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The Power of Education / *We do not know what we do not know, until it is brought to our attention. There is a great deal we do not know about our indigenous brothers and sisters, their history and culture. I would like to use this space in our bulletin to educate ourselves about what we do not yet know about the first peoples of these lands. Open our minds Lord to learn and to grow.*

The Seven Sacred Teachings

Love (Eagle) The Eagle is able to reach the highest point of all creatures. This teaching recognizes that true love is connected to the Creator. Love that is given to the Creator is expressed through love of self because without the love of self, it is impossible to love others.

Respect (Buffalo) The Buffalo is highly respected by First Nations because it gives its life to and shares every part of its being with the people. It is a reciprocal relationship of respect. It provides the gifts of shelter, clothing and utensils. Native peoples developed a sustainable relationship with the Buffalo, resulting in a relationship that was rooted in utmost respect.

Courage (Bear) The Bear is both gentle and ferocious and teaches us the importance of having the mental and moral strength to overcome fears that may prevent us from living our true spirit as human beings.

Honesty (Sabé) Long ago there was a giant called Sabé who walked among the people to remind them of the importance of being honest to both the laws of the Creator and to one another. Honesty is when we are able to keep the promises

made to the Creator, self and others.

Wisdom (Beaver) The Beaver uses its gifts as a way to survive. If the Beaver did not use his teeth to build his home, they would grow until they were no longer useful to him. The Beaver teaches us that communities are built upon the gifts of each of its members. These gifts, which are given by the Creator, are important and necessary to use when creating communities of health and peace.

Humility (Wolf) To recognize and acknowledge the higher power of the Creator is considered to be truly humble. By expressing deference and/or submission to the Creator, we recognize and accept that all beings are equal. This captures the essence of the spirit of humility. The consideration of others before ourselves is also an expression of humility. The Wolf teaches us all these lessons. He bows his head out of deference in the presence of others and will not take food until it can be shared with the other members of his pack. The Wolf lacks arrogance and has respect for his community, which is the Aboriginal way.

Truth (Turtle) To know the truth is to know and understand and be faithful to all of the original laws as given by the Creator. Grandmother Turtle was present when the Creator made man and gave him the seven sacred laws. It was Grandmother Turtle who ensured that the laws would not be lost or forgotten.

The First People of these lands, never separated themselves from the land or the animals, as something to be conquered. They lived in harmony while we live to subdue creation. Educate us Lord. <https://www.ctctbay.org/about>

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"Gospel takes away our right forever, to discriminate between the deserving and the undeserving poor. When you love people, you see all the good in them, all the Christ in them. But know this, when they call you a saint, it means basically that you are not to be taken seriously." / Dorothy Day

**Sixth Sunday
Of Easter
May 22, 2022**

**Mass Schedule Week of
May 23rd - 29th**

Monday, May 23rd / 9:00AM
+Henk Janssen

Tuesday, May 24th / 12noon
+Joel Snowden

**Wednesday, May 25th /
11:00AM Exposition & Adoration**
12Noon - SI Walter Gry

Thursday, May 26th/ 9:00AM
+Ulrike Licht

Saturday, May 28th /4:00 PM
+Beatrice Smith

Sunday, May 29th / 9:00AM
+Rodney Dubrovskis &
+Halina and Stanislav Franciszkiwiz

Sunday, May 29th / 11:00AM
+Bill Brennan

*Let us join our prayers with those who have died especially **Pia Ray, Matilde Sandoval & Beatrice Smith**, and for those who have asked for our prayers ...*

Jaymie Ward, Peter & Phillip Tomkin, Bianca Laurie de Hernandez, Eleanor Wolfle, Robert Foley, Angela & Stephanie Braithwaite, Ruth Anne Foley, Pam & Don Mackenzie, Joe Hanrath, Bill Weber, Ron & Margaret Smith, John Dunbar, Verna Simioni, Connie Gregory, Sharon Boivin, Terry Jordan, John Schreurs, Barb Ataman, Timothy Pelyk, Irene Downey, Sharron Purdy, Kirsten MacDonald, Fr. Andrew Broda, Doris Lane, Mike Berardi, Marion Majkot, Esther Phillips, Wendy Turner, Joan Ranson, Peter Poustie, Merle Jordan, Evan Maroney & Sheila Bruce



“Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit. Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world seems upset.”
St. Francis de Sales

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give as the world gives ... (John 14.27) / Does not such a statement beg the question, what type of peace did and does God offer us? Very few of us actually enjoy conflict, in fact most of us avoid it at all cost. We tell ourselves and others, that what we desire more than anything else is peace. To some degree, peace is elusive, not because it is impossible to bring about, but because there is no single understanding of what peace is ... or is there?

There is a saying, and it has been attributed to many people, that peace is not merely the absence of war. But there is one variation on this phrase that I particularly like. Martin Luther King Jr once said, “Peace is not simply the absence of conflict, but the existence of justice for everyone.” There have been more powerful entities/countries determining for the vanquished the terms of peace, which only proved to be seeds for a future crisis. Power over another is never peace, but is the domination, oppression and silencing of their spirit and wellbeing. One might note, that it is always at the acceptable cost of deforming their own humanity in the process. The first to be oppressed is always the oppressor. The key as King pointed out is that this justice is for everyone and this was at the core of Jesus’ teachings and examples.

Jesus did not lift up one person at the expense of another but taught that for peace to come about, everyone, the oppressed and the oppressor, must both be prepared for a new way of being. It is never a matter of one having to adopt the others point of view - the oppressed falling under the yoke of the oppressor. Rather, both must be prepared to allow their personal mindsets and emotional entanglements that are meant to defend their personal way of living, to be challenged and if need be, let them go. This is but the first step towards peace; without it, peace and justice will never be realized. When Jesus said that he did not give as the world gives, he was quite possibly saying that his peace is totally unlike anything we are presently experiencing or imagining. His words and example are a stark and striking challenge to us, not necessarily in the grand scale of things, but in our day to day living. Peace begins with one person at a time. pah

Parish Group Meetings / Events

Choir Practice: Wednesdays / 6PM / Church
K. of C. Meeting Thursday, May 26th, 7PM - Parish Hall
Knights of Columbus Breakfast Sunday, June 5th, following 9AM Mass / Parish Hall

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Parish Pastoral News

Altar Servers / St. Mary of the Assumption is welcoming back altar servers. If you have received your First Holy Communion and would like to participate in the Mass in an even more active way, then consider becoming an altar server. Training will be provided. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Sirek at 705-571-1681 or elizabeth.sirek@gmail.com.

Confirmation Mass / A number of children in our parish received the Sacrament of Confirmation this past Saturday, May 14th, conferred by Bishop Daniel Miehm. I wish to thank Rosie Vandenberg for providing music for the mass. The Knights of Columbus and CWL graciously provided gifts for the children to assist them in their prayer lives. I also wish to thank the teachers of St. Mary’s who so tirelessly helped to prepare the children for the Sacrament, especially Victoria Baumgart, and to Annette Downey, who provided the Catechesis, here in the parish. I appreciate the assistance that our Sacristan, Laila, and two altar servers, Jacob and Sebastian provided at the mass. I wish to thank the parents who have given an example of faith to their children. Their example and loving support is crucial to their continued faith development. And finally, to the children who prepared themselves to receive the sacrament and who so graciously participated in the mass itself. May we all continue to pray for their good and wellbeing as they continue to discern what it means to be a Christian in the world as they mature. Peace and thank you.

Breakfastpalooza!! / The Knights of Columbus are hosting on **Sunday June 5th**, following the 9AM mass, an amazing spread for breakfast: **Bacon, Sausage, Eggs, Pancakes and Syrup, Toast, Coffee/Tea and Juice.** All are welcome. By Donations! Sign up at entrance of Church.

Next Weekend Ministry Schedule - May 28/29, 2022			
	4:00PM Mass	9:00AM Mass	11:00AM Mass
Readers	Jim Waters	Helen Hebb	Mary Jane Zimmerman
EMC	Margaret MacDonald	Diane Phillips	
Ushers	Victoria Baumgart Ben Boivin Walter Gry Diana Snowden	Natasha Aben Mike Pearson Judith Gottschalk Walter Gry	Hugh Knox Bob Lacroix Linda Lacroix
Counters	Tuesday May 31st	Sandra Cochrane &	Wanda Roberts

Sunday May 22, 2022

Hot Lunch / We would like to thank everyone for supporting the hot lunch program. Through your generosity, and that of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, we were able to provide this season, 540 vouchers for lunches. Again, thank you!

St. Vincent de Paul Request / We are immensely grateful for your continuing support of this ministry. The Monthly Food Drive was again a huge success. Through your generosity, **we collected 440lbs. of food.** We are also in need of more volunteers to help us out. If you are at all interested please contact either Al Cormier or Mike O’Mara, in person or call 705-789-0008. Thank you!

Parish Nurse News / The Thursday Clinic is available for walk in sessions. Drop by and get your BP checked, your medication reviewed or just to chat. I am available after Mass every Thursday for as long as it takes. I have also started visiting those who are housebound or have recently been hospitalized. If you know of someone who would like a Nursing visit, please let me know / *Marguerite Goodfellow, RN Parish Nurse*

Children’s Liturgy / As we come out of COVID time, we are seeing new faces in our parish. It would be great to get our Children’s Teaching Time going again, but this requires your help. Anyone interested in helping, please contact Rosi through her email. It is a great way to pass on your faith to these little ones. Thank you.

Readers and Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion / Perhaps you might wish to consider one of these ministries, especially if you are not presently involved or you are new to the parish. If Interested, please contact the office (see cover of bulletin) or speak with Fr. Paul directly.

“Do your little bit of good where you are; it’s those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.” / *Bishop Desmond Tutu*
“When we are dreaming alone it is only a dream. When we are dreaming with others, it is the beginning of reality” / *Dom Helder Camara*

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