

LITTLE FLOWER PARISH

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 21TH, 2024

Little Flower Weekend Masses

Saturday 5 p.m.

Sunday 10 a.m.

Reconciliation prior to mass OR by appointment

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 4:00 pm

Wednesday to Friday 8 a.m.

College Park I Retirement Residence Liturgy

1st & 3rd Thursday of the month 10 a.m.

College Park II Retirement Residence Liturgy

2nd & 4th Friday of the month 10 a.m.

Office Hours (for in-person service)

Monday to Friday: 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

Saturdays: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Parish Staff

Parish Administrator: Rev. Jake Ibay

Office Administrator: Valerio Quirino &

Lauana Candido

Caretaker/Maintenance: Rick Morin

Parish email: littleflowerregina@sasktel.net



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



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Land Acknowledgement

Little Flower Parish is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional lands of the Nêhiyawak, Nahkawé, and Nakota, and homeland of the Dakota, Lakota, and Métis peoples.



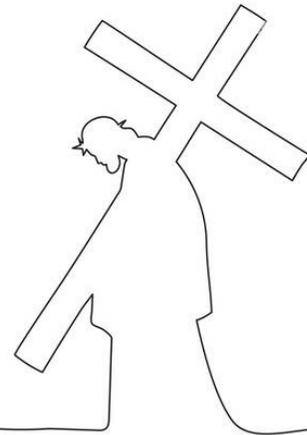
Little Flower is wheelchair accessible through the Edgar Street entrance.

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Theme: Compassion and kindness are hallmarks of our God. He does not abandon us when we grow cold toward him. He warms us with his mercy and brings us home with his love.



This Week in the Parish . . .

Contact the office to request a Mass for your loved ones. The agenda for 2023 Mass requests is open

Mass intentions for this week are:

- Tues. 23, Newly Weds Int. of Martino & Samantha Lawrence
- Wed. 24, Int. Of Oscar Rivero & family
- Thu. 25, +Repose of Kathleen Wingerter
- Fri. 26, +Repose of Alice Decena
- Sat. 27, Int. of Annie Dormuth

Altar Server of the week: Barb Aman

Hospital Chaplains

Catholic chaplains visit patients and their families to address any spiritual needs.

To receive a visit from a chaplain, call:

- General Hospital 306-519-1405
- Pasqua Hospital 306-519-1380
- Wascana Rehab Centre 306-530-6511

Please also let your parish know if you've been admitted to the hospital.

Return to Vibrancy Announcement:



Saint Thérèse had a deep love for the world around her and all that was in it. As a young child she owned a favourite blue hat. She sometimes wondered if it were possible to love God as much as she loved that hat. We know from her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*, she loved God above all.

Saint Thérèse said: "When one loves, one does not calculate."

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). This practice dates as far back as Judas collecting a sin-offering for the dead, making atonement so they might be delivered from their sin. (2 Maccabees 12:39-45). Masses may also be offered for the intentions of the living or in thanksgiving. Masses are requested through the parish office.

Stewardship Bulletin Bit
January 21, 2024
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."
Mark 1:17

Jesus' call to "follow me" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

Response from the Vicar General to our Little Flower Return to Vibrancy 2023 Update letter

"We got a very positive response from Father Brian regarding all the actions our Parish has been taking over the last year to respond to the Archbishop's challenge to return our Parish to vibrancy.

Congratulations to Father Jake and everyone on our Return to Vibrancy Committee, Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Committee and all of our ministry volunteers for making 2023 a successful year for the Parish."

Irwin Blank - Chair of Little Flower's Finance Committee and Vibrancy Steering Committee.

Please see the bulletin insert

One week before the launch of the campaign
In your parish

Let's Stand for the Land!

For Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's **Create Hope : Stand for the Land** campaign, our partner ERIC-



Radio Progreso has asked that we support the defenders of human rights and the environment in Honduras. Since 2015, the communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector have been fighting to preserve their rivers and the Carlos Escaleras National Park from mining. To find out more, visit devp.org/campaign.

"Communities are displaced. Rights are violated. Access and rights to water denied. All this to give priority to the extraction and pillaging of resources."

— Leonel George, member of the Committee for the Defence of Common and Public Goods of To-coa, Colón

Stand in solidarity. Sign the letter to the Honduran ambassador to Canada at devp.org/act.



Prayer Ministry



Please pray for the needs of the sick of our parish, the homebound, people who are alone and/or afraid to go out. Pray especially for: Germain Beurivage, Ann Dormuth, Jose Estioco, Agnes Fahlman, Jack Gebert, Dean Hutchence, Shelly Joubert, Judy Klenk, Don Morrell, Lima Perras, Claudia Sali, Ron Strassburger, Louise Wingerter, Frances Gyurek, Family of Clair Wingerter, Barb's brother and family who lost their home in a fire, Delores Blank, Theresa Sokalski the lonely, vulnerable, and homeless, Suffering in the world, as well as all who are affected by war.

Census forms 2023

Dear Parishioners,



As we strive to keep our records accurate and up-to-date, we kindly request your cooperation in returning the census forms.

Even if there are no changes to report, it is essential for us to receive these forms back from every parishioner.

If you have not yet received a census form or need to update your information, blank forms are available at the back of the church. Please take a moment to fill out the necessary details.

For those who may not be registered with the church, we extend a warm invitation to you to complete a census form. **All the information is important, please don't leave it blank.**

Your prompt response will greatly assist us in maintaining accurate records and ensuring that our community is well-connected. We appreciate your cooperation and dedication to the vibrant spirit of Little Flower.

Thank you for being an essential part of our church family.

Blessings.

Office hours



Starting on January 25th, the parish office will operate with limited in-person services only on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. Phone calls and emails will be attended to as usual. Regular office hours will resume on February 26 at 9:30 am. Thank you for your understanding

CATECHISM LESSON THIRTY-EIGHT

Prayer for Christian Unity

What is Eucharist?

Watch Videos: www.archregina.sk.ca/group/catechetical-support-parishes/

Catechism Text: CCC nos. 1355, 1373-1378, 1388 & 1413,

Sacred Scripture: Luke: 19-20, John: 15.5, 6.35-58, Acts: 2.46 & 47, 1Cor: 10.16 & 17

St. Thomas Aquinas: *The Eucharist is the sacrament of love; it signifies love, and it produces love. The Eucharist is the consummation of the whole spiritual life.*

St. Euphrasia: *To speak of the Blessed Sacrament is to speak of what is most sacred.*

FAQ: How is the Catechism "adapted" to the multi-cultural situation of the Church (Canada or otherwise)?

It is an ongoing task for bishops, authors, editors, and publishers of catechetical materials who revise and develop in light of serious consideration of the *Catechism's* entire content and its general directive for "indispensable adaptation." Together, they communicate the Church's universal teaching as expressed in the Church's experience. That experience is multicultural and indigenous, especially in North America; therefore, any catechetical materials developed must align with particular cultural experiences while true to the entire content of the *Catechism*.

Green Ribbon Sunday Campaign



The Regina Pro Life Association is calling on all parishioners to participate in the Green Ribbon Sunday Campaign, which remembers the Morgentaler decision of January 28, 1988, when the Supreme Court of Canada struck down **all laws** regarding abortion. Since then, there have been more than 4 million abortions in Canada. Please pick up a green ribbon/bookmark which are available at the church entrances. We encourage you to wear them for at least the following weekend of January 27/28. The bookmarks include a prayer for the end to abortion that we kindly ask you to pray daily.

Thank you for supporting life!

The Regina Council of Churches invites you to a city-wide ecumenical worship service at Lakeview United Church (3200 McCallum Ave.) on **Sunday, January 21 at 3:00 pm**. The preacher will be Cam Fraser, Director of Growth and Ministry Development, United Church of Canada.

Join together with Christians across Regina as we pray for Christian unity. The 2024 theme is "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself" based on Luke 10:25-37. The resources were prepared by an ecumenical team in Burkina Faso. This service will be livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@LakeviewUnitedRegina>

SINGERS: A joint choir will rehearse at 2:00 pm at Lakeview Church. Contact Nick Jesson at njesson@archregina.sk.ca for details.

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated by churches around the world in January or at another time of year. For more information, see <https://weekofprayer.ca> Also during the Week of Prayer:

The **De Margerie Lectures on Christian Reconciliation and Unity** with the Rev. Dr. Karen Petersen Finch.

The quest for Christian unity has traditionally been initiated at the international level between official leaders of Christian denominations, with the effects of their dialogue expected to trickle down to local Christian communities. In Grassroots Ecumenism, Karen Petersen Finch upends this process, proposing an approach to Christian unity that begins in your neighbourhood. She draws directly from her experience equipping everyday Christians to know their own Christian tradition more thoroughly and to engage thoughtfully with separated Christians down the street and around the corner.

Wed. Jan. 24, 7pm, *Re-imagining Lay People as Stewards of Doctrine* (Campion College, University of Regina) in-person or livestreamed at <https://bit.ly/DeMargerie2024>

Thurs. Jan. 25, 7pm, *Doctrine as the Fuel of Renewal* (St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon) in-person or livestreamed at <https://bit.ly/DeMargerie2024>

What do the ecumenical dialogues say about the Eucharist? What consensus has been found? Karen believes that local dialogue holds the promise of breaking through historic barriers to agreement. Drawing on her extensive experience of local dialogue on the topic of the Eucharist/Holy Communion/Lord's Supper, in this workshop, Karen will discuss ways to promote dialogue between neighbourhood churches.

Sat., Jan. 27, 10am, *The Eucharist - Where is Jesus?*
(Christ the King Parish, 3239 Garnet St, Regina)

All are welcome. No registration required.