



Sacred Heart CHURCH OF THE FIRST PEOPLES

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December 2, 2018

PAWACAKINPISIM (Blizzard Moon)

1st Sunday of Advent Prayer

**Great Giver of all that is,
show us how much we have received
through your abundant generosity.
Satisfy our restless hearts
with the assurance of your love for us,
that we will grow to desire your potter's hands
shaping and molding us.
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.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULES

CHRISTMAS EVE

Monday, December 24, 2018

8:00 p.m.

10:00 p.m.

12 Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY

Tuesday, December 25, 2018

10:00 a.m. **only**

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

10:00 a.m. **only**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Anyone interested in joining the Knights of Columbus please contact Fernie Marty at 780-655-7135 or you can see him at the 11:30 mass on Sundays.

WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION: Sunday Collection for November 25, 2018: \$2491.40



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BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptism Preparation Class is on Thursday, December 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Church. Please register by calling the office at 780-422-3052

CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION

For those who have taken the Confirmation classes, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, January 5, 2019 with Archbishop Richard Smith.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The next **session is on Tuesday, December 11 from 7 to 8 p.m.** It is held in the St. Eugene Boardroom. Everyone is welcome. We will be reflecting on one passage from the bible each week. For the December 11th session we will discuss "Concerning Adultery" (Matthew 5: 27-30).

Concerning Adultery (Matthew 5: 27-30)

'You have heard that it was said, "You shall not commit adultery." But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

ST. PAUL PRAYER GROUP

The next St. Paul Prayer Group session will be on **Tuesday, December 4, 2018 from 7 to 8 p.m.** The St. Paul Prayer Group is held in the St. Eugene Boardroom on alternate Tuesday's (alternate to the Bible Study Sessions). Everyone is welcome.

CHILDRENS PROGRAM

Children from the ages of 6 years old and 12 years old are invited to attend the Children's Program every Sunday during the 11:30 a.m. Mass. A team of four people have agreed to take on this endeavor. They are: Candida Shepherd, Hilarie Fortune, Brother Eugene and Florence Large. The Children's Program will take place in the St. Eugene Boardroom until such time an appropriate space can be used in the basement. They will be escorted at 11:30 AM to the session and will return to the Mass before the Eucharist. Bring your child/children to the entrance area before Mass starts. A schedule of topics and activities will be made available to the parents upon registering your child.

ALTAR SERVER WORKSHOP

We are looking for youth between ages 10 – 18 to join our Altar Server ministry. This is one of the most important Ministries of the church and is a wonderful way for our youth to give service to our parish and to learn more about the meaning of the mass! Any young people wishing to join please contact the office (780-422-3052) to register your child.

GARAGE SALE

Thank you for everyone's generous support of our Garage Sales over the past year. We will continue with sales in the new year but due to all our Christmas activities we will not be able to accept donations until after January 8, 2019. Thank you!!

Filipino Simbang Gabi Mass 2018

The Filipino group of our parish will be celebrating a special mass called Simbang Gabi which is a traditional mass of devotion to prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas time. The Simbang Gabi 2018 mass will be held on **Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples.** All are welcome to join us at the mass. Fellowship with Filipino snacks and hot beverages to follow in St. Kateri Hall.

Pilgrimage for Youth of Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples

Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples is organizing a nine day youth pilgrimage to Italy in July of 2019. We would love to have all our youth in this parish to come and take a look at this great opportunity! We will be holding fundraising events to help cover the cost of the trip. Our first meeting will be held on December 12th, 2018 in the St. Eugene boardroom (Parish office) at 6 p.m. This will be an amazing journey to see Rome, the Vatican, Assisi, and much much more! There are information packages at the back of the church. All youth from Sacred Heart Church are welcome!! Please call the Parish office (780-422-3052) for further information.

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 **next prayer meeting is on Saturday, December 8, 2018** from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. after the 8:30 a.m. mass. Reflection is on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Please call the office (780-422-3052) to register your child. (Ages 0 – 16)

DATE: Saturday, December 8, 2018

TIME: 11 a.m to 5 p.m.

Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples

St. Kateri Hall

10821 – 96 Street

DONATIONS:

Donations for the Children's Christmas Party:

- Unwrapped gifts for children age 0 to 16 years.
- Money donations: gifts for the children will be purchased with the money donated.
- Contact the office (780-422-3052) if you are looking for ideas of what to purchase.

VOLUNTEERS:

- Gift sorting
- Hall decorations and setting up
- Party registrations (assisting on phones in the rectory to register children)

****Note: Only children in attendance will receive a gift.**

FOOD HAMPERS

Please call the office (780-422-3052) to register for a hamper.

Pick up of Hampers is available for those who can all day on Friday, December 14, 2018 (This helps us)

Deliveries: Saturday, December 15, 2018

DONATIONS:

- Non-perishable food items (please contact the office for a list of recommended items)
- Turkeys (fresh or frozen as we have freezers)
- Money donations: (Items for the food hampers will be purchased with the money donated)

VOLUNTEERS:

- Sorting food
- Organizing hampers
- Hamper registrations (assisting on phones in the rectory to register for hampers)
- Drivers for delivery on December 15th

We would like to ask Sacred Heart Parishioners for your support for these two Christmas events. We are looking for donations and volunteers for this much needed ministry!



SUNDAY READINGS: 2nd Sunday of Advent - December 9, 2018

First Reading: (Baruch 5.1-9)

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction,

O Jerusalem,

And put on forever the beauty of the glory from God; put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; Put on your head the diadem of the glory of the everlasting; for God will show your splendour everywhere under heaven.

For God will give you evermore the name,

“Righteous Peace, Godly Glory.”

Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height;

Look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east At the word of the holy one, rejoicing that God has remembered them.

For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne.

For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God.

The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God’s command.

For God will lead Israel with Joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Second Reading: (Philippians 1.3-6, 8-11)

Brothers and sisters, I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the Gospel from the first day until now.

I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.

For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Gospel: (Luke 3.1-6)

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priest-hood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the Prophet Isaiah, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”



SUNDAY READINGS: 3rd Sunday of Advent – December 16, 2018