

RESURRECTION ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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December 22, 2019
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Welcome

March 22, 2020 - 4th Sunday of Lent

*"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart."
(1 Samuel 16:7)*

How often do we invest our time, talent, and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car, and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent, and treasure here on earth.



Fourth SUNDAY IN LENT



Let's Read the Bible Together

Today's Readings

1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13
Psalm 23.1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Ephesians 5.8-14
John 9.1-41

INFORMATION

RECONCILIATION

Offered prior to all Mass times or by appointment by calling the Priest

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office to arrange for anointing for someone who is seriously ill, preparing for surgery or home-bound. We can visit upon request

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Priest to make arrangements *at least nine months in advance*

SACRAMENTS

- Baptism
- Confirmation/First Eucharist (Grade 2+)
- First Reconciliation (Grade 4+)
- Rite Of Christian Initiation For Adults
- Rite Of Christian Initiation For Children

Contact: sacraments@resurrectionparish.ca

FUNERALS

Our staff are able to assist you during this difficult time. Once you have contacted the funeral home, please call the Parish Office to plan the funeral Mass and other arrangements

PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration forms are available on the Resurrection website, at the parish office or at the Welcome Desk. Please notify the Parish Office of any address changes.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS

Hospital 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.

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



Resurrection Parish

MASSTIMES

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Pastoral Team

Father Rick Krofchek (306-352-0988)

Deacon Joe Lang - Seminarian Chris Lindenbach



Resurrection Parish Covid-19 Update – March 19, 2020

Until further notice, in order to stop the spread of the Covid-19 Virus, all Masses, events, and liturgies have been cancelled. **Archbishop Bolen has removed your obligation to attend Sunday Mass.** *(Please see the attached letter from Archbishop Don)*

Daily and weekly Masses will be recorded and available for viewing daily at 7:00 a.m. Recordings will be stored and can be viewed at any time. Please see the link on our website.

Effective Monday March 23, the parish office will be closed, however, phone calls and emails will be answered.

Please watch for continued updates via our FlockNote service, on our Website and via social media (FaceBook & Instagram).

May God Bless you all!



Join the Resurrection Parish FlockNote system
Text ourparishonline to 514-900-0130

Help needed!

We are looking for Good Samaritans who would be willing to run errands, as needed, for those who are ill or quarantined. The efforts would be coordinated through the Archdiocese of Regina Samaritan Project. There would be no contact with people who are quarantined or ill, as all deliveries would be left on the doorsteps.



We need volunteers in all areas of Southern Saskatchewan. It would be required that the volunteers pay for the items up front (to a maximum of \$50), and would be reimbursed when the items are delivered (via cash, cheque, or e-transfer). The Archdiocese of Regina will monitor things closely, to ensure that neither volunteer nor participant are taken advantage of.

The Archdiocese of Regina fully respects our government's request for social distancing at this time. It will be the expectation that the volunteer would do this in the safest and quickest way possible, without compromising their health or the health of others.

If you are willing to serve in this way, please register ASAP at www.regpacks.com/ArchReginaHelps.

Melissa Gurash

Support Staff

Archdiocese of Regina



Development and Peace

The seringueiros: Protectors in Peril

On reserves created by the Brazilian state, the *seringueiros* tap rubber trees and gather nuts and fruits for subsistence. But their lands are now coveted by powerful loggers, hunters, ranchers, soybean farmers, etc. They are facing increasing threats, intimidation and persecution. Despite these hardships, the *seringueiros* prefer remaining in place to tend their beloved forest.

Development and Peace's partner, the Pastoral Land Commission (CPT), supports the *seringueiros* by documenting violations of their rights and by helping them legally contest the seizure of their lands.

"Those who want to help us should immediately come to see what is happening here so that we may keep the forest standing." – Ederson Chaves Dias, *seringueiro*, Angelim Reserve, Machadinho d'Oeste

RCIACORNER



**Check the insert in today's bulletin and hear more reflections
from the Elect and Candidates**

To date, what has been the highlight of your Journey?

Questions? Contact: rcia@resurrectionparish.ca or Danica Love @ (306)789-7628

There are some great Lenten resources available on formed.org.



Bishop Robert Barron is an author, speaker, theologian, and founder of **Word on Fire**, a global media ministry. Word on Fire reaches millions of people by utilizing the tools of new media to draw people into or back to the Catholic Faith. Bishop Barron's website, WordOnFire.org, reaches millions of people each year, and he is one of the world's most followed Catholics on social media.



Last year 118 people celebrated Confirmation/First Eucharist at Resurrection Parish!



To sign up to receive the Word on Fire resources via the Resurrection Parish FlockNote service text **"WordOnFire"** to **514-900-0130** or use the form located on our web-site.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Resurrection Parish is seeking a part-time Finance & HR Manager. If you have experience in accounting (or are an accountant) and are interested in human resource management in a supportive workplace, we encourage you to email us your application or to drop it off in the mailbox outside the Parish Office.

Closing Date is April 17.

OUR PARISH HAS AN ACTIVE PRAYER MINISTRY. IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS IN NEED OF PRAYER, OR IF YOU WISH TO JOIN THE PRAYER MINISTRY PLEASE CONTACT NANCY BARKS 306-789-7196

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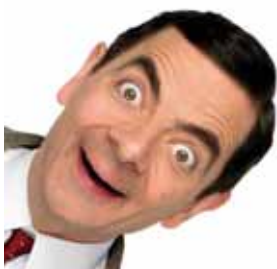
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March 18, 2020

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ of the Archdiocese of Regina,

Grace and peace to you in our Lord Jesus Christ.

In this challenging time, it is as important as ever for the Church to be close to the People of God, and I want to assure you of my spiritual closeness as we face the threat of the COVID-19 pandemic in our community. Please know of my prayers and pastoral concern.

At this time, the Church must weigh what appear to be competing values, the health and safety of our broader civic community, especially of the most vulnerable; saving lives; and the immense spiritual value of access to the liturgy of the Church and the sacraments. We are blessed by our longstanding spiritual tradition that the grace of the sacraments is available outside the sacraments themselves, in particular through an act of spiritual communion.

After careful and serious discernment – in light of directives from all levels of government (including a provincial declaration of a state of emergency and the closure of our schools), consultations with Catholic and secular healthcare representatives, the Council of Priests, and with reference to the decisions of other dioceses – we recognize the serious threat to public health that large gatherings create at this time. This is a matter of protecting the vulnerable who might be exposed to the virus at such gatherings. It is also about slowing the spread of this disease and mitigating the burden on our healthcare system. Having witnessed the situation in Italy, we dare not contribute to an overwhelmed system in which the vulnerable are unable to access the care they need.

In light of this, and in this time of Lent where we join our sacrifices to Christ's in a special way, I am calling on our pastors and the faithful of the Archdiocese to offer what may be the most profound spiritual sacrifice of our generation. As of Friday, March 20, 2020, the following measures are to be enacted throughout the Archdiocese:

- 1. Sunday and Weekday Masses are hereby suspended until further notice. We will be constantly monitoring the situation and issuing updates accordingly.**

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.

Recognizing that the celebration of the Eucharist lies at the very heart of our spiritual lives, a roster of clergy, including myself, will celebrate daily and Sunday Masses from Resurrection Parish in Regina to be livestreamed available at the following link: <https://livestream.com/accounts/17094656>.

- 2. I will preside at the Chrism Mass scheduled for Monday, March 30, 2020, joined by the Deans. Oils will be distributed by the Deans to their deaneries. While this celebration will be closed to the public, it will be livestreamed. Information about the livestream will be disseminated through our website, email**

lists, and social media channels.

3. Baptisms, funerals, and weddings should be strictly limited in size, with immediate family only. Larger celebrations should take place at a later date when all restrictions have been lifted. Discernment should take place in consultation with families and their pastor, keeping in mind all government limitations on group size, travel restrictions, and health criteria surrounding social distancing and at-risk groups. For funerals, a graveside service with a memorial Mass at a later date is encouraged. Pastors are encouraged to arrange for **private confessions** ensuring all health and safety guidelines are followed.
4. Only essential gatherings (e.g., of Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils) are to take place. These must adhere to all government restrictions and health guidelines. Holding such meetings electronically should be strongly considered.
5. Information regarding Holy Week celebrations, sacramental preparation, First Communions and Confirmations, Initiation for Adults, ministry to the sick, and considerations for the ongoing financial needs of parishes will be forthcoming. Please refer to our special COVID-19 page on our website: <https://archregina.sk.ca/content/covid-19-updates>.
6. Recognizing the great importance for our Church to continue to foster and support the spiritual lives of the faithful, at the discretion of the pastor or administrator Churches may remain open to the public for private prayer and devotion. A separate communication will contain important considerations for doing this as safely as possible.
7. Community Care: The Archdiocese is organizing a comprehensive "Good Samaritan" care program to coordinate outreach efforts to those who may lack the necessary social supports to effectively meet their spiritual and material needs at this time. If you are interested in volunteering for this important initiative, please contact outreach@archregina.sk.ca.

As we have all watched this pandemic develop and spread, I have been asking myself, and continually take to prayer, the question, "How am I being called to serve and be close to the people of God at this time?" I conclude this letter by asking that every pastor and administrator in our Archdiocese take time to pray and dialogue with lay leadership about how they can most meaningfully and helpfully reach out to their people and provide for their spiritual needs through this crisis. And I encourage every member of the faithful in our Archdiocese to prayerfully consider how they are being called to reach out to one another and to those in need, keeping in mind all relevant health directives.

The Lord is never absent from us. We are called, not only in times of joy and celebration, but in times of trial and sorrow, to live faithfully, meaningfully, and compassionately. Even as we follow the most prudent health directives and honour our Christian duty to protect the vulnerable, we are called to be present to and with one another, if not physically, then spiritually. May we join together in prayer and service this Lent so as to open ourselves to God's grace, that the God who raised Jesus from the dead may also use this experience of suffering to show us a glimpse of the resurrection.

Yours in Christ,



✠ Donald J. Bolen
Archbishop of Regina

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Meet the Candidates and Elect

Tracey Mitchell

Since starting my journey I have noticed personally a more open frame of mind and thankfulness. The highlight has been the knowledge that I have obtained and the friendships made. I am most looking forward to becoming more involved in our parish activities.



Maggee

I have noticed a change in myself as I have learned more about Jesus. My highlight has been getting closer to Jesus and his family. What I'm looking forward to after the Easter vigil is learning more about Jesus and to get closer to him.



Aunika

I have noticed since starting this journey, I attend church more. My highlight of this journey are the classes and what I'm looking most forward to is receiving my first communion.



Tamara Chernenkoff

Since starting my journey, I have grown in my desire to know God's word and spend more time in bible reading and prayer. My highlight has been hearing from people; from the presenters and witnesses, to the candidates and sponsors, and getting insight from Father Rick and Seminarian Chris. I am looking forward to being able to fully partake in Mass.





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