

Sacred Heart CHURCH OF THE FIRST PEOPLES

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February 25, 2018
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REQUEST FOR PRAYERS FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING:

Tamara Ward passed away February 4, 2018. Silda Bettcher passed away February 4, 2018. **BAPTISMS:** February 17, 2018: Merken Semera.

2nd Sunday of Lent

God of wilderness and water,
your Son was baptized and tempted as we are.
Guide us through this season,
that we may not avoid struggle,
but open ourselves to blessing,
through the cleansing depths of repentance
and the heaven-rending words of the Spirit. Amen.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Mornings at 8:30 a.m.
Sunday at 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Sunday at 4:00 p.m. the Eritrea Mass
Weekday Masses
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 9 a.m.
Friday at 7 p.m.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Sacred Heart CHURCH OF THE FIRST PEOPLES is having its next Baptismal Class on Thursday, March 15 (a rescheduled date), 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the church. Call 780-422-3052 to register.



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WORLD YOUTH DAY JANUARY, 2019

THEME: "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word. (Lk 1:38)

AGE: 18 to 35 years.

DATES: January 17-21, 2019: Days in the Diocese (Costa Rica, Nicaragua, & Panama)

January 22-27, 2019: World Youth Days Panama

ESTIMATED COSTS: Flights (\$800-\$1100) parish coordinates. Days in Diocese (\$100), World Youth Days

(\$300-\$400), WYD Jerseys (\$23) Registration (\$40).

Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples would like to participate if the interest is here. Some form of fund raising may be done to assist participants. Please call the office if interested.

- 1. **Baptism:** Everyone wishing to have their child Baptized are asked to attend one Baptism Preparation Class. These classes are offered on the second Thursday of each month and take place in the church at 6:00 p.m. Please register by calling the office. Adults wishing to be baptized are asked to call the office to register separately.
- 2. <u>First Communion:</u> We will begin providing classes for children ages 6 to 12 years who wish to receive their First Communion. The next classes will be held on March 3 & 10, 2018 at 7 p.m. in the Church. Future dates will be announced in the Sunday Bulletin. To assist us with planning the classes we would ask that you call to register if you would like to have your children receive the sacrament anytime over the next 6 months or so. Thank you for your cooperation.
- **3.** <u>Marriage:</u> Due to preparation and paper work, please make every effort to register for marriage at <u>least</u> 3 months ahead of the date.

Outreach Ministries Available at Sacred Heart CHURCH OF THE FIRST PEOPLES

- 1. **Communion for Housebound Parishioners**: Housebound parishioners of Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples who might wish to receive Holy Communion on Sundays can register by calling the office at 780-422-3052. Please be sure to provide your complete address. Trained Eucharistic Ministers are available to offer the service.
- 2. **Spiritual Assistance and Direction**: Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie, OMI and Lucie Leduc (Director at Star of the North) will be available by appointment at Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples to provide spiritual assistance. Please call the office to book an appointment (780-422-3052). This is a free service.
- **3. Grief Counselling:** Grief counselling is available to anyone who is dealing with the death of a loved one. This service is for all parishioners of Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples and is offered by Fr. Susai Jesu, OMI and Helen Gledhow, CGSC, CSIC. Please call the office to make an appointment (780-422-3052).
- **4. House Blessings:** Call the office if you wish to have a House Blessing.

SACRED HEART WEBPAGE (www.sacredpeoples.com)

Our webpage has been updated and as time goes on new information will be added on a regular basis. You will be able to access our weekly Bulletin and Calendar. We also have our new facebook page, which lists all our current parish activities that you can link to from this website.

Please visit our site to keep current.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

A Bible Study Group has begun at Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples. The <u>next session</u> is on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February 27</u>, from 7 to 8 p.m. It is held in the church rectory and will run every other Tuesday. The dates will be on the monthly calendar. Everyone is welcome. We will be reflecting on one parable each week. The "Parable of the Two Sons" will be the one we reflect on during the February 27th session.

Parable of the Two Sons (Matthew 21.28-32)

What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father? They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe in him.

ST. PAUL PRAYER GROUP

A St. Paul Prayer Group has also started and is held in the rectory on alternate Tuesday's (alternate to the Bible Study Sessions). The next St. Paul Prayer Group session will be on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 from 7 to 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

MOVIE NIGHT

Every last Thursday of the month Sacred Heart Church will be having a Movie Night in the church basement. The first one was will held on February 22, 2018, the movie was "God is Not Dead". The March movie will be announced in next weeks bulletin. There will be snacks and soft drinks. Everyone is welcome!

SACRED ART OF LIVING AND DYING

Providence Renewal Centre is pleased to collaborate with the Sacred Art of Living Centre in offering a two-day workshop "Understanding Spiritual Pain" on Friday, April 6 and Saturday, April 7, 2018, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Focusing on forgiveness, relatedness, meaning and hope, the workshop addresses how or facing spiritual pain or 'leaning into' it has a profound impact on our lives and the lives of those receiving and giving care. Participants will learn a total pain management model that helps reduce anxiety and improve quality of living. Cost \$475.00 (includes manual, lunch and follow-up group support). Discount of \$100.00 for groups of 5+. For more information or to register, go online www.providencerenewal.ca or phone 780-701-1854.

RETROUVAILLE - HELP FOR STRUGGLING MARRIAGES

Retrouvaille is a program designed to help and renew marriages at any stage. The emphasis of the program is on a new technique of communication between a husband and wife.

The next Edmonton Retrouvaille Program starts March 16 – 18, 2018.

For more information or to register call 587-598-4357 or: www.HelpOurMarriage.ca

2018 ART IN THE CITY SERIES

7 FREE Art Sessions with Willie Wong

Theme: Discovering the teachings of the Medicine Wheel and the heartbeat of Mother Nature.

Place: Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples church basement (10821-96 Street)
Dates: February 10, 24. March 3, 17. April 7, 14, 21, 2018.

Time: 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Lunch served, supplies provided and no experience required

Matt Talbot Prayer Group

The Matt Talbot Prayer Group meets once a month on Saturday mornings at Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples after the 8:30 a.m. mass. The group is inspired by the life of Venerable Matt Talbot (1856-1925), also known as "the worker's saint" and patron of people who suffer from alcoholism. Ven. Matt Talbot encourages all of us by his moving example of personal conversion, triumph over addiction, dedication to duty, care for family, and life of constant prayer. The prayer gathering for March will be announced later.

SUNDAY READINGS: 3rd Sunday of Lent – March 04, 2018

First Reading: (Exodus 20.1-17)

God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a Jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work – you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed Sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Second Reading: (1 Corinthians 1.18, 22-25)

Brothers and sisters: The message about the Cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

For Jews demands signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of Good and the wisdom of God.

For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel: (John 2, 13-25)

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!"

His disciples rembered that itt was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up," They then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But Jesus was speaking of the temple of his body.

After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

When he was in Jerusalem during the Passover festival, many believed in his name because they saw the signs that he wa doing. But Jesus on his part would not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people and needed no one to testify about human nature, for he himself knew what was within the human person.

We are delighted to announce the new members of our Pastoral Parish Council, Finance Committee and various other ministries. Our new members have a wide range of backgrounds and skills to work together as Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples. Please join us in welcoming them all.

Pastoral Parish Council

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