# LITTLE FLOWER PARISH

### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 9TH, 2021

Further, in keeping with the Code of Canon Law no. 87, I grant to all the Catholic faithful dispensation from their Sunday obligation until further notice. Temporary Masses Hours, up to 30 people only, by appointment:

Little Flower Sunday Masses Saturdays, 5:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. Sundays, 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses Tuesday 4:00 p.m. Wednesday to Friday 8:00 a.m.

**Little Flower Office Hours Temporary Hours:** Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

#### **Parish Staff Team**

Parish Administrator: Rev. Jake Ibay littleflowerregina@sasktel.net Office Administrator: Valerio Quirino littleflowerregina@sasktel.net Pastoral Assistant: Bonnie Thiele Hunt bonnie.littleflower@sasktel.net Caretaker / Maintenance: Rick Morin



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Little Flower Parish is wheelchair accessible through the Edgar Street entrance.

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



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**Theme:** What the world needs now we already have; the risen Christ, present here with his gifts of life and love. Our society's search for love is fulfilled in this Eucharist.

This Week in the Parish	
Daily Mass intentions as listed below:	
Tuesday, May 11th	+Repose of Francis Sokalski
Wednesday, May 12h	+Repose of Leo Goski
Thursday, May 13th	Intentions of Cathy Giene
Friday, May 14th	+Repose of Ray Rambow
Saturday, May 15th	+Repose of Victor Pilon (5:00 pm) +Repose of Ray Rambow (6:00 pm)
Weekday Lector/Altar Server: Gabe Seiferling	



#### Food Drive



Our monthly Food Drive will take place this weekend, May 8 & 9. All contributions are welcome.

Thank you for sharing your treasure with those around you.

Please be mindful that we do not accept packaging that has been opened, items that are partially used or those beyond their expiry date.

#### **Hospital Chaplains**

Catholic chaplains visit patients and their families to address any spiritual needs, to pray, to provide a friendly face and comforting presence, to talk about people's fears and concerns, to bring Communion, and to contact a priest for Anointing of the Sick.

If you or a family member wish to receive a visit from a chaplain, please call: General Hospital 306-519-1405, Pasqua Hospital 306-519-1380, Wascana Rehabilitation Centre 306-530-6511.

Also, please let your parish know if you are entering the hospital.

#### 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 an atonement so that 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 may be requested through the parish office.

If you with to have the Mass offered on a specific date, please make arrangements at least one month in advance.

#### **Mother's Day**



That heartwarming occasion when we stop to thank our mother!

It is also the time to thank God for his wonderful present. And what better way to thank the Lord than through our prayers?

A Mother is a wondrous gift; a bright and shining light that God gave every one of us to teach us what is right.

A Mother is a tender touch, a cheerful smiling face. Her loving ways help make a home a bright and happy place.

A Mother is a gentle heart whose willingness to share, can make our joys seem brighter still and our pain less hard to bear.

A Mother is a wondrous gift God gives us from above to fill our days with warmth and joy ... To fill our lives with love.

Little Flower would like to honour the mothers of this parish. When we say mothers, we include not only natural mothers and grandmothers, but also women who have assumed the role of mothers and those who have been spiritual mothers. We are thankful for the good things you bring. We're grateful for your understanding. We appreciate the many things you've taught, not with formal instruction but by your example. Happy Mother's Day!

#### **Vocation View**

"On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them. John 14:20-21



"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" John 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?



Hanjoon & Jina Kim—May 12—14 years Roger & Stella L'Arrivee-May 15-39 years

Richest blessings to all our couples. You are a particular witness of God's love and fidelity amongst us!

If you are a new parishioner or would like to have your anniversary here please contact the office administrator.

#### **Prayer Ministry**

Please pray for the needs of the sick of our parish, the homebound, those who are affected by COVID-19 and the health professionals In Our Thoughts and Prayers working on the front line, those in nursing



homes and those who care for them, especially: Jose Estioco, Florence Barrow, Germain Beaurivage, Jack Gebert, Dean Hutchence, Judy Klenk, Don Morrell, Claudia Sali, Ron Strassburger, Louise Wingerter, Father Lorne Crozon and Father Brian Meredith.

#### **COVID-19** Update

We are open for Masses for a maximum of 30 people. If you would like to come for Mass, please call or email the parish Office Administrator (contact on the first page) before Thursdays. You don't need to book for the week masses.

#### During this difficult time, your parish needs you!

Covid19 has limited how we are able to gather. However, our parishes have regular and ongoing expenses. Although you may not be attending Mass, these expenses still remain. During this time, it's prudent to consider how you might support your parish. Your cheque can be mailed to Little Flower Parish or left in the parish office mail box (no cash please). OR Your donation can be made to your parish through the Archdiocese of Regina by:

- Pre-authorized direct debit By phone
- **E**-Transfer
- Offline by cheque

Visit our Giving Page at https://archregina.sk.ca/giving for more information on how you can support your parish. **THANK YOU** to those who continue to support the parish through their weekly collection envelopes.

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#### Signs of Life in the Local Church: May 2021 Webinar Series

Join in this series to explore signs that new missional perspectives are bringing life to local congregations.

• Each Thursday in May, starting May 6 at 3:00 PM (Saskatchewan) on Zoom. Free registration: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqf-ytqzosGdVoDhE6gNcveFr2JjU4-WCd</u>

For further information, contact Archdeacon Cheryl Toth at <a href="mailto:stewardship@sasktel.net">stewardship@sasktel.net</a>

May 13: Fabulously Flourishing in the Local Church -With Canon Dr. Neil Mancor (Congregational Development Coordinator, Anglican Diocese of Montréal). Before we start talking about money, we need to get the conditions right. In the same way that we prepare the ground for planting our gardens, we need to do the same in our churches. Research has consistently flagged two key characteristics of flourishing congregations: a lively spirituality and an outward focus on the community. In this seminar, we will explore these two characteristics and how they impact generosity in the local Church.

May 20: Blessed to be a Blessing ... The Stewardship of Opportunity - B.L.E.S.S. model that will offer practical steps to engage you in reaching out to those around you. A book summary will be supplied. Participants will be exposed to a free resource in which they will determine their S.H.A.P.E. (S - spiritual gifts / H - heartpassion / A - abilities / P - personality style / E - experience). May 27: To The Regions Beyond: Spiritual Care in Under-served Areas - With Rev. Dr. Robin Haensel (Director of Church Development, Canadian Midwest District, Christian & Missionary Alliance Church) Dr. Haensel will introduce his recent D.Min. project (Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon) helping him fulfill God's calling to equip the church to serve those often ignored because of the logistical challenges of shrinking rural populations. His greatest desire is that the church would be able to fulfill her calling to the world, but especially to those communities that face the challenge of diminishing resources.

This series is planned in the spirit of the LAURC Covenant by the Ecumenical Stewardship Committee of the Anglican Diocese of Qu'Appelle, the Saskatchewan Synod of the ELCIC, and the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Regina.

#### Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intentions - May The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate financial markets and protect citizens from its dangers.

thepopevideo.org

# TF243: Catholicism Throughout the Curriculum with Dr. Denise Donohue

This week on the Thinking Faith Catholic Podcast, Deacon Eric and Dr. Brett begin a multi-part series for Catholic Education Month starting with Dr. Denise Donohue of the Cardinal Newman Society and a look at ways to infuse our Catholic Faith throughout the curriculum.

Show Snippet: "David Clayton wrote this book, it's called "The Way of Beauty," and he does two or three chapters just on proportion, and symmetry, and harmony...that's a very Catholic perspective."

Find out more about the Cardinal Newman Society Curriculum Standards:

https://newmansociety.org/educator-resources/resources/ academics/catholic-curriculum-standards/

#### Life is a Gift Webinar

The Reverence for Life Commission is hosting a panel discussion entitled "Life is a Gift" on Wednesday, May 19th, at 7:00 PM CST. Our speakers include Mary Deutscher-Heilman from the Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan (CHAS); Sister Avelina Joseph, Sisters of Life; Jose Argerami, Jenna Daly, and Sharon Martorana from Birthright; and Scott Hayward from Right Now. Our presenters will seek to reaffirm the value of human life, its sacredness and call us to respect, protect, heal, love, and serve every human life (c.f. EV. 5). There will be an opportunity for questions from the audience. For more information or to register, please email:

mgurash@archregina.sk.c

#### **REVERENCE FOR LIFE EVENTS:**

May 5<sup>th</sup>: Watch Archbishop Don's weekly message, and share with others!
May 7<sup>th</sup>: Pray the Rosary with Archbishop Don and members of the Archdiocese, then stay for Adoration, Livestreamed on Facebook
May 19<sup>th</sup>: Join us for our Webinar: Life is a Gift! To register email mgurash@archregina.sk.ca
June 6<sup>th</sup>: Mass of Remembrance for those who have lost a child, 2:00pm Livestreamed on the Archdiocesan YouTube Channel
Daily: Please pray the Reverence for Life Prayer. Prayer cards can be downloaded on our websitet https://archregina.sk.ca/reverence-life

#### **Reverence for Life Prayer:**

O Mary, to you do we entrust the cause of life.

Look down O Mother upon the vast number of babies not allowed to be born, on the poor whose lives are made difficult.

On those who are victims of brutal violence, on the elderly and sick killed by indifference or misguided mercy.

We ask for the grace to accept Gospel of Life as a gift ever new, and the courage to bear witness to it.

To the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen!

#### **Birthright Regina**

At Birthright, we celebrate Motherhood every day! We want to spread some hope and joy to everyone by sharing some messages from our clients in 2020:

"Thank you again for all the work and hours you put into helping me. Birthright has helped me so much... It's crazy. So thankful." "Birthright helped me when I was pregnant and after. I was going through a hard time with my pregnancy, and they helped me and followed up. They truly care, and I am a better mother because of their help!"

"I needed help before and after my baby, I was struggling with becoming a mom, keeping a budget, and my studies. They helped me again and again, even looking after my baby during my exams! I'm very grateful."

"I was very anxious about my pregnancy and considering an abortion. I found the encouragement that I needed to keep going and I also know where to turn if I'm struggling again."

"Thank you for baby package and all extra help to our family. Special thanks for rocking chair, which you did extra for us. Once I am done, I will make sure to return it to you so other family also can use. Thank you very much from me and my family!!"

During 2020, we managed to make our services available, providing free and confidential support and practical help to women who found themselves alone when pregnant. First time parents, students, newcomer parents: all affected by the pandemic in different ways. We can only do all this work through your continued support, and we do it on behalf of each one of you. There is always need for more volunteers, financial support, maternity and baby clothing, diapers, and baby items. Please visit our website - <u>https://birthright.org/regina/</u> to find more information or to donate, or call/text our office at <u>639-999-9429</u>. Birthright represents everyone who believes that "It is the right of every woman to give birth, and the right of every child to be born." Happy Mother's Day 2021! - Birthright Regina Team

#### Saskatchewan March For Life

Saskatchewan March For Life in Regina on Saturday May 8th, 2021 from 2 pm - 3:30 pm. Meet up at Albert St. and Leopold Cres., as we witness to life and support the National March for Life. This event will be similar to the 2020 Life Chain and we will maintain protocols and distance along Albert St. in Silent Witness.

#### Multi-Faith Saskatchewan - Annual General Meeting, May 3

Join the MF-Sask board members and others interested in promoting interreligious relations in Saskatchewan. 3pm, Sunday May 30 by Zoom. Contact Nick Jesson at: jesson@archregina.sk.ca for Zoom details.

#### **Pray: The Story of Patrick Peyton**

The movie Pray: The Story of Patrick Peyton will be shown at St. Cecilia Church, 5020 7th Avenue, Friday evenings (7 pm), and Sunday afternoons (2 pm) throughout the month of May. There will be a free-will offering. The film portrays the true story of the man behind the

famous phrase, "The Family That Prays Together Stays Together." He became a priest on a mission to promote the Rosary and all family prayer whether through mass media in Hollywood or with huge Rosary rallies around the world. This film will amaze and inspire you! Watch the trailer - <u>https://www.praythefilm.com/</u>

Signing up in advance is required. Covid protocols will be observed. Use one of these ways to sign-up with <u>Carol</u> <u>Anne: Text 306-529-4173. Email cabland-</u> graf@gmail.com

## The Archdiocese of Regina Lay Formation Program

Forming Catholic leaders for service and evangelization. "Learning about apologetics has been a highlight for me because it involves the defense of the faith. When it is done in a kind and gentle way, conversations with all sorts of people open up." - Dean Vey, Resurrection Parish, Regina.

One weekend a month from October to June, Catholics just like you are gathering in Regina to receive the tools and the guidance they need to speak confidently about the church, their faith, and Jesus Christ in their homes, parishes and the world. Why not make their story, your story? We are currently accepting applications for our Fall intake. For more information on how to register or our COVID-19 health and safety protocols, please contact our Program Coordinator, Deacon Eric Gurash at <u>306-352-1651 ext 211</u> or email him at <u>egurash@archregina.sk.ca</u>



Sunday, May 9 at 7:00 Mother's Day Special youtube.com/ArchdioceseRegina