” (Lk. 15:16). Have pandemic and war and fentanyl and alcoholism and pornography and mass murders not been enough to awaken us? Consumerism and money are the pig food we feed each other. Our response to violence? Throw more money at it. Is it not time to wake up and say, “*I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you;”*” (Lk.15:18) ? The Father waits, not with a set of ideas nor a political movement, but with the hands of a person – His Son Jesus Christ – to invite us into a celebration, to clothe us with holy dignity, to place the ring of wedded love to Him that will never betray, and to put sandals on our feet to allow us to walk properly amidst the ideas and politics of our times. It is the simple truth – not an idea but the reality – that Jesus is the one who brings us – lost – into the celebration of the found.

Our shelter? Our Place? It is the Face of the Father whom we meet in the Face of the Son whom we meet in the faces of people who look out from all these stories. We refuse to see them as “ideas” or statistics. Violence falters – the evil one fails – before the eyes of the Father shining through our eyes and hands as we reach out in love to be the shelter that is the Holy Church.



Eternal Rest grant unto Earl Burns Sr., Bonnie Burns, Lydia Gloria Burns, Gregory Burns, Robert Sanderson, Thomas Burns, Lana Head, Christian Head, Carol Burns, Wesley Petterson, and Damien Sanderson. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

## MONDAY, September 12, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary  
12:10 pm - Mass († **Msgr. Stan Urbanoski**)  
6:30 pm - Medjugorje Prayer Group  
7:00 pm - Bible Timeline  
7:00 pm - Illness Support Group

## TUESDAY, September 13, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary  
12:10 pm - Mass (**SI Noah Katzberg**)

## WEDNESDAY, September 14, 2022 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary  
12:10 pm - Mass (**SI Merlyn Fernandes**)  
3:00 pm - Prayer Cenacle with Eucharistic Adoration until 5:00pm  
6:30 pm - Parish Council Meeting

## THURSDAY, September 15, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary  
12:10 pm - Mass († **Jose Tellez**)  
7:00 pm - Funeral Prayers (**Joshua Dutchak**)  
8:00 pm - Christ the King Prayer Group

## FRIDAY, September 16, 2022

10:00 am - Funeral (**Joshua Dutchak**)  
11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary  
12:10 pm - Mass († **Ronald Cassion**)  
3:30 pm - Children's Choir  
5:30 pm - Sto. Nino Prayer Group

## SATURDAY, September 17, 2022

9:30 am - Funeral  
11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary  
12:10 pm - Mass (**SI Rolande Gendron**)

## SUNDAY, September 18, 2022 25th Sunday Ordinary Time

8:00 am - Mass  
10:00 am - Mass \*  
2:00 pm - Baptismal Preparation  
5:00 pm - Filipino Mass  
7:30 pm - Vespers  
8:00 pm - Mass

\*Please note there will be no livestream until further notice

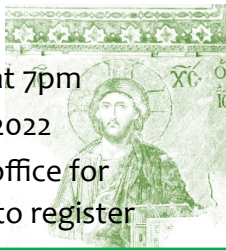
RCIA PROGRAM

## Baptism & Confirmation & First Eucharist

### for Adults

Meetings on Thursdays at 7pm  
starting October 20, 2022

Please contact our parish office for  
more information or to register



Catholic? Wanting to go deeper  
into the Faith? You are welcome  
to join our RCIA program this  
year!

We meet Thursday evenings  
starting **October 20**. For more information, contact  
Angela at (306) 652-0033



The baptism of a child is a  
profound moment and the  
beginning of a lifelong journey  
of faith. If you would like to  
have your child baptized in the  
faith, the next baptismal preparation class will be  
**Sept. 18 & 25** at 2pm. For more information, please  
contact the office or the facilitator, **Shelley** at  
[goodshepherd.catechist@gmail.com](mailto:goodshepherd.catechist@gmail.com)

## Children's Choir

Children ages 7-12 are invited to join the **Children's Choir** directed by Katrina MacKinnon! Rehearsals are **Fridays** at St. Paul's from **3:30-4:30pm** starting **Sept. 16**. Children who are registered are encouraged to join in singing at the 8am or 10am mass on Sundays under the direction of Michael Raney. Special goals for the choir include: Advent Concert, Mother's Day Concert, Participation in the Saskatoon Music Festival, and Special Masses for Feast Days.

For more information and to register, contact Katrina MacKinnon at [katrina.a.mackinnon@gmail.com](mailto:katrina.a.mackinnon@gmail.com)

Registrations are open for **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**. I invite your 3 - 6 year olds to the atrium downstairs at St. Paul's, where we use the Montessori approach to offer Scripture and Liturgy through engaging the child's sense of wonder. For more information, please contact Shelley at [goodshepherd.catechist@gmail.com](mailto:goodshepherd.catechist@gmail.com)



## Marriage Preparation

~Christ in the Middle~

Tuesday evenings from 7 - 9pm **Oct 11. -Nov. 22**  
For more information / register:  
Call Angela at (306) 652-0033



## OFFERING for September 4, 2022

Cash Donations	\$ 734.45
Envelope Donations	\$ 3222.00
Renovations	\$ 1055.00