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EASTER VIGIL

VEILLÉE PASCALE

March - 30 - mars 2013



Why do you search for the Living One among the dead?

On this night, the history of salvation is laid out before us as is a great feast. Our numerous Scripture readings weave the story of God's plan of salvation for us beginning with the book of Genesis. Through the word of God, the Church, in her wisdom, draws us into God's saving action that, since the dawn of creation, has been freely given to each of us.



EASTER SUNDAY

JOUR DE PÂQUES

March - 31 - mars 2013



Take the amazement of Easter into your heart and believe.

He saw and he believed. They have done the running for us. These witnesses who followed Christ, rose before dawn, felt fear at the tomb, ran to get others, ran back, and probably breathless, peered in and then walked into the tomb. It is not what they saw, but what they did not see that gave them great hope; that makes this day glorious for us.

SERVICE OF LIGHT



We gather in darkness to wait, in vigil, during the night watch of the Resurrection. The great Easter fire is ignited for us, revealing the radiant light of Christ who comes into the world to dispel the darkness of sin. The light of Christ is a sign of our Easter joy. Keep it with you always for all of the world to see.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

1) Genesis 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a

By the very word of God all that exists in the universe was created out of nothing. From the abyss came light and earth and all living creatures. God saw that it was good.

2) Genesis 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

God put Abraham to a test, asking him to sacrifice his son, Isaac. Abraham's faith remained strong. God promised abundant blessings to his obedient servant.



3) Exodus 14:15—15:1

Through the parted waters of the Red Sea the Israelites went forward at the command of Moses. God destroyed the Egyptians as the waters closed upon them.

4) Isaiah 54:5-14

The covenant between God and his people is based on justice and it brings us peace. The Lord took pity on the Israelites and assured them of his enduring love.

7) Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28

Our merciful God will gather his people from among the nations. He will give us new hearts and place a new spirit with us.

New Testament Readings:

8) Romans 6:3-11

9) Luke 24:1-12

Baptized into Christ, we have died to sin and live with him in the resurrection to eternal life. This is God's saving action that has been freely given to us and which we renew on this holy night. The holy women who approached the tomb in fear rejoiced at the words of the angel: *He has been raised from the dead.*

LITURGY OF BAPTISM

The Easter water is blessed by the priest as the Paschal Candle is lowered into it. This water will flow over those being baptized and will be sprinkled over all the people. Together we each renew the promises made at the time of our own baptism.



The Easter Candle

The first sound of the Easter season is the crackling of new fire. Even before the presider greets the people, the Easter flame burns to warm the hearts of believers and to fascinate our eyes, which long to behold the glory of God.



The Easter candle that leads the procession into the church at the Easter Vigil becomes a dominant symbol for the season. Tall, bright, decorative, stately, it creates the first light for the faithful and dispels the darkness that belies our sins. The Easter candle first announces the news of the resurrection, followed by the Glory to God, the Alleluia, the Gospel, the homily, and, of course, the Eucharist. All join to make the same proclamation. Christ is risen!

So big is this message that it takes fifty days to celebrate. That Easter candle burns in our churches every day during those seven weeks, proclaiming: Christ is risen, and we too may rise!

The Easter candle appears in our liturgy on two other very significant occasions: baptisms and funerals.

Whenever infants are baptized, we light the Easter candle. The resurrection of Christ foreshadows our own resurrection. Baptism incorporates us into the body of Christ and gives us a share in his resurrection. Whenever the baptismal waters are poured, the Easter candle burns bright. Parents and godparents light a baptismal candle from the Easter candle. They accept the responsibility of keeping the flame of faith alive in the heart of the newly baptized. Parents carry this candle home, where it may shine on baptismal anniversaries to symbolize the first news of the risen Christ.

We also light the Easter candle at funerals. In the midst of our grief, we call upon the symbols that enliven our faith. Several images of baptism reappear at the funeral: the sprinkling with holy water, the placing of a white pall (like a white garment) over the coffin and the lighting of the Easter candle. Christ rose from the dead so that we too might pass from death to life. Every death reminds us of Easter. And every Easter gives us hope that death is not the end, but the passage from darkness to eternal light.

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Exsultet

On special family days you bring out the best stuff - decorations, place settings and clothes that don't get used on other days of the year. We keep some treasures hidden away and bring them out for only the most important occasions. If you miss the celebration for some reason, you won't enjoy the treats it brings for another year.



The Exsultet, or "the Easter proclamation," is one of those special treasures owned by our church family. We bring it out once a year at our most important celebration, the Easter Vigil. If you miss the Vigil, you don't get to enjoy it till next year.

The Exsultet proclaims the meaning of Easter. It was written to be sung by a deacon at the beginning of the Easter Vigil. It comes during the first part of the service, the fire rite. The Vigil begins outdoors where a new fire is blessed and the new Easter candle is lit for the first time. Then the assembly processes into the church, carrying tapers lit from the same fire and proclaiming, "Christ our light! Thanks be to God!"

Once inside, in a church aglow with new light, we hear the meaning of this night in the Exsultet. First the proclamation calls on the angels, the earth and the church to rejoice. "Jesus

Christ, our King, is risen! Sound the trumpet of salvation!” Then it begins to sound like a preface. “It is truly right that with full hearts and minds and voices we should praise the unseen God.”

Finally the Exsultet tells us how special this night is: “This is our passover feast, when Christ, the true Lamb, is slain.” The Easter Vigil celebrates the Christian passover, complete with banquet, freedom from slavery, light from darkness, cleansing from sin, restoration of holiness, and resurrection from death.

No wonder the Exsultet proclaims the sin of Adam to be a “happy fault,” “a necessary sin.” Because of Adam’s fall, we have been restored at Easter through Christ.

The Exsultet may be sung by someone other than the deacon if he lacks the skills to sing or if you lack a deacon. It has a long and short form. The people may sing acclamations along the way. It proclaims the meaning of Easter, so we save it for this, the single most important night of the Christian year.

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Holy Water

Holy water will be flowing freely from every font after the Easter Vigil this year. Most churches keep holy water on hand either in the baptistry or in a separate covered font so the faithful have ready access to it. A priest or deacon may pray the church’s water blessing at any time of year, but the blessing of all blessings happens at the Easter Vigil.



Baptism is the sacrament that opens the door to the others and incorporates us into the Body of Christ. So solemn is the rite, so rich its meaning, that we first bless its water. We pray that the Holy Spirit will vivify the water, making it fit for its holy purpose.

Holy water, quite simply, is leftover baptismal water. We set it by the doors of the church and bring it to our homes because it will remind us of our baptism.

The water we bless at Easter usually doesn’t last the whole year. In the old days, we used to have a second water blessing on Pentecost to boost the supply. Now there are several occasions when we bless water. For example, a water blessing and sprinkling can replace the penitential rite on any Sunday. On those days when the priest walks around sprinkling you with water at the beginning of Mass, he’s not just playing games. He’s making the connection between that Sunday and Easter, days of baptism, faith, and new life.

Other occasions for blessing water include the rite of infant baptism or a prayer service just to bless water as found in the Book of Blessings. The blessing should be a public event, not a private prayer in the sacristy. That way we can all join in the prayer and the renewal of our baptism.

Ideally, the water we bless on Easter will at least last throughout the Easter season. During the Easter season we have alternate prayers for the sprinkling that replace Sunday’s penitential rite, and for the blessing of water at infant baptism. The prayers assume that we’re using water that was already blessed at the Vigil.

Whenever you use holy water, whether walking into church, sprinkling your home, or burying the dead, it will always remind us of what happens this Easter throughout the church, the baptism that makes us members of the household of God.

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Masses For The Week

Day	Time	Mass Intention	Feast
Mar 30 Sat - sam	9:00 pm	For Parishioners	Easter Vigil
Mar 31 Sun - dim	9:00 am	RIP Leon Schlachter (5 th Anniv) – Frank, Ellen & Family	Easter
	11:00 am	RIP Therese Caron - Family	Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord
April 2 Tues - mar	8:30 am	NO MASS	
April 3 Wed - mer	10:00 am	(Lodge) For Laura Kieser on her Birthday - Shirley	
April 4 Thurs - jeu	10:00 am	(Aspen) RIP Alex Montpellier - Family	
April 5 Fri - ven	8:30 am	Mass for RIP Roger Vansevenandt - Family	1 st Friday of the month
	5pm - 7pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
	6:30 pm	Rosary	
	6:45 pm	Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with Chaplet of Divine Mercy	
April 6 Sat - sam	7:00 pm	Special Intention	
	5:00 pm	RIP Marie Vansevenandt – Richard & Family	Divine
April 7 Sun - dim	9:00 am	For Parishioners	Mercy
	11:00 am	All the Deceased members of our Parish	Sunday



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Ben VanDeWalle, Paul Krauskopf, Carol Jean, Kiah Courtney; all those who are sick or struggling; who are going through any medical procedures and treatments; expecting mothers; peace in our families, community and the world. Also, for our new Pope Francis and our Bishop Paul Terrio; for the vocation in our Diocese and for the youth.

First Friday Adoration

On the First Friday of April we will have an Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The church will be open between 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. We invite you to come to spend with Jesus in the Eucharist. There will be Mass in the morning at 8:30 am. In the afternoon, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed **at 5:00 pm**. Around 6:30 we will have a Rosary led by ladies, and at 6:45 we will have devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and benediction. Mass will follow at 7:00pm.





From the Diocese of St. Paul

RE: **Fourth Diocesan Assembly**

It is with great pleasure that we extend this invitation to you.
The Diocese of St. Paul is hosting its fourth Diocesan Assembly:

Saturday May 4, 2013

Registration and coffee 8:30 a.m.

Morning Prayer 9:30

Morning session 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Mass at 11:30 followed by lunch

(for those who wish to make a donation
a collection basket will be available)

Afternoon session 1:30 – 4:30

The theme is

“The Challenges of the New Evangelization”

Father Jonathan Stewart from the Diocese of Plymouth, UK will be our guest speaker.

Overnight accommodations are available at St. Edouard Renewal Centre.

Please register with Yvette at the Pastoral Centre by email yvettenoel@dioceseofstpaul.ca or by fax (780) 645 - 6099. First come first served. There will be no cost for the overnight stay. For those who wish to make a donation, a collection basket will be available.

Lunch will be provided. Advanced registration is required so we can advise the kitchen staff. Register by contacting Yvette at the Pastoral Centre by email yvettenoel@dioceseofstpaul.ca or by fax (780) 645 – 6099.

Register by **April 26, 2013**. Thank You!

Sincerely yours,

+Paul Terrio
Bishop of St. Paul

Louise Lavoie
Coordinator of Pastoral Services

RE: Invitation to the Celebration of the Feast of St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Wednesday, April 17, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.
St. Paul Cathedral

We will begin the evening with a presentation on the life of St. Kateri Tekakwitha and a brief presentation by the Diocesan Chairperson of Development and Peace. A Mass of Thanksgiving for St. Kateri's canonization will follow. We invite all Aboriginal People to wear their Traditional Dress. We will conclude with fellowship in the Larose Hall. Come celebrate our first North American Aboriginal Saint!



SEARCH RETREAT

Sponsored by: Lakeland Catholic Youth Ministry

The Search, invites senior high students in grades 10 – 12 or 15 years and older, to meet new people your own age with similar questions & join in discussions and activities. Create life-long friendships that provide support and encouragement and have a great time laughing & joking.

Date: April 26 - 28, 2013. Place: Assumption Jr. / Sr. High School, Cold Lake South, Alberta.

Registration forms are available at the rectory &/or the foyer of the church. Contact list: Dianne Schappert @ (780) 826-2917, Rebecca Sakowich @ (780) 594-4170, email: Rebecca.sakowich@hotmail.com, Susan Schoenberger @ (780) 826-4684, email: marsus@telusplanet.net



TRIUMPH IN THE CROSS RALLY will be held on Saturday September 14, 2013 in St. Paul, Alberta. This is an all-day event for youth and young adults from ages 15-35 years old. The day will start at Racette School Junior High at 9 am and conclude at the senior citizen centre behind the cathedral. Guest Speakers will be Bishop Paul Terrio and Michael Landry. Join us for a day of activities which will include, The Way of the Cross, Games, Adoration, Music, Mass and a BBQ. Childcare will be available. Families of the youth are welcome to join for the events later in the day. For more information please contact Fr. Andrew Schoenberger @ 780-645-3277 or Louise Lavoie @ 780-645-3277. Registration forms are available at the parish office.



ONEROCK JULY 26,27,28 2013

What is One Rock?

One Rock WYD@Home is a vibrant faith-filled Christian music festival event for young adults and their families. It's a time where we come together, away from the noise of the world, to make a noise for GOD!

Come join various speakers and Christian musical artists for three fantastic days of music, praise & worship, inspirational talks and more. Come and experience it for yourself. This is an event you don't want to miss!

* If you see yourself part of this and are thinking to go for this wonderful experience, please talk to father Ignacy so we can all go together as a group from the Parish. Looking forward to hear from you. If you have any questions, please talk to father or visit: onerock.ca

Camp St. Louis

What is Camp St. Louis?

It is a faith based camp experience that will last a lifetime. It is run by young adults, (Team) with Youth for Christ. During the week the team and campers participate in daily Mass, prayers, celebrating the sacraments, and a better understanding of the Catholic faith. Outdoor activities include sports, singing, swimming, and nightly campfires. The camp can accommodate up to 80 campers including the counselors. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Camp St. Louis hosts kids from ages 8 to 14, and a counselor week.



ALL ABOUT CAMP:

Fun and Games: Camp is loaded with activities such as swimming, hiking, volleyball, Frisbee, soccer, skits, "Capture the Flag," and other exciting games.

Deepen your faith: We celebrate the Mass almost everyday, listen to Talks, reflect on the life Christ, and participate in the sacrament of Reconciliation. We end each day by rejoicing and praising God through singing at Camp fire.

Camp St. Louis Schedule 2013

Camp begins on the Sunday or Monday Night. There is a Mass at 6:00pm, to which all are invited. Registration for the week occurs after mass. There is a closing Mass Friday morning at 10:00am, to which all are invited; pick-up follows at 11:00am.

Team Week > July 1 – 5 (short week)

Counsellor Week > July 7 – 12

Ages 10 - 11 Week > July 14 – 19

Ages 11 - 12 Week > July 21 – 26

Team off Week > July 28 – Aug 2

Ages 8 - 9 Week > Aug 5 – 9 (short week)

Ages 13 - 14 Week > Aug 11 – 16



A Quick Journey Through the Bible

AN 8-PART INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE TIMELINE

* Please note the dates for the next sessions: **April 4th, 11th and 18th.**



We welcome to God's family

Benjamin Elliot & Harrison Eugene Schikosky
sons of Brendan & Christina, baptized on March 24th, 2013



COLLECTIONS – QUÊTES

Restoration 25.00 March 24th \$4178.50
Dev. & Peace \$ 210.00 Holy Land \$20.00
Catholic Missions in Canada \$20.00

THANK YOU! MERCI!

The Parish Office will be closed this week on Tuesday and Wednesday.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dust Angels	- April 1 st , Monday 8:00 am	- Church
Parish Council Meeting	- April 4 th , Thursday 3:40 pm	- Rectory Boardroom
CWL Meeting	- April 4 th , Thursday 6:00 pm	- CWL boardroom Parish Hall
Deep Basket	- April 6 th , & 7 th at all Masses	- Church

Marriage Preparation Session

We are planning to have a Marriage Preparation this spring in Morinville, on April 26,27,28th, 2013 . For more information contact the parish office. Registration forms available at the back.



An Evening for the Altar Servers

There will be an evening for the altar servers on Friday, April 12th at 6:30pm. We will meet at the Rectory Downstairs to have some pizza and “Spiritual Food”, with some games and joyous activities. Please RSVP. You can call Sharon at 780-909-6550 or e-mail servers@sjbpc.ca.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE



Colleen Carroll Campbell

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Colleen Carroll Campbell

Cost: \$65.00

More info: Take a brochure at the back or visit **website:**

www.catholicfamilyministries.com



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK!

“He who does not hope to win,
has already lost.”

